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Evangel

Every year during Synod Assembly, Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota announces their Servant of Christ Award, an honor given to partners for “service and generosity for the glory of God and the good of our neighbor.” This year, our parish’s churches were among 67 congregations in NE MN Synod who received the award for helping to make LSS-MN’s new Center for Changing Lives in Duluth a reality, through our special offerings.

I was invited to tour this new facility, to see the spaces where young people will receive support and care when they are at risk of being homeless. The staff I met and the stories they shared gave me hope that LSS really can make a difference for young people in north-eastern Minnesota.

Why do young people end up homeless?

90% come from a low-income/poverty situation.

80% are homeless because of abuse, including sexual abuse.

85% have parents with chemical dependency.

Some have aged-out of foster care, and need support and guidance as they learn to navigate our world as a young adult. Ten bedrooms provide stable housing for 16-21 year olds for a few days to 18 months. Ten one-bedroom low-income apartments are for 18-23 year olds. LSS also coordinates “host homes” where families in the Duluth area with an empty bedroom can help youth who need a safe place to stay. The Center provides a variety of services to help.

I thank God for each of you who have supported the Duluth Center for Changing Lives through your prayers and offerings. God bless you for all the ways you help care for God’s children!

In Christ’s service,

Pastor Evelyn

“God does not need your good works, but your neighbor does.”

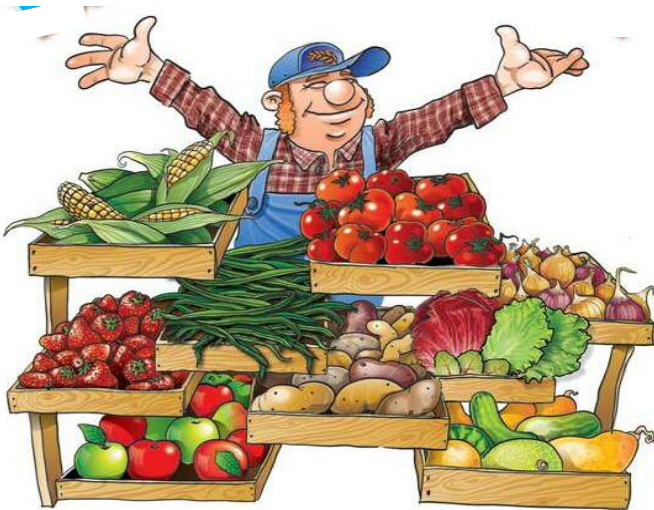
Martin Luther

Babbitt Area Farmers Market



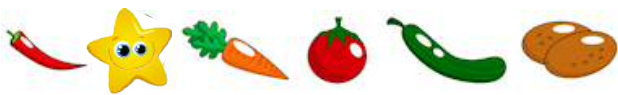
Thursdays 4:30—6:30 pm

June 15—Mid-September



Woodland Presbyterian Church

20 Acacia Road, Babbitt, MN



Interested in being a vendor?

Call Frank at 218-290-5417

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School is on break for the summer. Classes will resume in September. Watch for dates and times in upcoming newsletters and Sunday bulletins.



Carefree Living Worship

Worship service with Holy Communion will be held at 2PM on Sunday, July 16, 2017 at Carefree Living. If you are interested in helping in some way (reader, or serving coffee an'), please contact Jo Langan (218-827-2353). All Carefree Living residents and their families, all church members and neighbors, all are welcome!

Ruby's Pantry—Sharing the Love of Christ through food

Ruby's Pantry will hold a food share distribution at the Babbitt Municipal Center on Saturday, July 22nd. Registration begins at 9:30AM and distribution at 10:00AM. The cost is \$20. Bring two containers to carry your food share. Volunteers are always needed, no special training required; please come at 8:00AM.

Upcoming Scripture Readings.....

Jul	2	Matthew 10:40-42
	9	Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30
	16	Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23
	23	Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43
	30	Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52
Aug	6	Matthew 14:13-21
	13	Matthew 14:22-33
	20	Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28
	27	Matthew 16:13-20

KRAZY QUILTERS

The Krazy Quilters are on break for the summer. The next meeting date will be in September and will be announced in the August Evangel. Make a difference in the world by quilting.,

Women of the ELCA

General Meeting

No meeting for June, July or August

Circle Duties for July

Meeting Hostess—none
Special Occasion—none
General Worship—none

Women of the ELCA

EXECUTIVE BOARD

No meeting for June, July or August

CIRCLES

No meeting in June, July or August

Altar Guild

No meeting in June, July or August

Attendance

May 28	38
June 4	34
June 11	34
June 18	49

Council Meeting

Wednesday, July 12, 6:30PM

2017 Budget & Current Exp. Offering* (thru June 18)

2017 Adopted Annual Budget	\$92,753
2017 Monthly Budget	\$ 7,730
June MTD Offering	\$ 3,651
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Current Expense Offering YTD	\$34,701
Synod Benevolence YTD	\$ 2,064
Other Designated Offering YTD	\$ 9,459
Thrivent Choice Dollars	\$ 553
Total YTD Current Exp & Designated	\$46,777

* Figures are unaudited and subject to adjustment.





EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

Confirmation Service Opportunities

Some upcoming service opportunities:

- Help with watering the Geraniums this summer. Sign up sheet is in the narthex.
- Ruby's Pantry, 4th Saturday of each month, 8am—noon+ (get 4+ hours each time).
- VLM Day Camp at BELC, Mon-Fri Aug 7-11, approx 9am-3pm (ends at noon on Friday). Students who have completed 8th grade can get 20+ hours in one fun week, helping the VLM counselors.

2017 Confirmation Kick-off +

Rachel Kurtz in Concert— FREE!

Wed Sept 13, 6:30-8:00pm at Messiah Mt. Iron
 Come and be inspired by this wonderful Lutheran musician and speaker! Rachel has performed at several ELCA Youth Gatherings. Confirmation youth, high school youth, all ages are encouraged to come. Sponsored by Laurentian Youth Leadership. Pastor Evelyn will be driving, please let her know if you need a ride.

This Changes Everything—2018 ELCA Youth Gathering

“By grace you have been saved...” *Ephesians 2:8*

June 27 to July 1, 2018, youth and adults from across our nation will gather in Houston, Texas for the ELCA Youth Gathering. Every three years, 30,000 high school youth and their adult leaders gather for a week of faith formation known as the ELCA Youth Gathering. Through days spent in interactive learning, worship, Bible study, service, and fellowship, young people grow in faith and are challenged and inspired to live their faith in their daily lives.

But first, we will start with the Synod Journey, June 23-26 in Galveston, TX, where we will begin our mission of helping others. We'll board charter buses in the Quad Cities and caravan with other buses from across Northeastern Minnesota Synod to Galveston Island. We also will worship, do service, and have great fellowship with the youth of the NE MN Synod.

All youth currently in grades 8-11 (2016-17 school year) can be part of this faith

experience. Group Registration begins Sept 15, 2017.

The cost for the 2018 Synod Journey and ELCA Youth Gathering will be roughly \$1,205, which includes transportation, lodging, Gathering registration, and some meals. With all meals, offerings, and spending money, the full cost should be no more than \$1,600 for June 23 through our return on July 2 (10 days).

This isn't a trip everyone will want to be part of, but I know several families in our parish that would like to give their youth the opportunity to be part of this event. We'll try to find fundraisers to help with the costs, especially looking for ways people outside our congregations can contribute.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Call or text 218-404-5303 or email eweston@luthersem.edu.

Pastor Evelyn





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Plus other events to be planned.....

Do you have an idea for a Evangelical Hope Parish Youth event? We would like to hear from you! Please submit your ideas to Stan Dow, Jr at Hope or Donna McKibbon at Evangelical. Events take 60-90 days to plan so please let us know early if you have an idea for a youth event.

Hope contact info: Phone 218-984-2037 or email [hopelutheranembarrass@gmail.com](mailto:hoperlutheranembarrass@gmail.com).

Evangelical contact info: phone 218-827-2659 or email belca2659@frontier.com.



PARISH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY!

The Parish Pictorial Directory is being rescheduled for fall; dates have not yet been determined. Professional photographers from LifeTouch will take photos of both our churches. Your "family" can have their photo taken at either church. Sign-up for photo sessions will happen through LifeTouch, online and by phone. Additional information on how to do this will be provided at a later date.

If you have family (like college students) home for the summer who can't be here this fall, you may be able to have your family's photo taken at a LifeTouch photo

session at another church in our area this summer. Churches having LifeTouch photo sessions this summer are listed in below. Call LifeTouch scheduling at 1-866-756-0281 to schedule your appointment at an alternate church this summer.

There is no cost to have your family's photo taken for the directory. The finished directory will have a section for each church, and will be a great way for parish members to connect faces and names.

We hope every "family" (one person or larger family) will be pictured in this directory!

Salem Lutheran Church 4715 Hermantown Rd. Hermantown, MN June 26th—June 30th	St. Joseph's 113 4th Street Chisholm, MN May 20th—October 7th	Lutheran Church of the Cross 5064 County Road 13 Nisswa, MN May 9th—September 14th
Queen of Peace 102 4th St. Cloquet, MN May 24th—June 7th	Immanuel Lutheran 4656 State 200 NW Walker, MN July 18th—July 19th	

Remember...Ruby's Pantry is the fourth Saturday of the month. Usually this is also the last Saturday of the month except for months when Saturday is the 1st or 2nd day of the month, like July, September and December of 2017.

August 7-11

Ages K-grade 5

Fun



Crafts

Singing



Games



Free!



Bible Stories

BELC Day Camp will be outta this world! Don't miss it!

Online registration is available now!

Go to [www. BabbittELCA.org](http://www.BabbittELCA.org) and select "Day Camp."

July Evangel Contest

There are stars on other pages of the July Evangel.

Bring at least one page with a star on it into the church office by July 21st and win a coupon for an ice cream cone at Blomberg's.

Office hours are Tuesday—Friday 10:00am to 1:30pm.

Contest open to children ages 2-15. Limited to one entry per child.



On June 9-11, 2017 Women of the ELCA from all conferences in the Northeastern Minnesota Synod met at Sugar Lake Lodge in Cohasset, MN for their annual gathering. This gorgeous quilt, which was made by the women of Living Waters Conference, will be offered for auction at the 2018 Gathering. The quilt will be passed from church to church during the next year so all can see the beautiful colors and craftsmanship. See our Synod wide totals for In-Kind Offerings on page 8!



In-Kind Response to World Need by Women of the ELCA

2016-2017 Convention Report

3047 Quilts for LWR
 1602 School Kits for LWR
 487 Personal Care Kits for LWR
 119 Fabric Kits for LWR
 115 Aids/Hospice Kits for GHM
 112 Pounds of Rolled Bandages for GHM
 538 Baby Blankets for GHM
 144 Pounds of Soap for GHM
 \$850 Gifts for Seafarers
 \$8,049 for Phebe Solar Project
 \$3,349 Quilt and Kit Shipping Fund for LWR
 \$153 for Global Health Ministries shipping
 \$27,022 Money donated locally
 1224 Quilts given locally
 166 Prayer Shawls given locally
 76 Hats given locally

LWR = Lutheran World Relief

GHM = Global Health Ministries

Conference Penny Report

Lake Superior	\$1,233.72
Designation: Center for Changing Lives	
Laurentian	\$1,245.86
Designation: VLM new Dining Hall	
Living Waters	\$ 678.30
Designation: Adult & Teen Challenge	
Heartland	\$1,115.25
Designation: New Pathways	
Kettle River	\$ 564.36
Designation: LSS Carlton Youth Shelter	
TOTAL PENNIES	\$4,827.59

Offering Report

Summer Gathering Offering	\$3,302.99
1/2 to Phebe Solar Project; 1/4 to LSS Center for Changing Lives; 1/4 to Saving Grace.	
Summer Gathering Fund	\$1,965.00
(to augment Gathering expenses)	
Love Offering	\$1,617.99
(for leadership training/scholarship in our Synod)	

Special Council Meeting Minutes Evangelical Lutheran Church May 21, 2017

Meeting was called to order at approximately 10:00 am following church services by Council President Sader.

Present were: Roxanne Sader, Edna LaFrenier, Morgan Klatt, Don Negley, LuAnn Smith, Bud Fish, Shanna Sunblad

Absent were: Barb Richtsmeier Allan Eckman, and Pastor Weston

New Business

Council members reviewed the bid for repairing the church chimney. Motion by Bud Fish support by LuAnn Smith to accept the bid of _____ for chimney repair. Carried.

The summer council meeting schedule was discussed. Motion by Don Negley support by Morgan Klatt cancel meetings in June, July, and August. Meetings will resume in September. Carried.

Note from Church Office: Two invoices have been received for this project:

Braun Construction \$3,400 for tuck pointing and brick work
 Hearthside Corner \$2,996.14 for SS liner and installation.
 Total is \$6,396.14



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion 9:30 AM Coffee An'	3	4 Independence Day - Office closed	5 No Pastor's Office Hours	6 8:30 AM TOPS	7 No Pastor's Office Hours	8
9 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion, Mike & Billie Rouse preaching 9:30 AM Coffee An'	10	11	12 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours 6:30 PM Council Meeting	13 Women of the ELCA Triennial, Minneapolis 8:30 AM TOPS	14 Women of the ELCA Triennial, Minneapolis 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours	15 Women of the ELCA Triennial, Minneapolis
16 Sixth Sunday after Pentecost Women of the ELCA Triennial, Minneapolis 8:30 AM Makeover Worship Service with Holy Communion 9:30 AM Coffee An' 2:00 PM Carefree Living Worship & Communion	17	18	19 Laurentian Conference "Renewing the Promise" benefit at Messiah, Mt. Iron 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours	20 8:30 AM TOPS 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours	21 No Pastor's Office Hours	22 Ruby's Pantry at Babbitt Municipal Center 8:00 AM Volunteers 9:30 AM Registration 10:00 AM - 11:30 PM Distribution
23 Seventh Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion, Pr. Paul Buettnr preaching 9:30 AM Coffee An'	24	25	26 No Pastor's Office Hours	27 8:30 AM TOPS	28 No Pastor's Office Hours	29
30 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion 9:30 AM Coffee An'	31					



Let Freedom Ring



July 2017

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**“Pray, and let God worry”
*Martin Luther***

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