

GOOD NEWS

November
2018

Lord of Life
Lutheran
Church
(ELCA)

Worship Schedule
Sunday 9:00 am
& 10:30 am
Wednesday 6:00 pm

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

Ministers
The Lord of Life
Family of Faith

Pastors
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*I sing a song of the saints of God, patient and brave and true;
who toiled and fought and lived and died for the Lord they loved and knew.
And one was a doctor, and one was a queen, and one was a shepherdess on the green;
they were all of them saints of God, and I mean, God helping, to be one too.*

*They loved their Lord so dear, so dear, and his love made them strong;
and they followed the right for Jesus' sake the whole of their good lives long.
And one was a soldier, and one was a priest, and one was slain by a fierce wild beast;
and there's not any reason, no, not the least, why I shouldn't be one too.*

*They lived not only in ages past; there are hundreds of thousands still.
The world is bright with the joyous saints who love to do Jesus' will.
You can meet them in school, on the street, in the store, in church, by the sea, in the house next door;
they are saints of God, whether rich or poor, and I mean to be one too. —L. Scott*

It's hard to believe that November is here already. The theme of the month is "Thanks". The month begins with All Saints Day, where we turn our attention to those who have been a Godly witness in our lives. Those who have gone on to join the church triumphant in heaven. We also remind ourselves that anyone who puts their faith in Christ - no matter how much of a sinner they are - is also a Saint. All Saints Day is a day for us all, not because of our own righteousness, but because of Christ's righteousness that he freely bestows on us in his death and resurrection. For that, first and foremost, we give thanks.

Those who hunt are known to give thanks in tree-stands and walking through the woods during hunting season. Thankfulness nearly always comes when one is surrounded by the wonders of God's creation. Even we who don't hunt can take a moment to celebrate the change of seasons. [During church on Sunday, October 21, I suggested you use your smart phones to read Psalm 104 while out in God's creation.]

And of course, we give thanks on Thanksgiving day. Here in Baxter, the holiday has felt a little disconnected from the cycle of planting and harvesting, that was so much a part of the holiday during my growing up years. But still, it remains a time to look back on the past year and give thanks to God for the bounteous blessings we have received.

During this month, I also give thanks for several ministries of our congregation:

- **Faithful Mothers** - a group of mothers with small children that meets on Wednesdays for bible study and mutual support.
- **Pray and Ponder** - a monthly meeting on a Saturday, with breakfast, a time of prayer, and a program.
- **Grief Support Group** - a group that gathers for mutual support and to discuss.
- **Book Discussion Group** - a group that meets on Sunday Evenings to discuss various books.

We'll be featuring these groups on our connection cards this month. Please check the box if you are interested in receiving more information about them.

Finally, dear reader, I give thanks for you and your commitment to Lord of Life. I give thanks that together God has called us into mission together.

Blessings!
Pr. Steve

November 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>28</p> <p>9a Worship</p> <p>10a Fellowship</p> <p>10:30a <u>Discovering God's Vision for Your Life</u></p> <p>10:30a Worship</p> <p>11:30a Fellowship</p> <p>11:45a Congregational Meeting</p> <p>1p Sophomore Confirmation Ceremony</p> <p>5:30p Middle School Youth Group</p>	<p>29</p> <p>6a Women's AA</p> <p>9a SAIL Program</p>	<p>29</p> <p>7a Baxter Area Kiwanis</p> <p>1p Staff Meeting</p> <p>6:30p Legacy Chorale</p>	<p>30</p> <p>9a SAIL Program</p> <p>5p Trunk or Treat</p> <p>5:15p Wednesday Night Supper</p> <p>6p Worship</p> <p>7p Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>7p Membership 201</p> <p>8p Teens Upstream</p>	<p>31</p> <p>9a Lord of Life Quilters</p> <p>10a Men's Fellowship</p>	<p>1</p> <p>6:30a Men's Breakfast</p> <p>1p Those Older Folders</p> <p>7p Friday Family & Friends Al-Anon</p>	<p>2</p> <p>7p Lots of Love Open AA</p> <p>3</p>
<p>4</p> <p>9a Worship</p> <p>10a Fellowship</p> <p>10:30a Discovering God's Vision for Your Life</p> <p>10:30a Worship</p> <p>11a Sharing Bread Soup Kitchen Ministry</p> <p>11:30a Fellowship</p>	<p>5</p> <p>6a Women's AA</p> <p>9a SAIL Program</p> <p>7p New Member Orientation 101</p>	<p>5</p> <p>7a Baxter Area Kiwanis</p> <p>7a General Elections - Baxter P1E</p> <p>9a Book Discussion</p> <p>1p Staff Meeting</p> <p>6:30p Legacy Chorale</p> <p>6:30p Team Meeting Night</p>	<p>6</p> <p>9a SAIL Program</p> <p>10a Faithful Mothers</p> <p>5:15p Wednesday Night Supper</p> <p>6p Worship</p> <p>7p 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation</p> <p>7p 9th Grade Confirmation</p> <p>7p Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>7p Membership 201</p> <p>8p Teens Upstream</p>	<p>7</p> <p>9a Lord of Life Quilters</p> <p>10a Men's Fellowship</p> <p>6p Baxter Sandpipers 4-H</p>	<p>8</p> <p>6:30a Men's Breakfast</p> <p>1p Those Older Folders</p> <p>7p Friday Family & Friends Al-Anon</p>	<p>9</p> <p>9a Pray & Ponder Women's Breakfast</p> <p>7p Lots of Love Open AA</p> <p>10</p>
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Martha Circle - is a women's Bible study that meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month. They will meet November 13 at 7 pm, location to be announced. For more information contact Sally Jacobsen at 218-829-1704.

Sarah Circle - will meet November 13 at 1 pm at Lord of Life in Fellowship Hall. Come for fellowship and Bible study. If you would like more information contact Bugs Schmidt at 218-829-3864.

Men's Breakfast - Join the Men's Breakfast every Friday at 6:30 am at Lord of Life for Bible study, fellowship, fun and food. For more information contact Ted Anderson at 218-831-1372.

Thursday Men's Fellowship - is on Thursdays at 10:00 am in the Commons at Lord of Life. For more information contact Ted Anderson 218-831-1372.

Faithful Mothers - Will meet on the first and third Wednesdays at Lord of Life from 10 am to 11:30 am. Childcare is provided.

LOLLY (Lots of Living Left Yet) - Will meet on Wednesday, November 21, at 11:30 am for a potluck lunch in Fellowship Hall. For more information call either Pat Huhta 218-330-3447 or Mary Anderson 218-330-6171.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study - The Tuesday Morning Bible Study meets the first and third Tuesday every month at Lord of Life. We meet from 9 am - 11 am in the Fireside Room 7. Currently we are studying the book of Acts using a study guide by John Stott. We will be finishing up this study and starting a new study on Romans on November 20. Currently there are six women in this small group that range in age from their 50's to their 80's. All are welcome and you can join in anytime. If you would like more information you can contact Claire Rud at 218-828-7854.

New Member Orientation 101

If you are looking for a church home, Lord of Life offers a New Member Orientation 101 class. These classes are for those interested in membership at Lord of Life and those seeking more information on Lord of Life's mission and ministries. Member Orientation 101 class is a one-night event, and attendance is required by all who wish to become members of Lord of Life Lutheran Church.

Here are the upcoming sessions:

Monday, November 5 from 7 pm to 8:30 pm

Register at:

<https://lolbaxter.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/43/responses/new>



Sunday, November 4



Promise of Comfort and Resurrection for...

The family of Rose Hanson, Karen Erickson's mom, who passed away on October 19.

Prayers for Strength, Comfort and Healing for...

Becky Bennett, who has started chemo.

Seth Pederson, son-in-law of Bruce & Carol

Femling, who has cancer of the liver and is having further tests done.

Tonya, Rick & Renzen Caughey, who lost their home in a house fire. Prayers for Rick who is recovering from injuries.

David Schliek, who has stage 4 cancer.

Bruce Femling, as he recovers from a single lung transplant.



Garnet Joseph Getty

October 14, 2018

Parents: Alex & Katie Getty

Sibling: Kyrie Getty

Sunday's Lessons

November 4 All Saints Sunday

Deuteronomy 6:1-9; Psalm 119:1-8;

Hebrews 9:11-14; Mark 12:28-34

November 11 Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 17:8-16; Psalm 146;

Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 10:17-31

November 18 Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Daniel 12:1-3, Psalm 16

Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25; Mark 13:1-8

November 25 Christ the King Sunday

Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14; Psalm 93;

Revelation 1:4-8, 7-8; John 18:33-37



Deb's Office Hours:
Monday 9 am-4 pm

Greetings,

Have you suffered a loss of a loved one or lost your job? Are you new in town or have you experienced other major life changes? We will be starting a new eight-week Grief Support Group on November 5 in the Fireside Room at Lord of Life from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm. We use an eight-week model that helps us travel through grief. Our group is facilitated by Pastor Erika and myself. This is a place to pray, talk or not talk, to share and to cry without judgement, and hear from other people who have experienced loss. If you are interested, please come that night or contact either Pastor Erika or myself.

Some comments from those who have attended:

- Sitting in a quiet room with other people with the same feelings made me feel not so alone with my grief.
- Better—more capable of dealing with my loss.
- I feel so grateful to have had the opportunity to come to this group.
- I feel so much better now.
- Not less sad yet, but less alone due to the wonderful women in my group—I realize there are many grieving people out there who feel and suffer as I do.

Blessings,

Deb Bergstrom RN
Parish Nurse



The pillowcase dresses made it to Haiti! Thank you Corrie Jeremiason for delivering them!

Thanksgiving Services
Wednesday, November 21
12 pm & 7 pm



The Church Office will be closed on Thursday, November 22 & Friday, November 23.



Wednesday Suppers

Join us on Wednesdays at 5:15 pm for supper. November 7 will be a potluck; please bring a dish to pass. If you would like to bring a dessert or make a Wednesday supper, email the church office at colleen@lolbaxter.org. There will be no supper on Wednesday, November 21.



Caring Friends Lefse Making

We will be making Lefse on Friday evening, November 16th, 5:00-9:00 pm and on Saturday, November 17th, 9:00 am - 12 pm. Lefse will be sold at Lord of Life on Sunday, November 18th, just in time for Thanksgiving. Please put your heart and hands to work, and let's make some LEFSE!



Sunday, November 11



Christ caring for people through people

**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**

Lolly and I would like to thank everyone for all the interest and support for our Stephen Ministry Sunday and Wednesday Worship Service! November brings an exciting time for our Stephen Ministry as we will start taking applications from you to become a Stephen Minister! Our timeline stays the same for starting the training in January. Please prayerfully consider becoming a Stephen Minister. Lolly and I are committed to walking alongside both you and your Care Receiver throughout your Stephen Ministry experience. Please read the testimonial below from someone who became a Stephen Minister!

"Stephen Ministry has enhanced every relationship I have. Now I can listen and be there without feeling like I must rush in and try to fix things. (My 15-year-old thinks this a great blessing!) I'm much more at peace in difficult situations because I realize that it's not me—but Christ within me—who does the work." Susan, Licensed Massage Therapist, Saint Petersburg, Florida

Lolly Kalinoski and Deb Bergstrom
Stephen Ministry Leaders

Undie Sunday

Help Lord of Life provide the very basic dignities of new undies!

Having clean, serviceable underwear is something many of us are lucky enough to take for granted. But for adults and children who are economically challenged or homeless, even those basic garments can be difficult-if not impossible-to obtain. And that makes it hard to feel comfortable or warm or maintain a sense of personal dignity.

We will be collecting new, packaged underwear, socks and bras in sizes for all ages and genders. We would also accept baby onesies and baby socks.

There will be an underwear drawer in the Narthex and we will be collecting the whole month of November!

Please consider Sharing!

Congregational Life Team



Undie Sundays!

Samaritan's Purse/Operation Christmas Child

All are welcome to join the LOL Confirmation youth this year in packing a shoe box for Operation Christmas Child. Please read through the description below.

Purpose

The world's largest Christmas project of its kind, Operation Christmas Child uses gift-filled shoeboxes to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world. Since 1993, the Samaritan's Purse project/Operation Christmas Child has collected and delivered more than 135 million gift-filled shoeboxes to children in more than 150 countries and territories. More than 500,000 volunteers worldwide, with more than 150,000 of those in the United States, are involved in collecting, shipping and distributing shoebox gifts.

Discipleship

More than 7.4 million children have participated in The Greatest Journey/Operation Christmas Child's follow-up program that is offered to many children who receive shoebox gifts. The Greatest Journey is implemented through a Global Church network to help children learn how to know and follow Jesus.

Getting Started

Decide whether you will pack a box for a girl or a boy and the age category: 2-4, 5-9 or 10-14. Find a shoebox or plastic shoebox. If you want to wrap it, cover the box and lid separately. Shop for personal care items, clothing, accessories, crafts, activities and toys.

What not to pack

Candy, toothpaste, gum, used or damaged items, war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures, chocolate or food, seeds, fruit rolls, or other fruit snacks, drink mixes (powdered or liquid), liquids or lotions, medications or vitamins, breakable items and aerosol cans.

Prayer

Please pray for the child who will receive your gift. You can also include a personal note and photo.

Shoebox drop off

If you would like to put a shoebox together, tags for the Shoeboxes are at the Welcome Desk. **Shoeboxes need to be at Lord of Life by Sunday, November 11.**

Dear Lord of Life Family,

It is an honor and privilege to serve as President of the Lord of Life Council this year. Thank you for your generosity, prayers and support! Day in and day out, your generous gifts of time, talent and treasures carry out our mission: to inspire a deeper and richer connection to Christ, our community and each other. It's good to be family!

First, I want to thank you for your responses to the worship survey! The survey provided for fruitful discussion around what Lord of Life is doing well, as well as areas of opportunity for learning and growth. The survey responses described Lord of Life as welcoming, inclusive, and caring. It also expressed appreciation for our community missions and outreach, youth and family programming, and the variety of music offerings we have during worship. Through our worship, our service, and our education, we practice our faith, grow our relationship with God, and experience God's grace in our lives.

Thank you, also, for your generous response to the spring General Fund appeal and fall pledge request. Our September financial notes show Year-To-Date contributions ahead of last year by \$3,507! Please watch for, and prayerfully consider, the pledge request for the 2018-19 Capital Campaign coming soon.

Next steps for Lord of Life Council include:

- Establishing organizational clarity of the Lord of Life Council structure and staff roles and responsibilities
- Supporting the Nominating Committee in refining its processes
- 2019-20 Strategic Planning cultivating a hopeful future for all missions

Please reach out to me or other Council members with Lord of Life celebrations, questions or concerns.

God's peace,
Cindy Swenson



NOOMA Retreat 9th grade Confirmation November 16th & 17th

9th grade Confirmation students will gather together for a night filled with Bible studies, fun activities and staying overnight at church! This annual event is a highlight for many! Check back

next month to hear all about it!

Middle School Youth Gathering November 17th & 18th

20+ Lord of Life middle school students will gather together with hundreds of youth from across Northeastern Minnesota. This action-packed event includes: large group assemblies with a keynote speaker (AGAPE), band, learning clusters, church group time, hotel life filled with fun activities and worship. I look forward to sharing pictures and reflections from our event in the December Newsletter!

Charlie Brown Christmas Rehearsals Underway!

Rehearsals kicked off back in October for the cast of the upcoming Charlie Brown Christmas Program. Our high school students along with Guy Kelm have been working hard getting this annual production ready for all of you. Come check it out!

Other Important Calendar Dates:

No Wednesday Night Programming Wednesday, Nov. 21st (Thanksgiving Break). No Middle School Youth Group Nov. 25th (Thanksgiving Break).

Blessings,

Tim Slinger
Youth Director



It's Time to Talk Turkeys!

As November approaches and we begin to think of our own holiday celebrations, Lord of Life Lutheran Church will once again be working with Bridges of Hope in coordinating Thanksgiving Baskets

for families in our community. Bridges of Hope will provide the names of approximately 15 families who are in need of food baskets. Please consider donating canned vegetables and cranberries, boxes of stuffing, boxes or bags of potatoes (bagged potatoes only if close to the holiday to ensure they stay fresh), and jars or packets of gravy.

Bring items to the labeled Thanksgiving Drive Basket located in the Narthex, and/or donate funds toward the purchase of the turkeys and pumpkin pies. All donations must be at the church no later than Wednesday, November 14th.

On November 18th, the Sunday before Thanksgiving, LOL members will be invited to deliver baskets to the families. Please put this on your calendar, and plan to assist us after the church services. Thank you for helping us fulfill our mission!

Pray & Ponder Women's Breakfast and Bible Study

This year Pray & Ponder will be studying Doubt and Faith. Here's an excerpt from the introductory material we are using:

"When we think of the disciple Thomas in the gospel stories, what comes to mind? What is he most often called? Doubting Thomas. The one who didn't believe like the others. The one who wondered. Over and over, in countless sermons and Bible studies, Thomas is typically portrayed as the one we shouldn't be like. The one who didn't get it. The one who was right there with Jesus and still didn't believe. The one we should be cautious of becoming. But what if Thomas had the right idea all along? What if his honesty is something to be emulated? That a better name for him is Honest Thomas? That there's a message in this simple story that needs reframing, not only for us personally but also for the wider church."

Do you (like me) wrestle with doubt? Do you sometimes feel guilty when your faith is weak and you are filled with unanswered questions? If so, please come join the conversation. We meet again on Saturday, November 10th at 9:00 a.m. Contact me at wendyadamson@ymail.com if you have questions.

Make a Difference in your Community!

Retirees age 55+ - Become a Senior Companion or Foster Grandparent with LSS Senior Corps. Earn Tax Free income, mileage, training & recognition. 10+ hours a week. Enjoy weekly visits with an older adult or mentor and support students in schools and Head Starts.

For more information contact Marcia Ferris, LSS Coordinator [218-839-6650](tel:218-839-6650) or Marcia.ferris@lssmn.org



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Prayer Chain In-service

Our next in-service will be Sunday, December 2 at 10:30 am or Wednesday, December 5 at 7:00 pm.

We require a commitment of each member to attend at least one prayer chain in-service during a 12-month period. It is the individual's responsibility to be sure they attend an in-service.

What is the Prayer Chain? To faithfully lift up in prayer the needs and concerns of our church family and our loved ones, remembering what Jesus told us.

"Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." Matthew 18:19-20:

Successful accomplishment includes praying for new requests received via phone, email, or our web; praying for people who receive prayer shawls; and praying for the newly baptized. If you would like to join this group, please come to our next in-service.

Additional Pianist Needed at Lord of Life

We are adding to our team at Lord of Life Lutheran Church, Baxter. We are looking for an additional pianist for our worship services. This would include accompanying services or groups, at least 3-4 services per month. Must be able to sight-read and understand chord charts. Compensation is per service and a long-term commitment is preferred. Please send resumes to jennifer.person@lodbaxter.org.

Calling all Knitters and Crocheters

Assist Congregational Life in making scarves, hats and mittens for the giving tree. If you do not have yarn, there is some available in the Narthex.

Would you like to help shovel our sidewalks?

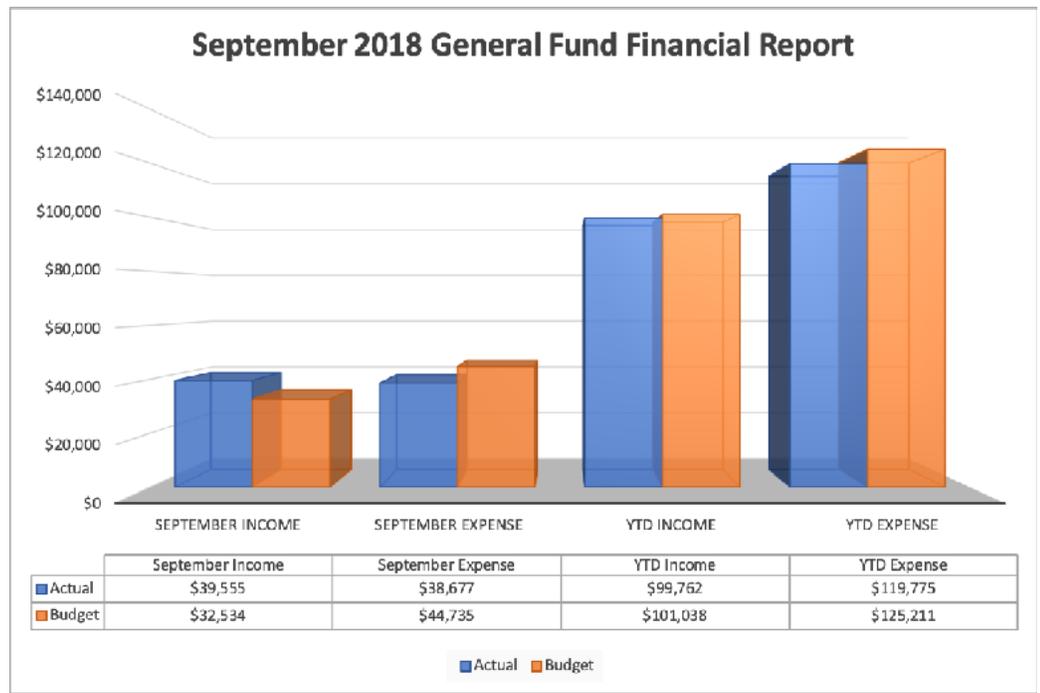
We are looking for volunteers to help with snow shoveling this winter. Volunteers will take a one week slot and shovel the sidewalks twice a day if it snows. If you would like to help with this please email Colleen at colleen@lodbaxter.org.

Date	Sunday 9 am	Sunday 10:30 am
November	Ushers	Ushers
4	Steve Jones	Lisa Hoglin
	Val Jones	Tim Hoglin
11	Kevin Jensen	Josh Freelove
	Steve Drietz	Trent Grams
18	Hawk Hawkinson	Ed Braland
	Ted Anderson	Pam Braland
25	Sandy Schaefer	Josh Anderson
	Sharon Johnson	
November	Acolyte	Acolyte
4	Sophia White	Derek Hoglin
11		
18		Lucas Hoglin
25		

November	Sunday 9 am	Sunday 10:30
November	Scripture Reader	Scripture Reader
4	Valerie Jones	Paul Jacobson
11	Bob Johnson	Anne Freelove
18	Carol Rodseth	Jane Peterson
25	Cheryl Plouffe	Jane Peterson
November	Fellowship/Treats	Welcome Center
4	Help needed	
11	Leone Johnson	Help needed
	Anne Ness	
18	Gina Nelsen	Help needed
	Diane McClelland	
25	Henrietta Erickson	
	Judy Tollefson	Help needed



Date	Sunday 9 am	Sunday 10:30 am
November	Communion Asst.	Communion Asst.
4	Becky White	Irene Christofferson
	Jeannine zumBrunnen	Jack Christofferson
	Rick zumBrunnen	Paul Jacobsen
	Pat Einarson	Sally Jacobsen
11	Anne Ness	Anne Freelove
	Marilyn Tuma	Josh Freelove
	Bob Johnson	Kim Bell
	Leone Johnson	
18	Beth Hensel	Diane McClelland
	Deb Koop	Les McClelland
	Tom Koop	Irene Christofferson
	Nancy Smith	Jack Christofferson
25	John Berns	Jane Peterson
	Char Berns	John Stephenson
	Lolly Kalinoski	Mari Devine
	Stan Kalinoski	Patty Wallace
November	Welcome Center	Welcome Center
4	Shirley Hansen	
11	Bob & Leone Johnson	
18	Bugs & Eldo Schmidt	
25	John & Char Berns	



**Lord of Life Church Council
Meeting notes for
Thursday, September 20, 2018**



Adoption of the Agenda - Pat Huhta motioned; Pastor Steve seconded the motion, all approved. (CC.2018.9.1)

By Unanimous Consent: Approved

TO ADOPT -August 16, 2018 Meeting Minutes (CC.2018.9.2)

Receive new members - John & Joanne Wolf - transfer (CC.2018.9.3)

Other Approved Motions:

Pastor Steve motioned to empower Paul Jacobsen to enroll Lord of Life's property known as Barrett Property in Class 2C managed Forest Land program through the State of Minnesota. Ann Smallman seconded the motion, all approved. (CC.2018.9.4)

Pat Huhta motioned that funding for group to attend Cultivating Generous Congregations Seminar come from Dedicated Account #9020 (Dedicated Checking Interest). Pastor Erika seconded the motion, all approved. (CC.2018.9.5)

August Financial report. Pastor Steve motioned to receive the report as presented, Matt Feigum seconded the motion, all approved. (CC.2018.9.6)

Council Members

President - Cindy Swenson
Vice President - Matt Feigum
Secretary - Beth Hensel
Treasurer - Scott Kraling
Council Representative
 Sarah Nesheim
Adult Faith Growth, Children's Education, Youth
 Emilee Freed
Congregational Life, Worship
 Pat Huhta
Evangelism, Missions/Social Concerns
 Ann Smallman
Finance, Mission Support/Stewardship, Property
 Layne Danielson

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 - Ted Anderson 218-831-1372

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 a.m.-11:00 a.m. in the Commons. (Oct-May). Experience great food, conversation, inspiration and prayer. Contact Wendy Adamson at wendyadamson@ymail.com

Prayer Chain - Faithfully lift up in prayer the needs and concerns of our church family and their loved ones. Contact Lolly Kalinoski at 828-3699.

Connecting to our Community

Caring for Creation Workgroup

We will meet from 4:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month. The Caring for Creation Workgroup on ecology and the environment is grounded in a biblical vision of God's intention for the healing and wholeness of creation. This group will meet to discuss ways to help take care of God's Creation. Contact Todd Holman with any questions at tholman@tnc.org.

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

LOL Quilters - The LOL Quilters will meet Thursdays, from 9 am to 12 pm. Quilts are made for our graduating seniors, local charities and special requests. Thursdays are used for quilt designing, packaging into kits for LOL volunteers to sew into quilt tops, and also for tying and binding. Sewing experience is not required! If you have any questions you can contact Jan Hardesty at 218-828-1434.

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) or sign-up on the clipboard in the Narthex.

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 p.m. 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 9:00 a.m. 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, 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. The next retreat is April 13, 2019. 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

Those Older Folders - Our energetic group meets every Friday at 1:00 p.m. to fold bulletins for the Sunday services.

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



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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.

November 1-3

Roland & Marie Anderson	Dean & Monica Clink
Jama Davidson	Beth Hardinger
Eric & Billie Jo Jaeche	
Jerome & Sherlynn Kretzman	Gregg Meierhofer
Mark & Paula Parrish	
Denise Strome & Phil Hunsicker	Jason & Jane Winter

November 4-10

Alison Borgen	Sharon Freelove
Bonnie Henningson	Marie Johnson
Diane Larson	Wayne & Joyce Mueller
Tyler & Trisha Peterson	Sandy Schaefer
Ed Swenson & Pat Dickson	Doug & Katie Erickson

November 11-17

Gina & Bryan Barber	Kurt & Dawn Buckwalter
Sherry & Darrin Dumpprope	Geoff & Kelly Gorvin
Dee Hoffman	Guy & Katy Kelm
Heidi & Terry Lindgren	Kirsten & Ben Nelson
Kenneth & Nicole Toole	

November 18-24

Jon & Mary Belanger	Kent Carlson
Nan Farrington	Scott & Tessa Hall
Ian Holmes	John & Mary Ann Majerle
Alicia Rauen	Chuck & Steve Olson

November 25-December 1

Thomas Besmehn	Amanda Ford
Richard & Deb Koop	Dennis & Gloria Rosenquist
Bryan & Ivy Ruzynski	Dan & Beth Selinger
Alex Sliver	David & Susan Sperstad
Trevor & Jan Wangsness	

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Wed Musician Coordinator	Jennifer Person



Newsletter Team

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The **Good News** is published monthly. Articles for the December Newsletter are due November 19.

November Birthdays

- 1 Jenny Owens, Rylie Strus
- 2 Matt Majerle, Madeline Maurer, Tyler Pederson
- 3 Anne Freelove, Audrey Powers
- 4 Tammie Benson, Kayli Dorn, Maxine Fromm, Michael McConkey, Alex Rangen, Lori Swanson
- 5 Judy Bialka, Lydia Larson, Peggy Voss
- 6 Carol Femling, Eric Nesheim, Kate Porter, Julia Wheeler
- 7 Olive Barrer, Paul Borchert, Becky Holcomb, Rick Smallman
- 8 Taylor Halverson, Jan Hardesty, Bryson Kelm
- 9 Cami Anderson, Allen Braak, Kaarin Hanske, Steve Jones, Karla Nesheim, Melissa Pape, Glen Peppel, Leisha Tietz, Donna Whalen
- 10 Maren Ceynowa, Nadine Fraki, Bob Fromm, Pat Roettger, Braeden Wangsness
- 11 Alex Fravel, Kurt Hoelzel, Regan McElfresh, Jenny Vaughn
- 12 Sindy Shanks, Kimberly Shipman
- 13 Alex Citrowski, Pete Gregersen, Shelly Ford, Chloe Patrick, John Stephenson, Natalie Wolfe
- 14 Charles Behr, Kayla Blong, Adam Fulton, Tori Larson, Eldo Schmidt, Erica Swanson
- 15 Julie Hofius, Greg Mangan
- 16 Suzanne Rye
- 17 Linda Hill, Bailey Koop, Calvin Stengrim
- 18 Jana Austad, Deanne Kruse, Sara Meier, John Myran
- 19 Jennifer Ahonen, Glenda Hoheisel, Ruth Nelson, Judy Tollefson, Sammi Waloch, Mike Youngquist
- 20 Mindy Anderson, Rick Baillif, Amy Campbell, Tommy Daniels, Andy Rangen
- 21 Lisa Dewey, Chris Erickson, Emmett Kempf, Jonas Knipple, Steve Rehnblom, Curtis Sanow
- 22 Marie Anderson, Allen Balsley, Carroll Benedict, Jennifer Grams
- 23 Jason Freed, John Mackner, McCale Peterson, Sandy Schaefer, Denise Stromme, Riley Thompson
- 24 Alyssa Daniels, Alan Genz, Zack Skarolid
- 25 McKenna Parks, Avery Schilling, Chris Sliver
- 26 Chloe Coonfield, Chuck Nelson
- 27 Lindsey Booth, James Freeman, Levi Hanske, Annika Mau
- 28 Bob Nelson, Miranda Ruzich, Carol VanDenBoom
- 29 John Majerle, Sonja Nefstead
- 30 Bill Fortune, Kristoffer Koop

November Anniversaries

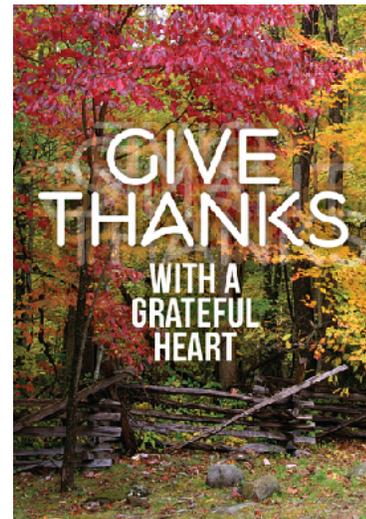
- 2 Peter & Gloria Gregersen†
- 11 Ted & Mindy Anderson❖
- 17 Craig & Jennifer West❖
- 22 Nate & Jessica Mogensen
- 27 Ken & Janelle Riley❖
- 30 Keith & Jennifer Ahonen

❖=Celebrating 24-49 years!

†=Celebrating 50 years or more!



Thank you for the donations to help with Fuel up for Forestview.



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Baxter, MN 56425-8285



Thank you for the kids clothes, my daughter will love them!

I needed some new boots!

Dear Lord of life,

Thank you so much for all the free giveaways!

God Bless all of you! That was very considerate, kind and thoughtful of all of you!

Love Patricia



Thank you to everyone that helped with the adult clothing give away. It was a great success!