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We had 22 students take First Communion on Maundy Thursday.

Charlee Reinking
Maeryn Fleckenstein
Mason Jacobson
Reagan Christensen
Audrey Oakland
Beau Reinking
James Norby
Gavin Kleve
Claire Simons
Mia Zanter
Brendan Ewing

Norah Markve
Tillee Harson
Andrew Bradley
Aubree Elsen
Emiliano Pieper
Caleb Jager
Bella Hansen
Ezra Jacobson
Skylin Gormally
Axel Burger
Odin Kruse



June 8-11, 2026
5:30-7:30 PM
Pk-5th Grade

Cooking is more than just mixing stuff together—it takes time, creativity, care, and knowing what each ingredient brings to the table. The same is true when it comes to growing our faith! In this 4-day series, kids get to put on their aprons and discover how to practice spiritual habits that bring them closer to God. Through Old Testament stories like those of Jacob, Moses, and Deborah, our young chefs will realize that God always makes time for us, God gave us gifts that make a difference, God makes us stronger together, and we make God known when we share our story.

Register Today!





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Corey EnrightHEAD CUSTODIAN
MeGann Daum.....CUSTODIAL ASSISTANT
Bella Johnson.....NURSERY COORDINATOR

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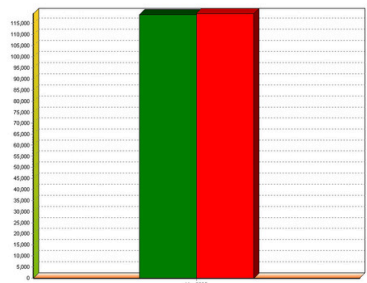
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Send in articles before the next
deadline on May 25.
Email: mlc@morningsidelutheran.com

BY THE NUMBER

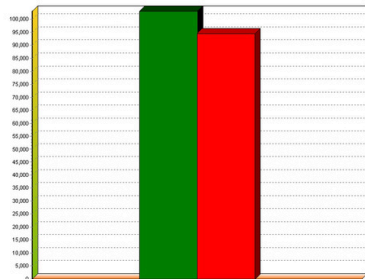
March 2026

■ \$94,482.82 Expenses
■ \$103,095.50 Revenue



March 2025

■ \$119,433.48 Expenses
■ \$118,961.18 Revenue



Organizations Receiving Mission/Tithes Distribution in March 2026: Missionary Sponsorship

“Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise - the fruit of lips that confess his name. And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.” -Hebrews 13: 15-16

-Finance Team

April approved financials will be in the June Visitor.



May Sermon Series

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| May 3 | Hebrews 11: 1-10 |
| May 10 | Hebrews 11: 11-16 |
| May 17 | Hebrews 11: 17-23 |
| May 24 | Hebrews 11: 24-31 |
| May 31 | Hebrews 11: 32-40 |



WAYS TO GIVE

Online



Text "Give" to
712.800.8611



In Person



By Mail





Radio Broadcast
 Sunday, 11:00 am
 KSCJ 94.9 FM
 1360 AM



www.morningsidelutheran.com
 8:00 am 9:15 am 10:30 am



Morningside Lutheran Church

We are now streaming sermons on



YouTube

BAPTISMS

Sawyer Bata
Charlie Schleuger
Reign Massey
Ford McInerney
Wyatt Umland

WEDDINGS

Santana & Matthew Alter

FUNERALS



GET Signed UP!
JOIN Us!

For the
MORNINGSIDE
DAYS
PARADE

MAY 14
6:30 PM




WIGS
PIZZA & BINGO


Wednesday, June 10
Noon - 1:00pm
Kitchen Lounge

MORNINGSIDE LUTHERAN CHURCH
Help Wanted:

- Nursery Staff

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
JESSIE@morningsidelutheran.com

YOUNG AT HEART



GYM
Monday
9:00-11:00 AM

Tuesday
9:00-11:00 AM

Thursday
9:00-11:00 AM

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Office Hrs: 8:30am - 4:30pm 

**We are looking
for candy
donations for the
Morningside
Days Parade.**

**Place Donations in the box
in the foyer by May 10**



New Members

**Welcome our new members into
the Morningside Lutheran
Church family.**

Emma Anunson

Jenny & David Clabaugh & Hudson

Rod & Cathy Hamm

Marilyn Honken

Jeff Jensen

Josh & Katie Kruse

& Zane, Rhys, & Odin

Michael O'Brien

Corina & Jake Parrish

& Jaxton, Emma, Cooper, Ava

Toby & Michelle Sandal

Jena & Steven Tvedt

& Warren & Gwen

**Morningside Lutheran
Church**

BIKER BLESSING

**May 2nd
9:00 am**

**Bring your Bike out for the
first ride of the summer.
Enjoy Breakfast and a
Blessing!**

YANKTON DAM & FISH HATCHERY

Yankton, SD

Young at Heart Trip

June 4th

Cost \$15

Leave the Church at 8:30am

Sign Up Today

Plant An Extra Row

Help Feed Those In Need

As spring approaches, Morningside Lutheran Food Pantry invites gardeners and farmers to help our community by planting an extra row of crops. Fresh produce is a vital part of a healthy diet, and our clients greatly appreciate receiving fresh fruits and vegetables.

If you have extra space in your garden or field, please consider dedicating a portion of your harvest to the pantry. If you have any questions, feel free to stop by our table in the foyer to chat with any of the team members. Thank you for your generosity and for helping us provide fresh, nutritious food to those in need!

*Mother's Day
is
May 10th*

**This is also the last day
of Sunday School.**

Two muffins with white icing and sprinkles, one on the left and one on the right.

Our podcasts are back with lots of great interviews.

There is a new one every Friday.



Confirmation:
 A Christian sacrament affirming faith and admitting individuals as full members of the church/community.
May 17 at 10:30 am service



Senior Recognition May 3

We will be praying for our graduating seniors. And the quilting ladies have a quilt for them.

THANK YOU

Morningside Lutheran Church,
Thank you for participating in our Lenten Tree program. It was a great success because of people like you helping to complete our mission to children in Siouxland.

Claudine H.
Core team Volunteer for Sleep In Heavenly Peace



VOLUNTEERS Needed!

Morningside Lutheran Church is looking for friendly, reliable volunteers to help at the *front desk.*

DUTIES INCLUDE:

-  Answering phones
-  Greeting visitors
-  Providing a welcoming presence

FLEXIBLE & NO LONG-TERM COMMITMENT REQUIRED
 Whether you can help occasionally or on a regular basis, *your time is appreciated!* 

Interested? See *Stefanie* for more details.



THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR CHURCH COMMUNITY! 

Drop Zone

Family Fun Center

MAY 13

6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Please fill out Waiver and bring with you that night. 

