CORNERSTONE CONNECTION

September Newsletter

9-1-2024

The mission of Long Lake Lutheran Church is to share the Good News of Jesus Christ through Word and Sacrament, preaching, teaching, and serving our neighbors locally, nationally, & globally.

We are Christ Centered, Purpose Driven & Mission Focused!



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SEPTEMBER

1	8:30 Traditional	11	1:00 GriefShare		1:00 WELCA Meeting
	Worship w/Holy		5:00 Wednesday Meal		6:30 Council Meeting
	Communion		5:00 Worship & Music	20	7:00 AA
	9:30 Stewardship Meeting		(Traditional) Mtg.		
	9:30 Property Team		6:00 Confirmation Parents	21	9:00 LLIA Meeting
	Meeting		Info. Meeting		
	9:30 Breakfast Club			22	8:00 Traditional
	10:00 Contemporary	12	9:00 Prayer Group		Worship
	Worship w/Holy		10:30 Book & Bible Study		9:00 Live Nativity Mtg.
	Communion		12:00 Senior Cards		9:10 Sunday School
	Communion		12.00 Schiol Cards		9:30 Breakfast Club
2	OFFICE CLOSED	12	10:00 Worship & Music		10:00 Contemporary
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	Happy Labor Day		(contemporary) Mtg.		Worship
	6:00 Western Heritage		7:00 AA		
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3	9:30 Fellowship Café	15	8:00 Traditional		9:30 Fellowship Café
	7:00 AA		Worship w/Holy		7:00 AA
			Communion		
4	1:00 Grief Share		9:10 Sunday School	25	11:30 Lunch Ladies
			9:30 Mission Team		5:00 Wednesday Meal
			Meeting		6:00 Wednesday Worship
5	9:00 WELCA Boat Trip		9:30 Breakfast Club		6:30 Confirmation
	1:00 Rum River		10:00 Contemporary		
	Consultants		Worship w/Holy	26	9:00 Prayer Group
			Communion		10:30 Bible/Book Study
6	7:00 AA				12:00 Senior Cards
	,	16	6:00 4H Long Lake		
8	1 0:00 Worship		Leaders Meeting		
	11:30 Rally Festival		6:00 Western Heritage	27	10:00 Worship & Music
	2:00 Camp Onomia		6:30 Executive Meeting	-/	(Contemporary) Mtg.
	Board Mtg.		C. Jo Executive Meeting		7:00 AA
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9	1:00 Friends of Ruth		7:00 AA	29	8:00 Traditional Worship
	6:30 4H Lakeside Victory	.0	una Crief Slee		9:10 Sunday School
	Club	18	1:00 Grief Share		9:30 Breakfast Club
	6:30 Former Council Mtg.		5:00 Wednesday Meal		10:00 Contemporary
	and the same of th		6:00 Wednesday Worship		Worship
10	9:30 Fellowship Café		6:30 Confirmation		11:00 Playground Potluck
	1:00 Sunshine Circle		1	Y	1
	4:00 Finance Meeting	19	9:00 Prayer Group		
	7:00 AA		10:30 Bible/Book Study	. 3	



From the desk of Pastor Sue:



Psalm 57:1

Be merciful to me, O God, be merciful to me, for in you my soul takes refuge; in the shadow of your wings I will take refuge, until the destroying storms pass by.



Dear friends in Christ,

We are so grateful for God's protection through the storms of life. Our most recent, destructive storms could have injured many people. Many massive trees downed with the extreme wind conditions could have caused more damage. I understand how exhausted those of you have been cutting and hauling branches and trees must feel. You may even wonder where God was during all of this.

This reminds me of my summer as a camp counselor at Camp Vermilion near Cook, MN. Two of us counselors had teenagers from the Duluth area overnight at a primitive campsite. We had our usual campfire, devotions, songs, and prayers and were winding down for the night in our tents. I could hear the wind pick up and eventually, the sound of an oncoming train. Of course, there was no train in the woods, just the wind whipping through the pine needles. Wind, rain, thunder and lightning. Our teenagers were scared. I was too. We prayed really hard that night, sitting on our soaking wet sleeping bags. There was no sleeping. It was too loud, too wet, and too scary. I kept reassuring those kids under my care that God would take care of us.

Sometime during the night we heard voices and saw lights coming toward us. The Saint Louis County Rescue Squad had located us and had come to help us out of the woods.

The rain had stopped. With the flashlights we saw the devastation of the forest. Trees were down all around us toppled chaotically like pick-up- sticks. Over, under, through the downed trees and branches. My legs were scratched up, but we plowed back to the home camp.

Thankfully, we made it back, as did all the other campers that were out at various camp sites. We all gathered in the chapel to praise God for our safe return to camp. Not one person was injured beyond scratches. It could have been disastrous. Did I wonder where God was? ... Not once. I knew God sent the rescue squad, and I knew God got us all back safely. We practically blew the roof off the chapel with our thanks and praise.

I called my mom to tell her I was ok. She hadn't heard anything about a storm on Lake Vermilion so she wasn't worried. I was kinda disappointed because I was quite proud to have survived! The camp used the big trees that came down to build a retreat center, so all was not lost. I'll never forget being out in the woods, feeling responsible for those kids, and hearing the voices of the rescuers. God is always there in the hands and feet of the rescuers, the people that help us through the storms of our lives. Thanks and praise be to God!

Pastor Sue

August attendance:		
August 4	112	
August 11	96	
August 18	86	
August 25	116	



I hope you have enjoyed our summer series journeying through the Old Testament Stories. I surely have. I hope you learned something, or maybe it piqued your interest to dig deeper into the Bible. The Bible is a living document. "Viva Vox Engelais." Any time you read it, God can speak differently to you depending on your circumstance and what you need to hear. The Holy Spirit is actively working between the words on the page, or the Scripture you hear read, and your ears and your brain. A lot happens in that fuzzy space.

Luther wrote: "But what a fine lot of tender and pious children we are! In order that we might not have to study in the Scriptures and learn Christ there, we simply regard the

entire Old Testament as of no account, as done for and no longer valid. Yet it alone bears the name of Holy Scripture. And the gospel should really not be something written, but a spoken word which brought forth the Scriptures, as Christ and the apostles have done. This is why Christ himself did not write anything but only spoke. He called his teaching not Scripture but gospel, meaning good news or a proclamation that is spread not by pen but by word of mouth. So, we go on and make the gospel into a law book, a teaching of commandments, changing Christ into a Moses, the One who would help us into simply an instructor". (In Lull, p. 110)

Viva Vox Jesu!

FALL WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Starting Sunday, September 15th

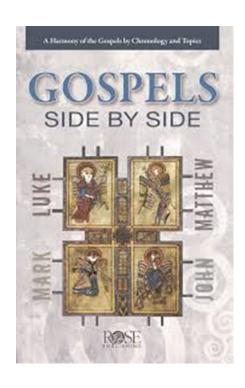
- •8:00 am Traditional
- •9:10 am Sunday School
- •10:00 am Contemporary

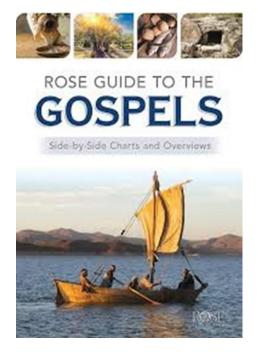


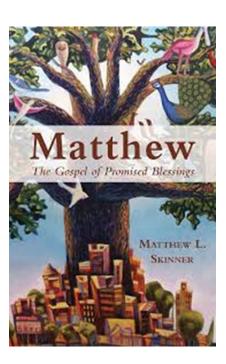
BIBLE/BOOK STUDY

New Bible Study starting

Thursday, September 12th at 10:30







PRAYER CONCERNS

(Let us know how we can pray for you.)

Pray for healing for:

Mary Schuett's bother-in-law Dale Sherf

Carol Voigtlin

Michelle Yurich's mom Mary Jo

Connie Anderson's mom Henrietta

Nancy Johnson's granddaughter Madeline

Dennis Wanless' granddaughter Lizelle

Wanda Strike's brother-in-law David

Marcy Stoeckel's niece Erin

Karen Baker's mom Floy and niece Angie

Kent and Joanne Eittreim's friends Natalie Goldston

and Joanne Levine.

Sharon Stanius' grandson Hayden

Lisa Gustafson's brother Eric and her friends Julian-

na, Brenda, Kensley & Kathy;

John (Rose) Hass' nephew Kevin, and niece Holly

Linda Rouen's aunt Evelyn

Les & Chris Rowe's sister-in-law Nicole

Jan Tusler's brother Chris and her Brother-in-law

Donnie

Linda Oliver's grandson Kristopher

Carol Vogtlin's nephews Andrew and Joey

Becky Agranoff's friends Jimmy, Rick, and Doug

Colleen Evenson

Therese Cather's brother James and family, and her

niece Kelly

Marvel Dahl

Jenny Boniarczyk's sister Cheryl

Judy Nelson

Steve Lundeen

Dave and Mel Ringstad's brother-in-law Rick Brown

Sharon Nowariak

Gerald & Connie Anderson's daughter's M-I-L Joyce

Pastor's friend Bruce Wilson (received heart & kid-

ney transplant @ Mayo)

Pastor's Aunt Irene (Seattle) Godmother

Loretta Fornberg's sister Darlene

Dale & Kathy Findell's neighbor Mark

Jim Breadamus

Lillian Reetz

Barb Erickson

Richard Hansen

Marlyse Moon

Pray for comfort for all who grieve:

Please update the office staff about people placed in the prayers.











































Long Lake Children's Ministry Calendar 2024-2025 Children's Ministry learning opportunities are offered on Sunday mornings 9:10-9:50.

Sunday worship at 8:00am (traditional) and 10:00am (contemporary).

Date	Season	Scripture	Lesson	
September 8	Rally Day/Backp	ack Sunday – Worship at 10:00	followed by special activities for all	
September 15	Pentecost	Mark 8:27-38	Peter's Declaration	
September 22	Pentecost	Mark 9:30-37	Who is the Greatest?	
September 29	Pentecost	Mark 9:38-50	Share God's Love	
September 29	SPECIAL	3 year olds and 3 rd Graders receive Bibles during worship followed by playground potluck at 11:00am		
October 6	Pentecost	Genesis 2:4-25	Adam and Eve	
October 13	Pentecost	Mark 10:17-31	A Rich Man's Questions	
October 20	Pentecost	Mark 10:35-45	James and John	
October 26	(Saturday)	Trunk and Treat 3:00-	5:00pm	
October 27	Pentecost	Mark 10:46-52	Bartimaeus Sees	
November 3	Pentecost	Deuteronomy 6:1-9	A Message from God	
November 10	Pentecost	Mark 12:38-44	The Widow's Offering	
November 17	Pentecost	Mark 13:1-8	Be Ready	
November 24	Pentecost	John 18:33-37	Christ the King	
November 27 SPECIAL 6:00pm Thanksgiving Eve Pie Social and Silent		e Pie Social and Silent Auction Fundraiser		
December 1	Advent 1	Jeremiah 33:14-16	A Good Ruler	
December 8 Worship		Live Nativity – one worship service @ 9:00am		
December 8	SPECIAL	10:00 Christmas Program rehearsal		
December 14	SPECIAL	Christi	Christmas Program rehearsal	
December 15	Advent 3	Luke 3:1-18	John the Baptist	
December 15	SPECIAL	Christmas Program at 4:30pm with soup dinner		
December 22	Advent 4	Luke 2	Jesus is Born	
December 29, January 2	No Class – Christmas Break			

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2025				
January 5	Christmas 2	John 1:10-18	Jesus the Word	
January 12	Baptism of our Lord	Luke 3:15-17, 21-22	Jesus' Baptism	
January 19	Epiphany 2	John 2:1-11	Wedding at Cana	
January 26	Epiphany 3	Luke 4:14-21	Jesus Goes to Nazareth	
February 2	Epiphany 4	Jeremiah 1:4-19	Jeremiah	
February 9	Epiphany 5	Luke 5:1-11; 8:1-13	The Disciples	
February 16	Epiphany 6	Luke 6:17-26	The Beatitudes	
February 23	Epiphany 7	Luke 6:27-38	Love Your Enemies	
March 2	Transfiguration	Luke 9:28-36	The Transfiguration	
March 5		Ash Wednesday	∕ – Lent begins	
March 9	Lent 1	Luke 4:1-13	Tempted	
March 16	Lent 2	Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18	God's Promises to Abram	
March 23	Lent 3	Luke 13:1-9	Parable of the Fig Tree	
March 23	SPECIAL	First Session of First Co	ommunion Class 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	
March 30	Lent 4	Luke 15:1-3.11-32	The Prodigal Son	
March 30	SPECIAL	Second Session of First (Communion Class 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	
April 6	Lent 5	John 12:1-8	Mary Anoints Jesus	
April 13	Passion/ Palm Sunday	Luke 22:14-23:56 Palm Sunday		
April 17	SPECIAL	Maundy Thursday – Fi	rst Communion Celebrated at Worship	
April 20	SPECIAL	Easter Sunday – No classes		
April 27	Easter 2	John 20:19-31 Doubting Thomas		
May 4	Easter 3	Acts 9:1-20	Saul to Paul	
May 11	Easter 4	Acts 9:36-43	Peter and Tabitha	
May 18 SPECIAL		Celebration for last Sunday School class!		

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2024-2025 Children's Ministry Calendar

Long Lake Confirmation 2024-2025 Master Calendar

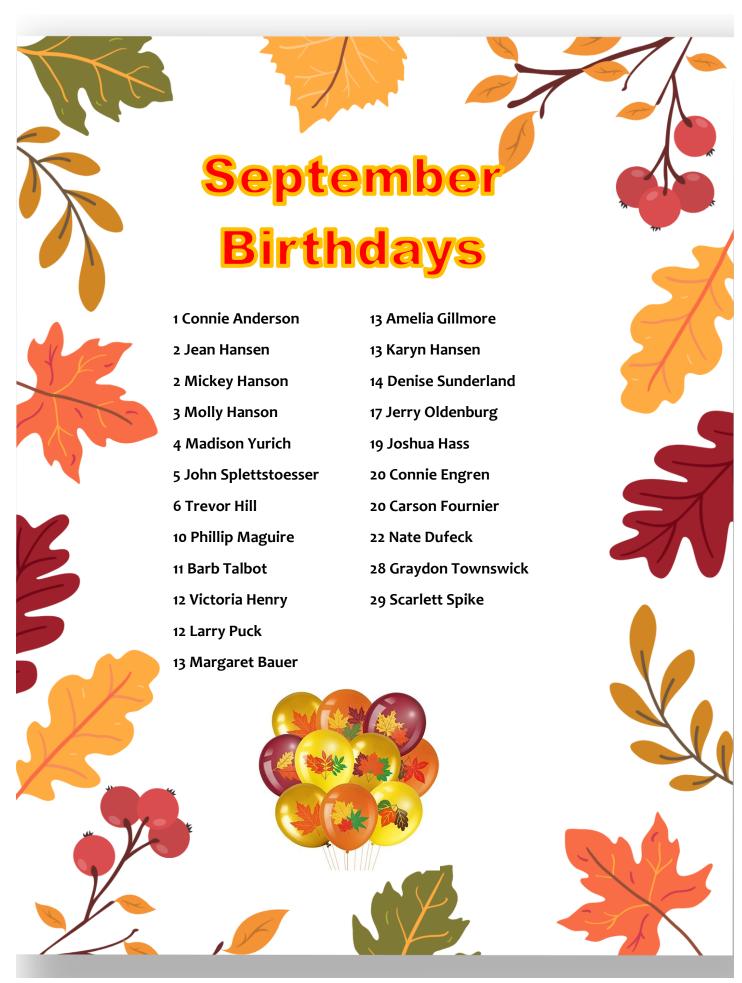
Confirmation meets from 6:30 – 7:30 on Wednesday nights. We will also serve dinner at 5:00pm and there will be worship at 6:00pm. This year we will study the Old Testament.

	Date	Event Type	Unit	Confirmation 6,7,8 Themes		
	September 8		Rally Day w	orship and Blessing of the Backpacks 10:00 am		
	September 11	Confirmation Parent Meeting 6:00pm				
1	September 18	Learn	Prehistory and Patriarchs	Creation		
2	September 25	Learn	Prehistory and Patriarchs	The Human Condition		
3	October 2	Learn	Prehistory and Patriarchs	The Flood		
4	October 9	Learn	Prehistory and Patriarchs	Abraham and Sarah		
	October 12 (Sat)	Retreat	9 th (Grade Confirmand Retreat at church, 10:00am – 2:00pm		
	October 16	No Class	No Class—MEA break			
5	October 23	Learn	Prehistory and Patriarchs	Sarah, Hagar, and Abraham		
	October 26 (Sat)	Special	9 th Grade Confirmation Rehearsal 10 a.m.			
	October 26 (Sat)	Special	Trunk or Treat 3:00-5:00p.m.			
	October 27 (Sun)	Worship	9 th Grade Confirmation Worship Service at 11:30 a.m.			
	October 30	Special	Adopt a Highway and Bonfire			
6	November 6	Learn	Prehistory and Patriarchs	Isaac and Rebecca		
7	November 13	Learn	Prehistory and Patriarchs	Jacob and Esau		
8	November 20	Learn	Prehistory and Patriarchs	Joseph		
	November 27	Fundraiser	Thanksgiving Eve Worship and Pie Social			
9	December 4	Learn	Moses	Moses' Birth and Call		
10	December 11	Learn	Moses	Moses and Pharaoh		
	December 18	Special	Confirmation Christmas Party			
	December 25	No Class	No Class Christmas Break			
	January 1	No Class	No Class Christmas Break			

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	Date	Event Type	Unit	Confirmation 6,7,8 Themes	
1	January 8	Learn	Moses	Wilderness to Land	
2	January 15	Learn	Moses	Ten Commandments	
3	January 22	Learn	Israel Becomes a Nation	Judges	
4	January 29	Special	Social event TBD		
5	February 5	Learn	Israel Becomes a Nation	Ruth	
6	February 12	Learn	Israel Becomes a Nation	Samuel and Saul	
7	February 19	Learn	Israel Becomes a Nation	King David	
	February 21-23	Retreat	(Fri-Sun) 6 th – 8 th Grade Confirmation Retreat at Camp Onomia		
8	February 26	Learn	Israel Becomes a Nation	David and Nathan	
9	March 3	Learn	Israel Becomes a Nation	Solomon	
	March 5	Worship	Ash Wednesday Worship (No Small Groups)		
	March 12	No Class	No Class—Spring Break		
10	March 19	Learn	Israel Becomes a Nation	A Split Kingdom	
11	March 26	Learn	Israel Becomes a Nation	Exile and Return	
12	April 2	Learn	Israel Becomes a Nation	Esther	
13	April 9	Learn	Wisdom and Poetry	Job	
	April 16	Worship	Holy Week – No Classes, attend Holy Week Worship with your family (catch up on worship notes!)		
	April 20	Fundraiser	Easter Breakfast Fundraiser		
14	April 23	Learn	Wisdom and Poetry	Psalms	
15	April 30	Learn	Message of the Prophets	Prophets of Israel	
16	May 7	Learn	Message of the Prophets	Daniel	
	May 14	Special	End of year celebration!		

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Stewardship!

The Bible gives us much more robust explanations of stewardship beyond its characterization of certain roles. One of the best known examples juxtaposing good and bad stewardship is the parable of the talents. (Matthew 25: 14-28) Here, a man entrusts different amounts of money to three servants. The master scolds the servant who merely saved his bag of gold. Whereas the two who put their allotments to good and productive uses were praised and given more responsibility. One take away from this parable is that stewardship should not be about giving only but doing. Members are part of the mission of the church, not merely funders of it. All giving should be about how you are contributing to God's work. And, you know: God LOVES cheerful giver. Whether you give a widow's mite or a large amount, do it with a generous heart.

So, what did we do with the money you shared so far this year?

Here are a few examples:

Operating expenses like office supplies, postage and publicity.

Congregational Life expenses like Easter Egg Hunt, new books for Grief Group, coffee & donuts. Education expenses like baptism/first communion supplies, council retreat, Sunday School & Vacation Bible School.

Expenses such as our accounting firm, cleaning contract, fire alarm system, internet, insurance.

Utilities...everyone knows we need the heat and lights on, and our garbage disposed of.

We contribute (not tithing yet) a portion of our income to support the work of the Synod, which supports the ELCA and mission work.

Our property team has had expenses related to furnace, building and grounds maintenance.

Worship expenses include sheet music, communion essentials, music licenses and subscriptions.

Did you know we have to water our piano regularly?

Of course, we have to pay our staff.

These are just some of our expenses.

Why is it important for you to give regularly?

God's work is never done. You may be on vacation, but God isn't, and the work of the church continues.

This helps our operating cash outflow.

Even during the summer when you are not here as often, it is important to consistently contribute to the budget you passed.

This is made easy with our Vanco online giving. If you haven't signed up, give it a try. It is painless!



Cash/Check

WAYS TO GIVE



Mobile Giving QR Code



TEXT Give to 833-623-0354

Additional ways to Give:

- Automated recurring giving: set up online via our website Online Giving Link.
- Stocks: consider donating stocks through a conversation with your financial advisor and the church.

Looking for:

Congregation & Youth Historian

Pass the word around.



It is our hope that Faithful Friends will supplement the Pastoral Care

Ministry of Long Lake Lutheran Church with Lay Ministers who are trained and equipped to provide home, hospital and care center visits, communion and spiritual friendship to people of our congregation. If you are in need of this service or know someone who is, please contact Pastor Sue, Brenda, Pat Weiss-Meyer or

Marcy Stoeckel (651-338-8986).

"A new command I give to you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another." (John 13:34)



Does anyone know the history of this logo?
The council is looking to update our logo so that

it expresses more who we are.

We are calling for design submissions by Oct. 1, 2024.

You may submit up to three designs.

There will be a small prize for the chosen logo design.

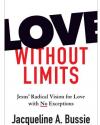
Breakfast Club:

Attention All High School Students

You are invited to attend breakfast club! We will meet every Sunday from 9:10-9:50 in the Cornerstone beginning Sunday, September 29. We will enjoy bible study, interesting discussion, games, prizes, food & lots of fun! We need you there!



Save the Date



Saturday, November 2, 2024 8:30-4:00 Diamond Lake Lutheran "World of Difference, Women's Gathering" with Keynote Speaker Dr. Jacqueline

Bussie, author of "Love Without Limits" Register by May 30th and receive her book for just \$10. Childcare/ Kids Daycamp Available

Details at: mplswomenofelca.org

Mission for the month

The Mission of the month of September is Money & School Supplies for Isanti/local school





Sunday School Kickoff & Backpack Blessing

Long Lake Lutheran Church



September 8th, 2024

One Worship Service at 10:00 outside, bring a chair

"Jesus, the Greatest Savior on Earth!"

11:30 - 2:30

carnival games
meat raffle
children's drawing
"God's Work, Our Hands" service project
hot dogs, chips and pop for \$5.00.



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Long Lake Lutheran Church Spaghetti Dinner

Come Enjoy

All You Can Eat

Spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, garlic bread, beverage and dessert

When:

Friday, October 4, 2024 4pm - 7pm

Where:

Long Lake Lutheran Church
3921 277th Ave NW Isanti
Hwy 47 and 277th (6 miles north of St. Francis)

Tickets:

9 and up \$10.00 8 and under free

Proceeds go to WELCA Kitchen Fund

Camp Onomia's 26th Annual

Quilt Auction

Saturday, September 21, 2024

Celebrating 75 years of outdoor ministry - where we invite you to encounter Christ through creation and community. Special activities are being planned in observance of the camp's 75th anniversary. Follow our website and social media for more celebration details!

- ♦ Live Quilt Auction
- ♦ Silent Auction
- ♦ Bake Sale
- ♦ Raffle Quilt

SCHEDULE:

11:00 AM: Quilt preview, silent auction, and bake sale begin in Friendship Hall

Noon: Lunch with free-will offering

1:00 PM: Live Quilt Auction begins

2:30 PM: Silent Auction ends

3:00 PM: Raffle Quilt drawing



Raffle Quilt
85"x 96"
Goshen Star
Raffle tickets for
this beautiful quilt
are available online,
at the Camp Office,
and during the
auction.

You do not need to be present to win.

Come and stay for the Celebration!

We welcome guests overnight on both Friday and Saturday, September 20th and 21st. \$40 per person per night. Come early, stay late, make some new friends, and experience this amazing setting in God's creation! Friday night includes breakfast and lunch on Saturday; Saturday night includes Saturday dinner and Sunday breakfast.

Register online or call for reservations

Camp Onomia 14202 Shakopee Lake Road, Onamia, MN 56359

Phone: 320-532-3767
Website: camponomia.org
Email: camponomia@gmail.com



View an online preview of the quilts! www.camponomia.org/quilts

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Two Shows
October 12th
2:00 & 7:00
Tickets on Sale Soon
\$20 per person

Fun for all ages

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