

FALL/WINTER 2024

LLLC
CORNERSTONE
CONNECTION

Worship Schedule

Sundays

8:00 Traditional Worship

9:10 Sunday School

10:00 Contemporary Worship

Wednesdays

5:00 Community Meal (All Are Welcome!)

6:00 Worship

6:30 Confirmation

Holy Communion on the First and Third Sunday

From the desk of
Pastor Sue...



Matthew 28:19-20

(New Living Translation)

¹⁹ Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. ²⁰ Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

Making disciples for Jesus has changed over the past two thousand years. As missionaries traveled the world, they brought the Word with them, but they attempted to change cultures to make people more European, more like themselves. They had natives get rid of their unique clothing, their languages, their rituals and dances and made them dress, talk and act like white Europeans. The missionaries provided items that the natives had no idea how to use, or for which they had no use. They built houses, schools, and wells without teaching the natives how to repair them, or how to keep them up.

Now, missionaries who go to foreign countries, especially third world countries, listen to the natives first and try to learn their language and culture before they try to teach them about God. They work alongside the people to be more like helpers and supporters rather than superiors. The new way seems to be working much better.

Back at home, we have opportunities to make disciples. We provide worship opportunities, sacramental ministries, educational

opportunities, and fellowship times. We love God and want to share the Gospel of grace with others.

There is so much to be excited about at Long Lake Lutheran Church. I love the numerous ministries that we do here to share the love of Jesus and to make new disciples. At a recent conference, pastors were asked, “what does your church have in abundance.” The first answer that immediately came to my mind was “hospitality!” We are really good at serving, welcoming, helping out where needed, feeding, and just being friendly.

Your council teams are under great leadership and along with our staff have done such a wonderful job of keeping ministries happening here at LLLC. Everything we do here is for God’s glory and for making and supporting disciples.

Each team and all of our other ministry groups do their best to welcome all to become involved. There is absolutely no reason anyone should say they have nothing to offer any teams. God has given everyone gifts and talents and we are to use them to the best of our abilities to help others. We will soon provide a resource that will explain each team, their purpose, their activities, the contact person, and their meeting times. As an active member of a congregation such as ours, it is good to pick at least one area you are interested in and join in the fun. There is something for everyone and every ability. Please consider becoming active if you have not been; visit a team meeting to see if they do something you might be interested in.

Don’t like meetings? Don’t want to commit? Offer your services to the team leader for an on call ask, or for a specific task or focus. Joining a group is good for you, good for the team, and good for God’s people.

Let’s make more disciples for Jesus!

Visioning Building Team Update

We have been at this since our 20/20 visioning exercises just before Covid hit. Different members have been actively involved over the past four years. We dreamed BIG! We had lots of ideas and ideas are free. Then, we contracted with VanMan Builders and Architects to begin to put our ideas on paper. We began with a huge overhaul of expanding the fellowship hall with a large kitchen, building an educational and multi-function space for classes and activities. We started planning the expansion on the east side of the present building. The price tag was over 5 million for just the building, noting that all furnishings would be extra. Back to the drawing board many times!

We looked at completely overhauling the Cornerstone by bringing it down to grade (no more stairs or basement) and connecting with a hallway to the current building. This was very expensive, and we would still have an old building with old foundation and walls and hallways are expensive without being all that useful.

We have landed on a proposal (still in the proposal phase) after more than 10 iterations of plans. It looks like the most promising, favorable and affordable expansion would be on the west side with a connection through the current conference room. It would include 6 classrooms with movable walls (all of which could be used for meetings), a large multi-purpose room for activities and play, three new bathrooms with one shower, a small kitchen for youth events, a conference room, and room for the quilters, sewers, and baby kit makers. This proposal is around 2.7 million and includes a Bell Tower. Since it is connected to the current building, everything would have to have sprinkler systems in place. It would give us 5,460 sq ft of new space.

This expansion would mean moving the playground. We would definitely need a fence! The Cornerstone would be

demolished or sold to be moved after the classrooms were completed. That space would be landscaped for a future Columbarium.

Remember, we are still in planning stages, and nothing is carved in stone. We appreciate your comments. Now is the time!

We have to decide now whether to invite a company to come do the Capital Campaign for us or if we think we can handle it on our own. How will we pay for this very necessary expansion? There are many financial firms willing to come talk to us about a mortgage.

Some people think it is imperative that we have a day care to help pay the mortgage. We will be forming a task force to study the feasibility of this before we build in case there are specific requirements we would need to have in place to comply with regulations. This group would also look for grants for new buildings as day care is in such dire need.

Please pray about this. We need space for our children and educational programming that has our kids nearby rather than in a separated building. We need meeting space and space for our ministry groups to work. Pray that God will show us the way. Have faith that God will provide.



Children, Youth, and Family

Hello, Church!

What a wonderful start to the Children, Youth, and Family ministry programming at Long Lake Lutheran! We are off to a great start and looking forward to a wonderful year.

Our Sunday School has grown to three classes with wonderful teachers: Rachel Maguire and Morgan Engren for our preschool/kindergarten class; Bruce Yurich and Matt Lundeen with our 1st and 2nd graders; and Monica Petersen and Denise Sunderland with our 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders. Our lessons follow the lectionary, so we use the same lessons that Pr. Sue preaches about in church. This allows our families to share discussions about these same topics as they learn together.

Last week we gave new Bibles to our 3-year-olds and 3rd graders. Over the spring and summer, our children's offering went to support the community garden. We are talking about how we'd like to share our gifts this fall. Our youngest children are wonderful stewards as well as grateful recipients of your giving.

We have a smaller confirmation group this year—numbers ebb and flow in ministry, and this just happens to be one of those smaller years. We learn on a three-year rotation including the Old Testament, New Testament, and Creed/Catechism. This is our Old Testament year, so we are learning the great history and stories of God caring for God's people throughout time. Special thanks to Margaret Bauer, Bruce Riebe and Marcy Stoeckel who show up and care for our youth every week.

Seven of our ninth graders are preparing to affirm their faith on Sunday, October 27th at the 10:00am service. They have been working with Pr. Sue to deepen their understanding of what this means and will spend a day together on a retreat to plan their service, create their stoles, and finalize their faith projects.

The high school students are now meeting weekly with Marcy Stoeckel for Breakfast Club. This wonderful group really digs into daily challenges and what it means to be a Christian in society.

As we look forward through the holidays, we are preparing for Trunk or Treat, Adopt a Highway, our children's Christmas program, and the Thanksgiving Eve Pie Social and Silent Auction, as well as a variety of service projects and fellowship opportunities. Special thanks to Josh Budnick and Monica Petersen, our committee chairs, and the Youth and Education committee, who are taking the lead on these events.

As my time with you winds down and the call process continues, we are preparing for volunteer leadership until new staffing is secured. There are wonderful, capable, and gifted volunteer leaders who make these programs successful, and it is a joy to work with them and watch their gifts grow. God is certainly in this place.

Kari Osmek
Interim Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministry







Spaghetti Dinner

Come Enjoy
All You Can Eat



Open to Everyone!

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

Friday, October 4th - 4:00-7:00 pm

Tickets: 6 and up \$12.00 5 and under free

The Looney Lutherans

Saturday, October 12th

2 shows

2:00 & 7:00 (90 -minute performance)



Open to Everyone!

social between performances (coffee, lemonade & treats)

Tickets: \$20 per person

Purchase tickets @ church office

Phone number: 763.444.5315

Adopt a Highway Clean-up

October 13th

11:00-1:00

Lunch following cleanup.

Wear closed toe shoes.



OKTOBERFEST Potluck

Stewardship Kick Off!

Sunday, Oct. 20th 12-4

Thunder Brothers Brewery

Sign up with your best German dish!



Trunk or Treat

Saturday, October 26th

3:00 – 5:00

Free Event

Open to Everyone!

Games*Bonfire * Smores * Magic Shows * Hayride * Candy

Bring a non-perishable item for the food shelf



LifeRice

Sunday, Nov. 17th

11:00

Open to Everyone!

We will be packing once again for LifeRice as a mission of this church.

Lunch will be served at 11:00 am. Packing begins right away.

Please sign up ASAP!

We will need help moving tables in the Fellowship Hall.



Thanksgiving Eve Service

Pie Social and Silent Auction

Wednesday, November 27th

6:00 pm Worship

7:00 Pie Social



Friends of Ruth Holiday Tea

Sunday, December 1st

2:00 pm



Live Nativity

Free Event

Saturday, December 7th

3:00-6:30 pm

Sunday, December 8th

9:00 am



Christmas Worship

Tuesday, December 24th

4:00 & 10:00 pm

Wednesday, December 25th

9:00 am



Volunteers Schedule

October 2024

October 6, 2024

Greeter: Monica Ahlman
Usher: Mike & Manda Hansen
Lector: Denise Sunderland
Kitchen:
Donut pickup: Mike Schlegel

October 13, 2024

Greeter: Gerald & Connie
Anderson
Usher: Wanda Strike
Lector: Joanne Eittreim
Kitchen: Jenny Boniarczyk
Donut pickup: Jenny Boniarczyk

October 20, 2024

Greeter: Dave & Karen Baker
Usher: Marcy Stoeckel
Lector: Karen Baker
Kitchen: Rose Hass
Donut pickup: Margaret Bauer

October 27, 2024

Greeter: Margaret Bauer
Usher: Denise Sunderland
Lector: Ronda Fenlon
Kitchen: Ernie & Nancy Sandahl
Donut pickup: Therese Cathers

Council Rep: 8:00 Joanne Eittreim
10:00 Morgan Engren

November 2024

November 3, 2024

Greeter: Judy Carolan
Usher: Dale & Kathy Findell
Lector: John Hass
Kitchen: Lisa Gustafson
Donut pickup: Joanne Eittreim

November 10, 2024

Greeter: Jenny Boniarczyk
Usher: Dave & Melanie
Ringstad
Lector: Margaret McBride
Kitchen: Connie Anderson
Donut pickup: Ben & Elizabeth Pipp

November 17, 2024

Greeter: Josh & Tessa Budnick
Usher: Wayne & Becky Olson
Lector: Melissa Sorenson
Kitchen: Margaret Bauer
Donut pickup: Mike Schlegel

November 24, 2024

Greeter: Connie Engren
Usher: Pat & Pat Weiss-Meyer
Lector: Julie Nielsen
Kitchen: Joanne Eittreim
Donut pickup: Jenny Boniarczyk

Council Rep: 8:00 Dave Baker
10:00 Denise Sunderland

December 2024

December 1, 2024

Greeter: Colleen Evenson
Usher: Barry Smith &
Margaret McBride
Lector: Wayne Olson
Kitchen: Ernie & Nancy
Sandahl
Donut pickup: Margaret Bauer

December 8, 2024

Greeter: Betty Grotte
Usher: Harlyn & Madge
Lillemoen
Lector: Gerald Anderson
Kitchen: Rose Hass
Donut pickup: Therese Cathers

December 15, 2024

Greeter: Rick & Jessica Larsen
Usher: Cierra & Megan Larsen
Lector: Mackenzie Larsen
Kitchen: Lisa Gustafson
Donut pickup: Joanne Eittreim

December 22, 2024

Greeter: Barry Smith &
Margaret McBride
Usher: Loretta Fornberg &
Paula Scheller
Lector: Karyn Hansen
Kitchen: Margaret Bauer
Donut pickup: Ben & Elizabeth
Pipp

December 29, 2024

Greeter: Matt Lundeen
Usher: Judy Carolan
Lector: Sharee Anderson
Kitchen: Jenny Boniarczyk
Donut pickup: Mike Schlegel

Council Rep: 8:00 Michelle Yurich
10:00 Morgan Engren



BIRTHDAYS

OCTOBER

2 Wayne Olson	8 Marcia Johnson	21 Kent Eittreim
3 Ellie Sand	9 Jack Bauer	21 Julie Nielsen
4 Bruce Hooker	10 Kaitlin Bender	24 Ron Selix
4 David Jaques	10 Marcia Westover	25 Dennis Belsheim
4 Barry Smith	11 LeAnn Snidarich	27 Hunter Belsheim
4 Bruce Yurich Jr.	14 Catie Dufeck	27 Les Rowe
5 Tyler Jensen	15 Jenny Boniarczyk	27 Jason Sonterre
5 Dian Tufenk	15 Duane Oberg	28 Jeremy Hill
6 Blaine Wald	17 Hayden Rockstad	28 Sophia Magaard
7 Ernie Englund	20 Arianna Browen	29 Charlotte Sonterre
7 Finn Netzer	20 William Rowe	31 Becky Agranoff

NOVEMBER

1 Rachel Maguire	13 Ross Vandenheuvel	23 Sarah Greene
1 Miura Yurich	14 Jocylyn Peterson	27 Chris Rowe
3 Sarah Koester	15 Joanna Puck	27 Megan Yurich
4 Karen Lundeen	15 Chrisy Strand	28 Linda Rouen
5 Margaret McBride	16 Kenna Hill	30 Baylye Anderson
7 Mike Hanson	16 Becky Olson	30 Mikki Hanson
8 Angie Hysten	18 Harold Merchlewitz	
8 Megan Larsen	21 Adam Staff	
9 Kathy Findell	22 Cece Netzer	
9 Jennifer Rowe	23 Tony Dufeck	
9 Archie Spike	23 JoJo Dufeck	
11 Justin Peterson		

DECEMBER

1 Therese Cathers	10 Wilder Anderson	21 Matt Hysten
1 Dana Riebe	11 Dale Hechsel	25 Elizabeth Pipp
2 J.T. Maguire	12 Dennis Fenlon	27 Madge Lillemoen
3 Melissa Brown	13 Bonnie Hanson	28 Lisa Lundeen
4 Reed Jensen	15 Kelsey Hooker	29 Carrie Englund
4 Amanda Koester	16 Deven Magaard	30 Paul Agranoff
5 Shirley Oldenburg	17 Brooklyn Brown	30 Andrew Overby
5 Everett Wachsmuth	17 Logan Soligny	31 Pastor Sue Olson
8 Dave Brown	18 Cole Vandenneuvel	
8 Lisa Gustafson	19 Jill Overby	

ANNIVERSARIES

OCTOBER

3 Larry & Jeannine Anderson	13 Lance & Jennifer Jensen
5 Barry Smith & Margaret McBride	14 Chad & Abbey Fournier
10 Ben & Elizabeth Pipp	14 Justin & Taylor Overby
11 Shane & Lori Wald	16 Mark & Heather Townswick
13 Harley & Madge Lillemoen	


NOVEMBER

6 John & Rose Hass
15 Richard & Jessica Larsen
16 Doug & Carole Larson
23 John & Julie Spletstoesser

DECEMBER





6 Larry & Joanna Puck
7 Bill & Sharon Sudeith
10 Josh & Tessa Budnick
14 Nate & Tammy Dufeck
30 Mark & Mikki Hanson

OCTOBER


Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
		1 9:30 Fellowship Café 7:00 AA
6 8:00 Traditional Worship* 9:00 Stewardship Mtg. 9:00 Property Team Mtg. 9:10 Sunday School 9:30 Breakfast Club 10:00 Contemporary Worship*	7 6:00 Western Heritage	8 9:30 Fellowship Café 1:00 Sunshine Circle 4:00 Finance Mtg. 7:00 AA
13 8:00 Traditional Worship 9:00 Mission Team Mtg. 9:10 Sunday School 9:30 Breakfast Club 10:00 Contemporary Worship 11:00 Highway Clean-up 3:00 Camp Onomia Comm. Mtg.	14 1:00 Friends of Ruth 6:30 Executive Mtg. 6:30 4H Lakeside Victory Club Mtg.	15 9:30 Fellowship Café 7:00 AA
20 8:00 Traditional Worship* 9:10 Sunday School 9:30 Breakfast Club 10:00 Contemporary Worship*	21 6:00 4H Long Lake Leaders Mtg.	22 9:30 Fellowship Café 7:00 AA
27 8:00 Traditional Worship 9:10 Sunday School 9:30 Breakfast Club 10:00 Contemporary Worship Affirmation of Baptism	28	29 9:00 Mission Quilting 9:30 Fellowship Café 7:00 AA

*Holy Communion on the First and Third Sunday

2024



Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>2</p> <p>1:00 GriefShare 5:00 Wed. Meal 6:00 Worship 6:30 Confirmation</p>	<p>3</p> <p>9:00 Prayer Group 10:30 Bible/Book Study 1:00 Rum River Consultants</p>	<p>4</p> <p>4:00 Spaghetti Dinner 7:00 AA</p>	<p>5</p> 
<p>9</p> <p>1:00 GriefShare 5:00 Wed. Meal 5:00 Worship & Music Traditional Mtg. 6:00 Worship 6:30 Confirmation</p>	<p>10</p> <p>9:00 Prayer Group 10:30 Bible/Book Study 12:00 Senior Cards</p>	<p>11</p> <p>10:00 Worship & Music Contemp. Mtg. 7:00 AA</p>	<p>12</p> <p>10:00 Confirmation Retreat 2:00 Looney Lutherans 7:00 Looney Lutherans</p> 
<p>16</p> <p>1:00 GriefShare 5:00 Wed. Meal 6:00 Worship</p>	<p>17</p> <p>9:00 Prayer Group 10:30 Bible/Book Study 1:00 WELCA Mtg. 6:30 Council Mtg.</p>	<p>18</p> <p>9:00 Jordan Candy Store Trip 7:00 AA</p>	<p>19</p> <p>9:00 LLIA Mtg.</p>
<p>23</p> <p>1:00 GriefShare 5:00 Wed. Meal 6:00 Worship 6:30 Confirmation</p>	<p>24</p> <p>9:00 Prayer Group 10:30 Bible/Book Study 12:00 Senior Cards</p>	<p>25</p> <p>10:00 Worship & Music Contemp. Mtg. 7:00 AA</p>	<p>26</p> <p>10:00 Confirmation Rehearsal 3:00 Trunk or Treat</p> 
<p>30</p> <p>11:30 Lunch Ladies 5:00 Wed. Meal 6:00 Worship 6:30 Confirmation</p>	<p>31</p> <p>9:00 Prayer Group 10:30 Bible/Book Study</p>		

NOVEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
		
3 Daylight Savings 8:00 Traditional Worship* 9:00 Stewardship Mtg. 9:00 Property Team Mtg 9:10 Sunday School 9:30 Breakfast Club 10:00 Contemporary Worship* 11:00 Playground Potluck	4 6:00 Western Heritage	5 9:30 Fellowship Café 7:00 AA
10 8:00 Traditional Worship 9:00 Mission Team Mtg. 9:10 Sunday School 9:30 Breakfast Club 10:00 Contemporary Worship 11:00 Youth & Ed. Mtg.	11 1:00 Friends of Ruth 6:30 Executive Mtg. 6:30 4H Lakeside Victory Club Mtg.	12 9:30 Fellowship Café 1:00 Sunshine Circle 4:00 Finance Mtg. 7:00 AA
17 8:00 Traditional Worship* 9:10 Sunday School 9:30 Breakfast Club 10:00 Contemporary Worship* 11:00 LifeRice	18 6:00 4H Long Lake Leaders Mtg. 6:30 Executive Mtg	19 9:30 Fellowship Café 7:00 AA
24 8:00 Traditional Worship 9:10 Sunday School 9:30 Breakfast Club 10:00 Contemporary Worship	25	26 9:00 Misson Quilting 9:30 Fellowship Café 7:00 AA

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2024


Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 7:00 AA	2 8:30 Women's Gathering
6 1:00 GriefShare 5:00 Wed. Meal 6:00 Worship 6:30 Confirmation	7 9:00 Prayer Group 10:30 Bible/Book Study 1:00 Rum River Consultants	8 10:00 Worship & Music Contemp. Mtg. 7:00 AA	9
13 1:00 GriefShare 5:00 Wed. Meal 5:00 Worship & Music Traditional Mtg. 6:00 Worship 6:30 Confirmation	14 9:00 Prayer Group 10:30 Bible/Book Study 12:00 Senior Cards	15 7:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED	16 9:00 LLIA Mtg.
20 1:00 GriefShare 5:00 Wed. Meal 6:00 Worship 6:30 Confirmation	21 9:00 Prayer Group 10:30 Bible/Book Study 1:00 WELCA Mtg. 6:30 Council Mtg.	22 10:00 Worship & Music Contemp. Mtg. 7:00 AA	23
27 11:30 Lunch Ladies 5:00 Thanksgiving Potluck 6:00 Thanksgiving Eve Worship 7:00 Pie Social Silent Auction	28 	29 7:00 AA	30 
OFFICE CLOSED			

DECEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
1 8:00 Traditional Worship* 9:00 Stewardship Mtg. 9:00 Property Team Mtg. 9:10 Sunday School 9:30 Breakfast Club 10:00 Contemporary Worship* 2:00 Friends of Ruth Christmas Tea	2 6:00 Western Heritage	3 9:30 Fellowship Café 7:00 AA
8 9:00 Live Nativity 10:00 S.S Christmas Program Rehearsal	9 1:00 Friends of Ruth 6:30 4H Lakeside Victory Club Mtg.	8 9:30 Fellowship Café 1:00 Sunshine Circle 4:00 Finance Mtg. 7:00 AA
15 8:00 Traditional Worship* 9:10 Sunday School 9:30 Breakfast Club 10:00 Contemporary Worship* 4:30 Sunday School Christmas Program	16 6:00 4H Long Lake Leaders Mtg. 6:30 Executive Mtg.	17 9:30 Fellowship Café 7:00 AA
22 8:00 Traditional Worship* 9:10 Sunday School 9:30 Breakfast Club 10:00 Contemporary Worship*	23 <div style="border: 2px solid red; text-align: center; padding: 5px;">OFFICE CLOSED</div>	24 4:00 Christmas Eve Worship 10:00 Christmas Eve Worship
29 8:00 Traditional Worship 9:30 Breakfast Club 10:00 Contemporary Worship	30 <div style="border: 2px solid red; text-align: center; padding: 5px;">OFFICE CLOSED</div>	31

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11 1:00 GriefShare 5:00 Wed. Meal 5:00 Worship & Music Traditional Mtg. 6:00 Worship 6:30 Confirmation	10 9:00 Prayer Group 10:30 Bible/Book Study 12:00 Senior Cards	11 10:00 Worship & Music Contemp. Mtg. 7:00 AA	12
18 1:00 GriefShare 5:00 Wed. Meal 6:00 Worship 6:30 Confirmation	17 9:00 Prayer Group 10:30 Bible/Book Study 1:00 WELCA Mtg. 6:30 Council Mtg.	18 9:00 Jordan Candy Store Trip 7:00 AA	19 9:00 LLIA Mtg.
25 9:00 Christmas Morning Worship	26 9:00 Prayer Group 10:30 Bible/Book Study 12:00 Senior Cards	27 10:00 Worship & Music Contemp. Mtg. 7:00 AA	28 
OFFICE CLOSED			

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