

FIRST NEWS

A monthly publication for the members and friends of First Evangelical Lutheran Church

JULY 2024

July 2024 Moment with Michael

Hello, I'm Michael, the new guy in town. Thank you for calling me to serve alongside you and Pastor Tom as your Associate Pastor! I am looking forward to our journey together serving as your ministry partner.

The summer months remind me just how much I love to travel. Let it be a journey to a different part of Minnesota, driving a long distance, or flying to a different country. I love to travel. Part of my joy in traveling is witnessing and experiencing how others live; in the food they eat, the way they worship, how they build community and connection.

Another joy I experience in traveling is witnessing the diversity of God's creation. In the book of Colossians we are remined that "by [God] all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through and for him." (Col 1:16) What a thought! Everything... seen and unseen, known and unknown were created through God and for God.

In my young adult years, I had the opportunity to travel to Scotland for a month. While there our group stayed at the Pluscarden Abby for a week with a group of Benedictine Monks. This particular order of monks was actually relatively young, starting their community in the late 1940's, occupying an abandoned building that had been unused and almost entirely forgotten for over a century.

What I had the joy of witnessing was a living and vibrant community who sought to intentionally bridge the divide between Creator and creation. They had many plans, and I have no doubt that they will one day see all these big plans brought to fruition, but what I loved most was how little they cared about individual accomplishments. Rather they dedicated their whole being to worship, work, and appreciation of God's creation. This place truly was a small slice of heaven here on earth.

We are commissioned to do the same. Jesus commands, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (Mat 28:19-20) When I hear these words, I hear 'Kingdom-Building-Work', words which remind us that we are laborers called to build The Kingdom of God.

God's Kingdom is not defined by brick or mortar, it's not summed by a name or a mission, it's not a place that you go. God's Kingdom is wherever you are. As you make your travels this summer, either locally, regionally, or internationally take time to witness the beauty of God's creation, the vastness of expression that is all around you in creation, culture, and community. And, don't forget that where you go – wherever this might be – is holy, because where you go Christ is as well.

Peace be with you,

Pastor Michael

Our mission: First
Evangelical Lutheran
Church exists to
welcome people to faith in
Jesus Christ;
equip persons with a
faith that works in real
life; and
send us in service

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into the world in

Jesus' name.

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS Mon. - Thur. 8 AM - 4:30 PM Fri. 8 AM - 12 PM

Church Council

"GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS."

First Evangelical Lutheran Church Council 2024

PRESIDENT:

Tanner Eberling

VICE PRESIDENT:

Corey Cervin

SECRETARY:

Mattie Baumgartner

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Andy Miller

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Christian Education/

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Abby Hemmingway Amy Nelson

Sabrara Evenson

Karla Hyberger

Stewardship & Finance:

Karla Kadelbach

Andy Miller

Mike Langmo

Social Ministry/

Evangelism:

Meredith Elj

Abby Hemingway

Amy Nelson

Sabrara Evenson

Betty Allen

Karla Kadelbach

Karla Hyberger

Endowment/Memorial:

Corey Cervin

Tanner Eberling

Property:

Mattie Baumgartner Tanner Eberling

Betty Allen

Worship:

Meredith Elj

Mike Langmo

Amy Nelson

Personnel:

Tanner Eberling

Corey Cervin

MST:

Karla Kadelbach Sabrara Evenson Council Minutes

First Lutheran church

June 18,2024 - 7 pm

Our Mission:

FLC exists to Welcome people to faith in Jesus Christ; Equip persons with a faith that works in real life and Send us in service into the world in Jesus' name.

Absent: Andy Miller, Karla Hyberger

Devotions by: Abby Hemingway

Secretary Report: approved

Treasurer Report: approved

Pastor Tom Report: see attached

Team Assignments

E-evangelism/ Social Ministry. No meeting

Chris Ed/Youth Vacation Bible school 20 kids every night was successful

Property Carpet to be installed after July 4, 2024

Endowment Yearly review from Merrill Lynch

Worship and Music. Cordless mic issues to replace total cost 1600.00 plus Cory

made motion to purchase new mics Karla second motion carried

Old Business

Synod Assembly was successful 16 people in watch went great good assembly. National Night Out coming up August 6th will keep you updated as to events

New Business Fundraisers monthly

Tanner will explore options and bring back to council for approval

Dates to remember:

Pie in Park June 27,2024 5:30 to 8 pm

Coop service Beckville June 30, 2024 at 10:45 am

MST Pie Stand at Art in Park July 13,2024 at 10am

MST French toast Breakfast July 14,2024 8 to noon

MST International Trip July 20-August 6, 2024

Coop Service Fairgrounds Bandshell August 4, 2024 at 10:45 am

National Night Out August 6, 2024

Adiourn

Mattie Baumgartner Secretary



2024 SW ELCA Synod Assembly was held June 8th. We attended by Zoom in Chilstrom Hall with other leaders from area ELCA churches.



Stewardship & Finance

General Fund:

Total Income for the month of May 2024: \$32,825 Expenses for the month of May 2024: \$35,649

Year to Date:

Income as of May 2024: \$181,636 Expenses as of May 2024: \$182,882







Memorials and Thanks

Gifts were given to the General fund and Blessing Box in honor of Charlie and Jo Ann Lindstrom's 70th Anniversary from Paul and Sue Lemmer, and Kirk and Dorothy Lundin.

Gifts were given to the General fund and Blessing Box in memory of Kathi Jump, Alice Harding's daughter, from Jim and Barb Alsleben, John and Shirley Lekander, Mike and Kris Nelson, and Alice Harding.

A gift was given to the General fund in memory of Sodona Pearson, Scott Nelson's mom, from John and Jo Carlson.

A gift was given to the General fund in memory of Jean Hoyer, who would have been 82 on June 13th from Lisa Hoyer.

First Lutheran Quilters: Thank you so much First Lutheran Quilters for the beautiful blanket. Laila M.

June Serving Group – Thank you to those that helped us in any way with June serving needs. We really appreciated it. Ruth & Elaine

Dear First Lutheran Friends, Thank you so very much for joining our family for coffee and fellowship to celebrate our 70th Wedding Anniversary. We have been so blessed by our church family. We want to thank you for your cards, gifts, flowers and your presence. Special thanks to the kitchen workers and the June serving group. It was a day filled with great joy! Sincerely, Charlie and Jo Ann Lindstrom, with Mark and Julie Bredeson





YouthPages

In VBS we learned about God's Creation and what wonderful things he created. We learned that he made us, made everything around us and how he is always with us. We enjoyed Bible stories, creating crafts and played games. A very fun filled time Thanks to all who made this possible!!





















Youth Pages

2024 Confirmation Camp June 9 - 13, 2024 | Camp House Brimson, Minnesota





Left: Pastor Heather Culuris, Synod Minister

Pastor Michael's Installation June 2, 2024



Pr. Heather, Pr. Michael, Pr. Tom



Erika and Pr. Michael Buller

















July 2024 Worship Schedule

Wednesday, July 3, 2024

No evening service

Sunday, June 7, 2024

9:00 a.m. Worship w/Communion 10:00 a.m. Fellowship and Coffee Hour

Wednesday, July 10, 2024

6:30 p.m. Worship w/Comm., Chapel

Sunday, July 14, 2024

9:00 a.m. Worship w/Communion MST-2026 French Toast Breakfast @ Zion

Wednesday, July 17, 2024

6:30 p.m. Worship w/Comm., Chapel

Sunday, July 21, 2024

9:00 a.m. Worship w/Communion 10:00 a.m. Fellowship and Coffee Hour

Wednesday, July 24, 2024

6:30 p.m. Worship w/Comm., Chapel

Sunday, July 28, 2024

9:00 a.m. Worship w/Communion 10:00 a.m. Fellowship and Coffee Hour

Wednesday, July 31, 2024

6:30 p.m. Worship w/Comm., Chapel

MOVIE NIGHT Saturday, July 20, 2024

5:00 p.m.

Holy Word Theater, FLC Movie: TBD....

Please join us for a good movie and popcorn.

Local Cable Public Access TV Schedule:

Sun. 11 a.m. Encore Presentation COOP

Mon. 11 a.m. Encore Presentation COOP

Tue. 11 a.m. Encore Presentation Sun. FLC

Wed. 11 a.m. Encore Presentation Sun. COOP

Thu. 11 a.m. Encore Pres. Sun. Trinity G.C.

Thu. 3 p.m. Encore Presentation Sun. FLC

July Special dates

- Canada Day, July 1, 2024
- U.S. Independence Day, July 4, 2024





Kathi (Harding) Jump
June 14, 2024
Graveside service
(Alice Harding's Daughter)
Please keep her family and friends
in your prayers.

MST 2026

ELCA Co-op MST 2026 News

There is a new MST group forming for 2026. This group consists of students from the Co-op. They have just started their fundraising journey. Our mission destination has not been determined yet. Please help support them at the following events:

WATERCADE PIE IN THE PARK

Saturday July 13, 10AM-2PM

We would appreciate your donations of pie and ice cream for this event. Please sign up in the church office or call Amy Berube (320-221-5372) if you are willing to bring a fruit pie. Pies or ice cream may be dropped off at church by July 12th or early morning on July 13th.



FRENCH TOAST BREAKFAST

Sunday July 14, 8:00AM-12:00PM Zion Lutheran Church

We are looking for donations of milk, butter, and orange juice. If you would like to donate to this event, please sign up in the church office.

Donations can be dropped off by Friday July 12th.

FIREWOOD

Did you know that the MST group has a supply of firewood at the Lake Ripley Campground? You can support our group by purchasing a bundle or two when you are camping or if you just need some wood for a campfire on your own property! Wood costs \$5 per bundle and can be found in a shed located in the middle of the campground.













MEEKER COUNTY FAIR

August 1-4

Please start thinking ahead on how you can help us at the fair. We are looking for food donations and workers. We will have more details in the next month!

Volunteer sign-up sheets will be in Chilstrom Hall soon.

Thank you for all of your support so far! We greatly appreciate all that you do for us!

We could not get there without your support!

ELCA Co-op MST 2026

June 2024 Calendar

	Sat	ဖ	13 8:00 a.m. Men's Group Watercade Event: 10 AM – 4 PM MST 2026 Pie & Ice Cream, Cen. Park	5:00 p.m. Movie Night, Holy Word Theater MST 2024 Group leaves For Braga, Portugal	27 8:00 a.m. Men's Group	p in Braga, Portugal
July 2024	Fri	2	12 9:30 a.m. Christian Women's Meeting	19 3:00 p.m. Lutheran Men in Mission Golf Toumament, Redwood Falls, MN	26	Pastor Tom will be with the MST-2024 Group in Braga, Portugal July 20 – August 6, 2024
	Thu	4thof July Holiday Church Office Closed	11 7:55 a.m. "Open Gate" KLFD 12 – 7:00 p.m. 4-H Event 6:30 p.m. Smart Recovery, Chapel	18 7:55 a.m. "Open Gate" KLFD 1:30 p.m. WELCA 6:30 p.m. Smart Recovery, Chapel	25	Pastor Tom will be w
	Wed	3 7 6:30 p.m. No evening worship service Church Office Closed	10 1:30 p.m. Staff Meeting 6:30 p.m. Worship/Chapel	17 1:30 p.m. Staff Meeting 6:30 p.m. Worship/Chapel	24 1:30 p.m. Staff Meeting 6:30 p.m. Worship/Chapel	31 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting 6:30 p.m. Worship/Chapel
	Tue	2 7:00 a.m. Brew 2:00 p.m. Worship at Meeker Manor 6:30 p.m. N/A, Chapel	9 7:00 a.m. Brew 6:30 p.m. N/A, Chapel	16 7:00 a.m. Brew 6:30 p.m. N/A, Chapel	23 7:00 a.m. Brew 6:30 p.m. N/A, Chapel	30 7:00 a.m. Brew 6:30 p.m. N/A, Chapel
	Mon	F	ω	15	22	59
	Sun	First Evangelical Lutheran Church 703 South Sibley Ave Litchfield, MN 55355 320-693-2487	7 9:00 a.m. Worship w/Comm. 10:00 a.m. Fellowship/ Coffee	14 9:00 a.m. Worship w/Comm. 8 AM – Noon: MST 2026 FrenchToast Breakfast at Zion	21 9:00 a.m. Worship w/Comm. 10:00 a.m. Fellowship/ Coffee	28 9:00 a.m. Worship w/Comm. 10:00 a.m. Fellowship/ Coffee

Serving Group & Birthdays

JULY 2024 SERVING GROUP	Lil Madson
Chairs:	Chad & Judy Mahlow
Betty Allen	Darin & Renee Mahlow
Jenny Lundin	Misty Marotte
Craig & Gina Lokken	Sacia Matheson
Sadie Ludowese	Tim Matheson
Robert & Amy Nelson	Deborah Maurer
Darlene Lundin	Thomas McCormick
Kirk & Dorothy Lundin	Venita McCormick
Janice Madden	Joel & Dawn Michaletz
Chris & Jennifer Madsen	Jason & Andrea Michels
Gayle Madsen	James & Autumn Mickelson

July Ushers 9:00 a.m.

Ken Braseth – C Tim Matheson Mike Langmo Dalen Jones Karen Johnson Meredith Elj



July

Open





Lukas Christians David Meidal Marie Solem JULY 2 Everett Snodgrass Jacob Jones Jody Stradtmann JULY 3 Jeffrey Daly Bob Kerstein Janet Lundin JULY 4 Wendy Danzeisen Elijah Michaletz Grace Spanos Bryan Thiele JULY 5 Elijah Banks JULY 6 Michael Cziok Clinton Hannes Jane Hulterstrum Daniel Lease Matthew Thomas

JULY 7

Emma DeWolf

Scarlette Schave

JULY 1

JULY 8 Sheila Krohse Wayne Elam Katie Hulterstrum Wesley Nelson Ross Seifert Kristine Zeppelin JULY 9 David Langmo Renae Olson JULY 10 John Anderson Jo Carlson Alyssa Riebe Devin Zeppelin JULY 11 Troy Anderson Kierra Lease Matthew Worden JULY 12 Erika Buller Carli Christensen Peter Hyberger Parker Laidlaw Nellya Nelson

JULY 13 Declan Berube Brady Birch Paul Garrison Paul Harvego Dana Liestman Tiffany Husmann Mohr Jackie Kraushaar Remington Zeppelin JULY 14 Lauren Block Tait Christensen Alyssa Riebe Avasynn Rodriguez Corey Rueckert JULY 15 Morgan Polzin **JULY 16** Michael Pierce JULY 17 Carter Block Kristen Farmer Andrew Fruetel Carolyn Vollmer Theodore Whitcomb JULY 18 Nick Benson Alicia Noroski Robert Hall Marlaina Mahlow

JULY 19 Natalie Berglund James Cottington Levi Cottington Kurt Gartner Shasta Rueckert LeeAnn Hanson Andrew Zilch JULY 20 Ellainey Kinzer Aric Kleinschmidt **JULY 21** Steve Dengerud Logan Nelson Alexis Trettin JULY 22 Heather Lease Jeffery Lundin Mason Peterson JULY 23 Mike Forster Marlene Herzog Jennifer Lundin JULY 24 Emma Doty Erick Garrison JULY 25 Hayley Polzin

JULY 26 Meredith Eli Leann Hanson JULY 27 Dennis Gartner Delphine Kelly JULY 28 Mark Erickson Sandra Gruenke Caleb Herzog JULY 29 Beau Hanson Courtney Hanson Cassandra Justison Mathew Lease Ashley Muchow JULY 30 Ryan Hickman Diane Konietzko Wayne Larson Gavin Nelson JULY 31 Helen Baldwin Caroline Desens Terry Driver

Senior Dining Menu

SNAP or EBT payment is Nicole Crouch, MS, RD Approved by:

accepted.

Monday, July 1	Tuesday, July 2	Wednesday, July 3	Thursday, July 4	Friday, July 5
Beef Stroganoff	BBQ Chicken	Lasagna		
Egg Noodles	Diced Potatoes	Green Peas		
Green Beans	Mixed Vegetables	Breadstick	Holiday	
Dinner Roll w/Margarine	Bread w/Margarine	Margarine	CLOSED	CLOSED
Fruit Crisp	Fresh Fruit	Tropical Fruit	Extra meals sent	Extra meals sent
1% Milk	1% Milk	1% Milk	7/2 & 7/3	7/2 & 7/3
Monday, July 8	Tuesday, July 9	Wednesday, July 10	Thursday, July 11	Friday, July 12
Honey Glazed Chicken	Meatballs & Gravy	Egg Salad on Hamburger Bun	Roast Turkey & Gravy	Spaghetti & Meatsauce
Diced Potatoes	Mashed Potatoes	Mixed Vegetables	Mashed Potatoes	California Blend Vegetable
Country Vegetable Blend	Buttered Corn	Diced Pears	Peas & Carrots	Fresh Fruit
Fresh Fruit	Sliced Peaches	Vanilla Pudding Parfait	Dinner Roll w/Margarine	Breadstick
Dinner Roll w/Margarine	Dinner Roll w/Margarine		Fruit Crisp	
1% Milk	1% Milk	1% Milk	1% Milk	1% Milk
Monday, July 15	Tuesday, July 16	Wednesday, July 17	Thursday, July 18	Friday, July 19
Chef's Choice	Tater Tot Casserole	Chicken Salad On	Beef Vegetable Stew	Chicken & Noodles
Vegetable of the Day	Diced Carrots	Hamburger Bun	Green Peas	Peas & Carrots
Fruit of Choice	Lime Pineapple Gelatin	Three Bean Salad	Biscuit w/Margarine	Diced Pears
Dessert of the Day	Dinner Roll w/Margarine	Diced Peaches		Lemon Bar
Bread w/Margarine		Sugar Cookie	Cinnamon Baked Apples	Bread w/Margarine
1% Milk	1% Milk	1% Milk	1% Milk	1% Milk
Monday, July 22	Tuesday, July 23	Wednesday, July 24	Thursday, July 25	Friday, July 26
Beef Pepper Steak	Sloppy Joe on Bun	Rosemary Pork Loin	Taco Salad w/Salsa	Lemon Pepper Chicken
Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy	California Vegetable Blend	Diced Potatoes	Spanish Rice	Brown Rice
Peas & Carrots	Italian Pasta Salad	Green Peas	Sliced Peaches	Country Vegetable Blend
Bread w/Margarine	Fresh Fruit	Bread w/Margarine		Dinner Roll w/Margarine
Oatmeal Raisin Cookie		Chocolate Chip Bar	Snickerdoodle Cookie	Strawberry Fluff
1% Milk	1% Milk	1% Milk	1% Milk	1% Milk
Monday, July 29	Tuesday, July 30	Wednesday, July 31		
Beef Macaroni & Cheese	Chef Salad w/Turkey & Ham	Meatloaf w/Gravy		Inly 2024
Carrot Coins	French Dressing	Mashed Potatoes		ouly 2024
Fruit Cocktail	Mandarin Oranges	Buttered Corn		
Dinner Roll w/Margarine	Dinner Roll w/Margarine	Bread w/Margarine		1 Se Mosle Traditional Older
	Cherry Cobbler	Fresh Fruit		Las means Haundonal Order
1% Milk	1% Milk	1% Milk		Addit mella
This service is funded in part by a the Minnesota Board on Aging. Ac	s contract from the Area Agency on dditional funds are provided by the	This service is funded in part by a contract from the Area Agency on Aging with funding from the Federal Older Americans Act through the Minnesota Board on Aging. Additional funds are provided by the State of Minnesota Doard on Aging. Additional funds are provided by the State of Minnesota Board on Aging. Additional funds are provided by the State of Minnesota Doard Ways, local communities and other adult	al Older Americans Act through ocal communities and other adult	Menu is subject to change.
the Minnesota Board on Aging. Ad	dditional funds are provided by the	State of Minnesota, United Ways, Ic	ocal communities and other adult	

The posted menu is for a traditional diet. Diabetic friendly, reduced sodium and fat restricted diet menus are available upon request. If you are interested in learning about the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), please call 800.488.4146. The traditional menu provides an average of 700-800 calories per meal. contributions.

Litchfield Site: 320-693-6203 - Call at least 24 hours prior to order meals.

WELCA

WELCA MINUTES June 20, 2024

WELCA met on June 20, 2024, in the Chapel with Betty Allen calling the meeting to order. The Purpose Statement was recited. Devotions were given by Betty.

The secretary's report was printed and Lana Johnson made a motion to approve with a second by Karla Kadelbach. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was printed and Marilyn Swanson made a motion to approve with a second by Dianne Thorp.

Not many kids have signed up for Bible Camp. There are a variety of scholarships available, so please sign your kids up!!

Reminder: Do not forget to donate to our Thank Offering Drive, where the gifts will be donated to the Community.

Old Business: August Funday was discussed. Betty checked with Dykstra's Gardens in Blomkest. The date we will be going is TUESDAY, AUGUST 20th. We will carpool from First, leaving at 10:30 am. and eating a lunch made by the Dykstras using fresh garden produce. Everyone must sign up and pay in advance. We must order the number of meals needed in advance. Extra donations can be given to them and all the money collected is used for mission work.

New Business: WELCA has been asked by MST to help cut up the fruit at the church for the fair. Donated fruit (*not bananas*) will be brought to the church to be cut up. Food regulations say the food must be cut up in a church kitchen. Fruit will be need to be cut up each day, possibly Tues. through Sat. The men's group will be asked too. Everyone is welcome to sign up.

Program: Our speakers today were Kim Brehmer, Regional Coordinator for Caregiver Support and Respite Care and Janel Heinen, Program Manager for Companion Services. They talked about the services Lutheran Social Services provides, and their need for more volunteers. Mileage is paid from the volunteer's house to the client's and back home. If interested, their offices are in Hutchinson. Respite care group meets in Hutch from 11:30 to 3:30 the first Tuesday of the month at Christ the King Lutheran Church, for anyone who wants to bring their loved one in to give the Care giver time to run errands or just a break. They also offer other programs as Virtual Support, Emergency Care Planning, Senior Companionship, Foster Grand Parent and Neighbor to Neighbor Companion programs. Help is there! Check them out! Call 320-221-3747 for more info.

Serving next month is Carol Rowell and Marilyn Swanson.



WELCA Speakers Kim Brehmer & Janel Heinen

Date to Remember: July 15^{8h} WELCA in Chilstrom Hall at 1:30.

August 20th (Tuesday) WELCA Fun Day

Sign up For WELCA Fun Day by August 15th & pay \$10

Thank you to Dee Bollin and Dianne Thorp for serving today.

The Lord's Prayer was recited and the Table Grace was sung. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectively submitted, Sue Lemmer, Secretary



2024 SUMMER CAMP

June 9-13	Confirmation Up North at Camp House	
June 16-20	Youth Programs at Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp Pastor's Family Camp at Green Lake Bible Camp Ordinary Time at Camp House*	
June 23-27	Youth Programs & Fishing Camp (grades 5-7) at Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp Ordinary Time at Camp House*	
June 30-July 6	Ordinary Time at Camp House*	
July 7-11	Camp Joy (July 8-11) at Green Lake Bible Camp Ordinary Time at Camp House*	
July 14-18	Onsite Day Camp & Youth Programs at Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp Family Camp at Green Lake Bible Camp	
July 21-25	Youth Programs & Fishing Camp (grades 7-9) at Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp Grandparent & Grandchild Camp (July 21-24) at Green Lake Bible Camp	1
July 28-Aug 1	Onsite Day Camp & Youth Programs at Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp Grandparent & Grandchild Camp (July 28-31) at Green Lake Bible Camp	

Grades Program

K-5 Onsite Day Camp

1-4 Half Blast

2-5 Base Camp

5-7 Trailblazers

5-9 Fishing Camp

7-9 Stargazers

10-12 Community Guides

Program eligibility is based on the grade your camper has completed by the summer of 2024. Confirmation Up North is open to confirmation-aged No discounts apply to Onsite students.

CREATE

We can't wait to have you join us this summer at one of our beautiful sites, to pause, reflect, and experience an amazing community with our staff and with each other.

Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp New London, MN Green Lake Bible Camp Spicer, MN Camp House Brimson, MN

This schedule is subject to change and some programs fill quickly. Use our online registration system to view current program availability or call us at 320-796-2181.

The camp week begins Sunday afternoon. Full-week overnight camp programs end Thursday evening. Half Blast ends Tuesday evening.

Youth Programs includes Half Blast, Base Camp, Trailblazers, Stargazers, and Community Guides.

*Ordinary Time at Camp House is June 15-July 12. Read more about this exciting opportunity at GLLM.org!

DISCOUNTS

Early Bird Discount

\$50 off each program through February 15.

Sibling Discount

\$25 for a full week \$15 for Half Blast

Day Camp or Camp Joy.

IMPORTANT DATES

December 14, 2023 Registration Opens

January 18, 2024 Blocks Released

February 15, 2024 Early Bird Discount Ends

May 23, 2024

Final Camper Payments Due

Registration Questions? 320-796-2181 or camp@gllm.org

For information about campership funds from FLC, please call the church office 320-693-2487.



Life is busy. Whether you are managing your own calendar or a family calendar, it can be hard to get into a routine - meetings, sick days, flat tires - life events require a change of plans. Sometimes we yearn for a routine, an ordinary rhythm to our day or week.

We invite you to experience **Ordinary Time**, **a faith-centered rhythm** at Camp House this summer! Each day you'll encounter opportunities for learning, creating, playing, and being. The routine of devotions and worship will be wover with times of conversation, education and artistic classes, reading on the beach, canoeing around Lake George, or exploring sights along the North Shore.

Camp House will be on Ordinary Time for a whole month this summer.

Pastors, musicians, artists, and educators will inspire our spiritual and creative sides, guiding all those present into an intentional Christian community. Camp House staff will offer opportunities to take part in the uniqueness of this beautiful site - daily saunas, games on the ball field, pizza in the brick oven, and evening fellowship in the lodge.

CAMP HOUSE IS ON ORDINARY TIME JUNE 15 - JULY 12, 2024

COST

Adults \$95/night | Youth (age 4-12) \$65/night | Children 3 & under - free

Deposit amount \$125 for group reservation (2+ people), \$50 for individual reservation. No discounts apply to Ordinary Go to: GLLM.org for more information, or call the church office.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN THE MILITARY:



*Our members known to be in the military are:

<u>Staff Sgt. US Army, Zachary Olimb</u>, Vicenza, Italy, grandson of Edna Oldenburg, and Lil Madson; <u>Master Sgt. Austin Kleinschmidt</u>, 934th Airwing, Minneapolis, son of Kipp and Lynette Kleinschmidt; Staff Sgt. Matthew Wiechmann, stationed at Fort Drum, NY; son of Virgil and Jamie Wiechmann; Eric Kammermeier, Chief Petty Officer HSC-23, United States Navy, son-in-law of Mike and Beth Boyle; Welcome Home! to those of you who now have returned to the States. Thank you all for your service

*Please let the office know if titles, locations, and/or addresses have changed for any of the above.

GLOBAL MISSIONS OFFERING: MST - Costa Rica



Be still, Receive God's Love, Embrace God's Word, Welcome the Day. B.R.E.W.

meets every Tuesday morning at 7:00 a.m. with Pastor Tom for coffee and fellowship. Join us!!

<u>Save your greeting cards!</u>

They can be recycled! They will take the whole card or you can cut off the signed names, if you wish. I will drop them off at the Senior Center in Hutchinson. **No Christmas Cards please. Thank you! Elaine Lenhard

Please keep our shut-in members in your prayers,

Meeker Manor: Lois Rusch

LUTHERAN

Bethany Home: Janet Lundin, Mae Brehmer, Wendy Norine Litchfield, in own home: Jutta Goodrich, Darlene Miller

Lakeside, Dassel: Edna Oldenburg

VA Health Care, St. Cloud: Gordon Johnson





Lutheran Men In Mission 30th Annual Golf Tournament

Friday, July 19th Registration begins at 2:30 p.m. Redwood Falls Golf Club Call the church office by Monday July 15th if you are interested in attending. Thank you



WELCA Meeting July 18, 2024 1:30 p.m. Chilstrom Hall

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