Our Savior's Lutheran Church

"Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice!"

The Messenger

NOVEMBER 2026

Church in Society (A Peace Pentecost)

As October bleeds into November, I am reminded of all who bleed for justice. We recently celebrated Indigenous People's Sunday, which reminded me of how the first Thanksgiving story was built upon a false sense of unity among Indigenous People and European settlers. Reformation Sunday reminds me of how the church caused so much suffering in the world (Not God, but people who claimed that God was on their side). Christ the King Sunday reminds me that Jesus is the only one who can truly guide us to a true and lasting peace, not a military or police enforced "peace" that government promises.

Subjects such as these can feel difficult and jarring to talk about. But, I argue, that we have a faith that encourages us to name and claim the truth, no matter what. This is why one of the first things I did upon answering the call to shepherd Our Savior's was to revive the **Church in Society team.**

THIS IS OUR SAVIOR'S JUSTICE TEAM.

I admit that the team is still finding its footing. As much as I would like to, I cannot chair and lead the team. We need more members; people with a heart for justice and who are doers, not just talkers. Please consider joining a Peace Pentecost by helping the Church in Society team find its rhythm in the church and community.

With this in mind, I'd like to share this excerpt from Vincent Harding, printed in *Sojourners* magazine in May of 1985:

> *Peace Pentecost is a time to take our prayers for peace to unlikely places. On this day Christians beseech the Holy Spirit in [halls of power], on railroad tracks, and at nuclear weapons facilities. At all these places, in so many cities, the prayer lifted heavenward is one that has been raised up since the first Pentecost: "Come Holy Spirit." [In this last month of the Pentecost season], we again join with our [siblings] all over the world and in particular with those in [State Capitols and Washington D.C.], where so many decisions are made – some of those decisions that have led to so much violence and injustice for people in this country and all over the world. In the midst of so much violence and death, we are tempted to falter in our hope. In such a time, our coming together is an opportunity for revival and a chance to be refreshed and renewed in our struggle for justice, peace, and freedom.*

Concluding Prayer (from the Dedication Liturgy of Peacemakers Chapel, Walsh College, Canton Ohio, January 15, 1984):

O God of peace;
sparkle our staleness with your hope,
invade the depth of our being with new courage,
defeat us in your love.

Grant that our lives may be:
Surprising in forgiveness and healing,
Abounding in joy and laughter,
Daring in deeds and dreams of justice.

May we be do-ers, makers, and pray-ers of peace,
in remembrance of Christ Jesus. Amen

If you have questions or are interested in joining Church in Society, see me or Kathy Rye for more information.

Pastor Luke



THE LORE FROM LUTHER

My name is Connor Hecht. I am studying for my Master of Divinity at Luther Seminary, while also serving as congregation president.

This past month has been a strange mix of presence and distance. I spent two weeks on campus walking the familiar paths, fellowship, and talking face-to-face with people who are walking the same road. Something is grounding about being there in person, even for a short stretch. Now I'm back to online classes, and the rhythm has shifted in a positive way. Screens instead of hallways. Quiet mornings instead of the low hum of the campus.

Seminary keeps teaching me that a call doesn't always get quieter the longer you follow it. Mine feels stronger these days, almost thick in the air, and the love for it keeps growing right alongside. It's not just something I'm pursuing; it's something I keep falling deeper into.

As summer turns to fall, it has a way of making that feeling sharper. The leaves are turning, dropping, making room. Everything looks like it's ending, but it's really just getting ready for what's next. New soil, new growth, quiet work happening under the surface. Seminary feels a lot like that right now. Old things falling away. New things are forming. The colors are loud for a little while, then the ground clears, and something else begins. Gratitude, I've come to realize, is its own kind of sense. Not just a feeling that comes and goes, but something you learn to notice like the way the light hits the leaves or the quiet after a long day. It's the awareness of what's been given even in the midst. And right now, that sense feels wide open.

As I travel down this road, your continued thoughts and prayers mean the world to me. If you're curious about seminary life, have questions about the process, or just want to catch up on how things are going, my door is always open. I'd love to connect and answer any questions you might have.

Many Blessings,

Connor Hecht

NOVEMBER EcoFaith Action

One Step at a Time

Prepared by members of the NEMN EcoFaith Network. This EcoFaith Action is by Rev. Beth Pottratz, Motley, MN



Last winter I threw away yet another plastic bottle empty of its chocolate syrup. Both the thought of buying another single-use plastic bottle and the price of chocolate syrup led to me deciding to take on a new project. The terms are very simple: slowly reduce my single use plastic consumption one thing at a time, when and how I had the capacity to learn something new. When I have some time that I can dedicate to researching a recipe, a product, or a new routine that will reduce my single-use plastic or other earth saving thing, I take it on and see if I can add it to my weekly or monthly routine. When WIC gave my family way more milk than we could use, I started making homemade yogurt. This winter, I looked up and experimented with chocolate syrup recipes. After an afternoon of learning and experimenting, I found it was something I could add to my routine, and have kept making it since.

What is one new thing that you can do at home or at church to reduce your single-plastic consumption or other earth saving practices?



THE LAST LUTEFISK

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

Lutefisk, Salmon and Meatball Dinner

$20/adult*

10 and under FREE with PAID adult

Saturday, November 14, 2026
3 - 6 pm

Advance tickets sold in the church office and at the door until sold out.

THE FINAL YEAR OF LUTEFISK

Our Savior's Lutheran Church
218-879-1535

615 12th St
Cloquet MN 55720

Stewardship - 2027 Pledge Cards

Thank you so very much to each of you who prayerfully considered your 2027 giving to your church and returned your pledge card.

It is a kindness to your church staff and leadership to provide your best assessment of your 2027 giving to aid them in financial planning for your church.

If you have not brought in your pledge card yet, but would still like to, please do!

Our bookkeeper can still factor in new information as it is received.



thank you from the Stewardship Team

Your generosity makes EVERYTHING possible!

Ministry in Medical Missions

Haiti Update

The Apple Festival fundraiser was held on October 4th at Zion Lutheran Church. Those who joined the event enjoyed apple tasting, and juicing as well as fun music. Jam sales at the event raised $365 and other donations brought in another $1123. All of these funds will go toward supporting Dr. Manno's clinic.

Thank you for your continued support in prayer, supplies and finances

Mary Krohn for Ministry in Medical Mission

Want to add your support for Haiti?
Scan here and donate through Vanco: -->

FOOD SHELF SUNDAY

The first Sunday of the month is designated as Food Shelf Sunday.

Monetary gifts collected help *BOTH* Second Harvest and Cloquet Salvation Army. Every $1 donated ensures 3 meals for families, children, and seniors in need.

Let's share our blessings.

Thank you from Katie Nisula, Irene Rudnicki, and Jen Behrens

Contributions

09-21-2026 to 10-18-2026

$493.00

Chili Challenge Thank You!

- To all who signed up, made/served chili and helped to clean up.
- To everyone who participated, ate chili, played games and enjoyed great fellowship we appreciate you taking time to spend with your church family.
- Your generosity in purchasing your admission to this tasting event and buying extra voting tokens raised ($735.17).
- This money will go toward needed items in the church and for future Fellowship events.

Bible Sunday



November 15, 2026

Children in 2nd grade or older who have not yet received a Bible will be presented a Bible of their own at Family Service!

QUESTIONS?

Contact the church office @ 218-879-1535 or Roxanne Frederick @ 218-830-0930

Radio Broadcasts for November 2026

11/01	Val Zack in memory of Parents
11/08	GOLDEN SPONSOR OPPORTUNITY!
11/15	GOLDEN SPONSOR OPPORTUNITY!
11/22	GOLDEN SPONSOR OPPORTUNITY!
11/29	GOLDEN SPONSOR OPPORTUNITY!



Radio Broadcasts for October 2026

10/04	The Hecht Family in celebration of Connor's girlfriend Zoey's graduation and Welcome Home!
10/11	Cindy and Dean Haglin in celebration of Dean's 80th birthday!
10/18	Jane Oswold in honor of family.
10/25	Randy and Amy Stahl in (belated) celebration of our Wedding Anniversary 10/5!



YOUR IRA: SAVE TAXES AND GIVE THROUGH A "QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTION"



If you are at least age 70 1/2 you have an opportunity to maximize your tax savings while giving! You can request your IRA custodian to send money DIRECTLY to Our Savior's with NO TAX CONSEQUENCES! This also works for your IRA's Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) amount. And there's no need to worry about whether you will itemize your deductions as the distribution is not included in your income in the first place! See your financial advisor today for details.



If you want to make your 2027 Church offering in late 2026 for tax purposes, WE CAN DO THAT TOO! Simply give the check, or information on the distribution from your financial representative, to Kristen or Bruce in the office. You will then get credit for the contribution on the date it is received (So start that process EARLY if you want your financial representative involved!) on your 2026 (year-end tax summary as long as the funds are received in the office BEFORE Thursday December 31, 2026. On the Church's books however, your donation will be allocated to whatever time period you want (i.e. 12 months of 2027, first six months, whatever) and to the fund you want (i.e. Envelope Offering, Mission Appeal, etc). But you must let Kristen or Bruce know when and how to allocate your contribution, please don't assume we know!



Finally, if you make a contribution in late 2026 for 2027 and are filling out your pledge card, please note what will be paid in late 2026 and what you will wait to contribute until 2027.

If you have questions, call Bruce at 218-591-9483.

Community of Hope 2:16
November 2026 Dinners
Served at 4pm

Date	Location	Main Course
Nov 1	St. Paul's Lutheran Church	Pulled Pork
Nov 8	Our Savior's Lutheran Church	Marinara Over Pasta
Nov 15	Our Redeemer Lutheran Church	Taco Bar
Nov 22	Good Hope Church	Turkey and Mashed Potatoes
Nov 29	Zion Lutheran Church	Crockpot Ham Sandwiches

Community of Hope 2:16
So THANKFUL for Donations!

Over the summer, Community of Hope was able to furnish Brightwater Outreach Center with many items, but it depleted stock that will still be needed, including:

- Full size bottles of shampoo
- Full size bottles conditioner
- Body wash
- Deodorant
- Toothpaste
- Large body wipes
- Smaller size dish soap
- Smaller size laundry detergent
- Men's underwear - size MEDIUM
- Women's underwear - size MEDIUM
- Honey-oat granola bars (avoid peanut butter due to allergies)
- T-Shirts
- Sweatshirts
- Tarps
- Tents





Financial support is always appreciated via our website communityofhope216.org or scan this code:



Congregation Council Minutes 10/20/2026

Present: Brad Browers (Worship, Arts and Music), Bob DeCaigny (Secretary), Jill Elwood (Youth), Connor Hecht (President), Lisa Hecht (Stewardship), Linda Holmstrand (Fellowship and WELCA), Kobe Kadelbach (Vice President), Richard Krikava (Past President), Pastor Luke Lekander, Shannon Matzdorf (Welcome), Kathy Rye (Palanca Mutual Ministry and Church in Society), Marty Rye (Properties), Shelby Thorp (Christian Education)

1. Welcome and Sharing of Highs and Lows: Members shared as they chose.

2. Devotion and Opening Prayer: Stewardship – Centered on forgiveness, Colossians 3:13.

3. Approval of October 20, 2026 agenda: Bob made a motion and Jill seconded to approve the agenda as amended with the addition of item 9.a., the motion carried unanimously.

4. Approval of September 15, 2026 Meeting Minutes: The meeting minutes were approved via email.

5. Treasurer's Report/ Financials

- Bob provided the following information from Bruce's report: for September income was $18,581 compared to our budget of $19,038 ($457 under plan) and expenses were $20,337 compared to our budget of $20,998 ($662 under plan) for an October net gain of $205. Year-to-date 2026 is $11,497 ahead of plan.

6. Pastor's Report

- It has been a month of growth. Our Wednesday morning Bible Study has gained new members this year. The tables are full and the conversations are meaningful. We have 11 new confirmation students this year! Nobody is happier than our two second-year students. We will be confirming six students on 10-25 . Sunday services have been quite robust lately, especially on Family Church Sundays where the kiddos bring up the energy level quite a lot! Thank you to all our Seedlings and Saplings (Sunday School and Nursery) volunteers. Your dedication to our new format this year has been inspiring! I also want to thank the Fellowship and Welcome Teams for their roles in making our new Bishop's Mission Support Dinner a rousing success. I've begun meeting with Team chairpersons. So far, I've met with Fellowship and Properties. If you are a Team chairperson and have not yet met with me, please reach out to set up a time and place for us to meet. My goal is to help you feel supported and to celebrate the many contributions your Team makes to Our Savior's. We will also schedule a month to showcase your Team. We celebrated Indigenous Peoples Sunday with another great presentation and message from Pery and Jim Boyd. Miigwech! I attended the Kettle River Conference gathering in Moose Lake and volunteered to host here at Our Savior's in November. I led the monthly service at Inter-Faith Care Center, went on one visit, and presided over one funeral.

7. Team Leader Reports

- Christian Education: Sunday School is off to a great start! We have 3 classes with about 15 children. We have a rotation of teachers and a few confirmation students helping as well. Many children participated in the family service this past Sunday and it was awesome! The nursery is also being used for younger children (infants to 4 year olds) during service and we're looking for more to help staff it. We've had positive feedback from parents, children, and teachers on all the changes with our program. We are tweaking things as we go! Confirmation Sunday is this 10-25 and many new students joined confirmation this year, too. Bible Sunday is 11-15 for children in second grade (or older who have not yet received a Bible). Adult Bible study groups are going well and the church is open for walking.

- Church Properties: Light fixtures were replaced in the office, choir room, and canopy for LED fixtures. A rebate from MN Power is being pursued.The light fixtures in Sunday School rooms #3, 4 and 5 will also be changed out for LEDs. A big thanks to the people who cleaned up the sanctuary when the roof replacement project was first begun. Ceiling lights in that space will be repaired which dislodged as a result of the hammering on the roof. The roof project is essentially complete and should wrap up this week.

- Palanca Mutual Ministry: We had a table at the chili cook-off and will be the highlighted team in November. We are still looking for one more member. Keep praying and let a team member know if you have any prayer concerns for Our Savior's.

- Welcome: We provided a personal welcome and treat to each attendee at the Synod dinner on 9-29. We organized a booth at the chili dinner. We're getting prepared for the Trunk or Treat and encourage any church members to help by joining with their car.

- Fellowship: The team met on 10-13 and under the leadership of Sue Stahl, made final plans for the Chili Challenge on Sunday 10-18 . The Chili Challenge was enjoyed by all, proceeds were $735 and ten teams were entered. After reviewing our revenue and expenses for the past year, a budget for 2027 was prepared and will be submitted. We will organize an Advent Bake Sale to be held in the Fellowship Hall on 12-20 following the Sunday School Program. There was also a discussion of the need to distinguish the Fellowship Team from WELCA, whose purposes and roles have overlapped in recent years and may require restructuring.

- Stewardship Team: A Stewardship letter and pledge cards were sent out at the end of September. Pledge Sunday was 10-18. The Stewardship Team is the Spotlight Team for October, and our team served coffee on 10-18. Mary Krohn is working on the narrative budget.

- Worship, Arts & Music: Our Savior's will host an Advent service on Wednesday 12-16.

CC Minutes Continued

7. Team Leader Reports *continued*

- Youth Ministry: We are off to a great start with Middle School Youth Group! At our first meeting on 10-7 we had about 12 kids in attendance; several of our new attendees are younger siblings. At our last meeting we had a great time peeling, cutting, and processing apples into applesauce and juice. A tremendous thank you to Kristen Adams who led the activity and spent hours afterwards canning numerous jars of sauce and juice to sell as a fundraiser for the National Youth Gathering this summer. The Youth Team will be meeting soon to start planning and preparing for this event.
- WELCA: Nothing new to report.
- Church in Society: No new news. Do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with God. Micah 6:8.

8. Old Business

- Community of Hope: OSLC hosted the community meal 10-11. Next one at OSLC is 11-8. Community of Hope thanks Our Savior's for all of our support. Winter coats will be distributed during the winter months with donations being greatly appreciated.
- Sanctuary roof replacement: The project is essentially done.There is some caulking around the tower windows and flashing to complete.
- Property survey follow-up: A letter was sent registered mail return receipt requested to both landowners (the property to the east and the one to the north) regarding the encroachments (fence to the north and cars/horseshoe pit to the east). A deadline of 11-6-26 to respond was stated in the letter.
- Horizon Hall rental: The Synod has decided to rent office space in Duluth. Hannah Mellesmoen, who is a director for a childcare facility in Duluth, expressed interest in renting the preschool, associated library and office for use as a childcare business. The CAT agreed to talk with Hannah to discuss details and a path forward. Pastor Luke will communicate with Hannah.
- FY2027 budget planning: The initial draft budget will be reviewed by the CAT on 11-16 5:30 p.m.

9. New Business

- Vice President role: Kobe and Mariana are closing on a house in Elk River this week. He is willing to complete his term as Vice President until April 2027. He has decided his role as President would be too difficult to fulfill remotely and will be unavailable for that.

10. Action item review: The list was reviewed and updated as needed.

11. Next Meeting November 17, 2026, 6:30 p.m.: Devotion and opening prayer--Worship, Arts, and Music.

12. Closing Prayer: The Lord's Prayer

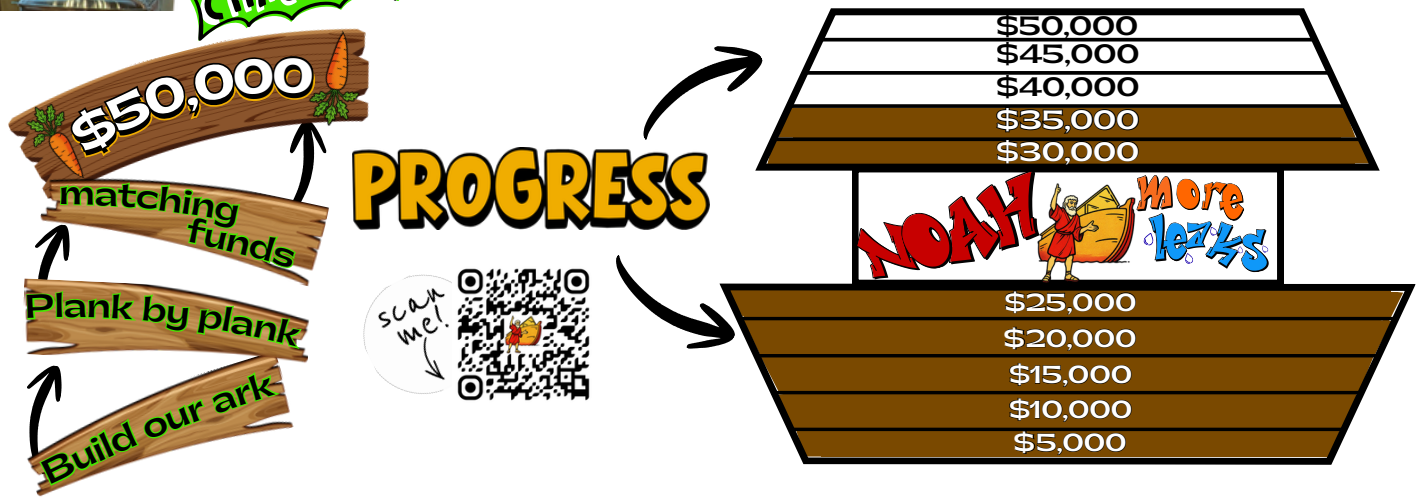
12. Adjournment: Kobe made a motion and Linda seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m., the motion carried unanimously.



Our roof is no longer blessed with leaks!



- The roof rebuild bid of $208,000-ACCEPTED!
- Project started September 21, 2026
- Efforts to raise $100,000 has been jump-started by several members who have pledged a total of $50,000 if matched by the congregation
- This means every $1 you donate gets DOUBLED!
- Over $35,000 of the match has already been received
- Want to spread out your support over time - GREAT!
- Is it a gift above regular giving? THANK YOU! Please note "ROOF REBUILD"



HAPPY Birthday

Nov 1
- Rebekah Daigle
- Harvey Korby

Nov 2
- Ella Kolenda

Nov 3
- Jason Cordle
- Jamie Oswold

Nov 4
- Isaac Gilchrist
- Hadley Hietala
- Jan Larson

Nov 7
- Janice Beberg
- Tessa Herbert

Nov 9
- Linda Boyd

Nov 10
- Logan Crowser
- Andrew Elias
- Madeline Kiehn
- Carol Olson
- Wendy Thompson

Nov 11
- Annastyn Hagen
- Jodi Jorgenson
- Eleanor Klyve
- Duane Putikka
- Kaci Vereeckenn

Nov 13
- Candace Hultgren

Nov 14
- Karen Splett
- John Zack

Nov 15
- Dan Male

Nov 16
- Tyler Gangelhoff

Nov 18
- Tyler Connor
- Madeline Pertler
- Marlys Udenberg

Nov 19
- Pery Affias

Nov 20
- Riley Engstrom Brula
- Maria Macaulay

Nov 21
- Ryan Hanson
- Joel Lembke

Nov 22
- Tom George
- Sharon Meger
- Brayden Tyman
- Zachary Tyman

Nov 25
- Cash Johnson
- Joseph Peterson

Nov 29
- John Harney

Nov 30
- Courtney Connor

HAPPY Birthday

November Volunteers

Altar Guild

11/01	9:30	Linda Boyd
11/08	9:30	Sherri Waller
11/15	9:30	Linda Boyd
11/22	9:30	Rob Macaulay
11/29	9:30	Sherri Waller

Readers

11/01	9:30	Juli Lattner
11/08	9:30	Rich Krikava
11/15	9:30	Linda Holmstrand
11/22	9:30	Cindy Haglin
11/29	9:30	Bob DeCaigny

Sound Board Operators

11/01	9:30	Terry and Sue Nanti
11/08	9:30	Randy and Amy Stahl
11/15	9:30	Jan Larson
11/22	9:30	Randy and Amy Stahl
11/29	9:30	Jan Larson

Video Booth Operator / Video Editor

11/01	9:30	Bruce Larson / Kelsey Rye
11/08	9:30	VOLUNTEER NEEDED / Brad Browers
11/15	9:30	VOLUNTEER NEEDED/ VOLUNTEER
11/22	9:30	VOLUNTEER NEEDED/ Brad Browers
11/29	9:30	VOLUNTEER NEEDED / Brad Browers

Communion Servers (Palanca Mutual Ministry):

11/01	9:30	Jim Boyd, Dean Haglin, Cindy Haglin
11/08	9:30	Linda Jankowski, Denise Mykkanen, Linda Holmstrand
11/15	9:30	Kathy Rye, Marty Rye, Bill Schlenvogt
11/22	9:30	Rob Macaulay, Denny Painter, Sherri Waller
11/29	9:30	Roy Ober, Curt Nelson, Ron Stahl

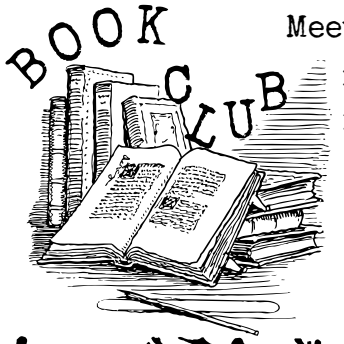
Ushers

11/01	9:30	Hagen Family
11/08	9:30	Randall Family
11/15	9:30	Matzdorf Family
11/22	9:30	Jim and Linda Boyd, Sherri Waller
11/29	9:30	Jim and Linda Boyd, Sherri Waller



Are you graduating in 2026?

If you are graduating from high school next spring, we want to hear from you!
Please contact the church office at 218-879-1535 or email@oursaviorscloquet.org



Meets the third Thursday of each month at 7pm at Our Savior's in the Fireside room to discuss various books of interest for both men and women.

For more information contact Jan Larson or Mary Krohn.

The November book is "Daughters of the Lake" by Wendy Webb

The December book is "Change of Heart" by Jodi Picoult

Church Records

	September 26 Budget	September 26 Actual	YTD 2026 Budget	YTD 2026 Actual
Income	19,038	18,581	184,580	193,351
Expenses	20,998	20,337	190,760	188,034
2026 Net Income	(1,960)	(1,755)	(6,180)	5,317
2025 Net Income	748	4,639	(4,910)	10,364

Date	Attendance	Offering	Offering Needed
Sep 27	126	2,872	4,643
Oct 4	126	8,323	5,019
Oct 11	108	5,449	5,019
Oct 18	135	3,620	5,019
Totals	***495***	***20,264***	***19,700***

Gifts & Memorials:

- Linda Eastgate in memory of Joan Essen to the Roof Replacement project
- Dawn Mattson in memory of Grandmother Toinie Aijala to the Roof Replacement project
- Dennis and Florence Nelson in memory of Dick Brenner to the Roof Replacement project
- Sharon and Duane Putikka in memory of Joan Essen to the Gifts and Memorials Fund
- Ray and Judy Wiles in memory of Joan Essen to the Gifts and Memorials Fund
- Jane Oswold in memory of Joan Essen to the Roof Replacement project
- The Hecht Family in memory of Joan Essen to the Roof Replacement project
- Linda Holmstrand in memory of Joan Essen to the Roof Replacement project
- Pr. Dennis Morreim in memory of Julie Beal to the Seminary Support Fund
- Pr. Dennis Morreim in memory of Dick Brenner to the Roof Replacement project
- Carolyn Watson in memory of Joan Essen to the Youth Group.
- Kathy and Marty Rye in memory of Sandi Larson, Bruce and Jan Larson's Sister-in-law, to the Youth Fund ELCA National Youth Gathering 2027
- Elizabeth Brenner in memory of Julie Beal to the General Fund
- Karen Dormanen in memory of Julie Beal to the General Fund
- Steve Korby and Jan Salo-Korby in memory of Julie Beal to the General Fund
- Jane Oswold in memory of Julie Beal to the Roof Fund
- Steve Korby and Jan Salo-Korby in memory of Dick Brenner to the General Fund
- Mary Krohn in memory of Joan Essen to the Roof Fund
- Mary Krohn in memory of Dick Brenner to the Roof Fund
- Mary Krohn in memory of Julie Beal to the Gift and Memorial fund
- Linda Eastgate in memory of mother Marlene Hilton's Birthday 11-16 to the roof replacement project
- Karen Plass in memory of my dear friend Julie Beal who lived her faith every day! to the Gifts and Memorials Fund
- Jim and Linda Boyd in memory of Julie Beal to the Roof Fund
- The Hecht Family in memory of Julie Beal to the Roof Fund



Roy Ober for the BEAUTIFULLY crafted serving trays used for the gluten-free communion wafers!



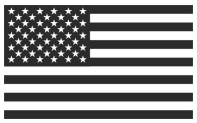
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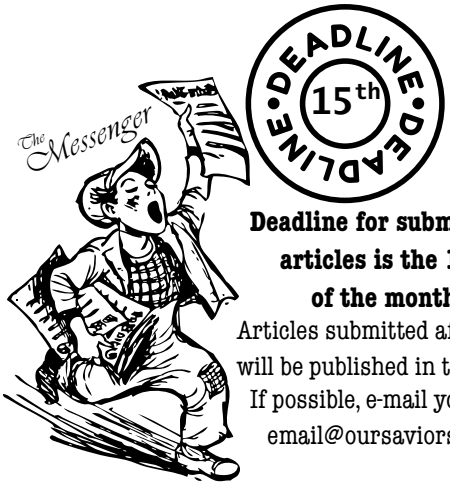
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Please keep in your thoughts and prayers the members of our congregation that are former or current military. Please contact the Church office for any other members we may have missed or if any of these names should be removed.

Tim Schlenvogt
Tim Larson
Erika Blesner
River Krikava



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Deadline for submitting articles is the 15th of the month.
Articles submitted after the 15th will be published in the next issue. If possible, e-mail your article to: email@oursaviorscloquet.org.

December 2026 deadline: November 15

Join us for Worship!

In Person and on
Sundays at 9:30am

YouTube
By 3:00 pm Sundays



Radio
WKLK AM 1230
@ 11:00am Sundays

CAT-7 Broadcast
3:00pm - Thursday
3:00pm - The Following Sunday



Let's meet

Pr. Luke doesn't keep regular office hours yet remains available to meet with you.

Please contact Kristen in the office to set up a time and place to meet with Pr. Luke. He'll even buy you a cup of coffee ☺

Please remember the following friends below not always able to join us on Sundays:

Mabel Clemens
Robert Fountain
Ray Manisto
Carolyn Watson
Sharon Harney
Lyle and Candy Hultgren
Carol Maki
Karen Splett
Donna Redding

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Our Savior's Lutheran Church

CHRISTMAS Special Insert

Save the Date 12 - 20





"Adopt-a-Child" for Christmas

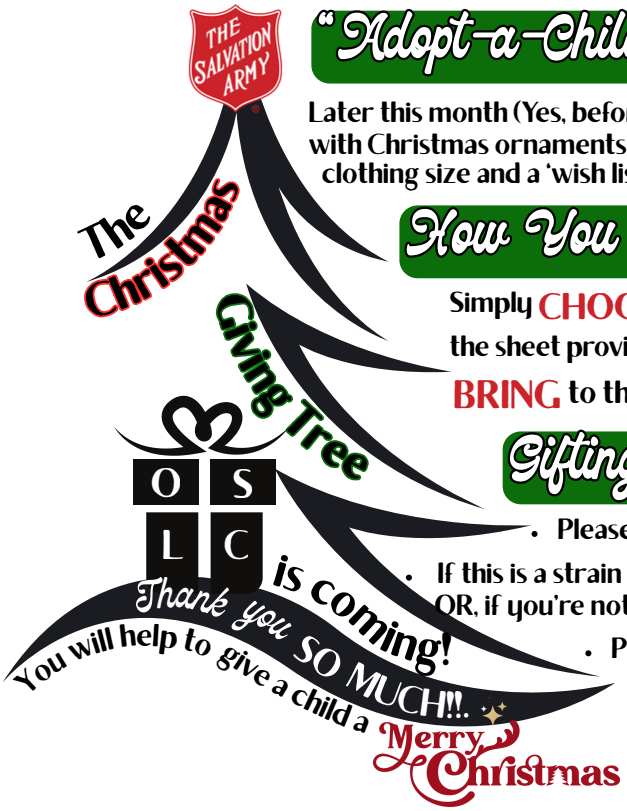
Later this month (Yes, before Black Friday shopping), the Giving Tree in the Narthex will be decorated with Christmas ornaments. On the back of each ornament is a child's number (#) with age, gender, clothing size and a 'wish list' of gifts s/he would like.

How You Can Participate

Simply **CHOOSE** an ornament and **WRITE** down your name and phone number on the sheet provided. Then **PURCHASE** the gift(s) and **BRING** to the church office before the deadline in early December.

Gifting Guidelines

- Please spend no more than $50 for that child's gifts.
- If this is a strain on your budget, consider sharing the cost with another individual or family OR, if you're not a shopper, but still want to participate, select one of the cash gift ornaments.
- Please do not wrap the gift, but a gift bag would be appreciated.
- Our volunteer team will purchase gifts for any unclaimed ornaments and will organize and deliver the gifts to the Salvation Army.



MIDWEEK

Advent

JOINT SERVICES 2026

5:30-6:15p Soup Supper Fellowship
Holden Evening Prayer Service After

Wednesday | December 2
Zion Lutheran Church
1000 Washington Ave



Wednesday | December 9
Presbyterian Church of Cloquet
47 4th Street

Wednesday | December 16
Our Saviors Lutheran
612 12th Street

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2026 Poinsettia Order Form

Cost: $20.00 per plant

35 poinsettias will enhance the church sanctuary this Christmas season! Want to sponsor a plant?
Please fill out this form, drop it in the offering plate, in the mail, or just give it to the church office.
Proceeds will benefit the Middle School Youth Group. ***Please return the form before December 16, 2026 and fill in the lines below.***

Name(s) of Buyer: _____

Quantity: _____ x $20 = _____ Total: _____

Please designate and check one: ◯Gift ◯Memorial ◯In Celebration of

FOR: _____

For office use only: ◯ G&M List_____ ◯Shepherd's Staff _____ ◯Messenger _____