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### Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Have you heard this saying? “You may be the only Bible someone ever reads.” People who aren’t connected to a church may look at each of us as representatives of our faith. This may be especially true for pastors, but it can also be true of every Christian.

Will the people we meet find that we love them with the love of God— who loves every person? That kind of holy love can leave a lasting impression on their heart and soul.

Will the people we meet be touched through us by the grace of God— who gives everyone a second (and 72nd ) chance? We get another chance whenever we are forgiven by God, or a family member, or a “neighbor.” Paying forgiveness forward is a blessing.

Will the people who come to our church experience “Holy Hospitality”? Do we welcome people to join us for worship... and for coffee an’? Do we “set the table” to make it easier for others to say “yes” to our invitation? Do we gather with our dear friends, or do we leave an empty chair among us so we can welcome a newcomer?

The best way to reach out to “new” people is with your personal invitation. May God encourage and inspire you to be his personal representative for our church!

In Christ's service,

*Pastor Evelyn*

**“We are all ministers of the Gospel.**

**Some of us just happen to be clergy.”**

*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

## Weston Family Update

We sold my dad's house in Hibbing in July. Some of you know what kind of project it is to clean out your parents' home of 59 years. I'm still recovering.

My husband, Steve, will finish as interim pastor at Faith Lutheran Church in Isle on August 6, and be home in Babbitt for two weeks. He will cover worship in our parish on August 13 while I visit my best friend, who lives in Winnipeg. On August 21, Steve will begin a new interim assignment at Zion Lutheran Church in International Falls.

This fall, Jon will be a senior at Northeast Range, and Ben will be a senior at Concordia College in Moorhead. Sam is living and working in Duluth-Superior.

## Carefree Living Worship

No worship service in August.

## Babbitt Confirmation Orientation

Wed Sept 6, 6:30pm in the Library Lounge. Classes will be most Wednesdays 2:30-4pm, September through early February.

This year our focus will be on learning about God's love for all people through Old Testament Bible stories. If your student in grade 6+ would like to join others as we grow in faith together, please contact the church office by Wed Sept 6.

## Upcoming Gospel Readings.....

Aug	6	Matthew 14:13-21
	13	Matthew 14:22-33
	20	Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28
	27	Matthew 16:13-20
Sep	3	Matthew 16:21-28
	10	Matthew 18:15-20
	17	Matthew 18:21-35
	24	Matthew 20:1-16

### KRAZY QUILTERS

Krazy Quilters make a difference in the world by quilting. The group will be back to work on Monday's 9am—noon in September, the date to be announced. New members are always welcome, even if you cannot come every Monday, or cannot stay for the entire morning. We will train! No sewing skills required! We have work for everyone, cutting squares, laying out tops and tying quilts.

#### 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

June 25	38
July 2	55
July 9	38
July 16	44

#### Council Meeting

Wednesday, August 23rd, 6:30PM

#### 2017 Budget & Current Exp. Offering\* (thru Jul 16)

2017 Adopted Annual Budget	\$92,753
2017 Monthly Budget	\$ 7,730
Jul MTD Offering	\$ 5,330
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Current Expense Offering YTD	\$41,343
Synod Benevolence YTD	\$ 2,339
Other Designated Offering YTD	\$ 9,661
Thrivent Choice Dollars	\$ 533
Total YTD Current Exp & Designated	\$53,343

\* 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](mailto:eweston@luthersem.edu).

*Pastor Evelyn*



## EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

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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](mailto:belca2659@frontier.com).



### PARISH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY!

Professional photographers from LifeTouch will be here on September 19 & 20 from 2-9PM and at Hope Lutheran Embarrass on September 21 & 22, 2-9PM to take family portraits for our Parish Pictorial Directory. Your "family" can have their portrait taken at either church. Schedule your portrait session online at [www.appt.lifetouch.com](http://www.appt.lifetouch.com) or call LifeTouch Scheduling at 1-866-756-0281. Allow approximately one hour for your appointment.

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. A few churches with schedules that could work for your family are listed below or call LifeTouch Scheduling at 1-866-756-0281 to find other church portrait events and 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.

Portraits make great gifts! Additional portraits will also be available for purchase.

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

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

**August 7-11**

**Ages K-grade 5**

**Fun**

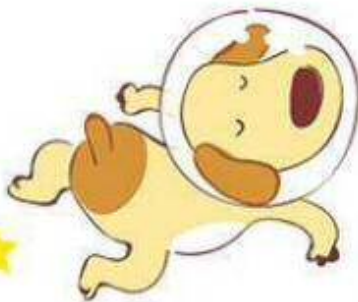


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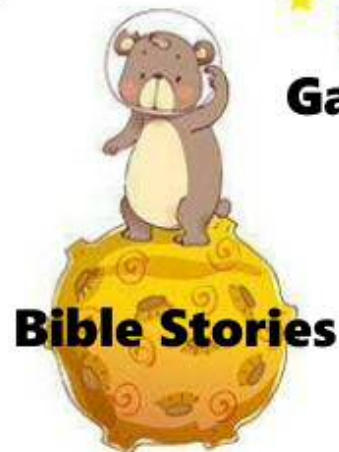
**Singing**



**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"**

**Or pick up a paper form in the church narthex.**

**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, August 26th. 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.

**National Night Out in Babbitt**

**Tuesday, August 1, 5:30 pm-7:30 pm**

**Fountain Hills Park**



**Prize drawings for adults and kids!**

**7:15pm at Assembly of God Church Lawn**

**Must be present to win!**

**Basketball and Volleyball games with**

**Police, Fire , EMT and School personnel**

**Progressive Meal**

**Sponsored by the**

**Babbitt-Embarrass Churches**

**Appetizers • Salad • Entrée • Dessert**

**Free!**

**Free!**

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live.

**Babbitt Community Blood Drive**

Memorial Blood Centers will be at Evangelical Lutheran on Monday, August 7 from 2-6pm. All blood types are needed, especially Type O.

Please contact Sylvia Hammer, 218-827-2594 to make an appointment. Walk-ins are welcome!

Did you know you can save time by completing your Health History Questionnaire online on the day of your donation at MBC. [ORG/DONATE](http://ORG/DONATE).

**Communion Trial**

Beginning in September, Evangelical will begin a "trial" of having Communion twice each month, on the first and fourth Sundays, plus Church festival days (Reformation Sunday, Christmas Eve, Easter, etc.) After experiencing that for 4+ months, we will discuss the options at the annual meeting.

**2017 WELCA Fall Gathering**

**Planning Session**

The Women of the ELCA, Laurentian Conference, will meet at BELC on Thursday, August 17, at 9:30AM to plan the 2017 Fall Gathering. All women of Evangelical are invited to attend. Please come with ideas for a "Theme" and speaker(s). Bring your Bible and a friend.

Registration and Coffee begin at 9:30AM, and planning at 10:00 AM. Luncheon will follow. Please R.S.V.P. by Tuesday, August 14th to Evangelical, Babbitt, 218-827-2659 or Diane Pastika at 218-290-9666. Gluten free luncheon option is available, please let us know if you



**Council Meeting Minutes  
Evangelical Lutheran Church  
July 12, 2017**

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Council President Sader, followed by opening prayer.

Present were: Roxanne Sader, Edna LaFrenier, Don Negley, LuAnn Smith, Bud Fish, Allen Eckman, Barb Richtsmeier, Treasurer Mary Herring and Pastor Weston.

Absent were: Morgan Klatt, Shanna Sundblad

Motion by Edna LaFrenier, support by Bud Fish to adopt the agenda. Carried

Motion by Don Negley, support by Edna LaFrenier to accept the Secretary's Report. Carried.

Motion by Edna LaFrenier, support by Allen Eckman to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented and place on file. Carried.

**Old Business**

The chimney update is complete at a cost of \$6400. A refund of \$150 will be received for scaffolding charges that were submitted but not delivered by the contractor.

**New Business**

Motion by Don Negley, support by Bud Fish to change, on a trial basis, Communion Services from every Sunday to the First and Fourth Sundays of the month beginning in August. Due to recent loss of members, the Altar Guild, has suggested discussion of the Communion Services schedule. The Communion Services schedule will be discussed again at the congregation's annual meeting in January to allow input from congregational members.

Edna LaFrenier suggested special music by Due North, a bluegrass group, for a service sometime this fall. Motion by LuAnn Smith, support by Don Negley for Edna to continue discussions with Due North to schedule an appearance for a church service this fall if possible.

Don Negley, Stewardship and Finance Committee, discussed the development of a strategic plan for the church. Don Negley will work on developing ideas to reach out to all groups of church members, young and old, so that everyone's goals are met when the strategic plan is developed. More discussion will take place at the next council meeting.

Pastor's Report and Committee Reports were reviewed and accepted.

The next council meeting will be August 23 at 6:30 p.m.

August Communion Assistant: Edna LaFrenier

August Usher: Barb Richtsmeier

Motion to adjourn by LuAnn Smith, support by Barb Richtsmeier at 7:50 p.m. followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

LuAnn Smith

Church Council Secretary



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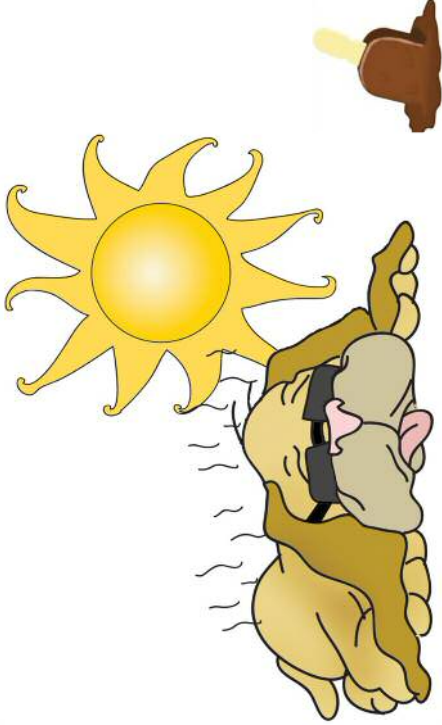
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>AUGUST</b>					
6 Ninth Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion 9:30 AM Coffee An'	7 9 AM-3 PM VLM Day Camp 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM Babbitt Community Blood Drive	8 9 AM-3 PM VLM Day Camp	9 9 AM-3 PM VLM Day Camp 10:00 AM - Noon Pastor's Office Hours	10 9 AM-3 PM VLM Day Camp	11 9 AM-Noon VLM Day Camp No Pastor's Office Hours	12 Funeral Service for Sigrid "Tootie" Nelson 10:00 AM Visitation 11:00 AM Funeral Service
13 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion, Pastor Steve Weston preaching 9:30 AM Coffee An'	14 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 AM "Make a Joyful Noise" Worship Service with Holy Communion, shared with Woodland Presbyterian 9:30 AM Coffee An'	15 No Pastor's Office Hours	16 No Pastor's Office Hours	17 No Church Office Hours 8:30 AM TOPS 9:30AM WELCA Laurentian Conference Fall Gathering Planning Meeting	18 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours	19 Ruby's Pantry at Babbitt Municipal Center 8:00 AM Volunteers 9:30 AM Registration 10:00 AM - 11:30 PM Distribution
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**“Pray, and let God worry”  
*Martin Luther***

## **August 2017 Evangel inside!**

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