

Weekly Calendar

Today!

Following Worship: Congregational Meeting in the Sanctuary followed by the New Frontier Lutheran Radio Hour in the Lakeview Room
11 am and 2 pm: 3,000 Acts of Kindness Volunteering
12–2 pm Children's Christmas Program Dress Rehearsal
5 pm Confirmation Class

It's Meals on Wheels Drive Week!

Monday, Dec 8

9 am 3,000 Acts of Kindness
3 & 5 pm Serve at New Creations
5:30 pm Children's Bells Rehearsal
6:30 pm Scouts; Carillon Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, Dec 9

9:30 am–3 pm Whole Person Wellness Screenings
10 am Quilting, Staff Meeting
3 pm Chair Yoga
6:30 pm Congregational Council
7 pm Gathered in Love: Interfaith Service of Trans Solidarity (Location: Creekside UCC)

Wednesday, Dec 10

10 am Bible Study
11:30 am–5:30 pm Blood Drive
5:30–6:15 pm Community Dinner
6 pm Children's Christmas Program Rehearsal
6:30 pm Holden Evening Prayer
7:30 pm Youth Group

Thursday, Dec 11

2 pm COMET Training

Friday, Dec 12

10 am Deliver Every Meal at Barton

Saturday, Dec 13

10 am Alcoholics Anonymous
6 pm Progressive Dinner

Announcements

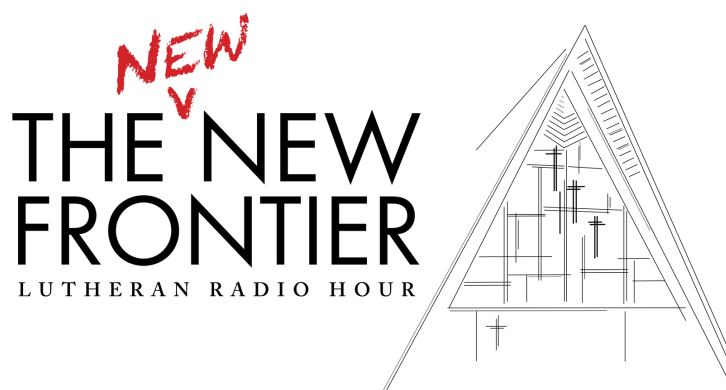
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Do you receive our Thursday eNews in your email inbox? Contact the office to get on the mailing list. You may also visit our website for service opportunities and more activities. Find the latest issue of *The Ripple* (our monthly magazine) in the narthex just outside the Sanctuary or in the Commons Area. Please take one home!

Congregational Meeting Today!

We have one last order of business this year as a congregation as we reconcile our 2025 budget. Please stay in the Sanctuary after worship for information regarding an endowment release, followed by a vote.

The NEW New Frontier Lutheran Radio Hour Follows Congregational Meeting



Grab a cup of coffee and a donut and attend the December performance of *The NEW New Frontier Lutheran Radio Hour* following worship in the Lakeview Room. Never seen the show? It's a humorous look at the everyday-ness of Lutheran church life. We'll have coloring pages and other quiet activities in the room for kids. Free and all are welcome (and you should get home before the first quarter of the game is over!).



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Keeping in Prayer

Family of Nick Schmidt, following the death of his grandmother, Marge Bud Benson
Jane and Alva Pingel

This Week's Birthdays

Dec 7 Doris Erickson; Katie Pope
Dec 8 Sheryl Birk Gable
Dec 11 Gary Milne; Greg Slover
Dec 12 Debbie Bergman; Julia Johnson; Jake Svenddal; Joshua Mastroianna
Dec 13 Ceci Campbell; Lars Lunder

65+ Wellness Screenings on Tuesday, Dec 9

In a free 45-minute appointment, you'll meet with a U of M nursing student and a registered nurse to check your blood pressure, oxygen levels, and body composition. Together, you'll develop a personalized wellness plan—all while helping nursing students gain valuable experience and providing Parish Nurse Parker Webster with anonymous, aggregated data to support congregational program and care planning.

The Blood Drive is Wednesday!

**DONATE
BLOOD
SAVE A LIFE**
**Wednesday, Dec. 10
11:30 AM–5:30 PM**

Get your preferred time slot now to donate blood on Wednesday, Dec 10. You CAN give blood even if you donated at our last blood drive or recently traveled to Europe. Scan the QR code here to reserve your time. For help with registration or questions, contact Parish Nurse Parker Webster at parker.webster@dllc.org.



Changing Our Mental and Emotional Trajectory (COMET) Webinar on Thursday, Dec 11

2–4 pm

Group Viewing in the Diamond Lake Lutheran North Room (No sign-up required—just drop in!)

This two-hour webinar teaches participants how to reach out in a meaningful, respectful, and supportive way to friends, co-workers, or acquaintances who seem to be struggling somewhere between wellness and a mental health crisis. This training doesn't expect community members to "fix it," but instead teaches people to feel comfortable initiating a supportive and potentially emotional conversation by using a simple seven-question guide.

Parish Nurse Parker Webster will facilitate an informal conversation for anyone interested following the webinar.

Holden Evening Prayer Continues on Wednesday



Wednesday, Dec 10, 17, 6:30 pm

Community Dinner 5:30–6:15 pm

We're gathering in the Sanctuary after dinner on Wednesdays for a time of song, candlelight, poetry, and stillness in the midst of a busy season. Together we'll sing through the Holden service, including Mary's Magnificat, as we wait for the coming of Emmanuel, God-With-Us. All ages are invited to attend; Kids Club is not running concurrently during these services.



Sunday, December 14

9:30 worship

The children of Diamond Lake Lutheran will present a creative retelling of the birth of Jesus during worship with Mary Said Yes!, a pageant written by Pastor Andrea. After the program, all are invited to the Lakeview Room for fellowship with cookies, cocoa, and gift wrapping for the families in the Lutheran Social Service apartments we support through the Welcome Home ministry.

Would you like to contribute cookies to the wrap-a-thon? Sign up using this QR code!



Looking Ahead

Dec 14 Children's Christmas Program; Welcome Home Wrap-a-Thon; Ignite Christmas Party; Gather Twin Cities Bevies with the Bishops

Dec 17 Bible Study; Youth Musical Rehearsal; Community Dinner; Holden Evening Prayer; Youth Group

Dec 18 Book Club

Dec 20 Safe Hands Rescue Adoptable Dog Meet & Greet; Blue Christmas Worship (6 pm)

Dec 21 Sunday Supper with Holiday Buffet

Dec 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship (4 pm)