THE LORD IS THE STRONGHOLD OF MY LIFE.
PSALM 27:1

The Beacon

November 2026

Christ Ev. Lutheran Church

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Divine Worship Services
Sunday - 9:00 a.m.
Wednesday - 6:30 p.m.

Bible Study & Sunday School
Sunday – 10 a.m.

Yust for da grins...
Happy All Saints Day to You Germans, Finns, Swedes, er Whoever!
Subject: Lutran Airlines

YA, SHURE, YA BETCHA! DIS IS DA LATEST AIR SERVICE TO SPROUT UP IN MINNYSOTA. ALSO SERVING VISCONSIN, NORT AND SOUT DAKOTA AND MONTAANA.

If you are travelin soon, consider Lutran (Lutheran) Air, da no-frills airline. You're all in da same boat on Lutran Air, where flyin is an upliftin experience. Dere is no first class on any Lutran Air flight.

Meals are potluck. Rows 1-6, bring rolls; 7-15, bring a salad; 16-21, a main dish, and 22-30, a dessert. Basses and tenors please sit in da rear of d'aircraft.

Everyone is responsible for his or her own baggage. All fares are by freewill offering and da plane will not land 'til da budget is met.
Pay attention to your flight attendant, who will acquaint you with da safety system aboard dis Lutran Air 599.

Okay den, listen up. I'm only gonna say dis once. In de event of a sudden loss of cabin pressure, I am frankly goin ta be real surprised and so will Captain Olson, because we fly right around two tousand feet, so loss of cabin pressure would probably indicate da Second Coming or someting of dat nature, and I wouldn't bodar with doze little masks on da rubber tubes. You're gonna have bigger tings to worry about dan dat. Just stuff doze back up in dair little holes. Probably da masks fell out because of turbulence which, to be honest wit you, we're going to have quite a bit of at two tousand feet … sort a like driving across a plowed field, but after a while ya get used to it.

In de event of a water landing, I'd say forget it. Start saying da Lord's Prayer and just hope you get to da part about forgive us our sins as we forgive doze who sin against us, which some people say "trespass against us," which isn't right, but what can you do?

De use of cell phones on da plane is strictly forbidden, not because day may interfere with da plane's navigational system, which is seat of da pants all da way. No, it's because cell phones are a pain in da wazoo, and if God meant you to use a cell phone, He would have put your mout on da side of your head. We're going to start lunch right about noon and it's buffet style with da coffee pot up front. Den we'll have da hymn sing; hymnals are in da seat pocket in front of you. Don't take yours wit you when you go or I am goin to be real upset and I am not kiddin!

Right now I'll say Grace. "Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest and let deze gifts to us be blessed. Fadar, Son, and Holy Ghost, may we land in Dulut–or pretty close. Amen!

Heavenly Father, thank you for the ability to laugh at ourselves—and thank you for all the other blessings you've given us.

In Christ,
Pastor Schield

Pasty Bake Alert! It's Time Again!

The 2026 Pasty bake will soon be here! The bake will take place November 11 - 15. Wednesday, Nov. 11 set up at 5 pm. Friday starting at 8 a.m. we will be peeling veggies, dicing veggies and making pastys. Saturday and after service Sunday we will be baking, with a wrap up of baking Any time that you can help is greatly appreciated. Volunteers are greatly needed in all areas so please come to help whenever you can even if you have never helped in the past, we will have a job for YOU! Every little bit helps.

We also need people to provide food for the workers. So, if you can't help with production, please consider supplying some food. There is a sign-up sheet on the office door.
The deadline for orders is November 8th.



If You Think, You Will Come to Thank

Has God blessed you? Think about it. Then join with Christians across America to give on **Thanksgiving Eve, Wednesday, November 25 at 6:30 p.m.** for a special service of praise and thanksgiving to God for His never-ending goodness to us, His people. Don't let the turkeys and the parades keep you from this "one thing needful."
"Oh give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good!"

Thanksgiving Day Services, November 26:

9:30 a.m. at Mount Olive Lutheran, 2012 E Superior, Street, Duluth.

Craft & Vendor Sale

The youth of the congregation are hosting a craft & vendor fair on November 21 from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. as a fundraiser to raise money to help youth to attend future LCMS National Youth Gatherings. If you would like to rent a table to sell your items, please contact Jessica Stumpf.

Adult Group Activity

If you are looking for something to fill those long days with, come join us at Guadalajara Mexican Restaurant at the Mariner Mall, on Wednesday, November 11 at 1:30 p.m. We will discuss ideas for future activities and enjoy some fellowship together. Hope you can join us.

Advent begins November 29

Happy New Year! Well, not quite yet, but it will be soon. The new church year begins Sunday, November 29, the First Sunday in Advent. Spiritually enriching and challenging Divine Services with Communion are planned for each Sunday and Wednesday in Advent. Start the New Year right by preparing for our dear Lord's imminent return in glory! Join us during Advent!

December 2 – 12:15 & 6:30 p.m.

December 9 – 12:15 & 6:30 p.m.

December 16 – 12:15 & 6:30 p.m.

Soup & Sandwich Suppers

Please join us once again for food and fellowship as we bring back the soup and sandwich suppers during Advent. They start **December 2 at 5:30 p.m.**

November Voter's Meeting

November 22 @ 10:15 a.m.

Annual Snow Shoveling Request

I'm looking for volunteers to help keep our church sidewalks clear during the winter months. I typically handle snow removal before Sunday services, but I will need assistance on Wednesdays this quarter since my day off has changed from Wednesday to Friday. There may also be occasional times during the week when coverage is needed if I am unable to clear the sidewalks.
A snowblower is available and works very well. I coordinate by text, letting volunteers know when the job has been completed or when help is needed. If you're willing to be part of the snow-removal team, please contact **Don Hauser** 715-969-4510, donald.p.hauser@gmail.com
Or speak with me at church.

Check the Doors

Reminder that the last person out of the building please turn out the lights, especially check the Sunday school hallway, and make sure the doors are locked. If you are not sure you are the only one here, please check around.

Christ's Men

Christ's Men's first Tuesday lunches have returned. They will meet on November 3, 11:30 AM, at Superior Family Restaurant, it is on the first floor, alley side of the Androy Hotel, at 1213 Tower Ave. Hope to see as many as possible there.

Lutheran Women's Mission League (LWML)

Join thousands of other Lutheran women who focus on missions and God's Word. Our Christ Lutheran LWML will meet on Tuesday, November 3 at 1:00 PM. Our emphasis is on Bible Study, mission projects, sharing faith and friendship with our "sisters-in-Christ ". Pastor Bernecker will lead our Bible Study. If you have received a fall Quarterly, please bring it with you.

Christ Lutheran is Looking for Church Secretary

We currently have an opening for a part-time secretary. If you enjoy managing daily administrative operations, including greeting visitors, answering phones, managing databases, and preparing weekly bulletins, etc. this position is for you. This is a part-time position 16-20 hours a week with flexible scheduling and is available now. For more information and details please contact the church office 715-398-3680, please leave a message if we are unavailable.



Daylight Savings Time Ends – November 1

Church Council Minutes

October 8, 2026

Members Present: Chris Kirchoff, Don Hauser, Elisabeth Hannula, Julianne Schnoor, Christine Stumpf**,** Mike Stumpf, Mike Miller

I. **Call to order by Chris Kirchoff and opening prayer**
II. **Call for additional agenda items**
III. **Minutes from the 10 September Council meeting**: Don made a motion to accept the minutes. Julianne seconded the motion. Motion passed.
IV. **Pastor's Report** None. Pastor is on vacation
V. **Treasurer's Report**
   A. The cost of advertising and the cost of postage have gone up, as have other supplies. We will need to adjust the 2027 budget accordingly. We stocked up on stamps before the recent price increase.
   B. We looked over the financial report, which appears to be in order. Don made a motion to approve; Mike S. seconded. Motion passed.

VII. **Committee Reports**
   A. **Board of Deacons**
      a. A cake has been ordered for Pastor Appreciation and Oktoberfest this Sunday.
      b. The Deacons are waiting to hear about new carpet bids.
      c. There is damage to the wood on the altar. Julianne's carpenter son will look to see if it can be refinished rather than replaced.
   B. **Board of Trustees**
      a. Mike purchased a pack of flappers for the toilets. He will adjust the chain length for one toilet that seems to run excessively.
      b. Belknap Electric is preparing a new bid for the shut-off valve. They requested $2500 up front but we will need an invoice before the check gets sent.
      c. Mike is struggling to get bids for the new altar area carpet. Vendors have not returned his calls.
   C. **Board of Stewardship and Evangelism**
      a. This Board is struggling to get its members together for meetings. Julianne will work to solve this dilemma. The workload is currently too much for 3 people.
      b. October's focus is CASDA. Donations are being collected and delivered.
      c. Trunk or Treat is inside on Oct 30, including cider and cocoa.
      d. Requests for help from members continue to be noted.
      e. Stewardship Sunday is coming in early November.
      f. The next Spiritual Conversation training will be November 7.
   D. **Board of Christian Education**
      a. Upcoming family events include pumpkin carving with the Youth, pasty bake help, a gingerbread house making contest, and a YMCA swim fun day.
      b. Jessica Stumpf is hosting a vendor fair Nov. 21, proceeds to the youth.
      c. The Youth group Wednesday evening gatherings are consistently well-attended. Thank you to the Stumpf family for cooking supper those nights!

d. Lawrence Lehto will paint the Youth room at the end of October. Helena will ask if he's willing to also paint the education wing hallway.
e. BOCE members are exploring the idea of creating a friendly "Welcome Center" near the couch area in the Narthex.

E. **Memorial Committee**
a. The Memorial Fund stands at $3004.30. There have been no changes.

F. **Endowment Committee**
a. Endowment fund balances as of September 30, 2026:
1. Dr. Stanley W Oexemann Endowed Education Fund: $64,208.76
2. Miriam J Oexemann Endowed Mission Fund: $60,567.40
3. Eleanor A. Oexemann Endowed Youth Fund: $71,514.41
4. Christ the King Memorial Scholarship Endowed Fund: $125,460.65
5. Eleanor A. Oexemann Endowed Fund (Organ Fund): $28,045.83

G. **Memorial Garden Committee**
a. Jessica Fowler has been appointed for a one-year term.

H. **Preschool Screening Committee**
a. A subcommittee has been formed for creating a business plan.
b. Len has been in contact with Lisa Cottrell (WI licensing) to discuss state statutes. We need to submit our licensing request six months before the anticipated opening date; ergo, March 1. If we are unable to complete all the components in time, we will delay our opening. The process is extensive.

VIII. **Old Business**
A. The shut-off valve replacement is in progress.
B. Pastor's former classmate Tim Sandeno and wife Lisa will visit and speak at CLC on Oct. 25. Pastor Sandeno brings Word and Sacrament to U.S. military members stationed at Spangdahlem Air Base in Germany. We could consider sponsoring them in the future.

IX. **New Business**
A. The Executive Board will meet Nov. 4 at 7:30 to discuss the 2027 budget.
B. The Voters Meeting scheduled for Nov. 15 will be changed to Nov. 22 due to a conflict with the Pasty Bake. On the agenda for that meeting: possibly elect a congregational vice-president; preschool update; vote on the proposed 2027 budget; finalize the shut-off valve issue.

The meeting was adjourned, followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Next meeting: Nov. 12 at 5 p.m.
Voters Meeting: November 22 at 10:15 a.m.

Stewardship

Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart!

Our Father in heaven has claimed us as His own. By the shedding of His Son's blood, by His death for our sins and His resurrection for our justification, God the Father has received us back into His family. By water combined with His Word, promise and name, the Holy Spirit has taken up residence in us. We belong to Father, Son and Holy Spirit. He is in us, and we are in Him. And being in Him, all things are ours. In Him, we are richly and abundantly blessed.

Our true treasure and wealth is that we belong to the most Holy Trinity and everything that is His belongs also to us: righteousness, peace, eternal life. Even our temporal treasures are gifts from His fatherly, divine goodness and mercy.

We receive our treasures from Him, and thus, as good stewards of His varied grace, we manage them in such a way that they may be returned to Him. We bring them to Him, hallowed through prayers of thanksgiving and God's Holy Word, as a sacrifice. Thus all our possessions, as gifts from God, are also sacrifices to Him, from which we eat to nourish our bodies and share with our family, neighbors and fellow Christians, with the poor and even our enemies, as holy things given by our holy God. His temporal gifts are blessings to and for us, and bring blessing upon us even as they are pressed into His service for His kingdom and the souls that receive them.

Thus we place all that we have into God's hands. He never fails to remember us and pours out the fullness of His promises upon us. We give thanks for all that He has done, is doing and will continue to do. We give thanks by not taking for ourselves, but giving to all even as our heavenly Father has given to us.

As we prepare for Thanksgiving celebrations, may we all give thanks continually for all that we are and all that we have because of God's providential care.

And may we be all the more diligent in bringing everything that we have received from God to Him, so that He may bless it and employ it for the good of all — even for us. For to the one who has, more will be given, and he will have an abundance

The Heating Season

The heating season is upon us again, please double check that all doors are locked, all lights are turned off (including bathrooms), and thermostats are turned down before your group leaves the church. Thank you!

My Savior Lives Northland

LCMS Service of Worship – Every Saturday & Sunday at 9:30 a.m. on My 9 Channel 6.3

"My Savior Lives Northland" is a locally produced TV program that includes a 30-minute worship service led by participating pastors of the Minnesota North District of our LCMS. MSL Northland is broadcast every Saturday & Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Central time on My 9 Channel 6.3 and cable and satellite systems carrying these stations. Please check your local listings.

Please send contributions c/o:
Mt. Olive Lutheran Church
2012 East Superior St., Duluth, MN 55812
Checks should be made to: MSL Northland

Did You Move? Or Someone You Know Move?

Summer is a time when many people move. If you or someone in your family has moved recently, please let the church office know your new address. If you have moved to another city, remember to transfer your church membership to one of our sister LCMS congregations by simply requesting a transfer from the pastor of the church you wish to be transferred to. There are many reasons to transfer your membership when you move, but the most important is that you will have a place close to home where you can regularly hear the Word of God and receive the Body and Blood of the Lord in His Supper. So if you've moved recently, and distance keeps you from weekly worship at Christ Lutheran, now is the time to answer God's call be remaining faithful to our faithful Lord!

Defending the Faith, Teaching the Truth

Issues, Etc. is a talk radio show hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken and produced by Lutheran Public Radio. Recent topics include: Same-Sex Marriage, Reformation *Solas,* Depression, Radical Islam, What Boys Need, Pro-Life Women and more. Listen to what you want when you want at www.issuesetc.org.

Food for the Local Food Shelf

The first Sunday of every month is when you need to bring in your donations of non-perishable food items for the local food shelf. You may put your items under the table in the narthex. This is given to those in need and then to the local food pantry.

Do We Have Your Current Email Address?

Are you receiving email from Christ Lutheran? If not, you are missing important and timely information from your church. We will not flood your inbox or share your email address (addresses are always hidden when sent from church). Please help us keep you informed! Call the office at 715-398-3680 or send it to clcoffice320@gmail.com

Looking for something?

The LCMS staffs the “Church Information Center”, which offers a great deal of help and resources on a variety of topics. To contact the CIC with your questions, you may write: infocenter@lcms.org or call toll free 1.888.843.5267



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Free Thanksgiving Buffet

Thanksgiving Day
Thursday, November 26, 2026
11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

At the DECC – Lake Superior Ballroom

Free Parking

Homebound Persons
To request a meal home delivered go to the following web site to request by noon Nov. 21
https://www.css.edu/administration/thanksgiving-day-buffet/

Buffet organized by The College of St. Scholastica and the Twin Ports Community

www.css.edu/thanksgiving

PUZZLE

Counting Our Blessings

Thanksgiving is a great opportunity to "count our blessings." God blesses each of us daily in so many ways. Solve the following math problems. Then write the words on the numbered lines below to complete Ephesians 1:3, NIV.

14 - 7 = ____ Father	10 + 15 = ____ in
10 + 9 = ____ heavenly	6 - 3 = ____ to
10 + 5 = ____ blessed	12 - 6 = ____ and
2 - 1 = ____ Praise	6 + 6 = ____ Christ
7 + 7 = ____ has	18 - 9 = ____ our
11 + 11 = ____ every	22 - 11 = ____ Jesus
12 + 12 = ____ blessing	1 + 1 = ____ be
10 + 10 = ____ realms	7 + 6 = ____ who
13 + 13 = ____ Christ	2 + 2 = ____ the
8 + 8 = ____ us	10 - 5 = ____ God
8 + 9 = ____ in	4 + 4 = ____ of
5 + 5 = ____ Lord	9 + 9 = ____ the
10 + 11 = ____ with	10 + 13 = ____ spiritual

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Ephesians 1:3, NIV

Answer: "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ."

Online Information

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lcms.org

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www.issuesetc.org

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