

## 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER



Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."  
- Jn 20:29

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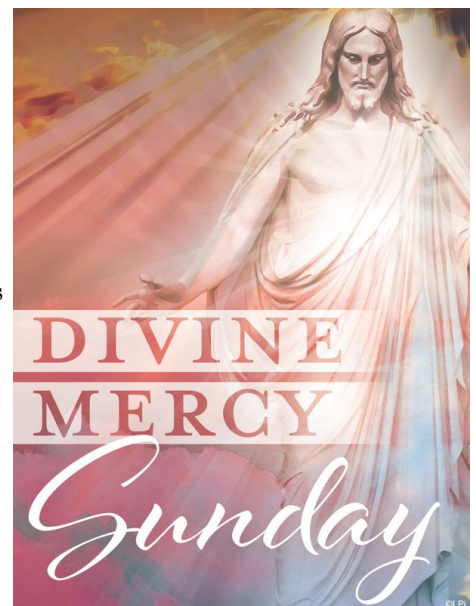
The gospel tells the story of one of the first encounters with the risen Christ; the first reading tells us about a community living in the wake of such an encounter. They respond to the gospel with awe and generosity, with prayer and communal living. The second reading is written to a community slightly more removed from immediately witnessing the resurrection; while they (and we) need to rely on the testimony of others, it affirms that joy and hope are at the heart of their response.

Tradition can be quick to judge Thomas for his reaction to the risen Christ. He does not take the disciples' claim lightly: "We have seen the Lord." Thomas asks for more. He asks to see and touch Jesus so that he too might come to believe. Thomas' doubt can be interpreted as a desire to dive deeper into the mystery of the resurrection. By all human logic, Jesus should still be dead. His heart stopped beating. His lungs stopped breathing. Jesus died, full stop. His resurrection three days later defies everything we thought to be true about the working of the world.

The other disciples did not rejoice in belief until the resurrected Jesus showed them his wounds. They too needed to see. Who among us would not jump at the chance for a physical encounter with our Lord who lived and died and now lives again?

Jesus does not scold Thomas for his request. When he appears to the disciples a week later, Jesus gives Thomas exactly what he needs to believe. Jesus' invitation to touch, see, and believe in his resurrection is enough for Thomas to cry out: "My Lord and my God!" Did Thomas actually put his hands in Jesus' side? The gospel account does not say. But the invitation was enough for the doubter to make a profound declaration of faith. Jesus wants Thomas to believe. Jesus meets Thomas in his uncertainty and desire for more. Jesus gives Thomas what he needs to persevere on the path of faith.

Most of us do not get to experience the risen Christ as tangible and visceral as Thomas does. Our encounters will more likely be encounters of the heart, more subtle and less subject to the proof that he asks for. Our firsthand encounters usually need to be contextualized by the tradition we have inherited; we are dependent on the testimony of those who came before us. *Living Liturgy*, p. 109





### Readings for the Week

**Mon:** Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/Jn 3:1-8

**Tue:** Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15

**Wed:** Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21

**Thu:** Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36

**Fri:** Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

**Sat:** Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21

**Sun:** Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 (11a)/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35



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**St. Boniface Catholic Church**  
551 Main Street, Stewart, MN 55385  
Phone: 320-562-2344

## This Week's Area Worship Schedule

DATE/TIME	LOCATION	INTENTION
<i>Eucharistic Adoration: 6am on Mondays until Noon on Friday.</i>		
<b>MONDAY, April 17</b> 5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	+ David Troska
<b>TUESDAY, April 18</b> 7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	Souls in Purgatory
<b>WEDNESDAY, April 19</b> 5pm, Mass 7pm, Mass	St. Anastasia St. Boniface	+ Gayle Oestreich Laura Stepka
<b>THURSDAY, April 20</b> 9am, Mass	St. Anastasia	++Jim Pilarski, Alexis Wegner
<b>FRIDAY, April 21</b> 7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	Diane Kostecka
<b>SATURDAY, April 22</b> 9am, Mass 3pm, Confessions 4:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	+ Jim Riley Day Chapel ++Dale Douglas, Norbert Messer
<b>SUNDAY, April 23</b> 7:30am, Mass 9:00am, Mass 10:30am, Mass 7:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia St. Boniface St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	Paul & Barbara Hoerner Family + Carsten Homan + James Blommer For our Area Faith Community

### Calendar of Events

<b>MONDAY, April 17</b>		
<b>TUESDAY, April 18</b> 7pm, Administration Council	St. Anastasia	Hospitality Area
<b>WEDNESDAY, April 19</b> 6:30pm, Faith Formation 6th-8th 7:45pm, Youth Group	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	
<b>THURSDAY, April 20</b> 9am, School Mass	St. Anastasia	Church
<b>FRIDAY, April 21</b>		
<b>SATURDAY, April 22</b> 5:30pm, Gala - Roots to Wings	Hutchinson	Country Club
<b>SUNDAY, April 23</b> 9:00am, Faith Formation 1st-5th grade 10:30am, 3yo-2nd grade, Sunday School	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	
<b>Sunday, April 30</b> 9 & 10:30am, First Communion	St. Boniface/St. Anastasia	



### The Roman Catholic Area Faith Community of St. Anastasia & St. Boniface

## Community News



### Habitat Hustle!

We are so excited about this opportunity to provide a fun way to raise funds for Crow River Habitat for Humanity!

You can sign up today to run, walk, or volunteer for this great event. Register or donate by going to: <https://runsignup.com/Race/MN/Hutchinson/HabitatHustle>

We are grateful for those who have already signed up to participate, and those who have donated to the cause. If you would like to be part of our planning team for the Hustle, please contact Stefanie at [stefanie@crhfh.org](mailto:stefanie@crhfh.org) or by calling the Habitat office at 320-587-8868.

**Wild Rice Soup and Chili Dinner** at Brownston Congregational Church (corner of Division St. and 5th Avenue) on Sunday, April 16 from 10am-1pm. \$10.00 adults and children 6 and under 1/2 price.

Please see the attached flyer for “This is My Body”, a **Eucharistic Congress 2023** presented by the Diocese of Winona-Rochester on June 10, 2023 at the Mankato Civic Center. I have personally spoken with Bishop Barron and he has extended invitations to all the dioceses in Minnesota.

Registration opens to the public on April 1 and runs through May 15. I strongly encourage your parishes to take advantage of this opportunity to increase our understanding of the Holy Eucharist and grow closer to Christ. Also, this will be a wonderful opportunity to meet other Catholics from our state.

**72nd Annual Potato Pancake & Sausage Dinner** on Sunday, April 16, 2023 9am-1pm at First Ev. Lutheran Church: 925 13th Street E, Glencoe, MN Menu includes: Choice of Authentic German Potato Pancakes or regular pancakes, sausages, applesauce, cheese and milk. Advanced Tickets \$14 Adults, Kids (10 and under) \$6 Tickets at the Door \$15.



Crow River Habitat for Humanity is hosting its annual **Hammer & Nails Gala** on Saturday, May 6th at the Crow River Winery. This year's Derby-themed event begins at 4:30 and will be a celebration of the work Habitat does within McLeod County. Dinner, music, silent auction and lots of laughter and fun is on the menu for the evening. Please purchase tickets in person at the CRHFH office (1020 Hwy 7 W, Hutchinson) or online at [www.crhfh.org](http://www.crhfh.org).

**Crow River Singers present “SONGS OF LOVE”** Friday, April 21 at 7:00p.m. at New Journey UCC (31 4th Ave SW, Hutchinson) Sunday, April 23, 2023- 2:00p.m. at Peace Lutheran Church (400 Franklin St. SW Hutchinson) Admission \$9, children under 12 free Directors: Paul Otte, Jim Nelson, and Shelby Lofgren Pianists: Shelby Lofgren and Jim Nelson

### Enkindle, Rekindle, and Deepen a Living Relationship with Jesus in the Eucharist

The U.S. Catholic Bishops Secretariat of Evangelization and Catechesis has launched a **Heart of the Revival** weekly email newsletter for ongoing inspiration and information as we journey forward toward the 2024 National Eucharistic Congress.

#### **CATHOLICS OF ALL AGES ENCOURAGED TO SIGN-UP!**

It's the simplest way to stay connected to what the National Eucharistic Revival is all about.

Visit the Diocese of New Ulm website, [dnu.org](http://dnu.org) to sign-up for the newsletter, learn of various upcoming Eucharistic Revival events, and more.



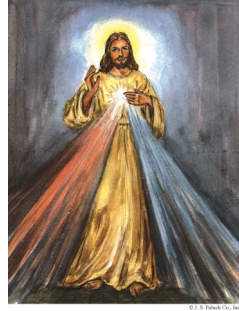
# Faith Formation - ADULT FORMATION

Divine Mercy Sunday - Sunday,  
April 16, 2023

2:00 pm - Exposition of the  
Blessed Sacrament and the Lita-  
ny of Trust,

Confession will be offered.

3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet



## Thank you

Thank you so much to all those who assisted me when I fell in the parking lot after Mass on March 12th. I don't know most of you but I know that day I saw shining examples of Christ's Love in people with beautiful hearts! God bless each and every one of you! Tess Okoye



**Common Cup Ministry** is collecting new and gently used coats, snow pants, hats, mittens and boots now through the end of May. Drop them in the collection bin. Thank you for all do for our community.

**CCW Convention**— The 62nd Annual New Ulm Diocesan CCW Convention will be held Sat, April 29<sup>th</sup> at the Church of St. Mary, New Ulm. The theme for the convention is "I AM the Bread of Life". The speakers will be Liz Kelly and Berny Berger. Liz is a retreat leader and author of 10 books. Berny will present on the life of Blessed Carlo Acutis and the exhibit he created on the Miracles of the Eucharist. Early bird registration deadline is April 10. Registration forms along with more information can be found on the website [nudccw.org](http://nudccw.org).



## Tootsie Roll Drive

The Knights of Columbus will hold their 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Tootsie Roll Drive after Masses on April 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.

100% of the proceeds will go to organizations providing service

to people with developmental disabilities. This year Averyon Homes, McLeod County ARC, Hutchinson Special Olympics and KC Special Olympics will receive funding.

Chairs : Mike Heinen & Art Winkler (St. A's)  
Louis Stifter & Mark Maiers (St. B's)

## Mission Trip

Thank-you for all of your support! Right now, we have **all 40 of our spots reserved**. This is our biggest group and we are excited for the journey. Plans are coming together now and we will need continued support, both prayerfully and financially, as the trip gets closer. We still have quite a few **envelopes** on the board in church. If you are able, please support us as we collect those needed funds. Lastly, depending on a few other factors, we may be able to **add** more spaces for the trip if needed. Reach out to Jake if you are interested. Thanks!

## Ladies~ REVIVE Women's Night~ Monday April 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm

Guest Speaker~ Deb Hadley "Finding Hope through Adversity"

Deb shares with you her journey of losing two children, and how she is able to handle these tragedies with grace and humility and bring good from her hardships. She will make you cry, laugh, and give you hope for an amazing future. Deb is from Alexandria, MN, an inspirational speaker, author of the Morning God Boost, Founder of the KT Humble Hearts Foundation, the Bereavement Manager for Knute Nelson Hospice, and Servant of the Lord.

Revive's Women's evening schedule: 6:30pm: Wine, refreshments & sweets. 7:00pm: Guest Speaker 8:00pm-9:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration, confessions, prayer ministry teams, personal prayer time and live praise & worship music.

This is a fantastic opportunity for women to get inspired and renewed in spirit! Free will offering, ages 16+ welcome to attend. Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 110 Winsted Ave W, Winsted

The Diocese of New Ulm has clearance to cablecast **Finding God Through Faith and Reason** on HCVN public access, channel 10, at 4 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays. Fr. Robert Spitzer, S.J., Ph.D., lends insight into evidence gathered from the fields of contemporary philosophy and physics, which supports proof for the existence of God. The universe itself connotes the existence of a Creator, and the principle of intelligent design leads to a logical conclusion about the nature of God.

April 18,21	Episode 13
April 25,28	Episode 14

# School News

## Mission to Serve

When we travel out of Hutchinson we have the opportunity to share our faith and our St. Anastasia mission: “to intentionally make disciples for the Kingdom of God”. There are many ways to serve others. School visitor Dan Herbeck shared his story and experiences of San Lucas, Toliman, Diocese of New Ulm’s mission. Dan rode his bike from St. Paul, MN to Guatemala to raise money for the San Lucas Toliman mission. Last fall was the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Fr. Greg Schaffer’s historic walk.



In February, Principal Jodzio with several of her family members and Fr. Brian Oestrich went to Guatemala with a group to serve the Mission. Their journey included building and painting houses, building desks, tables and a stove for a school, organizing donations, and preparing food. Principal Jodzio also had the privilege of visiting Katie Wallyn’s L.E.A.S.T. (Loving the elderly and satiating their thirst) facility. Katie has a lot of exciting things happening and is serving the people most graciously.



There are also many ways to serve right here at home. Our school students collected food for the McLeod County food shelf as a Lent service project. They brought in over 273 items which totaled 302 pounds, plus a cash donation. Another way they serve daily is by praying for people. Please continue to contribute to these causes as they are so worthy of our prayers and monetary support. Thank you!



**We are in need of the following MINISTRIES:** Eucharist to the Homebound, audio/visual operators in the church, and Eucharistic Ministers at the altar. If you are interested and would like to minister in these areas please call or email the parish office. Thank you.

## Easter Flower Memorials

With the early bulletin deadlines for printing we did not get the Easter Flower Memorials put in the bulletin. If you would like to donate money for flowers for the Easter season at either St Boniface or St Anastasia, please put your donation in an envelope marked “Flowers” and drop it in the collection plate at either church. Please include the name(s) of the people you would like remembered in prayer. We would like this to go in the April 30th bulletin so we would need the names by Monday April 24th.

## Adoration Moment

We often find ourselves restless and searching for answers. We long to know we are headed in the right direction in life, and wish for some guidelines from GOD. Adoration is an invitation to find in Jesus the answers to our questions and longings, and in our communion with Him to find joy in life. .... “COME FOLLOW ME.” – Stop anytime – the door is always open.

### ADORATION OPEN TIMES AVAILABLE:

- Tuesday: 1:00 A.M.
- Wednesday: 4:00 PM
- Thursday: 1:00 A.M./ 5:00 PM/ 11:00 P.M.
- Friday: 10:00 A.M. (2ND & 4TH Weeks)

PARISH OFFICE 320-587-6507  
ADORATION HOTLINE 320-484-7126  
ADORATION HOURS: Monday 6:00AM to Friday Noon

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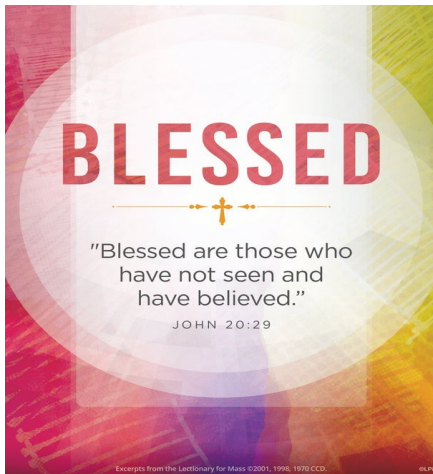


## Please Keep In Your Prayers

*Nicole Glesener Jenny Trettin Terry Bisbee  
Bonita Quast Brenda Popp Donna Conrad  
Special Intention Robyn Chrast Lois Pollei  
Special Intention Randy Lange Reiden Cichoski  
Phyllis van der Hagen Phyllis Skurdahl Jim Waldron  
Nellie Czech Bernie "Butch" Funk Tom Donohoo*

*For peace in our world For those who serve our country*

Names will be listed for one month unless we are told otherwise. If you would like to continue your prayer request after that time please contact the office and ask for reinstating.



## Stewardship

### St. Anastasia

April 2 Contributions	\$16,213.00
April 9 Contributions	\$11,854.00

### Capital Campaign

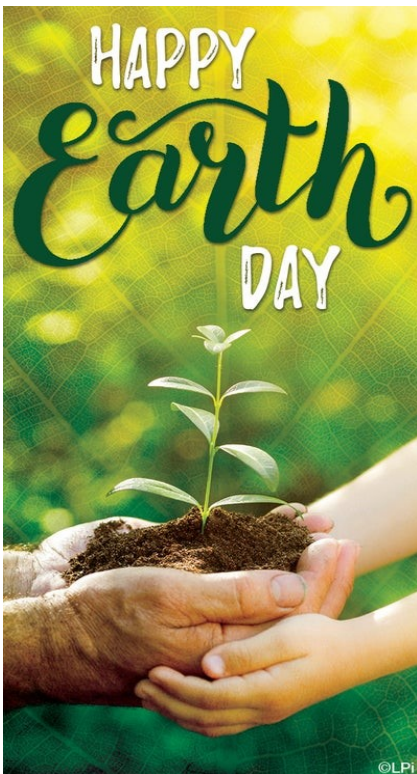
Pledges Received	\$1,509,332.
Contributions Received	\$1,534,925.46
CC Fund Balance	\$ 475,671.79

### TRY ONLINE GIVING AT ST A'S!

Online Giving is a secure way to give to the parish. Manage your account and donations by computer, tablet, or smart phone. Go to [www.stanastasia.net](http://www.stanastasia.net), and click on the Online Giving icon. You can download the free App in the App Store, Google Play Store, or go to [OLGapp.com](http://OLGapp.com). Register by entering our church ID of 78.

### St. Boniface

April 2 Contributions	\$4,207.00
April 9 Contributions	\$1,611.00



**Are you new to St. Anastasia? Want more information?  
Please provide some contact information for us  
to reach out to you!**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_



I would like more information on:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Education Classes                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer Opportunities     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> St. Anastasia School              | <input type="checkbox"/> Eucharistic Adoration       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Confession                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Masses                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I would like a call or visit from | <input type="checkbox"/> Father Paul                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                      | <input type="checkbox"/> I'm Updating My Information |

## General Information

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available at 3pm on Saturday at St. Anastasia or by appointment.

### Marriages

Contact the Area Faith Office at least 6 months in advance of the planned wedding date. Couples complete a premarital inventory and are required to attend an approved pre-marriage program.

### Baptisms

Contact Fr Paul Wolf, 320-587-6507, to schedule a baptism and the necessary preparation. The pre-Baptism program helps parents take an active role in their child's Baptism. It provides reflection and instructions for parents as they assume their new responsibility as the primary teachers of their child.

### Hospital Visitation

If you, or anyone you know, is hospitalized or ill at home, notify the Area Faith Office to arrange for visitation.

### Prayer Requests

You may list your prayer intentions in the Book of Communal Prayer in the Eucharistic Chapel.

### Prayer Chain

St. A's has a prayer chain that prays for any needs you have. Anyone can call with a prayer request, and anyone can be a part of the prayer chain. If you would like to participate or ask for prayer support, call Janet Hall at 320-455-7927 email 3furballmom@gmail.com.

### New Parishioners

Please register! Call or stop by the Area Faith Office.

### RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation)

Considering becoming fully Catholic? Call Fr Paul Wolf, 320-587-6507.

### Area Bulletin Deadline

Tuesdays, 11am, at St. Anastasia.

### KC Picnic Shelter Rental at St. A's

Call Mark Lewandowski, 320-583-0357.

### Adoration Hotline

For the latest changes to the Adoration schedule call 320-484-7126.

The Area Faith Office is open Mon-Fri, 7:30am-4:30pm 320-587-6507.

## Area Faith Community Leadership

<b>STA Administrative Council</b> Chair: Jim Fahey	<i>usually meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month</i> April 18, 7pm	St Anastasia	parish office
<b>STB Administrative Council</b> Chair: Mark Maiers	TBA, 9am	St Boniface	church basement
<b>Cemetery Committee</b> Chair: Jeff Lehn	TBA, 3pm	St Anastasia	parish office
<b>School Advisory Committee</b> Chair: Berit Spors	<i>usually meets on the 1st Tuesday each month</i> May 2, 6:30pm	St Anastasia	hospitality area
<b>Home &amp; School Association</b> Chair: Gina Jennissen	<i>usually meets on the 2nd Tuesday each month</i> May 9, 6:30pm	St Anastasia	library
<b>Worship &amp; Outreach Committee</b>	TBA, 7pm	St Anastasia	parish office
<b>Maintenance Committee</b>	TBA 5pm	St Anastasia	parish office
<b>Social Concerns Committee</b>	TBA, 6pm	St Anastasia	parish office
<b>STA Council of Catholic Women</b>	<i>usually meets on the 2nd Thursday each month</i> May 11, 10am	St Anastasia	hospitality area
<b>STB Council of Catholic Women</b>	TBA, 6pm	St Boniface	basement
<b>Knights of Columbus</b> Grand Knight: Paul Mraz	May 3, 7:30pm	St Anastasia	cafeteria
<b>Knights of Columbus Squires</b>	May 3, 5:30pm	St Anastasia	cafeteria

## Area Faith Community Staff

Fr. Paul Wolf, Pastor	507-829-0965 (cell)	pwolf@stanastasia.net
<b>St. Anastasia Parish Staff</b>	320-587-6507	
Cindy Meier, Administrative Assistant		Admin@stanastasia.net
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<b>St. Boniface Staff</b>		
LaMae Maiers, Administration	320-583-1302	
Merri Schaufler, Contributions/Admin.	320-562-2245	
<b>St. Anastasia School</b>		
Betty Jodzio, Principal	320-587-2490	principal@stanastasia.net
Marilyn Schreiner, Secretary	320-587-2490	secretary@stanastasia.net
<b>Kids' Depot Daycare &amp; Preschool</b>		
Michelle Nies, Director	320-587-4760	depot@stanastasia.net
<b>Religious Education &amp; Youth Ministry</b>		
RE Dir, St Anastasia	320-587-6507	religioused@stanastasia.net
Karen Maiers, RE Dir, St Boniface	320-833-6020	karenmaiers1@gmail.com
Jake Burmis, YM Director	320-587-6507	youthmin@stanastasia.net
<b>St. Anastasia Cemetery</b>	1 mile north of Hutchinson on Highway 15	
Mike Schall, Manager	320-583-7199	mgschall@mediacombb.net
<b>St. Boniface Cemetery</b>	1 mile south of Stewart on City Rd 7	
Terry Maiers, Co-Manager	320-894-8758	
Adam Tanata, Co-Manager	320-583-4345	

**TO REPORT ABUSE:** If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a member of the clergy (priest, deacon or bishop), and you need to talk with someone about abuse, exploitation, or harassment, please contact the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator or the Bishop's Delegate in Matters Pertaining to Sexual Misconduct, 1421 6th Street North, New Ulm, MN 56073; phone: (507) 233-5313.