



United Lutheran Church, ELCA
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THE CONNECTION

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Come and Worship!

We celebrate with worship on

Sunday worship at 10 a.m.

Sunday School on Sundays at 10 a.m.

Ages 3 yrs through 5th grade.

All are welcome!

OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday: 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Wednesday: 1 – 4 p.m.

United Lutheran Church Council Members

Nancy Bernard	520-237-0999
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Kimberlee Gaunt	
Karisa Mukka, Treasurer	
Calli Sweeney	

Council President's News

Happy August United Family –

Coming up in a week or so we are hosting VBS for the first time in many years, August 3, 4, 5 from 5-7 pm. We will provide supper. But your child must be registered. Yes this is last minute, but they are still welcome to join us for 3 evenings of fellowship, food, and fun. Please call the church office for more details and to register. See other article in this newsletter.

Many people have questioned why we removed the trees from the front of the church... they were damaged from woodpeckers and either we had to take them down or an act of nature would have. We also removed a tree from the parsonage for the same reason. Tikky's Tree service did a wonderful job for us.

We will be having a Fall Potluck following worship on Sunday, September 28th. This will kick off our fall schedule for Sunday School and Confirmation.

Sunday School and Confirmation programs will kick off on Sunday, October 5th. Please mark your calendars.

God's Peace!

Renee

Women of the Church Executive Board will be meeting in August to plan for the upcoming year. If you have any ideas for programs or projects that you would like, please let one of us know....Ruth Anne, Nancy B., Marilyn, Renee, or Leann.

August Birthdays

August 1	Thomas Brown David Harden, Jr. Jane Olson
August 3	Jason Eliason Cooper LaPlante
August 4	Lisa Collins Lori Snow
August 6	Karl Kokko
August 9	Lucas Kissel Linnea Prost Kelsey Lindstrom Jeanne Anderson Renee Eliason Mark Lindstrom Brittney Newman Kristine Kokko Braylin LaPlante Janel LaPlante
August 13	Kyle Ahola
August 15	Alexander Brown Elaine Whitman
August 16	Birgit Mars
August 17	Miles VanAlstine Jerry DesLaurier Sylvia Jestila
August 18	Susan Copley
August 20	Jenna Isaacson
August 21	Henry LaFave Jill Lawson
August 23	Khloe Skoglund LouElla Ellis Jenny Heikkinen
August 24	Roger Copley
August 25	Shirley Soli
August 27	Kurt Allert
August 29	Lisa DesLaurier
August 30	





SHUT-INS

Please remember our shut-ins. Keep them in your prayers. If you have a moment, stop and visit them. Send them a “thinking of you” card (call the church office for address).

At Bayside Village: LouElla Ellis.

At Canal View, Hancock, MI: Barbara DesLaurier (*Room 308*), Carol Roth (*Room 306*)



John Autio, Lauryn Biekkola, Deann Buckhold, Danielle Collins, Heather Vizina Cote, George Cram, Kathy Danielson, Ann Daughterty, Ronda Dowd, Sigrid Doyle, Louella Ellis, Tim Elmlblad, Linda Elsner, John “Paavo”

Falk, Joe Gaffney, Dennis Heikkinen, Bridget Canter Holm, Joyce Hoskins, Arnold Jestila, Linda Kinnunen, Trudy Koski, Janel LaPlante, Steve Martinac, Joanne Mitchell, Jacey Mukka, Esther Neuner, Patricia Racine, Peggy Jestila Robillard, Carol Roth, Chad Roy, Roy Stearns, Robert Stoll, Joan Thompson, Chad & Jessica Tollefson, Tim VanBuren, Lyle Verbanac, Cody Vizina, Clark Westman, Elizabeth, Dorothy, Hank, Marty, Denise, Kim, Bobbi, Bill..

The family and friends of Wesley Kaurala

The family and friends of Mary Jane Clements Quass

The family and friends of Rusty Cook

Dear God,

I humbly ask that you heal us from any hurt, shame, sickness, and guilt. Heal our hearts, O Lord God. Give us beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, and let us wear the garment of praise instead of the spirit of heaviness and burden.

I pray in Jesus' name. Amen.



Vacation Bible School

United Lutheran Church will be hosting Vacation Bible School on August 3, 4, and 5 from 5-7 pm. It is open to all children who have completed Kindergarten through Fifth Grade. Dinner will be served

(Sunday will be Breakfast for dinner; Monday will be tacos, nachos, etc.; and Tuesday will be a potluck picnic at the L'Anse Township Park).

Food needed for approximately 30 -35 people.

Sunday dinner- Taco bar

Taco bar needs: taco meat prepared and ready to be warmed up to serve, taco hard shells, taco soft shells, tortilla chips, shredded cheese, shredded lettuce, fresh diced tomatoes, sour cream, salsa, nacho cheese

Drinks- juice, milk

Desserts - would be great too!

Monday dinner - Spaghetti

Spaghetti cooked and ready to be heated

Salad - lettuce, tomatoes, cucumbers, shredded cheese, ranch and Italian dressings, (have things prepped and kept separate to mix when we get there and so kids can pick their own salad dressing)

Garlic bread - the frozen packaged kind (we can heat it up in the oven at the church)

Desserts - would be great for this evening too!

Drinks -juice, milk

Tuesday dinner- Hotdogs and potluck

Potluck at Curwood Park

Hotdogs/buns provided by Pats/church

Donations: chips and pop and desserts would be greatly appreciated , freezie popsicles would be fun to have for the kids

Families of children in our VBS program: bring a dish to pass

Please call the church office with what you would like to bring.

Prayerline

Our Prayer line has dwindled down to only a few people. This ministry is a wonderful opportunity for us all to pray for someone in their darkest days.

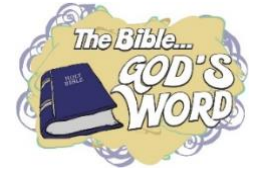
Please consider serving on this group. Here is how it works: We have a coordinator who is called when we receive a request for the prayerline. Sometimes someone will call Lisa in the office or call the coordinator. The prayerline is divided into two groups. The coordinator will call the first person in each group. That person will call the person below them on the list and so on. If the person you are calling does not answer, leave a message (if possible) and go on to the next person on the list. If you have any questions, please feel free to talk to Joanne Kemppainen, Renee, or Lisa. Please prayerfully consider joining our prayerline.



INTENTIONAL PRAYER

Prayer Requests: There is a basket and pieces of paper on the table in the Barrier-free entrance. The prayer group will meet on the third Tuesday of the month (**July 22nd**) at **10**

a.m. to pray for all who request prayers. You can also request prayers on Facebook (<http://www.facebook.com/ULCLanse>), by email (ulc_lanse40@yahoo.com), on the website (www.unitedlutheranchurchlanse.org) or by calling the church office (524-6484).



Aug 3	Need someone
Aug 10	Need someone
Aug 17	Need someone
Aug 24	Need someone
Aug 31	Need someone

If you would like to serve a coffee hour, please sign up on the sheet in the Barrier-free entrance. Thank you to all who serve coffee following worship! Such a wonderful time for fellowship!

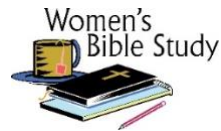
SPONSOR A BULLETIN



If you would like to sponsor a bulletin "in memory of" or "in honor of" a special person, for a donation of \$10, please contact Lisa in the church office (906-524-6484).

Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study will meet on Tuesday, August 12th at 9:30 a.m. in the Social Hall. Kris and Jeannie will be Hostesses.



Visitation Team

The Visitation Team has begun making home visits to offer Holy Communion. If you would like a visit to receive Holy Communion, please contact the church office and we will have someone visit you.



Worship Leaders for August

August 3	Renee Eliason
August 10	Pastor Julie Belew
August 17	Pastor Julie Belew
August 24	Renee Eliason
August 31	Renee Eliason

Youth News!

We have quite a few youth and a couple of adults who have or will be going to Fortune Lake this summer. Here are a few pictures of the kids at Fortune Lake.



Thank you for all the donations to Lutheran Disaster Response. We collected \$1270 to send to Lutheran Disaster Response to help people in North Carolina. Here is the letter we received from ELCA Lutheran Disaster Response.

As a church we are empowered to love and serve our neighbors as Christ first loved us. Your gifts to the ministries of the ELCA help people around the world feel the power and hope that flow from God's full, boundless love. Drawn together and guided by the Holy Spirit, we accomplish together what none of us could do alone, grace upon grace.

Your spirit-filled generosity helps families and communities reeling from disasters, in the immediate aftermath and far into the future. No matter the disaster, no matter the need, your gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response enable people to rebuild their lives and their livelihoods.

Thank you for your gracious gifts. You make God's love real.

With Gratitude,

The Rev. Daniel Rift

Director, Congregational Generosity

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Office hours: Monday – Closed Tuesday, Thursday, Friday – 9 am – 1 pm Wednesday 1 – 4 pm					1	2
3 10 am Worship Renee Coffee hour 5-7 pm Vacation Bible School	4 5-7 pm Vacation Bible School	5 5-7 pm Vacation Bible School at Curwood Park	6 1:00 Worship and Music	7 11 am AA	8	9
10 10 am Worship Pr Julie Coffee hour 11 am Council meeting	11	12 9:30 am Women's Bible Study	13	14 11 am AA	15	16
17 10 am Worship Pr Julie Coffee Hour	18	19 10 am Intentional Prayer	20	21 11 am AA	22	23
24 10 am Worship Renee Coffee hour	25	26	27	28	29	30
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