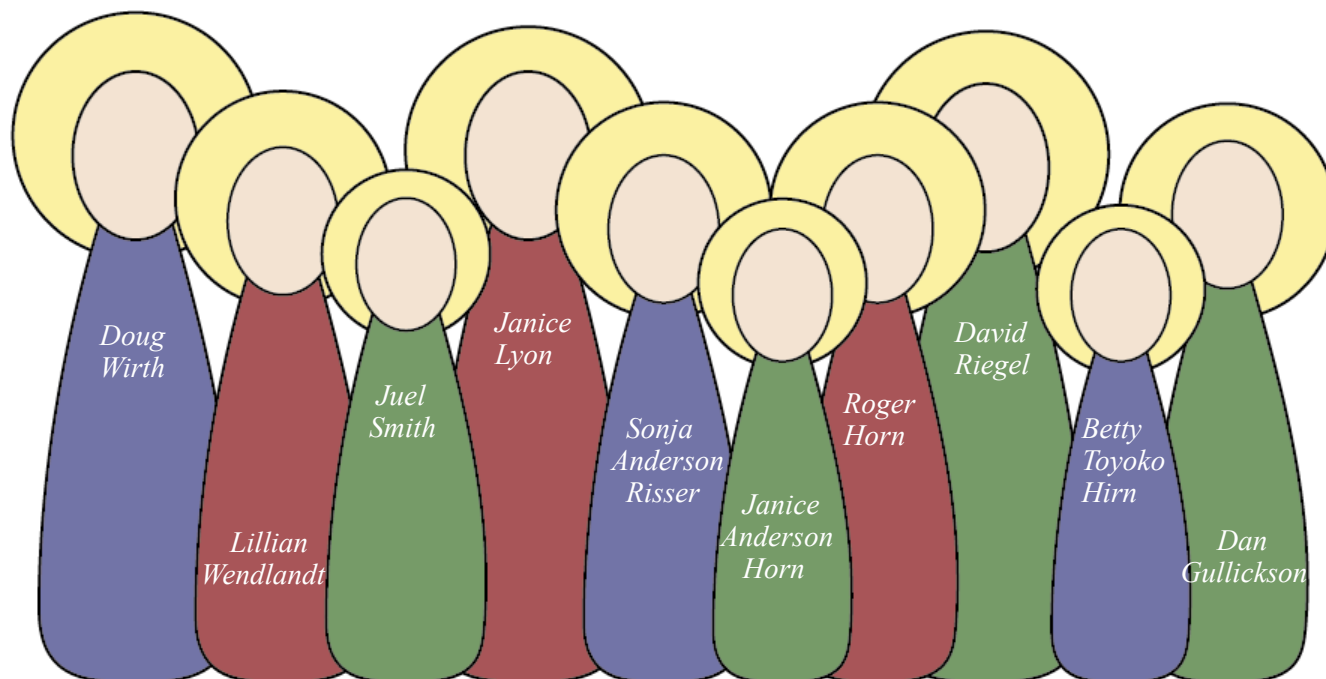


NEW HOPE TRUMPET

November 2025

November brings change. In the midst of it, we celebrate *All Saints* and *Thanksgiving*.



The custom of commemorating all the saints of the church on a single day goes back at least to the 3rd century. All Saints Day celebrates baptized people of God, living and dead, who make up the body of Christ. Many congregations remember the faithful who've died within the past year.

We are the saints who are the living body of Christ, the Church.

Praise the Lord! O praise the name of the Lord!

*All Saints Day, November 2nd, we'll name those who died from New Hope since last *All Saints*, as well as those who were buried through our ministry. All are invited to light a candle in memory of loved ones during the service.*

As we move through our years, we are aware of the more difficult days we face when loved ones die. The grief Mary and Martha felt as they stood at their brother Lazarus' tomb, is our grief. We live in the shadow of death at every instant. We know the heartache of life in the midst of illness, heartbreak, and burdens seeming too much to bear.

*On *All Saints* we remember most that God, in Jesus Christ, sent the Light who is constant. Jesus spoke the last word at the tomb of Lazarus, saying: "Unbind him, and let him go" (John 11:44). He speaks the same word to us. In our baptism God brought us through the waters, through death, to new life. In the bread and wine we receive forgiveness, life, and salvation. We need not fear. God is good, and we rest in his hands both now, and forever. Claim the peace offered through faith in Jesus Christ.*

"Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing...

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.

Give thanks to him, bless his name." -Psalm 100

*Thanksgiving Eve worship is Wednesday, November 26th, 7p at our Sand Creek site. Hear *Stories of Thanks* during the service, and enjoy traditional desserts with fellowship afterward. You may sign up on the church office door to bring desserts.*

We gather to share gratitude. The Psalmist, in the closing verses of Psalm 100 declares:

"For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations."

-Pr. Michael Sparby



35 Homeless Youth Christmas Stockings

Confirmation project: Due November 30th

Collecting items with Eau Claire Lutheran Social Services

Monetary donations are welcome to purchase items

- Toothbrush/Toothpaste
- Adult Thermal Socks & Tube Socks
- Small First Aid Kit (.99 cent size)
- Small Pack of Tissues
- Full-size Deodorant (universal)
- Lip Balm
- Hand Cream
- Hand Warmers
- Pair of Magic Gloves
- Small memo pad/pen
- Candy, Chocolates, Breath Mints, Gum
- Deck of Cards
- \$20 Gift Cards (Target, WalMart)
- \$10 Gift Cards (Walgreens, CVS)
- \$5 Gift Cards (McDonalds, Subway, Starbucks)

DEVOTIONAL: More Than a Moment

Giving thanks should be on our minds at all times, not just special occasions.

I think I could fill pages with "thanks". There is one incident that happened a short time ago that brings great thankfulness from me to God. A late night thunderstorm, a terrific "boom" and one lightning strike very close to the front of our house. A bit closer and all would've been gone. But, with God's protection, it only took out our phone service. Times like this certainly makes you thank God and praise his name.

We should love and thank God often, not just when something special happens. The pastor once said to the children, "when you wake up each morning, say 'I love you, Jesus', and give thanks. That's a lesson for all of us. On our worst days, there is something to thank God for.

Dear God, thank you for all the promises and care you provide daily. Amen.

-Sue Piotrowski

HEAR OUR PRAYER

(listed for 2 weeks; please update the church office)

Jane Wicken, Mary Peterson, Wayne Christopherson, Kathy Christopherson, Linda Briggs, Sandy Anderson, Arlys Hoveland, Heather Irwin

Barron Care/Rehab: Bev Miller

Colfax Health/Rehab: Dorrene Knutson

Home Care: Astrid Sannes

Military: Capt. David E. Dahl, Jacob Messinger

Community Care: For pastoral visit/call, contact church office, Pr. Michael or Joyce Gilberts. To join our visiting team, contact Pastor.

Thank You

"As you've generously supported Lutheran Social Services (LSS) ministry, our Lord multiplied your gifts through the Loving Lutherans Challenge. Every \$ your congregation contributed last year, and every additional gift received from individual New Hope Lutheran Church members through December 31, 24 were matched—doubled needed blessings.

With humble and deep gratitude, on behalf of thousands who benefit from your loving kindness, thank you for rising to the challenge, answering God's call to help."

-Hector Colon, President & CEO

-Sarah Halstead, Manager of Community & Faith Partnerships
Lutheran Social Services of WI & Upper MI, Inc.

"He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us, for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God."

- 2 Corinthians 9: 10-12

Pine Creek W/ELCA: 9:30a, Sun., Nov. 2nd
Hostesses: Kim Clemetson & Lisa Mickelson

Nursing Home/Assisted Living Christmas
Due December 7th (Gifts, wrapping paper/bags)
for Colfax Sr Living, Barron Care/Rehab, Monroe Manor.

School Drive Due end of December
Hats, mittens, socks, underwear (Sm), sweatpants (Sm), school supplies for Colfax, Prairie Farm and Ridgeland

Sand Creek W/ELCA Offering: Mon., Nov. 10th
Circles

Eve: 6p/SC Wednesday, November 6th
Hostess: MaryAnn Omtvedt
Sophia: 9:30a/SC Thursday, November 13th

November Stewardship
Hunger Relief/Christmas Critters

Recycle for New Auburn School

Upon reaching 1,000 pounds of plastic wrap the school receives a bench made from recycled plastic. **Will you help?**
From the store: produce bags, store bags, ice bags.
From your pantry: Ziplock/other resealable bags, cereal liners, case overwrap, bread bags.
From your front door: newspaper sleeves, dry cleaning bags, bubble wrap, plastic e-commerce mailers.

You bring them to church, I'll get them to school. Collection boxes are also at Security Bank-New Auburn, school, and several other places around town. A bench was received awhile ago so the goal is possible.

Random Act of Kindness Received!

In route to our cabin, we often stop at Hayward Salvation Army store to buy sheets for our quilts. On my last stop, I told the cashier these sheets would be in quilts the next Monday and that we make lots of quilts for Lutheran World Relief and other charities. The gentleman behind me said, "I want to pay for those sheets"! In shock, I asked him why he was so generous. He replied, "Because you're a church lady." WOW! Cost was \$17 + change; benefit worth hundreds.

-Janet Allison

LWR Mission (Lutheran World Relief)

<u>Sent Oct. 6th</u>	<u>Year Oct. 2024-25</u>
309 Quilts	597 Quilts
96 Baby Care Kits	136 Baby Care Kits
147 School Kits	147 School Kits
14 Fabric Kits	14 Fabric Kits

Thank you ALL for your support!

Current need for Baby/Health Kits

- Dark color hand & bath towels
- Sensitive Dove Soap

October 2025

Dear friends and partners in ministry,

Greetings from Guyana, where I serve to help the ELCG (Evangelical Lutheran Church in Guyana) strengthen its leadership development so congregations and ministries may flourish. On leadership development, the church echoes efforts of the Guyana government itself, elected last month. In my previous newsletters, I asked you to join prayers to those of the church here for a peaceful election. During the campaign, there was anxiety that scenes of violence after the election 5 years ago might repeat this time. Therefore, the church seriously urged to pray "for all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life" (1 Tim. 2: 1-2). September 1st, the previous government was peacefully re-elected for another 5-year term.

Guyana has a parliamentary government system, now led by the People's Progressive Party/Civic (PPP/C), with President, Mohamed Irfaan Ali. This government is overseeing what is currently the fastest-growing economy in the world (37%), as a result of significant oil production begun in 2019. Some ways the oil revenue was spent seem likely to have a positive effect not only on the country as a whole but also on the Lutheran church in particular.

For years, the ELCG suffered impact of migration, as many members and leaders moved to countries with higher standards of living. Congregations shrunk and so has number of clergy. The Lutheran Lay Academy I help coordinate aims to build a larger leadership base for the church, at the same time the government is taking measures to build a larger base of educated leaders for the country. One of its initiatives, begun in January, is to cover the cost of education for every student accepted at the University of Guyana in any program. After graduation, these students must remain in Guyana and repay the country for their free education by working 3-5 years in salaried positions with the Ministry of Public Service in the field they studied. After that, they may work anywhere.

Several of our students in the Lutheran Lay Academy benefit from this government initiative. Veronica Sawh-Crandon and Marika Grimmond, completing studies in nursing now work in the hospital. Nathan Balak completed studies in communication and was just given a position in the Office of the Prime Minister. Adiola Bruce is currently studying science. With upturn in economic prospects, some church members who've migrated are returning to Guyana; positive momentum. A good sign is the revival of the Lutheran Men's Ministry of the church, which was dormant for some time.

With thanksgiving for all of these things, I share with you part of a prayer for the government, from the ELCG's Service Book/Hymnal. Pray it with us, for this country and yours. "Good Lord, preserve our nation in justice and honor and continue your blessings to us as a people that we may live together with integrity. Grant health and wisdom to all who bear office in our land... Help them to strive for justice and peace according to your holy will."

Rev. Dr. Carolyn Schneider
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Pastoral Ministry Advisor,
ELCA in partnership with ELCG
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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

November



Worship Wednesday, Nov. 26th

7p at our Sand Creek Site

Stay for fellowship afterwards with traditional desserts

Sign-up to bring desserts on the office door



Red Christmas Poinsettia Orders: \$15/Ea.

Due Sunday, December 7th

Memorials or Honorariums

Payable to: New Hope Lutheran Church Memo: Flowers

New Hope Council 2025

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Secretary: Marie Swanson

Vice President: Joyce Gilberts

Treasurer: Joe Bilodeau

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by God's grace to love, grow & serve.*

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WORSHIP

8:30 am/Pine Creek 9:20a Coffee Fellowship + Sunday school

10 am/Sand Creek 9:20a Coffee Fellowship

Sunday school during worship (Sept.—May)

Telephone Ministry 1-534-444-4300

FREE Live stream <http://newhope.listentochurch.com>

YouTube Link to View Streamed Services

New Hope on the Creeks

New Hope Lutheran Church of Sand Creek & Pine Creek

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgsG8Jl-RdcnKSnl48DyO>

FINANCIAL REPORT: September 2025

Let's End the Year Well!

Detailed reports available in the office

Thank you for your faithful, and generous stewardship.

General Checking Balance 9/30/25	\$ 8,045.12
Revenue	
Unrestricted Offering	\$ 11,939.00
Restricted Benevolence, Mission, Other	\$ 3,385.13
Total Income	\$ 15,324.13
Expenditures	\$ 20,900.54

YEAR TO DATE

Revenue	
Unrestricted Offering	\$136,399.27
Restricted Benevolence, Mission, Other	\$ 30,216.99
Total Income	\$166,616.26
Expenditures	\$188,395.55

2025 NOISY OFFERINGS/MISSION

JAN	Benjamin House Shelter/Rice Lake	\$ 449.49
FEB	Project Comfort/Quilts Shipping	454.94
MAR 2	"Youth in Christ" Guests/Prairie Farm	NA
MAR	Arbor Place/Menomonie	513.42
APR	Luther Park Camperships	800.74
MAY	Missionary Sponsorship	1,082.30
JUNE	Lutheran Disaster Response	665.81
JULY	Luther Park General Fund	352.56
AUG	5 Local Food Shelves	665.09
SEPT	5 Local Nursing Homes/Activity Dept.	509.87
OCT	Homeless Youth Christmas Stockings	<i>50 + pending</i>
NOV	World Hunger	<i>50 + pending</i>
DEC	Christmas Critters (ELCA Good Gifts)	<i>50 + pending</i>

"Thanks so much for your generous financial donation that will be put toward the resident Christmas Gift Fund. We really appreciate your thoughtfulness."

-Bloomer Dove Activity Dept. & Staff

"Thank you for your donation to our activity department! We'll put this toward Christmas gifts for our residents. Care/Rehab-Barron greatly appreciates your support!"

-Shanon Austinson, Dir.

"What a great place for your August noisy offering! We are deeply grateful for your thoughtful generous support of this worthwhile community project. Donations such as yours help us continue our mission of feeding the need in our local area."

-Tim Hafele, Prairie Farm/Ridgeland Food Pantry Treas.

"Thank you very much for all you do from all of us at Meadowbrook Bloomer! Your monetary gift is so helpful for our resident activities!"

"Your kindness doesn't go unnoticed. We've been saving for a 'wonder-fold wagon' stroller. Thank you so much for helping our dream come true!"

-Vanessa Gordon & Baby Spring

Offerings are received at our

*Pine Creek site offering plate (8:30a worship)

*Sand Creek site offering boxes (10a worship)

*Website: www.newhopespc.org

*Post mail: Po Bx 85, Sand Creek, WI 54765

LOOK AHEAD

DECEMBER

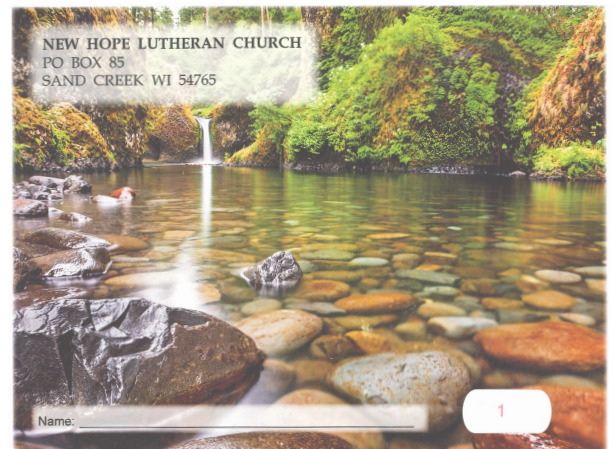
Mon. Dec. 1	8:30a/SC Comforters Quilters
Wed. Dec. 3	6:30p/SC Confirmation Stuff Stockings /Christmas Party
Sun. Dec. 7	reg. sch Advent 2
Mon. Dec. 8	8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
Sun. Dec. 14	reg. sch Advent 3 <i>8:30a/PC Christmas Pageant</i>
Mon. Dec. 15	8:30a Comforters Quilting/SC 7p/SC Church Council
Sun. Dec. 21	8:30a/PC Christmas Worship
Sun. Dec. 21	10a/SC Sunday School pageant
Wed. Dec. 24	5p/SC Christmas Eve Worship
Sun. Dec. 28	reg. sch <i>Lessons + Carols</i>

JANUARY 2026

Sun. Jan. 4	reg. sch <i>Speaker: David Wendlandt</i> <i>Christian Hope in the Midst of Life's Losses</i>
Mon. Jan. 5	8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
Wed. Jan. 7	6:30p/SC Confirmation
Sun. Jan. 11	reg. sch Baptism of Our Lord
Mon. Jan. 12	8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
Wed. Jan. 14	6:30p/SC Confirmation
Sun. Jan. 18	reg. sch
Mon. Jan. 19	8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
Sun. Jan. 25	ONE service 10a/Pine Creek site 9:20a Coffee Fellowship + Annual Meeting after worship

FEBRUARY

Sun. Feb. 1	reg sch <i>Speaker: Carol Anderson</i>
Mon. Feb. 2	8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
Wed. Feb. 4	6:30p/SC Confirmation
Sun. Feb. 8	reg. sch <i>Speaker: Joyce Gilberts</i>
Mon. Feb. 9	8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
Wed. Feb. 11	6:30p/SC Confirmation
Sun. Feb. 15	reg. sch <i>Speaker: Mark Gilberts</i>
Mon. Feb. 16	8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
Wed. Feb. 18	Ash Wednesday 11:30a/SC Worship/noon lunch 6p/PC Confirmation serves supper 7p/PC Ash Wednesday Worship



"2026" Offering Envelopes

available to pick up in the narthex

Sunday		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Daylight Savings Time Ends All Saints Sunday 8:30a PC Worship 9:20a Fellowship both sites <i>SC: Sophia Circle</i> 9:30a PC W/ELCA 10a SC Worship <i>Baptisms: Winslie Jenneman</i> <i>Warren Hassemer</i> 3p/SC Piano Lessons		3 8:30a/SC Comforters	4 7p/SC AA	5 6p/SC Eve Circle 6:30p/SC Confirmation	6 9:30a/SC Sophia Circle	7	8
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16 8:30a PC Worship 9:20a Fellowship-both sites <i>SC: Men's Group</i> 10a SC Worship 3p/SC Piano Lessons		17 8:30a/SC Comforters	18 7p/SC AA	19 6:30p/SC Confirmation	20	21	22
23 Christ the King Sunday <i>Speaker: Joyce Gilberts</i> <i>Asst. Minister: Carol Anderson</i> 8:30a PC Worship 9:20a Fellowship-both sites <i>SC: Eve Circle</i> 10a SC Worship 3p/SC Piano Lessons		24 8:30a/SC Comforters Poinsettia Orders due	25 10a/Bloomer Pr. Sparby Chapel Dove/Meadowbrook 7p/SC AA	26 7p/SC Thanksgiving Eve Worship	27 Thanksgiving	28	29
30 Advent 1 <i>Speaker: Mark Gilberts</i> <i>Asst. Minister: Joyce Gilberts</i> 8:30a PC Worship 9:20a Fellowship-both sites <i>SC: Robyn Lee 'Beds 4 Kids'</i> 10a SC Worship Homeless Youth Stocking items due							
Date	Lectors		SC Communion		SC Hospitality (Council)		
2	PC Jenna Bartels	SC Jodie Madison	Angela Madison		1st Sun.: Marie Swanson / Samantha Goodremote		
9	PC ?	SC Carolyn Dahl	Carol Anderson		2nd Sun.: Lou Ann Gilberts / Mark Gilberts		
16	PC Alan Peterson	SC Mary Ann Omtvedt	Mary Ann Omtvedt		3rd Sun.: Stephani North / Kristi Welle		
23	PC Susan Christopherson	SC Natalie Ellefson	Jodie Madison		4th Sun.: John Loy / Joyce Gilberts		
26	SC Thanksgiving Eve		NA				
30	PC ?	SC Tim Knutson ?	Anita Jenson		5th Sun: Jesse Buhr / Jerry Loftus		