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 Grand Marais, MN
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GIVE *Gifts of Love* **NOW**

GOAT IS THE G.O.A.T. (Greatest Gift of All Time)



Thank you for
 spreading love
 and joy this
 Christmas season!

When you give a goat to a family in need this Christmas, you're giving a sustainable source of nutrition and income.

Goats provide milk and cheese to feed God's hungry children. They also offer natural fertilizer for crops, helping families grow all kinds of healthy food.

Families can also sell goat milk and cheese at the market, along with the vegetables they grow, so they can earn valuable income and feed their hungry community.



Mission
 Of the Month

**ELCA Good
 Gifts program**

**Goal: \$715
 Family Farm**

**Give early,
 we're tracking
 our progress.**

Prayer

Requests

Kati Kristenson Stieler & family

Living with painful cancer

Shelby Anderson

Recovering from hip
replacement surgery

Nancy Sande

Recovering from foot surgery

Barb Coe

Dealing with health issues

Sarah Rhodes

On leave of absence

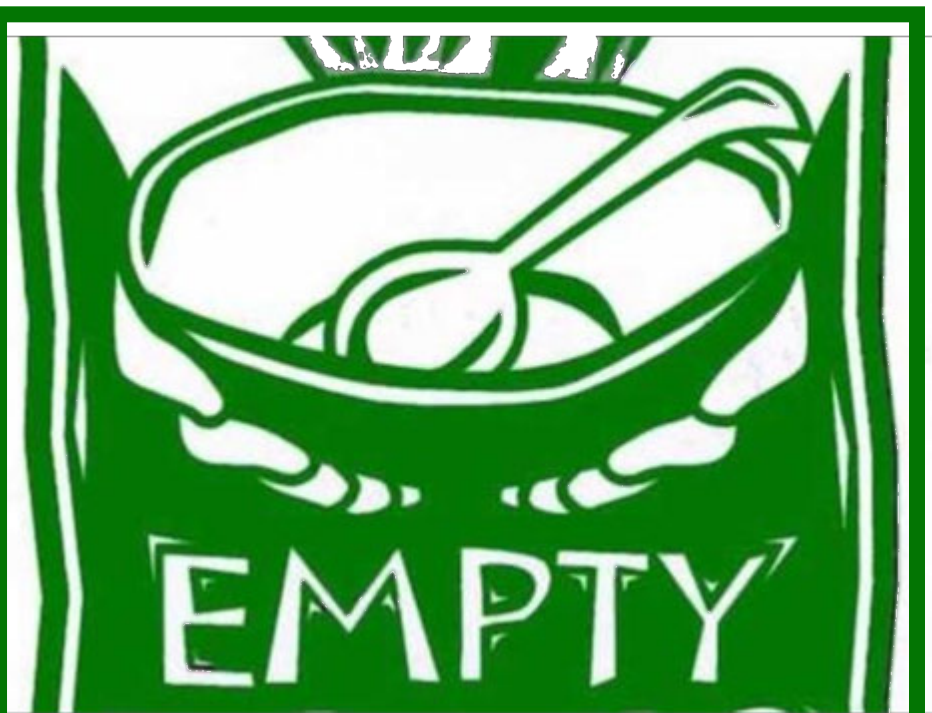
Gene Erickson

Dealing with health issues.

Cathy Hawkinson

Continues to recover from neck
surgery

*How can we
pray for you?*



Empty Bowls

Thursday Nov. 14

Up Yonder

11am to 1 pm

and 5 to 7 pm

Worship
Schedule

SUNDAYS 10:00AM

WEDNESDAYS 6:00 PM

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Sunday November 17, 2024

26th Sunday after Pentecost

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DWINJ8hGPJE>

Readings and Psalm for Sunday November 17th:

Daniel 12:1-3 The deliverance of God's people at the end

*Psalm 16 My heart is glad & my spirit rejoices;
my body shall rest in hope.*

Hebrews 10:11-25 The way to God opened through Christ's death

Mark 13:1-8 The end and the coming of the Son

ADVENT

Begins Sunday, Dec 1, 2024

Ruby's PANTRY

**GRAND MARAIS, MN
TUESDAY,
NOVEMBER 12, 2024
5:00 PM**

**Great Expectations Charter
School
550 East 5th Street
Grand Marais, MN**

Ruby's
PANTRY

**\$25
cash
per share
donation**

**Ruby's Pantry is for anyone
looking to extend their monthly
grocery budget.**

**There is no income or
residency requirement.**

Volunteers needed at 3:30pm until
6:30pm!!

Snowbirds have been leaving so we
need new volunteers - we will train
you ! Bag up food and cart to
waiting cars!

All-Youth Gathering

LET US RUN

THE RACE

● NEMN SYNOD ● AYG 2024 ● HEBREWS 12:1-3 ●

Pre-trip meeting with Youth & Parents:

November 20 at 7:30 pm

Upcoming Commemorations

**Elizabeth of Hungary, renewer of society,
died 1231** Sunday, November 17, 2024

Born in Hungary, Elizabeth was betrothed to the son of the Landgrave of Thuringia, and at age four was taken to be raised with him at the Wartburg Castle. Ten years later they were married. She was very generous to the poor, and after her husband's death she lived in cruel hardship until her own death at age twenty-four.

**Clement, Bishop of Rome, died around
100** Saturday, November 23, 2024

Clement was the third bishop of Rome. He is best remembered for a letter he wrote to the congregation in Corinth, still struggling with the same problems that led to Paul's letters to them. As did Paul, he focused on the need for love among Christians.

Miguel Agustín Pro, martyr, died 1927
Saturday, November 23, 2024

Pro grew up in a time when the Mexican revolutionaries accused the church of siding with the wealthy. He became a Jesuit priest, and worked on behalf of the poor and homeless. Falsely accused of throwing a bomb at a government official, he was executed, but not before crying out "Long live Christ the King!"

From sundaysandseasons.com.

Bring your commitment card on Sunday!



BECAUSE OF GOD'S GREAT MERCY



In support of the ministry of Bethlehem Lutheran Church:

I/We will give \$_____ per week/month/year for the coming year. (circle one)

- This represents an increase of at least ½ of 1% or more of our household income. (check box if this is true)
- I/We would like offering envelopes. ___ Weekly ___ Monthly ___ Holiday (check your choice)
- I/We do not need envelopes. I will send or place my offering in the plate at church.
- I/We would like to set up automated giving. (Complete the Authorization Form.)
- Please update my/our automated giving to reflect the above amount. I already have an authorization form on file.

Name/s _____ Signature/s _____

Mailing Address _____

This commitment can be changed at any time by contacting the church office.

Community Thanksgiving Dinner

at First Congregational United Church Of Christ

Thanksgiving Day, November 28, 2024

Join Us! All Are Welcome!

FREE Family-Style Turkey

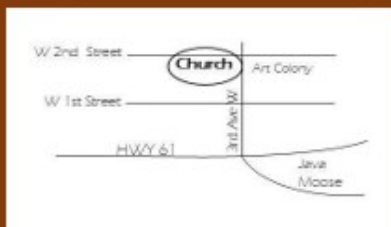
Meal with all the Trimmings

Serving Promptly at 1 p.m.
(doors open at noon)

Unable to attend in person?

Limited Take Out and delivery
meals by reservation only

Call Francie Beaster 218 - 475 - 2747
by November 21st



3rd Avenue West & 2nd Street

Grand Marais



I know many of you live out of city limits, but it's important that we all observe these parking rules. Think of those that have to live here and may have to hike over the mounds of snow drifts left on our street because parking rules aren't considered when in town.—Thanks so much, Denise.

WINTER PARKING ORDINANCE CHANGES

WINTER IS HERE, AND SO ARE THE NEW PARKING RULES TO KEEP OUR STREETS CLEAR AND SAFE! HERE'S WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW TO AVOID GETTING SNOWED IN OR TOWED:

NEW HOURS FOR OVERNIGHT PARKING:

Remember, parking on Highway 61 is now prohibited from 2 AM to 7 AM. Give those plows room to work their magic!

CALENDAR PARKING IN EFFECT:

Starting November 15 at 12:01 a.m. through April 15 at midnight, follow this rule daily:

- **Odd days:** Park on the side with odd-numbered addresses
- **Even days:** Park on the side with even-numbered addresses

ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS:

Some areas will be off-limits for parking all winter long.



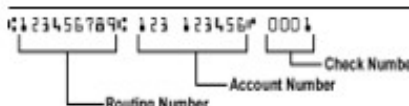
**Thank you
for your help keeping our
roads cleared and safe!**



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AUTOMATIC CONTRIBUTIONS AUTHORIZATION FORM

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Last Name		First Name	
Address			
City		State	Zip
Email Address			
DATE OF FIRST DONATION: ____/____/____	FREQUENCY: <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly on the 1 st <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly on the 15 th <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly – Mondays	FUNDS: <input type="checkbox"/> General/Operating <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	AMOUNTS: \$ _____ \$ _____ Total \$ _____
CHECKING / SAVINGS	Please debit my donation from my (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> Savings Account (contact your financial institution for Routing #) <input type="checkbox"/> Checking Account (attach a voided check or account verification letter below)		Routing Number: _____ Valid Routing # must start with 0, 1, 2, or 3 Account Number: _____ 
	I authorize the above organization to process debit entries to my account. I understand that this authority will remain in effect until I provide reasonable notification to terminate the authorization. Authorized Signature: _____ Date: _____		
FOR OFFICE USE ONLY		ENVELOPE/DONOR #	DATE
Effective date of authorization: ____/____/____			
Type of authorization: <input type="checkbox"/> New authorization <input type="checkbox"/> Change donation amount <input type="checkbox"/> Change donation date <input type="checkbox"/> Change banking information <input type="checkbox"/> Discontinue electronic donation			

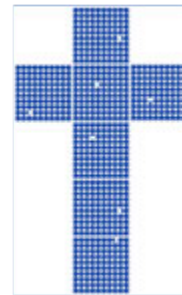
If using a checking account, please attach a voided check or account verification letter to the bottom of this page.



On-line giving is encouraged using this QR Code or through automatic transfer using this form.

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a stewardship program for our congregation



Dear Member or Friend of Bethlehem,

This month we are celebrating all that our congregation does in Jesus' name within Bethlehem Lutheran Church, in our children and youth ministries, in our community and around the world. So that we might do even more, each member and friend of our congregation is being asked to consider increasing their giving to the congregation by ½ of 1% of their household income.

Calculating this amount is easy. Just take the following steps:

1. Following is a chart on which you can find your annual income and determine the amount of an increase, whether you give weekly or monthly.
2. Find the income that is closest to yours. If your income falls between numbers, either pick the one larger or smaller.

If you currently give electronically, use the enclosed form to increase your giving.

If you don't currently give electronically, now is a great time to start:

1. Fill out the enclosed commitment card and mail it in the enclosed envelope or return it in worship this coming week to register your increase, or
2. Complete the enclosed Automatic Contributions (Simply Giving by VANCO) form and mail it in the enclosed envelope or return it in worship to sign up for electronic giving, or
3. Simply begin giving at your new level.

Because of you, Bethlehem is doing so much. When all of us take this opportunity to increase our financial support of the congregation's ministry, we will be able to do even more. Thanks for your participation in our congregation's ministry.

Sincerely,

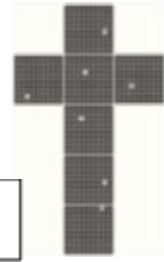
Your Stewardship Committee

Pastor Calvin Konop, Dianne Peterson, Gwen Lenz, Eric Anderson & Craig Peterson



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A Simple Chart to Help You Increase Your Giving to Bethlehem by ½% of Your Household Income

Find your approximate annual household income:	If you give weekly, increase your giving by:	If you give monthly, increase your giving by:
\$20,000	\$2.00 per week	\$8.00 per month
\$40,000	\$4.00 per week	\$17.00 per month
\$60,000	\$6.00 per week	\$26.00 per month
\$80,000	\$8.00 per week	\$35.00 per month
\$100,000	\$10.00 per week	\$43.00 per month
\$120,000	\$12.00 per week	\$52.00 per month
\$140,000	\$14.00 per week	\$60.00 per month
\$160,000	\$16.00 per week	\$69.00 per month
\$180,000	\$18.00 per week	\$78.00 per month
\$200,000	\$20.00 per week	\$86.00 per month
\$220,000	\$22.00 per week	\$95.00 per month
\$240,000	\$24.00 per week	\$104.00 per month