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Carry
the
cross and
follow
me

LUKE 14:27

You are invited to
Bethlehem Lutheran Church
HOMECOMING



Food, Music, Games, Art & Community



5 OCTOBER, 2025
AT 10:00AM



BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH
417 1st Ave W Grand Marais
MN 55604

Sunday
September 7, 2025
10:00 am Worship

Livestream link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VqhTRaOuNGg>

This Week at Bethlehem:

Sun Sept 7	10:00AM	Worship Service
Mon Sept 8	6:30 PM	Executive Committee Meeting
Tues Sept 9	1:00PM	Staff meeting
Wed Sept 10	12:30PM	Text Study
Thur Sept 11	8:00AM	Bible Study
	9:00AM	Quilting
	9:30AM	BLCW-Esther Circle Bible study
	6:00PM	CYF Committee
Sun Sept 14	8:40AM	Choir practice
	10:00AM	Worship Service

Readings and Psalm for September 7, 2025

Deuteronomy 30:15–20

*Walk in the way of life and
hold fast to God*

Psalm 1

*They are like trees planted
by streams of water.*

Philemon 1–21

*Paul says: Receive Onesimus
as a coworker*

Luke 14:25–33

*Jesus says: Disciples, give up your
possessions and carry the cross*

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PRAYER LIST

Healing prayers are requested for:

Tom Christiansen, Lynn Schulte, Annalisa Winje, Lois Johnson, Joan Bieber, Bill Lyght, Gene & Barbara Erickson, Bruce & Stacey Johnson, Paulina Backstrom, Shae Lindholm, Rhonda Schulte, Char Anderson, Betty Jones, Stacey Schulte, Hank Ferland, Ramiro Acero, Margaret Dahl, Katrina Crouse, Linda & Dale McIntire,

This week we lift up these members:

Duane & Joan Ege; Dave & Cathy Hawkinson; Kent & Lyndsay Anderson; Melanie, Matthew, Elijah, Jonathan & Solomon Olsen; and Jesse, Paulina, Jordan, Parker & Jorjah Backstrom. *May God walk with these faithful friends as they live their gospel-filled lives.*

Need PRAYER?

Contact Pastor Calvin
763-226-5425

or Laura Popkes, Prayer
Chain Leader 218-370-0721

Mission of the Month **LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE**

The Mission of the Month for September is Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR). LDR shares God's hope, healing and renewal with people whose lives have been disrupted by disasters in the United States and around the world. When the dust settles and the headlines change, LDR stays to provide ongoing assistance to those in need.

We are a church that is a catalyst, convener and bridge builder. Lutheran Disaster Response collaborates with other disaster response organizations and religious entities in the United States and around the world. This enables the greatest stewardship of resources and maximum impact of response. The organization is a welcome partner because they respect the perspectives and strengths of others.

"We recognize that every disaster is local. Because of this, we believe every response needs to be rooted in the community; we work to accompany that community from immediate relief through long-term recovery. In our international work we partner closely with companion churches and other Lutheran and ecumenical relief agencies to make sure local needs are being addressed and met. In the United States, we work through our extensive affiliate network and other partners to address these same concerns." – taken from LDR's website.

Lutheran Disaster Response strives to help the church continue to be church in the midst of disaster — following Christ's call to share hope and healing with our neighbor in need. Some key areas of work include:

- Providing emotional and spiritual care for people who have been affected by a disaster and for leaders who respond to a disaster
- Coordinating volunteers through our local affiliates
- Assisting refugees in a holistic way by meeting the varied needs of the community
- Promoting disaster risk-reduction by helping communities build their assets thereby reducing the effects of likely disasters
- Providing long-term recovery efforts by addressing the unmet needs months or even years after a disaster strikes

Internationally, LDR is found at disasters in: Eastern Europe Crisis Response; Horn of Africa Drought; Middle East Crisis; South Sudan Relief; and Migrants and Refugees (AMMPARO). Domestically, they are found in disasters dealing with Flooding; Hurricanes; Severe Storms; Tornadoes, and Wildfires.

Donations for the Mission of the Month in September will be directed to Lutheran Disaster Response.





*...on the North Shore
and Beyond."*

We need some folks who are willing to step forward and help continue to make our livestream possible.



WELCOME
Fall

Programs begin

October 1st.

Wednesdays at 5:30pm.

Meal, Worship and

Confirmation

Sundays during

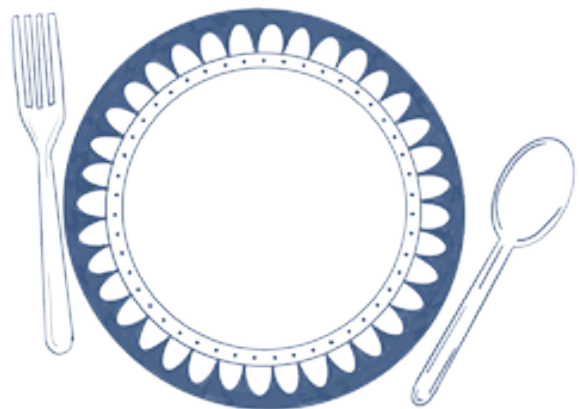
Worship if we get teachers!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Sunday School Teachers
and Helpers are needed!

We are looking for 4 teams of teachers so they are only responsible for one Sunday a month. Please contact Jess for information and to sign up.



Wednesday Meal Teams need additional helpers! Italian, Subs, Pizza & Hotdish teams. Contact the office. 218-387-2227