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**Welcome
Stefanie!**

Our New Administrative Assistant: Stefanie Hageman

My name is Stefanie Hageman, and I am joining the team at Morningside Lutheran Church as a part-time office administrator. I have extensive office experience. I am also co-owner of My Tree Guy, LLC with my husband Tony.

Tony and I have 5 children (Madiosn, Alyssa, Jillyan, Clark, and James). My husband and his family are long time members of the church. After we started dating Tony started inviting us to church with him and his family. Later, my 2 daughters and I were baptized here. In 2019, Tony and I were married here by Pastor Jon.

In my free time I love to do things with the kids, golf, go fishing, and learning new things about trees and plant health care.



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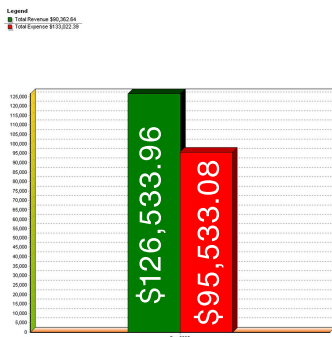
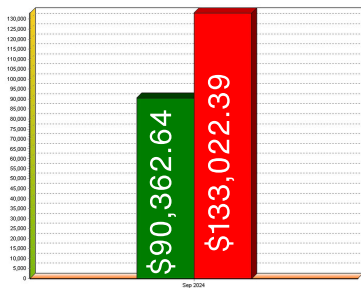
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Send in articles before the next
deadline on November 25.
Email: mlc@morningsidelutheran.com

BY THE NUMBER \$



Organizations Receiving Mission/Tithes Distribution in September 2025: Biblical Resource Ministries, Crittenton Center, and Neighborhood School Outreach.

"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

October approved financials will be in the December Visitor.

WAYS TO GIVE

Online

Text "Give" to
712.800.8611

In Person

By Mail

Faith, Relationships, & Community Podcast

Episode 19 | Andrea Ruiz

Podcasts are Back!!!

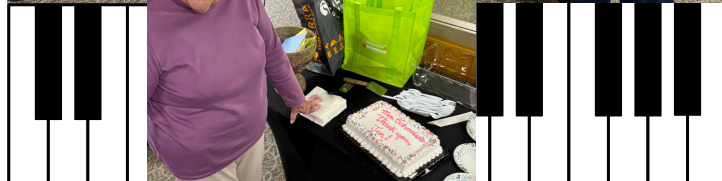
Check out the latest as Pastor Noah chats with our new Director of Student Ministry. Lots of good stuff!

THANK YOU

Dear MLC

In September, I retired from playing the piano for the multicultural worship service. I will truly miss my time with these lovely people. They blessed me with friendship and love! They also presented me with a beautiful cake, cards, cash and gifts. I will not forget them. MLC is blessed to have them worship with us and Pastor Tom is truly their blessing!

Always, Janice Schnaible



Thank You Janice

For Your Many Years of Service



Join David and Nancy Hecht as they watch
The Chosen - Season 5 starting October 26 from
9:15-10:30 am in the Fireside room.

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

Lutheran World Relief

On October 14 we delivered all the Lutheran World Relief (LWR) boxes of 101 quilts, 100 school kits, 100 personal care kits, 12 lbs. of rolled bandages, 31 pillowcases to K & B Trucking in South Sioux who deliver them (free of charge to us) to LWR CENTER IN MINNEAPOLIS . LWR then distributes them to those in need nationally and internationally. So thanks to the volunteers here at MLC , you can see that we added significantly to the total of 16 area churches totals.

See email below from Linda Clark for the totals from 16 area churches.

Representatives from 16 churches braved the rain yesterday to send quilts and kits to Lutheran World Relief and Global Health Ministries. We sent:
790 Quilts, 208 Baby Care Kits, 47 Fabric Kits, 326 Personal Care Kits, 611 School Kits, 4 Blankets, 60.9# Rolled Bandages, 6 Hospice Kits
54 Newborn Kits, 160 Pillow Cases, 32 Twin Sheets



Austin & Emily Cleveringa, Jane Olson
Haley & Jay DeVries, Andrea Ruiz
Dane & Kristen Doty, Karen Smith
Kimberly Heberer & Joe Gartner
Jason & Valerie Kaat, Micki O'Brien
Ben & Christy Miller, Lesley Vlaanderen
Mark & Candice Vander Tuig

BAPTISMS

FUNERALS

Carol Corporon
Kenny Heibel
Kathy Lewis



ALL SAINTS

SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 2

A day we recognize those who have been baptized and those who have gone home to heaven this past year.



YOUNG AT HEART



Evening Pickleball

On Tuesdays Starting
Oct 7 - March 17
7:00 PM

GYM
Monday
9:00-11:00 AM

Tuesday
9:00-11:00 AM

Thursday
9:00-11:00 AM

Contact Us

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

Join in on the FUN

Christmas Cantata

ADULTS:

Tuesday, 7:00pm

KIDS: 2nd-5th Grade

Sundays at 9:15 and 10:30 am

Starting November 2nd

Middle and High School

Wednesdays at 5:00-5:30pm

Starting on November 5



We need individuals or groups to read a scripture or reflection and light a candle. Starting November 30.

Advent Readers

Contact:

charity@morningsidelutheran.com

**Small Group
Leaders
Needed
for
Middle School
Boys**

**Wednesday
Nights
6:00-7:30 pm**

Interested?
Contact
**andrea@
morningsidelutheran
.com**

THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE

NOVEMBER 26 AT 6:30 PM



**Iowa needs
foster and adoptive families.**

Houses of worship and faith-based communities can play a vital role in filling foster care and adoption needs, as well as providing encouragement and support for those who take an active role. You can make a difference. We can help.

Visit fouroaksfamilyconnections.org for more.

GIVE THANKS FOOD DRIVE

To make the holiday extra special for our Food Pantry clients, **Morningside Lutheran Church's Social Concerns Team** is collecting Thanksgiving meal staples to distribute — along with bread, meat and fresh produce from the Food Bank of Siouxland — as part of our regular food distributions so our clients can prepare a warm and welcoming feast for their loved ones.

We invite you to help us bless our Food Pantry families in this way by donating one or more of the following items **by Sunday, Nov. 9:**



Images are for suggestion purposes only. Any brands of items are welcome. Please purchase new or check for expiration date. Thank you.

Boxed Stuffing Mix

Instant Potatoes

Gravy Packets

Canned Green Beans

Cream of Mushroom Soup

Applesauce (cans or plastic containers)

Please bring donations to church by **Sunday, Nov. 9.** Thank you!



Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever!
- 1 CHRONICLES 16:34

Young At Heart

November 19

"A Brown Family Christmas" at the new Brown Century Theater in Le Mars. Show starts at 1:30 and we will visit the Blue Bunny Ice Cream Parlor following the show.

WIGS

November 12

Lunch will be served at noon in the gym.
Cost is \$6.00.

Tom Paulson from Morningside University will share information about their new Aviation Program. This program started in 2023 and includes attaining a bachelor's degree while earning pilot ratings to work as a professional pilot. Sign up between services or call 276-2511 prior to noon on Monday, November 10.

December 10

Meal & Program is New Horizons Band.
Cost is \$6.00



Food Pantry

The food pantry volunteers would like to send a huge "Thank you" to those who supplied our food pantry with fresh garden produce, eggs, apples and fresh bread! Our clients are always appreciative and so are we. We are also thankful for HyVee on Sergeant Rd for their weekly donation of bread and treats.

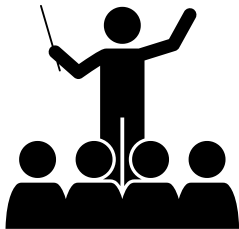
God Bless you all.

November Sermon Series

November 2	1 Thessalonians 4:13-14
November 9	
November 16	Nehemiah 2: 1-5
November 23	Nehemiah 2: 13-18
November 30	Jeremiah 29: 10-14



CHRISTMAS CAROLING



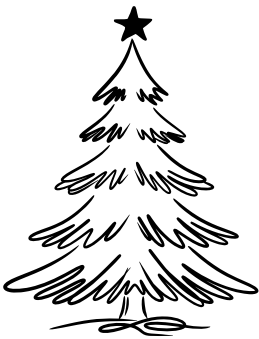
Nothing gets you into the Christmas Spirit like Christmas Music. So here is an opportunity to get involved.

Christmas Caroling

Contact: Jennica Corporon

Christmas Cantata

Contact: Connie Smith



GIVING TREE

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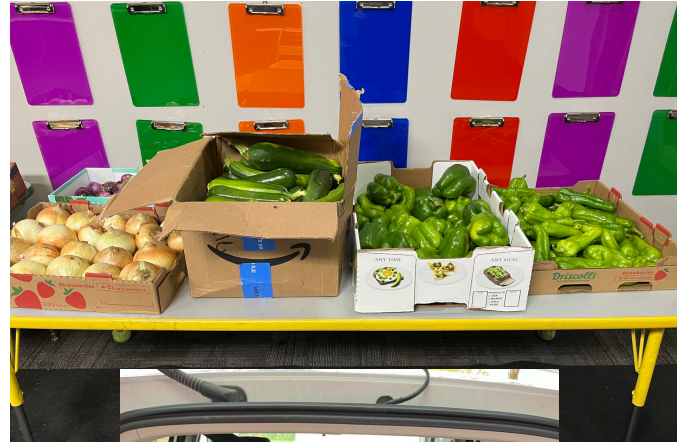
Nov 17 - Dec 7

The Social Concerns Team invites you to prayerfully consider sharing Jesus' love and compassion by participating in this year's Giving Tree Campaign.

1 Take an envelope from the Giving Tree and purchase a gift card for \$25 or more as listed. Return the Gift Card and envelope by Dec. 7.

2 Donate \$25 or more to the Giving Tree Campaign by cash or check.

3 Scan the QR code to donate \$25 or more directly online.



**The Building and Offices will be closed
November 27, 28, 29.**