

LAKE SIDE LUTHERAN NEWS

January 2025



OUR MISSION STATEMENT

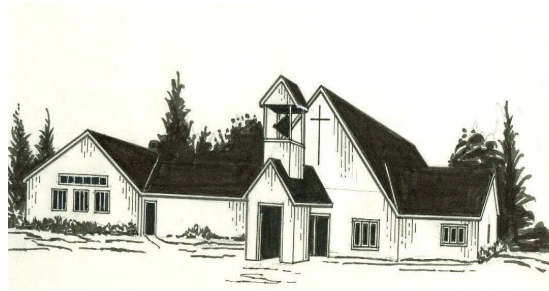
The ministry of Lakeside

Community Lutheran Church is called by God to grow spiritually, welcome graciously, love unconditionally, and serve together faithfully as followers of Christ.

Upcoming Events

- Jan 01
HAPPY NEW YEAR!
- No ADRC in January
- Jan 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
Fellowship at JoMama's
8:00 am Men
9:00 am Women
- Jan 2, 16
09:30 am - 2:00 pm
Community Quilters
Bring your lunch
- Jan 7, 14, 21, 28 9:00 am
Quilting
- Jan 8, 15, 22, 29 9:30 am
Bible Study
- Jan 15 & 16 8:00 am
Volunteer Yellow Lake Food
Distribution
- Jan 23 1:00 pm
Endowment Committee Meeting
- Jan 30 12:30 pm via Zoom
Gather Bible Study

SUNDAY SCHEDULE



*Sunday School and
Confirmation 9am*

*Service of Worship and
Holy Communion 10am*

or

*Later on Sunday via our
website,*

www.lakesidelutheranwi.com



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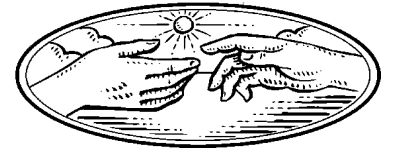
JANUARY

*Happy
New
Year!*



WELCA NEWS

January 2024



A BIG THANK YOU to Norma Olson and Nancy Lahner for doing a wonderful job of sorting-organizing-assembling and delivering Baby Bundles in the past. They will be retiring from this mission and new volunteers will be needed to continue this program. If interested, please contact anyone on the WELCA Board.



Advent Pot Lick on Dec 4th was a great meal and completion of the “Christmas for Kids” campaign. Denny Blodgett from Interfaith Caregivers of Burnett County was present and was presented with a check for \$1075.00 and collected the hats and mittens from the tree in the Narthex. A Thrivent grant for \$250.00 was used to buy additional gifts.



After our meal, fellowship, singing and the tree in the Sanctuary was decorated. Big THANKS for all who participated and donated money to the children's gifts.

Yellow Lake is continuing to collect non-perishable food items for food distribution. If you did the advent food collection, please bring items and leave in the boxes in the Narthex anytime in January.

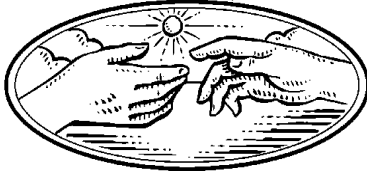


Next Gather Bible Study will be on 01/23/25 by ZOOM. Please contact Jolyne Peterson or Brenda Wheeler if you would like to participate and are not on the current e-mail list.

Happy New Year Everyone!

Co-Presidents Jolyne Peterson and Sandie Fisher





Crescent Lake Outreach November and December 2024

Just before Thanksgiving we loaded up all the supplies that were needed to give 100 families a complete Thanksgiving Dinner. The supplies were delivered to the Webster High School and unloaded by the National Honor Society. We can't thank these young people enough for taking time out of their Thanksgiving vacation to help us fill the 100 boxes of food. We want to thank everyone for their generous donation to this project.

Listed below is our list of expenses for December:

- \$ 3638.90 Supplies for Thanksgiving Baskets
- 300.00 Rent
- 98.00 Hotel room
- 100.00 Electric Bill
- 158.25 Furnace repair
- \$ 4295.15 Total for November and December



Thank you everyone for supporting Outreach. God Bless!

Margy Rogers, Committee Member

Community Quilters

Starting in January 2025 we will go to back to meeting twice a month. The first and third Thursday of each month. For January that will be 1/2/25 and 1/16/25.

We will try to have a project or teach something new at each meeting. The time is to get together and enjoy fellowship and help each other. We want all to be included and if you would like to attend and knit/crochet or have other craft interests please join us. You could teach/demo also.

Come out, bring a project and your lunch. We will meet from 9:30 - 2.

Any questions talk with Dawn, Jill or Terri. Hope to see you there

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS TO

- Jan 1 Joe M. Fisher
- Jan 1 Pat Sulander
- Jan 6 Mary Margaret Montandon
- Jan 9 Derek Framsted
- Jan 12 Paisley Framsted
- Jan 13 Judy Tornowske
- Jan 16 Nathan Chastek
- Jan 20 Bob Ziesch
- Jan 23 Mary Nelson
- Jan 25 Jim Groves
- Jan 25 Elle Treague
- Jan 25 Lizzy Treague

SHEPHERDING & FELLOWSHIP

Thank you to the following December Shepherds:



Shepherding Facilitator: Carol Aakhus
Conveners: Daryl & Pat Sulander
Altar Guild: Mary Heenan & Pat Sulander

Shepherds: Carol Aakhus, Rich & Lee Ann Borseth, Ken Sr & Dotty Busby, Donna Devic, Mary Heenan, Wayne & Laurie Lundeen, Charley & Jolyne Peterson, Mick Peterson, Bob & Marcia Proehl, Dick Revack, Rhonda Schroeder, Christopher Snyder, Mark & Susan Snyder, Dave & Linda Speidel, Doug & Dawn Straub, Daryl & Pat Sulander, Anna Treague

Everyone is encouraged to join one of Lakeside's 13 Shepherding groups. It is not only wonderful service, but also a great way to have fun and get to know other members of the congregation.

Please contact Carol Aakhus or call the church office at 715-635-7791.

NOVEMBER ATTENDANCE
263



Happy Birthday

If you have a birthday coming up or past and would like to do a "Birthday Match" in honor of your birthday and have it noted in the Lakeside Newsletter, please just write on your donation envelope "Birthday".

Your age will not be mentioned in the newsletter. Counters and Bookkeeping will know that you are contributing a match to your birthday years.

Birthday Years and Donation Matched

Daryl Sulander



Yellow Lake Food Distribution for December 2024

Well it was a month like no other, Wednesday the truck was early and that was a great Christmas Present for us, but unfortunately the snow just could not hold off a few more hours on Thursday, so due to the snow our monthly total has never been this low, on the bright side, none of the food will go to waste, it will all be stored and handed out next month.

I want to thank each of you for another wonderful year, without all of you this distribution would not happen, so pat yourself on the back for a job well done. Our year end totals are as follows: 7,253 boxes of food handed out to 20,214 people, we received 296,710 pounds of food this year and spent \$47,745.77.

Next month the food distribution is on the 15 and 16th of January.

Larry and I would like to wish each of you and your families a Very Merry Christmas and a healthy new year.

Until next year,

Debbie O'Connell

Recap of Food Distribution for December

We had a total of 473 families.

Children-363

Adults- 481

Seniors-397

Grand total of 1241 people

27372 pounds of food

ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Our Endowment committee will be meeting on Thursday,
January 23rd at 1:00 pm CST via Zoom.

GATHER BIBLE STUDY

Gather Bible Study will meet Thursday, January 30, via Zoom,
12:30 PM (Central time)

For information on joining, contact Brenda Wheeler.

GATHER BIBLE STUDIES Winter/Spring 2025

“Faithfulness in these days”

by Denise Rector

January 30, 2025 12:30 PM (Central Time) via ZOOM

Ruth and Naomi

Ruth chooses to remain part of Naomi’s family, even after Naomi has lost everything – including her husband and sons. This intergenerational story of faithfulness during emptiness and sorrow helps us learn how to rely on God in bleak times.

February 27, 2025 12:30 PM (Central Time) via ZOOM

Psalm 22

David testifies that God is God and worthy of praise, even as David is in despair. It’s no wonder that Jesus cried out to God during the crucifixion using these very words. In our worst times, this psalm gives us a way to contemplate God’s holiness.

March 27, 2025 12:30 PM (Central Time) via ZOOM

Acts 10-11: Peter and Cornelius

We do not always see eye-to-eye with our neighbor. And yet, we are called to love our neighbor. Peter’s experience with someone different gives the Holy Spirit an opportunity to teach Peter, the church and us to see others as God sees them.

April 24, 2025 12:30 PM In Person, Church Library

Mark 5:21-43: Jairus and The Woman Who is Bleeding

Both Jairus and The Woman Who is Bleeding reach out in their pain and disappointment, and Jesus meets them with compassion. Jesus is also present in our actions when our listening and grace makes us stand out from the world around us

Please contact Brenda Wheeler by text or email if you would like to join the ZOOM studies. An email will be sent out a day or 2 before the meeting with the Zoom link.



November 30, 2024 Treasurer's Report

The Lakeside Community Lutheran Church financial activity as of Nov 30, 2024 is:

	<u>Monthly Budget</u>	<u>November 2024</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Total Receipts	\$13,911	\$13,423	\$200,402
Total Expenses	\$13,911	<u>\$19,341</u>	<u>\$137,678</u>
Net		\$ 5,918	\$ 62,724
Benevolence		\$ 2,220	\$ 26,849

Thank you for the financial support of our ongoing ministry as we continue the call process for a new pastor.

We continue funding our budgeted operations at a reduced level by using rotating temporary "guest pastors" and reduced office hours as we currently do not have any scheduled office hours for pastoral access.

Total receipts through November 30 exceed the total expenses by \$62,724.

At the December 18 council meeting, \$30,000 of the available receipts have been designated to assist with compensation expense in 2025 to "call" a new pastor. Good news is coming as the call committee has a candidate to present to the congregation. More details are in the Council Corner of this newsletter.

The congregation annual meeting was held after Sunday service on October 13, 2024. The congregation approved the 2025 budget which is a \$10,759 increase over 2024. The 2025 budget continues funding for pastoral services at our current rotating guest pastor format. At the time we "call" a pastor, we will need to approve a budget amendment to provide for the salary and benefits offered to the pastoral candidate.

The 2025 annual budget equates to a monthly average of \$14,800. This budget level provides for our current rotation of "guest pastors" and our Administrative Interim Pastor. The monthly average will need to increase to \$19,500 with the projected terms of a part time pastoral candidate.

Pray for the best outcome possible coming soon!!

In Christ,
Daryl Sulander
Treasurer

The “calling” of a new part-time pastor for Lakeside Community Lutheran Church

The Call Committee has recommended, by “unanimous consent”, a candidate for a part-time (“.5”) pastor at the December 18, 2024 council meeting. A half-time pastor position is consistent with Lakeside’s current financial situation. The Call Committee and Council are guided by the Northwest Synod of Wisconsin ELCA process for extending the call.

The role of Council is to prepare an appropriate compensation package, maintain communication with the synod office, and establish the date, time and place for a special Congregational Meeting and membership vote. Consistent with the LCLC constitution, notification of the special meeting will be made on two consecutive Sundays prior to the meeting.

At the special Congregational Meeting it will be the Call Committee that will share why they were led to make the recommendation and the strengths/gifts the candidate offers to the ministry of LCLC. Guided by the Holy Spirit and following synod guidelines, the Call Committee and Council are committed to a transparent process with frequent and open communication with LCLC membership. Listed below are opportunities for LCLC members to engage in the process.

- An announcement will be made during the December 22nd church service that a “call” for a new Pastor is being made. A brief biography of the candidate will also be presented.
- An introductory letter/biography of the candidate is included in this newsletter and will also be sent to membership via email.
- A notification of the January 19, 2025 special Congregational Meeting will be made during the January 5th and January 12th church services.
- The Call Committee will host a Q & A forum following the January 5th service in the fellowship hall to answer questions about the candidate and the call process.
- The November 24, 2024 video recording of the candidate serving as pulpit supply is available on the LCLC website (lakesidelutheranwi.com) under the “sermons” tab.
- The special Congregational Meeting to vote to affirm the candidate is January 19, 2025 following the church service.
- Members can also contact any member of the Call Committee to get additional information about the candidate.

Call Committee Members:

Mick Peterson, Chairperson (715) 977-1916
 Laurie Lundeen (715) 733-0134
 Jolyne Peterson 651) 308-7595
 Dave Swan (952) 250-5719
 Julie Swan (952) 380-6222
 Anna Treague (715) 205-7023

May God’s grace guide us throughout the LCLC call process.

Call Committee Update

December 18, 2024

Dear Congregation of Lakeside Community Lutheran Church,

We, your Call Committee of Lakeside Community Lutheran Church, are spiritually led to introduce Pastor Peter Johnson to our congregation to meet our needs in these challenging times. After 2-1/2 years of patiently waiting for the call of a permanent pastor, we feel blessed and fortunate to have found a gifted leader who is seeking a part-time position.

Pastor Peter grew up in Grantsburg, WI where he met his wife, Heidi. They have three amazing and spirited children: Jakobe (8), Thunder (7), and Charlotte (6) all who have medical complexities. These children are blessed to have Peter and Heidi as their loving parents.

A graduate from Luther Seminary with a Master's Degree in Divinity and 8 years' experience in ELCA calls, Peter served the Chicken Coop Church in Grantsburg, WI; St. Andrew Lutheran in East Bethel, MN; Oakland-Moscow Parish, (a 2 point parish in Albert Lea, MN) ; and most recently Moscow Lutheran Church in Moscow, MN. He is currently on a leave from call.

We would like to share the following quotes from the Rostered Ministry Profile submitted to the Northwest Wisconsin Synod of the ELCA by Peter Johnson:

“Preaching and leading worship is my strongest ministry gift, grounded and made possible in my relationship with God as Parent. I trust the Spirit, moving in and around us, and the Word incarnate in the sacraments to bring forth the meaningfulness of our ritual and the authenticity in our transformation of hearts.”

“Offering pastoral care and visitation is one of the greatest blessings afforded to me in ministry. I'm gifted in the ability to connect deeply with and relate to a wide spectrum of folks seeking and needing pastoral care and visits. Whether it is in the uncertain times of the intensive care unit of a hospital, the quiet space of a nursing home, a person's own home and sanctuary, on the street bench, or in my office, the presence of God's love is felt, and God's infinite grace is offered.”

“In thankfulness, with confidence in God and sporting a pink Mohawk, I humbly guide and empower all to share the gospel of Jesus Christ, holding our hands together as the church, lifting up our hands in praise, and reaching out our hands to serve for the sake of the world.”

Finally, in a letter to Lakeside after our time shared with Pastor Peter:

“In the holy and sacred moments of my meetings with your call committee, we listened intently, prayed fervently, and discerned faithfully. Please know that should I be graced with the opportunity to be your next pastor, I will consider it a privilege to stand on the shoulders of the pastors and lay leaders that have come before me, to collaboratively lead us into a future of renewed traditions and new ministries, through our collective hands and feet and the inspiration and breath of the Holy Spirit.”

Our committee welcomes questions and conversations about Peter Johnson. We feel we have a tremendous opportunity to lift up the Spirit by bringing Pastor Peter and his family to Lakeside.

In Christ,

Your Lakeside Community Lutheran Church Call Committee

Mick Peterson, Laurie Lundeen, Jolyne Peterson, David Swan, Julie Swan & Anna Treague