

GOOD NEWS

July
2017

Lord of Life
Lutheran
Church
(ELCA)

Summer
Worship Schedule
Sunday 9:30 am
Wednesday 6:00 pm

Office Hours
Monday-Friday
9:00 am-12 pm
1:00-3 pm

Ministers
The Lord of Life
Family of Faith

Pastors
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Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the poor and homeless into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly... Isaiah 58:6-8a

Dear Friends,

I received an email in the middle of May from the ELCA stating that our presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton and The Most Reverend Michael B. Curry, the presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church in America, have joined forces and are inviting others to join them in fasting on the 21st of each month – from now until December of 2018 when the 115th Congress will conclude.

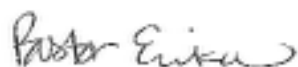
They have come together on a joint statement calling for people of faith to join in fasting, prayer and advocacy in order to oppose potential deep budget cuts that would hurt already hungry families and those living in poverty. They write that by the 21st of each month most families living in poverty have expended 90% of their resources and often go hungry until the start of the next month.

At first, I simply was proud of my church for acting on behalf of those in need – for seeking wisdom and creativity to help deal with the problem of hunger and poverty in our country. And then a friend texted me and asked if I would join her in fasting on the 21st of each month. I didn't reply right away, but rather allowed myself to think on it and pray about it. My mind almost immediately went to the ritual and pattern of my mother for countless years. She would fast every Sunday noon to Monday noon, in hopes of having some sense of empathy for those who are hungry and in order to help focus her life's mission. She told me just a few years ago that it also really helped keep her weight in check! I also took a look at my own bank statement and was more than convicted by how often my family had gone out to dinner in the month of June, ordered in pizza or made a quick stop at DQ. It didn't take me long to text back and say YES to the fast.

So now I ask you – will you join me in fasting, prayer and advocacy on the 21st of each month? Will you feel what it is like to be hungry [if only for a day], and allow your heart and mind to be open to the nudging and leading of our God? Will you do some research and think deeply about how God's church on earth might lose the bonds of injustice in this community and find ways to free people from the grip and cycle of poverty?

Just recently in the Brainerd Dispatch there was an article about the rise in homelessness in Crow Wing County. Dear friends, what might God be calling us to do in response? Let's fast and pray and act together!

In Peace,





Happy July!

Summer is a great time to have picnics and grill out. I always look forward to all the great food we can make in the summer!

Food safety is a very important part of our entertaining and eating! The following are some hints from the Centers for Disease Control:

- At the kitchen sink wash your hands for 20 seconds (or sing Happy Birthday) before handling food.
- Wash fruit and vegetables before peeling. **Do not** wash meat, poultry or eggs.
- When using cutting boards and utensils use separate cutting boards, plates and knives for produce and for raw meat, poultry, seafood and eggs.
- Clean with hot soapy water or put in the dishwasher after use.
- A meat thermometer should be used to make sure that food cooked in the oven, stove or grill reaches a temperature hot enough to kill germs.

The following are the minimum temperatures that food should be at:

- All poultry, including ground meat: 165 degrees.
- Ground beef, pork, lamb and veal chops: 160 degrees.
- Fish: 145 degrees.

Keep your refrigerator between 32-40 degrees and your freezer at 0 degrees or below. Refrigerate fruits, vegetables, milk, eggs and meats within 2 hours, 1 hour for temperatures outside of 90 degrees. Store raw meat on the bottom shelf away from fresh produce and ready to eat food. Throw out foods left unrefrigerated for over 2 hours. Thaw or marinate food in the refrigerator.

If you would like more information, check this website out: www.cdc.gov/foodsafety. Have a blessed summer with family and friends!

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Spiritual Gifts Coordinator
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Sunday's Lessons

July 2

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 28:5-9; Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18, 35b; Romans 6:12-23; Matthew 10:40-42

July 9

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Zechariah 9:9-12; Psalm 145:8-14; Romans 7:15-25a; Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

July 16

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 55:10-13; Psalm 65:9-13; Romans 8:1-11; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

July 23

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 44:6-8; Psalm 86:11-17; Romans 8:12-25; Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

July 30

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 3:5-12; Psalm 119:129-136; Romans 8:26-39 ; Matthew 13:31-22, 44-52

10 Stewardship Principles

(one principle featured each month)

Our role as God's stewards is one of many dimensions: grateful, responsible, self-sacrificing, willing, sharing, proportionate, committed, regular, genuine, and challenged. By generously giving of ourselves, we discover joy in Christ.

*"...you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."
2 Corinthians 9:7*

Stewardship Principle of the Month #1:

Respond Gratefully

to what God has first given us. All that we do is a response to God's grace. Everything we are, have, and use comes from God. Best of all, God gives the gift of Jesus Christ and the community of believers. It all begins with God. Our confession of faith in Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior is not of our doing. Grateful stewards put God first.

*"...but they gave themselves first to the Lord."
2 Corinthians 8:5*



Caring Friends Brat Sale



Caring Friends will be having a Brat Sale at 10:30 am Sunday, July 9, and Sunday, August 13, at Lord of Life. All proceeds will go to the Caring Friends account, which helps people with financial needs in our church.

Prayers for strength, comfort and healing...

Nancy Bacon, Verdell Bose, Bruce Femling, Brenda Johnson, Ashley Oehrlein, David Schleik, Sharon Syvertson, Verna & Hawk Hawkinson

Promise of Comfort and Resurrection for.....

Carol Ellerbusch, on the passing of her husband, Stephen Ellerbusch on June 5.



Campfire Worship
Service/Potluck
on Wednesday,
July 19 at 6 pm!



Property Team Update

We had a successful Property Work Day on Saturday, June 3!

Some of the tasks completed were: cleaning up the planters and landscaping areas, removing one of the wood planter beds, planting flowers in the remaining beds, placing fresh mulch around all the plants and cleaning windows.

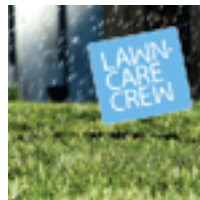
The geraniums were planted on Monday, June 5, after our Pentecost Sunday Service, and additional mulch was placed in the flower beds.

Thanks to all who helped on Saturday - the church landscaping looks great!

In order to keep the plants healthy, we will be needing people to sign up for the watering again this year. Compared to the last three years, the amount of watering will be reduced because the trees and shrubs are well established. I will make a list of tasks and instructions needed for watering once the volunteers are identified.

If you would like to help with the watering, please email colleen@lolbaxter.org and we will put you on the schedule.

Rick zumBrunnen
Property Team



Volunteers Needed!

Volunteers are needed for the Sharing Bread soup Kitchen on Sunday, August 6 at 11 pm. If

you would like to help sign up in the Narthex or email the church office at colleen@lolbaxter.org. If you have any questions contact Nancy Smith at nsmith.silverfox@gmail.com or 218-820-4273.

God's Work. Our Hands



"God's work. Our hands." Sunday is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor.

Save the date and come be a part of "God's Work. Our Hands." September 10, 2017, will be our day to serve our community. If you would like to be a part of the planning committee, contact the church office at colleen@lolbaxter.org.



Happy 4th of July!



Mission Trip

36 Students and 7 adults will be going to Chicago July 7-15. Please keep them in your prayers during their week in Chicago.

While the youth are in Chicago, they will partner with local organizations to meet ongoing needs in the community. During the week, students may serve all or part of the week at a food shelf clothing distribution center, soup kitchen, children's program, or elderly care facilities.

Adult Leaders

Erika Nilsen
Layne Danielson

Tim Slinger
Guy Kelm

Wendy Adamson
Katy Kelm

Tammie Benson

Students

Ian Aadland
Grace Balsley
Hannah Bankers
Elle Bruggeman
Kayla Bush
Kyle Bush
Anne Champion
Kaysie Carlson
Atlle Danielson

Mari Devine
Paul Freelove
Megan Hensel
Keenan Hodge
David Kelm
Tennyson Kelm
Bailey Koop
Josie Kramer
Ashley Marichalar

Ellie Mattson
Maggie Mattson
Sidney McConkey
Sarah Nesheim
Preston Owen
Brianna Pliscott
Hannah Rud
Nicole Rud
Charlie Rude

Eric Rude
Kiarra Story
Hailea Theien
Cam Walkowiak
Jamie Wallace
Julia Wallace
Max Wheeler
Macey Whitlock
Justin Youngquist



2017 Graduating Seniors

Justin Banks
Tanner Clink
Ava Figliuzzi
Lindsey Jensen
Connor Marichalar
Sam Nesheim
Will Schultz
Julia Wallace

Reese Benson
Avery Davidge
Damian Fink
Travis Jensen
Maggie Mattson
Matt Patrick
Trey Spreeman

Taylor Budnick
Luke Davidson
Kyle Hensel
Grant Madison
Dustin Nelson
Emily Price
Taylor Tyrrell



Congratulation to our 2017 Graduating Seniors.

We celebrated our Seniors on Sunday, May 21, and Wednesday, May 24. Each graduate received a quilt made by LOL Quilters. Congratulations on your graduation and best wishes for your next adventures!

2017 WELCA Summer Gathering

written by: Mary Anderson

The WELCA Summer Gathering was held from Wednesday, June 7, to Friday, June 9, at Sugar Lake Lodge near Grand Rapids, MN. Anne Laechel, as she has for the past several years, did a great job of coordinating the registration for the gathering. Bugs Schmidt and I attended the gathering on Friday, June 9. I wish all the women from Lord of Life could participate in what is a beautifully uplifting assembly. As always at these gatherings, the coffee and food were good and plentiful!

When we arrived at Sugar Lake Lodge, we dropped off our 23 school kits at a large semitrailer. Friday's session began with worship and communion led by Pastor Kari Williamson from Lutheran Church of the Cross, Nisswa. The keynote speaker was Pastor Karen Bockelman, who presented a study on the gathering theme song "We Are Called." Pastor Karen emphasized that we are all called to serve in our own unique ways. A short afternoon Bible Study was led by Pastor Williamson, followed by another presentation by Pastor Bockelman. There was an opportunity to bid on silent auction items during our coffee and lunch breaks.

These gatherings are well planned with many workshops to choose from and lots of opportunities for rest, relaxation, meeting new friends and catching up with old friends.

I would encourage all women to consider giving yourselves the gift of attending one day or for the whole WELCA gathering in the future.

In Memory of Orv Hanson

Recently the coffee countertop and sink in the Commons were replaced. The old cracked sink was replaced and the countertop was redesigned so that spills on the counter will not drip down and destroy the finish on the face of the cabinets.

Funding for this work was received largely from memorial gifts given in memory of Orv Hanson. A small amount of additional funds was taken out of the long-term improvement fund.

We are grateful to the family and friends of Orv Hanson who have given this wonderful gift to the church.

serveCAMP July 31-August 4

serveCAMP, a Middle School Mission "trip", is for students who will be entering grades 5-8 in the upcoming school year. Kid's will be building trust, helping others, growing in faith and having fun. There will be activities during the day, a break in the afternoon, and an option to return in the evening for night games, campfire and camping in Lord of Life's backyard. Cost is \$125 - this covers camp activities, servant opportunities, transportation, 4 breakfasts, 5 lunches and a week they will never forget. Sign-up at <http://tinyurl.com/serveCAMP2017>.

Summer 2017 Home Builds

Veteran Build - Ray Lindberg,
1392 Red Pine Road, Brainerd

Start date: late-June
and

Paul & Heather Kemp,
1500 block of Maple St., Brainerd

Start date: August

To volunteer call 218-828-8517 or email:
Volcoord@lakesareahabitat.org

Everyone is welcome to help build a home!
We offer on-site training.
We are hoping to have evenings
and Saturdays work days.
Don't want to swing a hammer?
Snacks and lunches are appreciated.

No matter who we are or where we come from, we all deserve to have a decent life. We deserve to feel strength and stability day after day. We deserve to know we have the power to take care of ourselves and build our own futures.

At Lakes Area Habitat for Humanity, this is what unites us. Through shelter, we empower. Our shared vision is a world where everyone has a decent place to live.

MISSION: Seeking to put God's love into action, Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, community and hope.

VISION: Carrying out the teachings of Christ, LAHFH strives to ensure that everyone, everywhere has at least a simple, decent place to call home.

ACTION: Partnering with families in need, volunteers build or renovate homes and serve as agents of change throughout the affiliate.



Saturday, July 1

7:00pm Open AA (Rms 7 & 9)

Sunday, July 2

9:30am Worship (Sanctuary)
 10:30am Congregational Meeting
 11:00am Sharing Bread Soup Kitchen

Monday, July 3**Tuesday, July 4***Office Closed for 4th of July*

7:00am Baxter Area Kiwanis (FH)

Wednesday, July 5

12:00pm Blood Drive (Fellowship Hall)
 6:00pm Worship (Sanctuary)

Thursday, July 6

9:00am Summer Stretch
 10:00am Thursday Men's Fellowship
 6:00pm Baxter Sandpipers 4-H (Fellowship Hall)

Friday, July 7*Chicago Mission Trip*

6:30am Men's Breakfast (FH)
 1:00pm Those Older Folders (Commons)

Saturday, July 8*Chicago Mission Trip*

7:00pm Open AA (Rms 7 & 9)

Sunday, July 9*Chicago Mission Trip*

9:30am Worship (Sanctuary)
 10:30am Caring Friends/Brat Sales

Monday, July 10*Chicago Mission Trip*

9:00pm Day Camp
 1:00pm Finance Team Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
 6:30pm Pinetree Patchworkers (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday, July 11*Chicago Mission Trip*

7:00am Baxter Area Kiwanis (FH)
 9:00pm Day Camp
 12:00pm Executive Committee Meeting (Room 1)
 1:30pm Office Staff Mtg (Conference Room)

Wednesday, July 12*Chicago Mission Trip*

9:00pm Day Camp
 6:00pm Campfire Worship

Thursday, July 13*Chicago Mission Trip*

9:00pm Day Camp
 9:00am Summer Stretch
 10:00am Thursday Men's Fellowship (Commons)

Friday, July 14*Chicago Mission Trip*

6:30am Men's Breakfast (FH)
 1:00pm Those Older Folders (Commons)

Saturday, July 15*Chicago Mission Trip*

7:00pm Open AA (Rms 7 & 9)

Sunday, July 16

9:30am Worship (Sanctuary)
 10:30am Fellowship (Commons)

Monday, July 17**Tuesday, July 18**

7:00am Baxter Area Kiwanis (FH)
 9:00am Book Discussion Group
 1:30pm Office Staff Mtg (Conference Room)

Wednesday, July 19

6:00pm Worship (Sanctuary)

Thursday, July 20

9:00am Summer Stretch
 10:00am Thursday Men's Fellowship (Commons)

Friday, July 21

6:30am Men's Breakfast (FH)
 1:00pm Those Older Folders (Commons)

Saturday, July 22

7:00pm Open AA (Rms 7 & 9)

Sunday, July 23

9:30am Worship (Sanctuary)
 10:30am Fellowship (Commons)

Monday, July 24

7:00pm Caring Friends Meeting

Tuesday, July 25

7:00am Baxter Area Kiwanis (FH)
 1:30pm Office Staff Mtg (Conference Room)

Wednesday, July 26

6:00pm Worship (Sanctuary)

Thursday, July 27

10:00am Thursday Men's Fellowship (Commons)

Friday, July 28

6:30am Men's Breakfast (FH)
 1:00pm Those Older Folders (Commons)

Saturday, July 29

7:00pm Open AA (Rms 7 & 9)

Sunday, July 30

9:30am Worship (Sanctuary)
 10:30am Fellowship (Commons)

Monday, July 31

9:00am ServeCAMP

Operation Sandwich Donations Needed!

Operation Sandwich is a program that exists to end childhood hunger by feeding kids during the summer months, when free and reduced meals are not available through the school system.

Operation Sandwich needs donations of: fruit snacks, granola bars, trail mix, pudding cups, fruit cups, chips, goldfish crackers, marshmallow treats and baby carrots.

You can bring your donations to Lord of Life Lutheran Church or First Lutheran Church, 424 S. 8th St., Brainerd. We will also take cash donations.

For more information or to volunteer visit <http://www.operationsandwichcwc.org>.

**Operation Sandwich 2017 Delivery Locations & Times**

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays
 June 5 - August 31

There are no income requirements, no collecting of names, and lunches are free to the community. All are welcome!

Brainerd/Baxter Locations

Lowell Elementary	11:45 to 12:10 pm
Garfield Elementary	12:15 to 12:40 pm
Harrison Elementary	12:45 to 1:15 pm
Whipple Beach Park, Baxter	12:00 to 12:30 pm
Kiwanis Park	12:40 to 1:10 pm
Barrows Town Hall	11:45 to 12:10 pm
Gregory Park	12:40 to 1:10 pm

The Book Wagon

Take a bite out of boredom with books
 On Mondays the Book Wagon

follows Operation Sandwich to Lowell, Garfield and Harrison schools.

They distribute new and gently used, age-appropriate books to the children picking up lunches.

VBS July 10-13 from 9-11:30 am

For ages 3, 4 & 5-pre K. At Vacation Bible School (VBS) kids participate in exciting games and experience God's Word in Bible stories and by exploring and creating through crafts, snacks and games. Youth enrolled in Bible School will have a wonderful opportunity to see how God works in our lives. Cost is \$15.00, family cap: \$25.00. Sign up at <http://tinyurl.com/LOL-VBS2017>.

**Day Camp July 10-13 from 9 am - 3 pm**

For ages K-4th Grade. Day Camp is for children who have completed Kindergarten through the fourth grade. Fun activities are led by trained Luther Crest Bible Camp counselors and are designed to give children an opportunity to grow their faith. Cost is \$50. sign up at <http://tinyurl.com/LOL-DayCamp2017>.



**Evening Vacation
Bible School
August 13-16
from 6 pm to 8 pm
for ages
3 years to 5th Grade**

Come join the fun with our VBS theme
Maker Fun Factory!

We will have VBS Sunday - Tuesday from 6 pm to 8 pm.
On Wednesday, August 16 we will have a wrap up of VBS
at our 6 pm Worship Service and a picnic with games.

To register your child go to
<http://tinyurl.com/LOL-AUGVBS2017>
Cost is \$15, with a family cap of \$25.

**We are in need of many volunteers from 6th grade to
adults to help in many ways:**

- We need leaders for each of the stations (leader manuals provided)
- Group leaders
- Preschool helpers and leaders
- Song leaders
- Decoration committee
- Donations of supplies to be used at VBS.

If you can help in any way please go to
<http://tinyurl.com/EVBS-2017> to sign up.

**Brainerd Lakes FHNB
(Fishing Has No Boundaries)**

On Saturday, August 26, Fishing Has No Boundaries will be taking approximately 120 people with physical and mental challenges fishing. This is a nationwide organization and Brainerd is the largest group. Fishing Has No Boundaries is a non-profit organization whose goal is to open up the great outdoors for people with disabilities through the world of fishing.

Volunteers are needed on Saturday, August 26: Boat Captains, help on shore with games and help with preparing and serving three meals. If interested contact Ted Anderson at 218-831-1372 or Pat Huhta at 218-855-1882.

For more information go to
brainerdlakesfhn.org



**Save the Date for the
500th Reformation Worship Service**

It's time to mark your calendars for the Joint Reformation Worship Service that will be taking place on October 8, 2017 at 11 am. Once again, as we did last year, several churches from the Lakes Region will be gathering together for a community-wide ELCA Worship Service.

The participating churches include: Bethel Lutheran Church in Brainerd, Crosslake Lutheran Church in Crosslake, MN; First Lutheran Church in Brainerd; Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Brainerd; Trinity Lutheran Church in Brainerd; Lutheran Church of the Cross in Nisswa; and Lord of Life Lutheran Church in Baxter.

Patricia Lundin will be leading a mass children's choir, and she would like to solicit children and parents from all congregations to join in. Brian Stubbs will direct the music. The worship planning team will be: Rev. Erika Nilsen; Brian Stubbs; Kathy Taylor; Rev. John Stiles; and Andy Webber from Bethel Lutheran Church. Others may be asked to be involved as planning progresses.

Lord of Life Lutheran Ministry Opportunities

Connecting to Christ

Circle, Martha - Meets the second Tuesday of the month off site at 7:00 p.m. (August-June) For more information contact *Mary Anderson* 330-6171 maryteda@charter.net

Circle, Sarah - Meets the second Tuesday of the month at 1:00 p.m. (Sept-May) at Lord of Life. For information contact *Bugs Schmidt* 829-3864 shmidye@icloud.com

Men's Breakfast - Fridays, 6:30 a.m. at LOL for Bible study, fellowship, fun and food - *Roger Tietz* 820-3923

Men's Fellowship - Thursdays, 10:00 a.m. at LOL for Bible study, fellowship and fun - *Ted Anderson* 831-1372

New Member Class - For individuals and families interested in joining Lord of Life. Childcare is provided upon request. - *Pastor Steve* 828-9374 steve@lolbaxter.org

Pray & Ponder Women's Breakfast - A gathering of women on one Saturday each month, 9:00-11:00 a.m. in the Commons. (September-May). Experience great food, conversation, inspiration and prayer. Contact *Wendy Adamson* at wendyadamson@ymail.com

Connecting to our Community

Habitat for Humanity - *Scott Hall*, (w) 828-8517- scott.hall@lakesarea.org habitat.org

LOL Quilters - Piecing lap quilts for local charities and working on personal projects. Fabric donations are welcomed. Thursdays, 9:00 a.m. at LOL (Sept-April)

Prayer Shawl Group - Meets 3 to 4 times a year. Anyone who is interested in this wonderful ministry is welcome to join our group. Please contact *Jeannine zumBrunnen* 829-2177- zummyb@brainerd.net or *Brenda Johnson* 831-9725- brensid@brainerd.net Check our website at www.shawlministry.com for more information.

Soup Kitchen - Serving meals at Sharing Bread Soup Kitchen (923 Oak St., Brainerd), first Sunday of each month at 11:00 a.m. - *To volunteer contact Nancy Smith* (820-4273).

Connecting to Each Other

Sunday Evening Book Discussion Group meets on alternating Sundays at 6:30 p.m. (Sept. - May). All book lovers are welcome. Contact: *Jerry Kuehn* at 218-820-8566.

Monday Afternoon Book Group will meet at 1:00 pm each Monday (Sept. - May). For more information contact *Nancy Smith* 820-4273.

Tuesday Morning Book Group This group meets on the 1st and the 3rd Tuesdays of the Month at 9:00am and focuses on studying biblical books to expand our knowledge of the bible and grow in faith. Contact *Claire Rud* at paulclairerud@msn.com.

Caring Friends Ministry - Find out how to become a Caring Friend or to receive this ministry as you navigate life transitions. Meets the fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Contact *Jeannine zumBrunnen* 829-2177 zummyb@brainerd.net

LOL Ministry Teams - Congregational Life, Children's Education, Youth/Adult Education, Evangelism, Finance, Property, Social Concerns, Stewardship, Worship, Youth - *Pastor Erika* 828-9374 erika@lolbaxter.org

LOLLY (Lots of Living Left Yet) - Meets the third Wednesday of each month at 11:30 a.m.; ages 55+ (Sept-May). Call *Mary Anderson* at 330-6171 or *Ted Anderson* at maryteda@charter.net for more info.

Pre-Marriage Retreat - For couples preparing for the joys and struggles of married life. This is a pre-requisite for couples planning to be married at LOL. For more information, contact *Anne* in the church office at 828-9374 or anne@lolbaxter.org

Wednesday Night Supper Prep & Serving - Assist with cooking and serving of our Wednesday evening meal. (Sept.-May) Contact the church office at www.lolbaxter.org

For updated information on the above events, check out our website: <http://www.lolbaxter.org>



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
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Daily Prayers and Staff

The Scripture tells us to pray for each other (James 5:16). As a body we pray for our congregation, alphabetically rotating through our church family on an annual basis. Each week we will pray for specific Lord of Life families. Although you may not know each member of our congregation, our God listens to the prayers we bring on each other's behalf before his throne. Please make a commitment to include your brothers and sisters at Lord of Life Lutheran Church in your daily prayers.

July 2-8

Adam & Michele Albright	Allen & Becky Braak
Matt & Angela Feigum	Tim & Beth Hardinger
Guy & Katy Kelm	Greg & Paula Mangan
Mark & Paula Parrish	Patricia Saxum
Luke & Annah Swanson	Rick & Jeannine zumBrunnen

July 9-15

Howie & Terri Bahn	Jack & Irene Christofferson
Connie Fordyce	Dalen & Lori Hodge
Tom Koop & Kris Harsh	Gregg Meierhofer
Paul & Nancy Peterson	Terri Saxum
Eldo & Bugs Schmidt	Brandon & Jenny Thompson

July 16-22

Laurel Baxter	Lisa Dewey
Daniel & Jolene Fromm	Andy & Dan Holmes
Sean & Kelly Kramer	Brad & Colleen Mulholland
Andy & Katie Rangen	Betty & Gary Sieckert
Robert & Cindy Tyson	

July 23-28

Jim & Joslyn Bentson	Elsye & Paul Burton
Gary & Kathy Engelmann	Jennifer & Trent Grams
Paul & Sally Jacobsen	Diane Larson
Seth & Nicole Nelson	Ben & Becky Robertson
Cindy Soder	James Waldhoff

July 30-31

Kathy Blake & Nancy Smith	Travis & Jennifer Dahlheimer
Les & Kathy Hall	Guy & Kala Henkensiefken
Jeff & Kim Johnson	Dave & Rita Linder
Norma Olsen	Kristi Runde
John Stephenson	Tony & Kari Whitlock

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Wed Musician Coordinator	Jennifer Person



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July Birthdays

- 1 Willy Feigum, Gina Nelsen, Roger Spreeman
- 2 Thomas Grover, Jill Maciejny
- 3 Jacob Drietz, Adam Henkensiefken, Kinley Leonard, Michelle Meyer, Greg Olson, Dave Peterson
- 4 Kent Carlson, Chris Laber, Kaleb Sundquist, Cam Walkowiak
- 5 Tyson Decker, Quinn Leonard, Erica Staehling
- 6 Mary Belanger, Emma Grunenwald, Anna Tupy
- 7 Gail Bruckner, Jenny Ryder
- 8 Kirsten Aldous, Staci Headley, Dekker Mithun, Jackson Owens, Kara Patrick
- 9 Sue Beck, Emma Campbell, Kelsey Herboldt, Lolly Kalinoski, Kris Spreeman
- 10 Charlie Campbell, Shane Carlson, Jordan Clink, Katie Foley, Brendan Miller
- 11 Greg Bennett, Jason Fordyce, Hallie Sazama, Gary Syvertson
- 12 Francis Mulholland, Lori Rubin, Macy Speer
- 13 Sarah Gorvin, Les Hall, Elsie Haakonson, Madi Miller
- 14 David Adamson, Adam Bartelt, Caitlin Mae Hamilton, Guy Henkensiefken, Kevin Peterson, Abby Rubado, Danielle Sazama, Landon Sazama, Jenna Swenson
- 15 Neil Branstner, Lindsay Busch, Presley Leonard, Sophia White
- 16 Caleb Daniels, Jeanni Foss, Jeff Grunenwald, Gabby Jensen, Dylan Kozitza
- 17 Eli Kunesh, Cole Sundquist, Andrew Taylor
- 18 Beth Bastian, Jeff Behr, Bob Brekken, Darrin Dumpprope, Hayden Freed, Jennifer Pedersen, Gary Weihemuller
- 19 Nora King, Allie Koop, Andrew Lofstrom, Jeff Mattson, Becky Robertson
- 20 Grace Holcomb-Smith, Erica Milloch, Sarah Nesheim, Kari Stengrim
- 21 Sophia Dewey, Karen Skarolid, Cindy Swenson, Chris Weihemuller
- 22 Gregg Ehlert, Maren Hall, Sandy Halvorson, Paige Hiller, Kris Peterson
- 23 Sean Thesing, John VanMoer, Jason Walkowiak, Chase Weideman
- 24 Ginger Augustinack, Mikael Christenson, Steve Drietz, Steve Gilbert
- 25 Ben Barrer, Char Berns, Jada Fuchs, Alex Gehrke, Sharon Johnson, Beth VanderLinden
- 26 Wyatt Bunting, Andy Campbell, Elaine Kraemer, Sammy Schultz
- 27 Finley Herman, Amanda Peterson

July Birthdays Continued

- 28 Lacy Busch, Preston Owen, Benjamin Staehling
- 29 Bryan Barrer, Kathy Blake, Mike Cranny, Donna Hoffman, Bob Johnson, Elden Rueger
- 30 Jacob Borgstrom, Bart Harmer, Kari Whitlock, Tom Youngblom
- 31 Avie Hardinger, Randy Heidmann, Lisa Heittola, Gary Kort, Joel Staehling

July Anniversaries

- 7/1 Hawk & Verna Hawkinson❖, Sean Randall & Becky Clark-Randall, Mike & Bev Owen
- 7/7 Gregg & Deanne Ehlert, Dan & Bonnie Nowacki
- 7/8 Kevin & Elise Jensen
- 7/9 ReNee & Jason Leonard
- 7/10 Bob & Michelle Brekken❖
- 7/11 John & Char Berns, Guy & Kala Henkensiefken❖
Dylan & Cassie Knipple, Wayne & Joyce Mueller❖
- 7/12 Kevin & Andrea Carlson, Ruben & Karen Marichalar
- 7/13 Neal & Julie Hofius❖
- 7/14 John & Wendy VanMoer❖
- 7/15 Troy & Maggie Schilling
- 7/16 Blaine & Gail Brecht, Lloyd & Helen Henke❖, Keith & Jane Peterson❖
- 7/17 Kurt & Dawn Buckwalter❖, Corry & Teresa Lund
- 7/18 Mike & Pam Marlatt❖
- 7/20 Paul & Karen Erickson❖, Jason & Emilee Freed
- 7/21 Mike & Carol Blowers†
- 7/22 Mike & Deb Cranny❖, Todd & Marcie DeBoer, Jeff & Mary Mattson
- 7/23 Alex & Ashley Kunesh
- 7/24 Paul & Sally Jacobsen❖
- 7/25 Rick & Karla Skwira
- 7/26 Tom & Vonnie Ferkingstad, Geoff & Kelly Gorvin❖, Brandon & Jenny Thompson
- 7/28 Brian & Randa Haug❖, Mike & Elaine Youngquist
- 7/29 David & Trisia Hughes, Ada & Ken Kelling†
- 7/30 James & Beth Bastian, Mike & Pam Marlatt, Luke & Annah Swanson
- 7/31 Layne & Helene Danielson, John & Beth VanderLinden❖

❖=Celebrating 24-49 years!

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Thank You



**Thank you to all who helped
on Saturday, June 3, and Monday, June 5.
The church landscaping looks great!**

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