

New Life News

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 New Life office hours
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm
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October Scheduled Events

October 2nd—5th

Heritage room booked for Quilted footprints

October 3rd

9:00 am Tai Ji Quan

October 6th

8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany
 9:00 am Coffee & fellowship at New Life
 9:00 am Sunday school at New Life
 10:00 am Worship at New Life with First Communion
 11:00 am Community Care BINGO
 11:15 am 3rd Grade Bible Class

October 7th

9:00 am Tai Ji Quan
 10:00 am Quilters

October 9th

10:00 am Quilters
 6:30 pm NLLC Council meeting

October 10th

9:00 am Tai Ji Quan

October 12th

11:00 am Fueling our Farmers

October 13th

8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany
 9:00 am Coffee & fellowship at New Life
 9:00 am Sunday school at New Life
 10:00 am Worship at New Life **Sunday School Sings**
 2:00 pm Youth at Kingpinz

October 14th - Columbus Day / Indigenous Peoples' Day

9:00 am Tai Ji Quan

October 17th

9:00 am Tai Ji Quan

October 20th

8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany
 9:00 am Coffee & fellowship at New Life
 10:00 am Worship at New Life

October 21st

9:00 am Tai Ji Quan
 6:30 pm Lions Club meeting

October 23rd

5:30 pm Confirmation
 6:00 pm Youth Activity for Middle school
 7:30 pm Youth Activity for High School

October 24th

9:00 am Tai Ji Quan

October 26th

TBD Beyond football and the Weather Bible Study

October 27th

8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany
 9:00 am Coffee & fellowship at New Life
 9:00 am Sunday school at New Life
 10:00 am Worship at New Life with 3rd Grade Bible Presentation

October 28th

9:00 am Tai Ji Quan

October 30th

5:30 pm Confirmation

October 31st - Halloween

9:00 am Tai Ji Quan

Pastor Randy will be on vacation
 October 1st—19th.

October Office Manager Hours:
 Sept. 30th & Oct. 1st: 1 pm to 3:30 pm
 Oct. 2nd: 1 pm to 2:15 pm
 Oct. 3rd: 1 pm to 3:30 pm
 Oct. 7th - 10th: 1 pm to 3:30 pm
 Oct. 14th - 16th: 1 pm to 3:30 pm
 Oct. 21st - 24th: 1 pm to 3:30 pm
 Oct. 28th - 31st: 1 pm to 3:30 pm

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SERVICE GROUP LEADERS

October Travis & Stephanie Olson
Gayla Western

November Stacy & Jennifer Honer

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Grace and peace to you in the name of our loving God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

In what we call his first letter to the Thessalonians, the apostle Paul writes:

But since we belong to the day, let us be sober and put on the breastplate of faith and love and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing. [1 Thessalonians 5:8-12]

Encouragement is an amazing gift, medicine to both the receiver and the giver. In the book, *Chicken Soup for the Soul*, written and compiled by Jack Canfield and Mark Victor Hansen, Nido Qubein relates:

Some of the greatest success stories of history have followed a word of encouragement or an act of confidence by a loved one or a trusting friend. Had it not been for a confident wife, Sophia, we might not have listed among the great names of literature the name of Nathaniel Hawthorne. When Nathaniel, a broken-hearted man, went home to tell his wife that he was a failure and had been fired from his job in a customhouse, she surprised him with an exclamation of joy.

“Now,” she said triumphantly, “you can write your book!”

“Yes,” replied the man, with sagging confidence, “and what shall we live on while I am writing it?”

To his amazement, she opened a drawer and pulled out a substantial amount of money.

“Where on earth did you get that?” he exclaimed.

“I have always known you were a man of Genius,” she told him. “I knew that someday you would write a masterpiece. So every week, out of the money you gave me for housekeeping, I saved a little bit. So here is enough to last us for a whole year.”

From her trust and confidence came one of the greatest novels of American literature,

The Scarlet Letter.

To a world obsessed with being number one and looking out for number one, a world that is broken in so many ways, the Bible speaks a counter-cultural message: encourage one another, build up one another, yes, even love one another. Christ Jesus came to heal the sick, mend the broken, bring hope to the hopeless, and love both the loved and unloved. This is what can and does change the world. He invites us to be part of that change.

Aren't we due for a change?

Take care and God bless!

Pastor Randy

New Life Lutheran Church

Unapproved minutes from September 11th, 2024

NLLC council met September 11th at 6:30pm.
Members present; Kristin Torgerson, Patty Ziegler, Jess Nelson, Joyce Peterson, Jen Honer, Renae Froslic, Bruce Brenden, Kevin Brenden, Steph Olson, Brandon Langfeld, Marlowe Rasmusson, Pastor Randy Whitehead, and Heather Nelson.

Devotions: Heather

1.0 Approval of agenda: 5.6 was added. Motion to approve made by Joyce Peterson, seconded by Jen Honer. Motion carried.

2.0 Approval of August 2024 Council minutes: Motion to approve minutes made by Jen Honer, seconded by Joyce Peterson. Motion carried.

3.0 Treasurer's report August 2024: see report. Motion to approve report made by Jen Honer, seconded by Steph Olson. Motion carried.

4.0 Ongoing business:

4.1 Technology update: purchased a new microphone.

4.2 Memorial Tree: will be discussed in the future.

4.3 Rally Sunday: good turn out.

4.4 Sunday Funday: bounce house and dunk tank just need to be picked up. Discussed games that will be out/available. Parking will be in the back and on the street. Bruce will look into a stock tank heater for the dunk tank.

4.5 Parking lot handicap painting: Will need more paint-will be ordered. Stencil and rollers are at the church. Sealing the parking lot has been brought up.

4.6 Area strategy update: 8/27 Pastor Randy went to the synod meeting; Rebel is finishing a strategy for another area and then will be working on our area.

5.0 New business:

5.1 Correspondence: thank you's from Elise Whitehead and Luther Crest were read.

5.2 Upcoming events:

- September 15th – Sunday Funday
- September 16th – Lions club meeting
- September 18th – First Communion Class & Confirmation meeting
- September 25th – Confirmation and Youth Group
- October 2nd- 5th – Quilted footprints in the heritage room
- October 2nd – Confirmation
- October 6th – First Communion Sunday, 3rd

Grade Bible class, & Bingo
October 12th- Fueling the farmers

5.3 Harvest Festival: discussed about tying it to Thanksgiving.

5.4 Budget planning: committees need to look at things going on for next yrs budget. Things done or wish list for each group.

5.5 Staff Review: Heather will be creating a peer review template for the next round of reviews. Looking at moving this years reviews to Sept/October and going forward they will be June/July. Steph will be sitting in as part of the executive committee doing reviews.

5.6 Service group booklet: updating various things in the service booklet.

6.0 Pastor's report: see report.

7.0 Youth Director's report: First Sunday school meeting, 5 girls attended. Discussed how they want classes to look. Did a scavenger hunt and had a blast.

8.0 Office Manager's report: N/A

9.0 NLLC Foundation report: N/A

10.0 Committee reports:

Worship & Music (Jennifer): Sister Act will be ready for Sunday Funday. Will be meeting in Sept. 10 have signed up for the winter planter class.

Education (Steph): Parents of newer kids were asked about doing a teaching rotation.

Youth (Heather): will be meeting soon.

Community Care Committee (Joyce): will be doing bingo 10/6 prizes will be gift cards. Several types of soup, bread and cheese with be free will offering. Donations will be going to Elise Whitehead. Quilters asked about youth volunteering to tie quilts

Church Property (Marlowe): see 4.5. Asked who should be paying for salt for the softener. It was decided that receipts would just be turned into the church for reimbursement.

Stewardship (Kevin): N/A

11.0 Adjournment: Next meeting will be October 9th at 6:30pm. Motion to adjourn made by Steph Olson, seconded by Joyce Peterson. The meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer at 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin Torgerson

Grow old along with me , the best is yet to be

The following is a list of our members who are either in a nursing home or are homebound. We understand that during this time you may not be able to stop by, but a phone call may go a long ways! You can always call ahead and see if a visit would be welcomed.

Joy Toso ~ 215 Skogmo Blvd # 203
Fergus Falls, MN

Eleanor Opsahl ~ 119 N. Broadway # 109
Pelican Rapids, MN 56572

Debbie Faulkner ~ 1131 Mabelle Ave. Room B-209
Fergus Falls (Pioneer Care)

Elaine Amundson - 215 E. Mill Ave #200
Pelican Rapids, MN 56572

Doris Jorgenson ~ 1131 Mabelle Ave. Room C-218
Fergus Falls, MN (Pioneer Care)

Gwen Jorgenson ~ 211 E. Mill Ave #313
Pelican Rapids, MN 56572 (218-863-9623)

Harold Larson ~ 1131 S. Mabelle Ave Room C-205
Fergus Falls, MN (Pioneer Care)

Margaret Brenden ~ 1500 7th St. S #4212
Moorhead, MN 56560 (218-284-9114)

Betty Magnusson ~ 803 Mill St. S. Apt # 321
Fergus Falls (218-736-8824)

Linda Froslic ~ 512 3rd Ave S. Room A-2
Moorhead, MN 56560 (218-233-1535)

Steve (Bud) Magnusson ~ 1131 Mabelle Ave
Room C-211 Fergus Falls
(Pioneer Care)

Dorothy Knutson ~ 2401 11th St. S # 323
Moorhead, MN 56560

Phyllis (Hauger, Shirley) Morrill ~ 803 Mill St. S.
Apt # 323 Fergus Falls (218-770-8642)

Donna Nord ~ 2401 11th St. S #109
Moorhead, MN 56560

Lonny Western ~ 117 E Hilltop Dr. Fergus Falls
(218-739-5613)

If you know of someone who should be on this list, please call Patrice at the church office at:
(218) 867-6557.

Quilting Update

We will meet to work on mission quilts October 7th and 9th from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.
Lunch will be served both days.
Half a day or a full day, it all helps!

Sincerely,
- Ruth, A.

Quilters are in need of some donations for the kits, sent out in October.

- notebooks needed are 70 sheets - Wide ruled (4 notebooks to a kit).

- Bath towels new or used, dark colors preferred. Walmart has these on the top shelf for \$3.00 each (1 towel per kit).

- Ivory or Dove bar soaps (2 bars per kit).

Please drop donations off at the church in the quilters closet or with office staff. All donations are very much appreciated!

Thank you!
- Quilt group

First, we must learn to receive.

Being open to God’s will

Sometimes people contrast giving with receiving. In fact, it seems that learning to give often depends on having first learned to receive. Both giving and receiving depend on being able to focus on something other than oneself. Who has taught you to be good at receiving?

Mary is a good example. In Luke 1:26-38, we read the account of the Annunciation. In the last of these verses (v. 38) we hear Mary’s response, “Here I am, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.” Like many others in Scripture, Mary’s heart is open to God and God’s purposes. Because her heart is open, she does not oppose God’s will with her own will. To receive God’s gifts we must first be open to God’s will. Our will must be subjected to God’s will. Our will must not stand in the way. How are you opening your heart to God’s will today?

Prayer: O God of abundance, open my heart to receive your good will for my life. Amen.

NEW LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

September 2024

September Income	\$ 11,173.07
September Expenses	(\$ 16,724.00)
September Net Loss	(\$ 5,550.93)

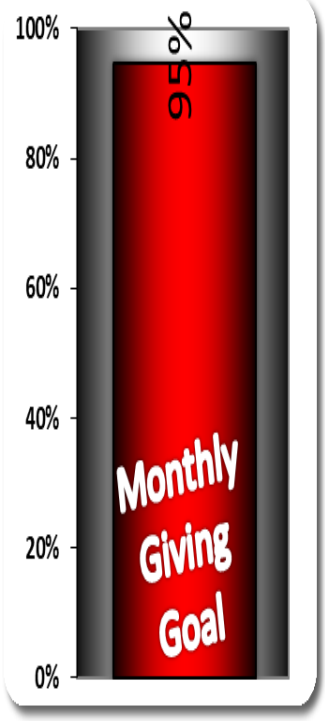
Scan the QR code to give to New Life Lutheran Church online!



September 2024 Giving Outlook

Week	Giving
1-Sep	\$1,479.00
8-Sep	\$565.00
15-Sep	\$4,536.75
22-Sep	\$7,231.52
29-Sep	
e-giving	\$375.00

Goal:	\$15,000.00
Total:	\$14,187.27



95%

Upcoming Event

BINGO, SOUP. AND SANDWICHES

October 6th, 2024 at 11:00 am (after worship)

Come and play BINGO and win some fun prizes! ALL AGES WELCOME!

Free will offering for Elise Whitehead in her ministry abroad!



Fueling Our Farmers

Feed the farmers in their fields or shops on us!

Saturday, October 12th at 11 am—1 pm

Menu: Meat Sandwich, Pasta Salad, Chips, and Bar/Cookie

Cost: FREE!

There is a sign-up sheet on the table outside of the sanctuary for those who would like to participate in receiving a free meal.

Sponsored by: New Life Lutheran church of Rothsay, Foxhome Lutheran Church and Vukku Lutheran church of Foxhome, in collaboration with the Northwestern MN Rural Revival Program and many local businesses in your community.

Harvest Festival & Worship will be on
November 24th

Get ready for some special music during worship, then join us after for a chili feed in the fellowship hall and (weather permitting) hay rides through Prairie park. There will be fun for all and we hope you'll celebrate a bountiful harvest with us.





3rd Grade

Bible Introduction Classes and Presentation Event



Pastor Randy will be holding a Bible Introduction Course for 3rd Grade Students. Each student will receive a free Bible from the New Life Lutheran Church Congregation. Third grade students are welcome to attend either of the class options.

The class will be on Sunday, October 6th at 11:15 am (following worship). Parents are asked to write a note or letter inside the cover of their child's Bible and return it to the church for the special public presentation of that Bible to their child at the 10 am worship service on Reformation Sunday, October 27th.

It would be very helpful for our planning for parents to call the church office [218-867-6557] and let us know that your child will be attending. If you child has a friend who doesn't have his or her own church, please feel free to invite him or her, as well. Any questions? Please call the office or Pastor Randy [701-238-1863] Thanks much!

Men's Breakfast Bible Study entitled **"Beyond Football and the Weather"**

6 sessions on Saturday mornings, Oct. 26, Nov. 2, 9, 16, & 23 and Dec. 7.

The sessions should run about an hour.

It will probably start at 7:00, 7:30 or 8:00 am
(depending on the wishes of those that sign up)

Minimum signup will be 5 people.

Please sign up in the hallway outside of the sanctuary.

"Preparing Spiritually for Christmas"

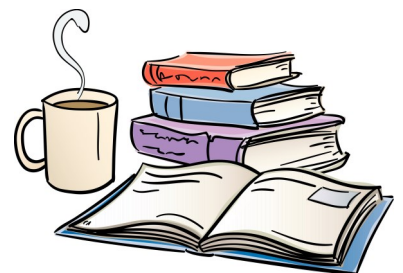
Noontime Lunch & Bible Study

12:00 noon to 1 pm

Tuesdays, Nov. 12, 19, 26, and Dec. 3

Minimum signup will be 5 people

Please sign up in the hallway outside of the sanctuary.



New Life Lutheran Church Scholarships

Three scholarships are available for NLLC student members.

- 1. Arne S. Brenden Christian Education Scholarship** provides financial assistance to students of a Christian college or seminary, or who are pursuing a career in the ministry or Christian education.
- 2. Thor Sorum Lutheran Seminary Scholarship** provides financial assistance to students at any Lutheran Seminary in the US.
- 3. Hamar-Haas Scholarship** in the amount of \$400 is available one time to any full-time post-secondary student who is a member of New Life Lutheran Church. All three scholarships require students to be enrolled in the subsequent term.

Deadline for application is October 1 and applicants will be notified by November 1. Application is available at the church office.

Confirmation

Regular classes are Wednesdays, October 23rd & 30th at 5:30 pm

If you have any questions please let Pastor Randy or Jessica know.

Upcoming Youth Events (Grades 6-12)

- October 13th- KingPinz 2:00-3:30

Sign Up via the Singup Genius- 10 spots available \$15/person please have signed up and given money to Jessica by October 9th (Chaperones -NEED 2- bowl free, will need help driving BOTH ways)

Leaving church at 1:15 and returning about 4:15.



- .October 23rd- Activity/Service event TBD- held at New Life Lutheran
Middle School 6:00-7:00
High School 7:30-8:30

October 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
	Pastor Randy on vacation Oct. 1st - 19th		Quilted footprints in the heritage room	Quilted footprints in the heritage room 9:00 am Tai Ji Quan	Quilted footprints in the heritage room	Quilted footprints in the heritage room
6 8:45 am Worship at LB 9:00 am Coffee at NL 9:00 am Sunday School at NL 10:00 am Worship at NL with First Communion 11:00 am BINGO 11:15 am 3rd Grade Bible class	7 9:00 am Tai Ji Quan 10:00 am Quilters	8	9 10:00 am Quilters 6:30 pm NLLC Council	10 9:00 am Tai Ji Quan	11	12 11:00 am Fueling our Farmers
13 8:45 am Worship at LB 9:00 am Coffee at NL 9:00 am Sunday School at NL 10:00 am Worship at NL Sunday School Sings 2:00 pm Youth Kingpinz	14 9:00 am Tai Ji Quan Columbus Day/ Indigenous Peoples' Day	15 Newsletter Deadline	16	17 9:00 am Tai Ji Quan	18	19
20 8:45 am Worship at LB 9:00 am Coffee at NL 10:00 am Worship at NL	21 9:00 am Tai Ji Quan 6:30 pm Lions Club meeting	22	23 5:30 pm Confirmation 6:00 pm Middle school youth activity 7:30 pm High school youth activity	24 9:00 am Tai Ji Quan	25	26 TBD Beyond Football & the weather Bible Study
27 8:45 am Worship at LB 9:00 am Coffee at NL 9:00 am Sunday School at NL 10:00 am Worship at NL 3rd Grade Bible Presentation	28 9:00 am Tai Ji Quan	29	30 5:30 pm Confirmation	Halloween 9:00 am Tai Ji Quan	31 9:00 am Tai Ji Quan	



This is the list of birthdays as listed in our church records for this month. If your name should be on the list and isn't (or is on the list and shouldn't be), please call the church office.

- 10/01 ~ Roger Bilden
- 10/02 ~ Briggs Brandt
- 10/02 ~ Skylar Brenden
- 10/03 ~ John Reber
- 10/04 ~ Barbara Nitz
- 10/05 ~ Katelyn Reber
- 10/05 ~ Eli Schleeter
- 10/09 ~ Ethan Curtis
- 10/09 ~ John Kunze
- 10/12 ~ Llyal Braton
- 10/13 ~ Derek Frosilie
- 10/14 ~ Hannah Anderson
- 10/15 ~ Kayla Sternberg
- 10/16 ~ Khia Toso
- 10/16 ~ Jacob Watterud
- 10/17 ~ Joshua Honer
- 10/19 ~ Emma Buckingham
- 10/19 ~ Reed Haugrud
- 10/20 ~ Brenda Balken
- 10/20 ~ Vaeda Rian
- 10/21 ~ Kiya Amundson
- 10/23 ~ Robbie Steiner
- 10/27 ~ Isabelle Larson
- 10/28 ~ Aaron Brenden
- 10/28 ~ Kari Carlsrud
- 10/28 ~ Debra Jorgenson
- 10/28 ~ Evelyn Rhodes
- 10/28 ~ Patrice Ziegler
- 10/29 ~ Marlowe Rasmusson



This is the list of Anniversaries as listed in our church records for this month. If your names should be on the list and aren't or are on the list and shouldn't be, please call the church office.

- 10/02 ~ Joel & Amy Meyer
- 10/03 ~ Kevin & Sandy Watterud
- 10/05 ~ Cale & Jessica Brandt
- 10/13 ~ John & Heather Reber
- 10/14 ~ Corey & Carla Moen
- 10/16 ~ Randall Whitehead & Mary Jo Gaugler
- 10/17 ~ George & Cheryl Ericson
- 10/24 ~ Brad & Becky Schmidt

SCRIPTURE READERS FOR THIS MONTH



- October 6th -
- October 13th -
- October 20th -
- October 27th -

We are always looking for volunteers for future readings. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the church office.

SOUND SYSTEM OPERATORS FOR THIS MONTH



- October 6th - John Reber
- October 13th - Nathan Z. / Heather R.
- October 20th - Jessica Nelson
- October 27th - Jennifer Honer

We are always looking for volunteers to run our sound system. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the church office. Training is available.

Website/App

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