Weekly Calendar

Today!

It's Pentecost and New Member Sunday! Wear your name tag and make sure to introduce yourself to our new members!

Monday, June 9

3 and 5 pm Serve at New Creations Food Ministry 6:30 pm Scouts

Tuesday, June 10 10 am Quilting; Chair Yoga; Staff Meeting 6:30 pm Congregational Council

Wednesday, June 11 10 am-12 pm Storytelling Workshop

Thursday, June 12 I I am Memorial Service for Dale Erickson, Luncheon Following

Saturday, June 14 10 am Alcoholics Anonymous

Contribute Music for Summer

Worship Are you a musician? Share your talents with our community during worship this summer! All services begin at 9:30 am, and an accompanist can be arranged upon request. Please email Kathy Gustafson if you have any questions at msgus50@msn.com. Sign up via the form in the Commons Area or the link in the weekly email.

Announcements June 8, 2025

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 gathering area. Please take one home.

Welcome, New Members!

Sophia Herrera, John Strasser, **Connor, and Eleanor**



The Herrera and Strasser family is joining Diamond Lake Lutheran, drawn by the congregation's support for the Scout troops and its commitment to service and social justice. John serves as the Advancement Coordinator for Troop 3196, while Sophia is the Assistant Scoutmaster for 3196 and Event Coordinator for both 3196 and 5196. Connor (16) and Eleanor (14) are both active in Scouting. John and Sophia are originally from outside Minnesota, and the

family now lives in the Hale neighborhood. They love gardening, camping, hiking, and biking. More hobbies include knitting, sewing, reading, cooking, rocketry, music, painting, board games, and baking. Professionally, Sophia has a background in biology and has worked in finance, while John works in IT.

Nathan and Jessie Jones



Jessie and Nathan were drawn to Diamond Lake Lutheran for its welcoming and progressive spirit, beautiful building, vibrant faith community, and the gluten-free communion! The location was another bonus: just a short bike ride or walk from their home in Richfield. Jessie and Nathan are both architects—Jessie works with engineers on infrastructure, industrial, and commercial projects, while Nathan focuses on recreation, commercial,

and community-based design. In their free time, they enjoy hiking, biking, gardening, DIY house projects, and relaxing with their two cats while watching movies and TV shows. Originally from central lowa (Jessie) and central Illinois (Nathan), they met at Iowa State University and lived in Kansas City for four years before relocating to Minnesota a year and a half ago. They're enjoying life in the Twin Cities and their new church!

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Keeping in Prayer

Jane and Alva Pingel Janis and Ralph Mayer Family and friends of Dale Erickson

This Week's Birthdays

June 8 Mary Teurman; Mary Jane Yockers June 9 Margaret Zuckweiler June 11 Polly Bergman; David Brauer; Leslie Pitt June 12 June Johnson; Alexandra Peterson; Cullen Peterson, Matthew Roberts June 13 Jack Mahler; Maximus Spring June 14 Christopher Bergman; Audrey Wessling

Seeking Volunteers for New Creations Food Ministry

Help get food to our neighbors who need it. New Creations offers two volunteer shifts every Monday:

- 3–5 pm: Sort and pack food
- 5–7 pm: Distribute food, assist guests, and help create a welcoming space

Volunteers (grades 6 and up, including adults) are always welcome—come when you can! Spanish-speaking volunteers are especially appreciated. New Creations is just 1.5 miles from Diamond Lake Lutheran.

To sign up, scan the QR code or contact John Pedersen, Director of Community Outreach, at john.pedersen@dllc.org.

Meals on Wheels Drive Week is June 23–28

Want to get involved in this important ministry? It usually takes about an hour or less to complete a route. Sign up for as many or as few days as your schedule allows. Contact Meals on Wheels Coordinator Paul Groskreutz at 770-639-1685 or prgroskreutz@gmail.com to get involved.



Looking Ahead

June 15 Day Camp Volunteer Training June 16-20 South Minneapolis Day Camp June 18 Storytelling Workshop (off-site) June 19 Book Club June 19-22 Luther Park High School Leadership Training June 22 Sunday Supper with Senior Story Slam June 22–28 Luther Park Week June 23–27 Meals on Wheels Drive Week June 25 TRUST, Inc. Coffee and Conversation; Ice Cream on the Lawn June 28-29 Twin Cities Pride Weekend June 29 Outdoor Worship July 8 Congregational Council; Ice Cream on the Lawn July 9 Summer Series: Exploring Revelation Begins

Support Day Camp's New Service Project!

We're assembling care kits for unhoused neighbors during Day Camp. To help gather supplies, we've created an Amazon Wishlist for participating congregations. Donations can be shipped directly to the church. **If you're able to contribute items, please visit: amzn.to/43tlEBq or scan the QR code below.** This is a great way to support Day Camp, especially for those who aren't able to volunteer in person. Thank you for helping us care for our wider community!



Volunteer at Day Camp, June 16-20!

There's still room for volunteers at Day Camp! Spend time with kids and youth this summer, even if you don't have kids/grandkids in the camp. Help out for one day, or all week—whatever your schedule allows. **Register here:** https://www.smplsdaycamp.org

