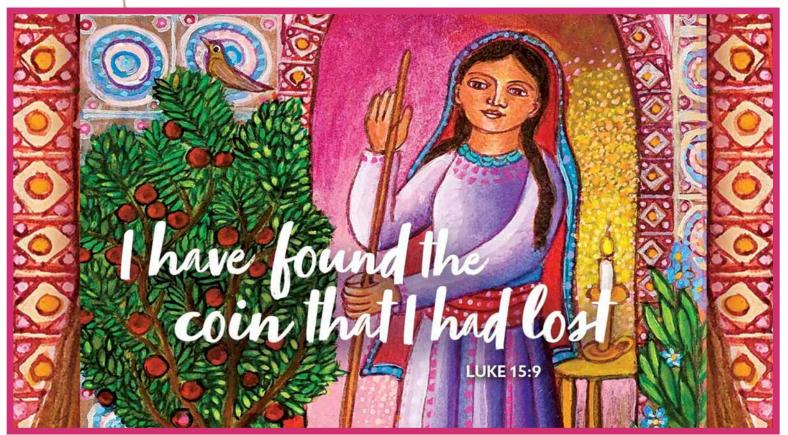


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You are invited to

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

HOMECOMING



Food, Music, Games, Art & Community





Sunday September 14, 2025 10:00 am Worship

Livestream link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=QNHu_Upijrk

This Week at Bethlehem:

Sun Sept 14 8:40 AM Choir practice

10:00AM Worship Service

Mon Sept 15 3:30 PM Girl Scouts

6:30 PM Church Council

Tues Sept 16 8:30 AM Staff meeting

10:00 AM ISD166 Drill

6:30 PM Worship Team

Wed Sept 17 12:30PM Text Study

Thur Sept 18 8:00AM Bible Study

9:00AM Quilting

9:30AM RIC Committee

Fri Sept 19 ---- Clarity Hearing

Sun Sept 21 8:40AM Choir practice

10:00AM Worship Service

2:00 PM Care Center

Worship Service

Readings and Psalm for September 14, 2025

Exodus 32:7-14

Moses begs the LORD to turn from anger against the Hebrews

Psalm 51:1-10

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love.

1 Timothy 1:12–17

Christ Jesus came for sinners

Luke 15:1-10

Looking for the lost sheep, silver coin: Jesus eating with sinners

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Healing prayers are requested for:

Sarah Coe, 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, Tom Christiansen & Dale McIntire.

This week we lift up these members: Dave & Linda Prinsen; Mark & Robin Johnson; Lois Eyinck; Mike, Sue, Abby, Josh Prom & Nicole Banitt; and Erik, Stephanie, Eli & Elizabeth Anderson. May God walk with these faithful friends as they live their gospel-filled lives.

PRAYER?

Contact Pastor Calvin
763–226–5425
or Laura Popkes, Prayer
Chain Leader 218–370–0721

Mission 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.



Programs begin October 1st.

Wednesdays at 5:30pm.
Meal, Worship and
Confirmation

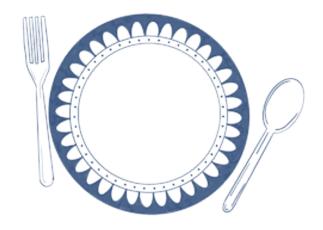
October 5: Sundays during Worship if we get teachers!



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

Confirmation Informational Meeting Parens & Students Sunday Sept. 28 Following Worship

All participants in Confirmation
This year need to attend with parents.



Grades 6—9
11:00 a.m.
If unable to allend,
please contact Jess
before Sept. 28.
bloyoutn@borealorg
507-530-2763



Adult Education begins October 8 6:30pm Together by Grace A Study in Romans

1-hour/week through December 10

Check out the display in the Narthex

Toin Pastor Calvin for this time of Bible Conversations



MEMBER CHALLENGE:

Ukrainians are in need of **wool socks** for the winter. All sizes welcome.

They will also accept GOOD QUALITY men's winter clothing (good condition only!). Winter boots and shoes in good shape. NO ORANGE HUNTING CLOTHES!

Please drop off your donations by Friday September 19th. Box will be located in front of Denise's office. Thank you!



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WOMEN OF THE ELCA ARE INVITED

The Lake Superior Conference of WELCA Welcomes You to the

Fall Gathering

Saturday, September 27, 2025

9 AM-2 PM

French River Jutheran Church
5310 Ryan Road
Duluth, MN 55804

The Lake Superior Sustainable
Farming Association is a coalition of producers and consumers moving farm practices and food systems into a sustainable future. We encompass northeast Minnesota and northwest Wisconsin. Julie is the chapter coordinator.





What should I bring? Anything you would like to get as a gift is appropriate! In addition to the regular Silent Auction, we will have a 'Buy it Now' Bread Sale. We will have Cranberry Wild Rice bread from Elim. The proceeds from the Silent Auction will be used to offset expenses for the 13th Triennial Gathering in DesMoines, IA, July 16-19, 2026.



Julie Allen from Sörestad, her farm on the Clover Valley Farm Trail.

Our In-Kind Offering will be for the needs of the Two Harbors Food Shelf. They especially need peanut butter and tuna fish, but any nonperishable food items are acceptable.



Please send in your church reservation to Carolyn Marino at 218-525-6431 or 218-349-0516 or email ctuominenmarino@gmail.com by September 17, 2025.

Registration is \$15 which includes a catered lunch. Our morning offering will be divided, with half going to



Schedule

8:30 Doors Open!

9:00 Registration

Coffee & Treats

Silent Auction

9:45 Worship with

Communion

10:30 Break

Silent Auction

11:00 Clover Valley Trail

11:30 Business Meeting

12:00 Break

Silent Auction

12:15 Lunch

1:00 Silent Auction closes

2:00 Closing Prayer

WELCA and the other half to the AEOA Food Shelf in Two Harbors.