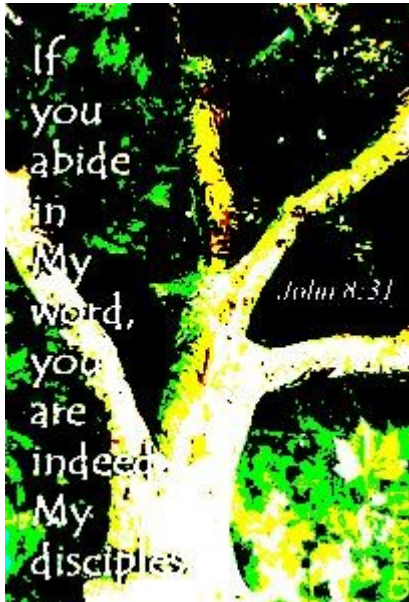


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Adult Devotional:



Today I was shopping for a sympathy card that would aptly express my sentiments toward my friends who lost their spouse, father, grand-father, great-grand-father, uncle..... The card that stood out to me immediately had the lyrics to the song, "Abide with Me", on the front. The perfect elegy for a godly man, this is a song that I pray will be the prayer of all of us who call ourselves

children of God and servants of the Lord, Jesus Christ.

"Abide with Me"

Abide with me: fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me
abide:
When other helpers fail, and comforts
flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me!

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little
day;
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass
away;
Change and decay in all around I see:
O Thou who changes not, abide with
me!

I need Thy presence ev'ry passing
hour:
What but Thy grace can foil the
tempter's pow'r?
Who like Thyself my guide and stay
can be?
Thro' cloud and sunshine, O abide
with me!

Hold Thou Thy cross before my
closing eyes:
Shine thro' the gloom, and point me
to the skies;
Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's
vain shadows flee
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with
me!

-Lyrics by Henry F. Lyte

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Rest well, Mr. Bob Hundebly....until we meet again.

Children's Devotional: Does God Hear?

[Read: Exodus 6: 1-13](#)

Yes indeed, God does hear. We see in this chapter that God was calling Moses to go to Pharaoh to let His people go. He heard the groans of the Israelites. It was now the time to act and deliver them out of the hands of the Egyptians.

More than often, God does not come to our aid straight away. Sometimes He seems to delay in responding. But even though this seems to be happening, it's not that He hasn't heard our prayers, it's just that He is developing in us patience and trust in Him no matter how bad it gets. God will always come through in the end, if we don't give up. But just like the Israelites, when God does come through, we often don't recognize or hear Him speaking to us because of our deep anguish. It took a while for Pharaoh to let God's people go - but he did in the end. We need to be persistent, and not give up. God hears our cries for

help. He hears every prayer we pray. He knows before we say anything what's in our hearts. So keep on praying and know that God is listening.

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In my distress I called to the Lord; I cried to my God for help. From His temple He heard my voice; my cry came before Him, into his ears. - Psalm 18: 6

Lord, help me know you hear
When I pray to you,
Even though you may delay,
You will, one day, come through.

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News from the Local Congregations:

***Representatives of other churches attending Elbow Lutheran Bible Camp are welcome to contribute to this column. We'd love to hear your news! Please see submission deadlines at the end of the newsletter.**

Bethel - Elbow

Prepared by: Ashley Stammes

The Lord is my strength and shield. I trust Him with all my heart. He helps me, and my heart is filled with joy.

Psalm 28:7

The church was busy July 15th weekend as there was a Hundebly reunion. It was reported that a fun time was had by all! The congregation was also blessed to hear the Hundebly

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Brothers Quartet sing for the service on Sunday!

We extend our sympathies to the family of Ruth Wankel who passed away on July 10th.

The service had a different format on August 4th as instead of Pastor Doug's talk, he interviewed three members of our congregation who had recently been on mission trips. Janice Scrimbitt (Nicaragua), Philip Joel (Africa) and Shayne Joel (Mexico). It was an excellent chance for everyone to find out what God has been doing in their lives and the lives of others! Bethel's 6th Annual Golf Tournament was on August 18th. There was a great turn out for the tournament with a BBQ at the church to follow. Fun was had by all!

August 18th our congregation was blessed to be able to have 4 of the Olson siblings worship with us. Ben and his new wife Esther, Karen, Tim and Daniel joined us as Tim was commissioned to return to Afghanistan. We were also privileged to have Rob Lewis and his wife with us to participate in the commissioning. Several other visitors joined us and we ended the morning with a BBQ in honor of Ben and Esther's marriage and Tim's commissioning.

August 18th also found several members of our congregation in the "Coyote Den" at Ron and Marcelle Savidan's, enjoying some country gospel music. They had several

excellent music acts as well as a great supper and lots of homemade pies!

September 8th we were privileged to have Tim Olson bring us the message in Pastor Doug and Kaycee's absence. It was awesome to hear what God had laid on Tim's heart. We will miss you Tim and God bless you!

The farmers have taken to the fields and we are praying for a safe, bountiful harvest and a long mild fall! May God richly bless you all as you continue to worship and serve Him!

Bethlehem, Outlook

Prepared by: June Haug

The first week in July was Bible Camp at Elbow, SK. Pastor Olson attended. He was one of the Deans. Some people attended for the week. Others took in the evening services.

Camp Kinasao also began their different age groups and they kept going through to the end of August. This year the church Council decided to have a barbeque every Sunday after the service with financial donations going to the Mortgage Reduction Fund. A SINCERE THANK-YOU TO DENNIS GUSTAFSON and Council for faithfully preparing them every week. Our last one was held August 25th.

THANKS TO LESLIE HICKS AND BETTY PETERS for planting our circle with flowers.

Congratulations JORDYN FOLLICK and LOGAN YLIOYA on their recent marriage on July 6th at Bethlehem

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Lutheran Church. Pastor Olson officiated.

A reception was held at Bethlehem Lutheran Church for Ben and Esther Olson on their recent wedding which took place in England earlier. This took place August 17, 2013.

Fall events will start on September 8, 2013 with two services, Sunday School, Bible Studies etc. and the schools will be back in the classrooms. Have a great year.

"For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for welfare, not for evil, to give you a future and a hope." Jeremiah 29:11

.Bethlehem, Hawarden

Prepared by: Linda Follick

But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint. Isaiah 40:31

May -On Friday May 31, several of the ladies came to get an early start on the annual cleaning day (which is on the first Monday in June every year). They got most of the cleaning done that day and it was finished up on Monday along with the men coming to mow and trim up the yard.

-Pastor Jack Sailor from Elbow was our guest speaker on Sunday, May 26. He spoke on "Christ in You the Hope of Glory." It was nice to have his wife Ella join him as well.

-Sunday evening was our Country Gospel Evening featuring Barbara

Leavins from Dinsmore. Lunch and fellowship followed.

June-Lorimer Olson was the guest pastor for our morning worship service on June 2. He spoke on the text from Luke 16:19-31. It was also Communion Sunday.

-We started a new 4 part Bible Study series written by Dr. Harald Schoubye. It is on video followed by discussion of questions provided. The first part is on "Prayer".

-Pastor Jack Sailor from Elbow was the guest speaker for the June 9 worship service. It was good to have his wife Ella with us as well. He spoke on "Habits of a Peaceful Heart" based on Colossians 1:1-14. After the service was the Sunday School picnic and everyone enjoyed a wiener roast.

-Several attended the clean-up weekend at Elbow Bible Camp on Friday and Saturday, June 7 & 8. A few returned on Monday to finish up on the cleaning.

-It is good to have Pastor Al Pinno home from his month long trip to India (May 20-June 19). He arrived there to a hot and humid temperature of 47, and for the rest of his stay it was between 35-45 degrees. He was thankful to have had air conditioning. He spent his time preaching at 15 services, 11 gospel meetings in the area, attending various other meetings, a 50th Anniversary and dedication for the new AFLCI and St Paul's School building.

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-On Sunday June 23, Pastor Al spoke on his series - "Listening to Jesus" - Part 5 - "Unworthy Servants only Doing our Duty in Fulfilling the Great Commission" based on Luke 17:7-10.

-Linda Lee flew to New Brunswick on Wednesday, June 19. She attended the commissioning service for her daughter Eileen and Jay deGuzman who will be serving on a ship for Operation Mobilization for 2 years. The Logos Hope travels all around the world visiting ports for a few weeks at a time. They provide Knowledge, Help, and Hope to the people of the world. This is accomplished by supplying vital literature, resources, encouraging cross-cultural understanding, training young people for more effective life and service, providing needed relief and sharing a message of hope by sharing and showing God's love in all they do. Hundreds of people visit the ship daily to see the largest floating book fair in the world. The book fair for many is their first opportunity to purchase quality educational and Christian literature. Jay, Eileen, Caleb and Katherine will be working and living on board in an international community with a crew of 400 people from over 45 different nations. Grandma Linda flew back to Saskatchewan with Caleb on Monday, June 24 and Caleb is really looking forward to riding on the big blue tractor at the farm. Jay and Eileen will be packing up their house and be

visiting back in Saskatchewan for a few weeks before beginning their pre-ship training.

-Pastor Al and Dorothy drove their daughter Heidi down to Regina on Monday, June 24. On Tuesday she left on her month trip to China where she will be teaching English to the Chinese schoolteachers who teach English.

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-Sunday evening was our Country Gospel Evening featuring Barbara Leavins from Dinsmore. Lunch and fellowship followed.

-On Sunday, June 30 Pastor Al Pinno spoke on "O Canada, the Highway to Hell is Paved with Sin," based on Matthew 5:21-30. This will be the last service at our church for the next two weeks as we will all be attending Elbow Bible Camp for their services.

July -Monday, July 1 was the Hanley 4-H Achievement Day at Chris and Adrienne Harder's farm. Wylie Vermette came in 3rd in Grooming for the Experienced Junior category, Cadence Haaland came in 1st, and Hayes Vermette came in 4th in Grooming in the First Year Juniors, Cassidy Haaland paired up with Sienna Bohrson and Cohen Haaland and Tate Vermette paired up in the Grooming for the Cloverbuds. In Showmanship, Wylie Vermette came in 5th in the Experienced Juniors,

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Cadence Haaland – 3rd, and Hayes Vermette – 4th in the First Year Juniors, Cassidy and Cohen Haaland and Tate Vermette did a great job in the Cloverbuds. In the Yearling Heifer Class A – Wylie Vermette came in 1st. In Yearling Heifer Class B – Cadence Haaland came in 5th. Wylie didn't place in the Champion Yearling Heifer Class. In the Lightweight Steer – Wylie Vermette placed 3rd. In the Heavyweight Steer Cadence Haaland placed 1st, Hayes Vermette placed 6th. In the Champion Steer Class Cadence Haaland finished first out of the six animals from the other categories. Congratulations to all the participants – they did really good and put a lot of work into getting their animals ready. They will all be going into Saskatoon this week to compete with the other 4-H Clubs.

-Ruth Cooper hosted the July 3 LCW meeting at her home with 8 ladies attending. Dorothy Pinno led the Bible Study on "A Wise Woman Builds Her House" Lesson 7 – "The People in Our House – Children."

-Bible Study continues on Wednesday evenings – We started a new series – "Death, Day of Judgment, Hell & Heaven." The Study was on Death-A consequence of sin.

-It was a busy week down at Elbow Lutheran Bible Camp from July 6-14. Carol Larson, Katie Haaland and Linda Follick were the camp cooks for the week – with lots of drop in help to get ready for the meals. Pastor Harold

Rust from CLBI was the evening speaker and one of the morning bible teachers. Rob Lewis also from Camrose, was the other morning bible teacher. The youth leader was Daniel and his wife Kayla Spelliscy from Calgary. A team of 5 from CLBI were there to work with the kids in attendance. It was a smaller crowd this year but everyone who came was blessed by all the sessions. Pastor Al and Dorothy were able to take in their first camp with us and we put Dorothy to work often in the kitchen as well. Lorimer Olson is the caretaker and he and his wife Margaret are doing a wonderful job of keeping the camp clean and neat. Victor and Grant have been busy putting up another building down at camp. All were saddened to hear of the sudden passing of Victor's brother Tim Lee (Vernon) on Monday morning, and Linda's dad, John Rasmussen (Swan River, MB) on Tuesday morning. Victor's family went out to Swan River on Wednesday to attend the funeral of Linda's dad on Friday, then they came home and Victor, Linda, Grant and Rhonda flew out to Vernon to attend Tim's funeral.

-The Hanley 4-H attended the Prairieland Junior Ag Showcase on the July 5-7 weekend taking their 4-H calves with them. Cadence Haaland came out of his class (the top 2) but didn't go any further. He also came out of his class with his steer but went no further. This was the calf

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that won him 1st Place in the Champion Steer class at the Hanley 4-H Achievement Day. His steer sold to Earth Work Equipment and Ace Arrow Farms for \$3.35/lb and he weighed in at 1315 pounds. Cadence was also on the Winning Junior Team Grooming with Calina Evans and Leah Libke and was in the top 12 in Junior Showmanship out of 40 kids. Wylie Vermette finished 3rd in the Heifer Class, and was in the top 12 in Junior Showmanship out of 40 kids. His steer was 1167 pounds and earned \$2.40/lb. Hayes Vermette's steer weighed 1409 pounds and brought \$1.85/lb. Tate Vermette won Champion Market Lamb and earned him \$1200. Congratulations to all the kids who worked so hard all year to finish off their calves and get them ready for this event.

-On Sunday July 21 Pastor Al Pinno spoke on "Pay Close Attention to Jesus Warnings of Danger" based on Matthew 5:21-30.

-Wednesday evening Praise/Study/Prayer continues on the study of the Old Testament Teaching on Sheol and the Pit.

-July 27-28 was the Rosthern Ag Fair. Wylie Vermette took his 4-H heifer up there to show and he won 3rd in Junior Heifer Class and 1st in Junior Showmanship. Congratulations Wylie! Marcel and two of his friends won 3rd in the Ranch Horse Competition. Neil, Chad and Cadence Haaland participated in several

events -herding, loading, sorting cattle - they didn't place but had a great time and were very entertaining. It is nice to see three generations participating just for the fun of being together. Marcel spoke at the morning church service put on by the Fellowship of Christian Cowboys.

-Pastor Al Pinno spoke on "The Difference Between What the World Says and What Christ Says About Marriage" based on Matt 5:31=32. -Bethlehem's Country Gospel Evening was an "Old Fashion Hymn Sing" featuring Marlene Dampsey on the piano and Sandra Deraldall on the organ. It is good to sing all the old hymns and it was enjoyed by all who came. Lunch and fellowship followed.

Aug-Bethlehem LCW met at Linda Follick's for their August 1 meeting with 8 ladies attending. Katie Haaland led the Bible Study "A Wise Woman Builds Her House" - Lesson 8 "Setting the Clocks in Our House."

-Get well wishes go out to Cohen Haaland who spent a couple of days at RUH with a knee infection.

-Pastor Al and Dorothy Pinno had their son Matt from Red Deer visiting with them for the long weekend.

-Church council met for their regular meeting on Tuesday, Aug 6.

-On Sunday, August 11 Pastor Al spoke from Matthew 5:38-48 "The Mission to Love and Pray for our Human Enemies." During the service Pastor Al called up Jay and Eileen

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deGuzman for a commissioning service as they are leaving this coming week to Germany for some training before beginning their 2 years aboard the ship "Logos Hope" under "Operation Mobilization." Jay's job is to be the ship's Navigation Officer while Eileen will be one of the ship's moms primarily in charge of their children Caleb and Katherine. They had a presentation in the basement after the service where they showed videos of the ship and what they do out in the community when they are in port. A wiener roast was enjoyed by all following that.

- The Wednesday evening Bible Study group watched a video "Heaven: One Minute after You Die" by Day of Discovery.
- Pastor Al and Dorothy Pinno holidayed in Alberta with their family for just over a week. In their absence on Sunday August 18, Lorimer Olson brought the message at the service from Mark 7:31-37.
- A large crowd gathered at the Coyote Springs Jamboree on Sunday afternoon. The afternoon started out with coffee and home baked pies and lots of entertainment. A delicious supper was served along with more pie for those who wanted. The featured band was New Grass. All in attendance thoroughly enjoyed their day. All proceeds went to Elbow Lutheran Bible Camp.
- A large crowd attended the funeral service for Gwen Follick on

Wednesday, August 21 at the Strongfield Hall. She passed away on Aug 16 at the age of 96 years and is survived by her family - George (Strongfield), Gerald and Linda (Outlook), Patricia & Ken Ternes (Leduc) and Terry (Outlook), eleven grandchildren and seventeen great grandchildren. Blessed be her memory to us all.

-Pastor Al spoke on "The Truth that Can Set Us Free from Hypocrisy" based on Matt 6: 1-6, 16-18. It was good to have Heidi back with us after her six week trip to China where she was teaching English to Chinese school teachers. That afternoon they drove her down to Caronport where she begins her orientation. She will be living in-dorm with high school girls and will be responsible for several things, one being organizing the Wednesday evening worship services.

-Sunday evening was our Country Gospel Evening featuring Per Vinding from Dundurn. He sang, played his guitar, and entertained us with his whistling and harmonica playing. Lunch and fellowship followed.

-Congratulations to John and Nolene Kerr on the birth of their second son Andrew George on Friday, August 23. He weighed 8 pounds six ounces. Congratulations to the grandparents Darrel and Lynn Kerr and great grandparents George and Ruth Cooper.

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-Congratulations to Calvin and Allayne (Windjack) Olson who were married at her parent's ranch on Saturday, August 24. Neil & Katie Haaland, and Allan and Mary (mother of the groom) Freitag (Hague) attended the wedding. They attended the gift opening and pancake breakfast on Sunday morning.

Letters to the Editor:

If you, or someone you know, would like to drop a note just to say hello or to share some history of camp, please contact me by e-mail:

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New Camp Projects Underway!

Two major projects will be funded. The first is to upgrade the playground equipment and the second is to begin upgrading the electrical around camp. As funds are collected, upgrades will begin. It was decided that both projects will be started off with seed money from the Bible Camp budget and funds will continue to be collected without end until both projects are complete.

Donations may be made specifically to these projects. Please designate where you would like your donations

to be applied. Camp ministry, operations and maintenance continue to be of primary importance and will continue to be a separate fund to which donations may be allocated.

Stay updated regarding these projects and much more by visiting the Elbow Lutheran Bible Camp website at:

www.elbowlutheranbiblecamp.com

“Praise God from whom all blessings flow.....”

“For everything comes from him and exists by his power and is intended for his glory. All glory to him forever!” Romans 11:36

The donations flowing into Elbow Lutheran Bible Camp are a blessing to the body of believers who benefit from the wonderful teaching each summer. This camp is a blessing to our Lord as he takes pleasure in us, his disciples, coming together to be better equipped to carry out his great commission:

“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Matthew 28:19, 20

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Thank you to all who donated during our camp week to help support our camp. Due to the length of the list it is not possible to list all the names. The following are donations that have come in since July 15.

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Important Upcoming Dates:

Thanksgiving Day October 14

A Word from the Editor:

While at camp this past July, I had the pleasure of visiting with two new pastors who have been called to the ELBC area. By this time, they have become an integral part of their Saskatchewan flocks for a number of months. These two individuals are Pastor Alvin (Al) Pinno (Hawarden Bethlehem Lutheran Church) and Pastor Doug Lutz (Elbow Bethel Lutheran Church).

Pastor Doug and his wife, Kaycee, arrived in Elbow this past year, leaving Sandpointe, Idaho where they and their family had lived for approximately 10 years. They have 3 adult children: Juliana (21), Judah (22), and Wade (24). Pastor Doug comes to his new congregation with a wonderful authenticity stemming from years of pastoring, extensive

education and his own personal wrestling with God. Just prior to their move to Elbow, Pastor Doug and Kaycee had felt a strong urging by the Lord to move to Canada to pursue mission work for the Him. The invitation to Elbow Lutheran Bible Camp as youth pastor a couple of years ago had introduced Pastor Doug to the good people of Elbow and area and planted a seed that would grow into an invitation to fill the vacancy at Elbow Bethel Lutheran Church left by the departure of Pastor Dave Hesje. Welcome, and be blessed, Pastor Doug and Kaycee!!

Pastor Al Pinno and his wife, Dorothy, started their ministry in Hawarden in February 2013. They have 4 adult children: Matthew (19), Heidi (21), Luke (26), and Rachael (27). They come to the area after 7 years in Vernon, B.C. during which time they were in ministry locally as well as overseas. Since the early 1980s, Pastor Al has been in ministry in Saskatchewan, Alberta, British Columbia and Minnesota, but his heart has been ever-increasingly missional. He and Dorothy have spent a great deal of time in Eastern Europe and India speaking, distributing Bibles, training pastors, and helping set up wonderful programs for children, youth and young adults. What a rich experience and heart for missions this couple brings to Hawarden. God bless you

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both as you share your time with this community!

I look forward to watching the growth of these two congregations as they reap the benefits of being shepherded by these two men of God.

Call for Submissions!

“The Echoes” will continue to be published 6 times per year. Deadlines for submissions are as follows:

**December edition November
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Please feel free to submit your devotional any time but these are the deadlines for each specific edition of “The Echoes”. My prayer is that we would have one

adult, one teen, and one child submission (could just be a picture about faith) in each edition.

Submissions may be sent to Echoes

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Now, may the Lord bless you and keep you; may the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; may the Lord turn His face toward you and give you His precious peace. Amen (Numbers 6:24-26)