



# The Shepherd's Staff

September 2025

*Chosen to Serve † Sharing the Journey † Making Christ Known*



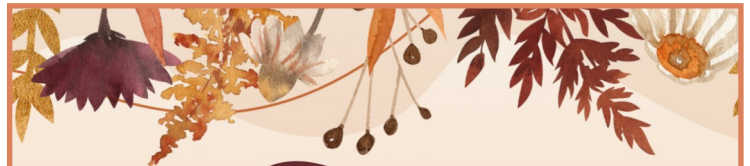
## Confirmation 2025

**Sunday, September 14**  
**10:45 am**  
**Dell Rapids City Park**

Our 10th grade students will affirm the promises made in their baptism (confirmation) in an outdoor service at the Dell Rapids City Park.

Everyone is welcome to join us at 10:45 am on Sunday, September 14. Please bring your own seating.

**\*\*A regular worship service will also be at 8:30 am that morning at LCDR.**



## Fall Worship

**Begins September 7**

**Worship**  
**8:30 am & 10:45 am**

**Sunday School**  
**Coffee & Fellowship**  
**9:30 am**



### *Welcome to our new Custodian, Stacia!*

Stacia Bunkers has been a part of the Dell Rapids community since 2000. She graduated from Dell Rapids Public in 2008. Her and her Husband ( Dylan) were married in 2017, and keep very active with their 3 sons, Hunter, Ryder and Sutton. They also round out their family with their 5 year old Saint Bernard Opie. They have been active members here at LCDR since 2019. As a family they enjoy camping, fishing, riding dirt bikes/ATVs, and anything else outdoor or sport related. When she is not working or holding down the family she likes to read, go to concerts, workout and just spend time with her girlfriends.

*From the Senior Pastor:*

Dear Friends,

There's a humming sound at LCDR in these closing days of August. It's the sound of the healthy 'motor' of energy, engagement, and joy as the fall programs come back online. Rally Day, Orientation Night, Confirmation service, new Evangelism Interest Group.....and more opportunities for growing in our faith across the generations.....are starting up in the coming weeks of September. It's a very good sound, and I hope you are finding ways to add your voice and your presence to some or all of these offerings.

I especially am looking forward to **Confirmation Sunday, September 14**, when 13 of our youth will Affirm their Baptism at our **10:45 am worship service in the Park** (early service as usual at LCDR). I'm looking forward to having **our guest preacher for the Confirmation worship, Pr Jeff Sorenson**, share the Word, and give his wisdom to the young Confirmands whom he helped to shape in their faith journey as their pastor for many years. It's a healthy thing to be able to invite a former pastor to return for such an occasion, and I know all of us will enjoy seeing and hearing Pr Jeff again at the 10:45 service.

The beginning of the fall programs in a congregation is a little bit like New Year's when big celebrations accompany a new schedule of events with lots of people involved. We may not throw confetti in September, but we could think about another New Year's tradition which is to make **resolutions**. I grant you that many times our resolutions don't all last thru January, (or is that just my resolutions??) but there is still value in thinking about our goals, our hopes, our intentions for the coming year.

In terms of the ministry areas of our congregation, then, what are your hopes, goals, and intentions for this '25 – '26 program year? Here are some ideas I've been thinking about. See if any of them fit for you. What if:

- We resolved to pray daily for the people and ministry of LCDR? Maybe that would be a commitment to look through a recent membership directory, a page or three at a time/a day and pray for those names and faces. What a gift to give one another: to be in prayer for each other, as well as our other prayer concerns. Maybe your prayer commitment would be to simply say: "Bless my Church, Lord" or "God bless LCDR". A few seconds of lifting your care for your congregation to God. The method may be variable, but the intention is one we will all benefit from.
- We resolved to be regular in our attendance at weekly worship. Maybe that would be an 'easy' resolution if you are already there weekly, but perhaps it would be a renewal of that regular rhythm of our lives for others of us. Know that you are always welcome, whenever you attend.
- We resolved to be generous givers to our congregation through our time, talents, and financial support. This resolution would be an encouragement to review our involvements, and our giving, and pray about how and where we can do more. The Stewardship program comes in a few months, so it's not too early to be thinking about what God is calling you to do, to give, to be in the world, and in our congregation.

My list of resolutions for a new program year at LCDR could go on and on. I am so grateful for all the ways you are engaged at LCDR, and for the lively, healthy ministry we are a part of here. **Thank you for all you do, and give, and who you are as God's people!** Let's think and pray together about how God is calling us to continue, and grow, in all these ways and more.

We have a great program year ahead of us, with lots of great volunteers and participants on board already. There's always room for more.

See you in Church,  
*Pastor Andrea*

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**Custodian:** Stacia Bunkers

**Media Tech:** Scott Saxon

**Treasurer:** Tom Morris

**Financial Secretary:** Kristen  
Boyle

**Accompanist/Organist:** Kris  
Langer, Rachel Pierson, Amber  
Pollmann

**Choir Director:** Nancy Kelm

**2025 Council Members**

Alyssa Zweifel, President  
Zachary Rogen, President Elect  
Shanna Moke, Past President  
Kathy Bongers, Secretary  
Tom Morris, Treasurer  
Lindsey Ronfeldt, Kayla  
Carstensen, Scott Zellmer,  
Steven Munk, Bob Harms, Sue  
Bredlow, Lisa Wilber, Ella  
Johnson

*From the Associate in Ministry:*



**5:30 P.M., Tuesday September 16**

**TROY TROFTGRUBEN**

Author of **BEARING WITNESS**

Join us for a meal, conversation, and an introduction to

***“CONTAGIOUS CHRISTIANITY”***

In his new book, Bearing Witness, Troy Troftgruben helps us to think differently about the call to share the message Jesus. Using the story of the growth of the church in the Book of Acts, Professor Troftgruben expands our imagination and sparks our creativity, helping us to understand that at its core, bearing witness is simply telling our own story. How can we let Jesus' message of love just spring organically from who we are? In his words, how can we become Contagious Christians?

**Are you intrigued? I hope so, because I am!** And he is coming to us right here at LCDR to share his insight and to engage us in the story. Pastor Troftgruben is a professor of New Testament and Biblical Theology at Wartburg Seminary. He will be in South Dakota speaking to pastors at their Fall Theological Conference in Pierre, and Pastor Andea talked him into coming to spend an evening with us. You won't want to miss this, so mark your calendar now!

*Pat Eidsness, AiM*

You can let us know you are coming by calling  
605-428-3197 or emailing [lcdr@siouxvalley.net](mailto:lcdr@siouxvalley.net)



### General Fund Financial Snapshot

July 2025

Monthly Total Income Goal:	\$36,965.51
July Total Regular Income:	\$31,235.25
July Expenses:	\$27,391.06

#### **YTD through July**

General Fund Income	\$236,083.08
General Fund Expenses	\$233,841.05

**2,242.03**

7.5% of Offering is paid to Synod monthly

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

## **80+ Birthdays in September**

Sep 4: Larry Jorgenson

Sep 29: Roald Eidsness



**FEEDING<sup>®</sup>**  
SOUTH DAKOTA  
**BackPack Program**

## October is LCDR's Meals on Wheels & Backpack Program Month

### **Meals on Wheels**

Please check your October calendar to determine which days you could help deliver Meals on Wheels to Dell Rapids residents who are in need of this service.

- ◆ Pick up the noon meals at the WEST door of Dells Nursing and Rehab Center between 10:50 am— 11:00 AM. You will also receive a list of guests and their addresses.
- ◆ Meals will be placed at the doorsteps (on a box, chair, table outside of the recipient's door to eliminate person to person contact during delivery. Please knock on the door to announce the meal, but you do not need to wait for an answer.
- ◆ You are encouraged to use hand sanitizer, gloves or wash hands before and after delivery.
- ◆ That's it. It usually takes approximately 45 minutes to complete the task.

### **Feeding South Dakota Backpack Program**

LCDR's commitment to Meals on Wheels also includes a commitment to the **Backpack Program** for elementary school children. Every Tuesday in October a volunteer should call the elementary school making arrangements to pick up the empty back packs that day (428-3192, asking to speak to Heidi Adams, secretary). Those back packs need to be delivered to Feeding SD the next day (Wednesday) at 2901 W 7th St in Sioux Falls (located just south of Harley Davidson on 60th St N.) They will give you the totes to be delivered back to Dells Elementary that same day. Please help us provide this service to youth by signing up for a Tuesday/Wednesday in October.

**The sign-up sheets will be available in the Welcome Center. We need you!**

**Contact Ada Jorgenson with any questions at [ajorgenson@siouxvalley.net](mailto:ajorgenson@siouxvalley.net) or 605-351-0490.**





**Gather Bible Study**  
**Wednesday, September 24**  
**1:30 PM**  
**Friendship Village**  
**All are welcome!**



If you, a family member or friend would like a Prayer Shawl, please contact the office at 605-428-3197.

*"Shawls ... made for centuries universal and embracing, symbolic of an inclusive, unconditionally loving, God. They wrap, enfold, comfort, cover, give solace, mother, hug, shelter and beautify. Those who have received these shawls have been uplifted and affirmed, as if given wings to fly above their troubles..."*

*~Janet Severi Bristow*



**County Fair**  
**Gift Cards**

County Fair gift cards are available in increments of \$25, \$50 and \$100 to purchase in our church office. Our youth ministry receives 5% back! This is a great way to support LCDR Youth Ministry at no cost to you.

**THANK YOU LAUNDRY**  
**WITH LOVE VOLUNTEERS!**



Your help with donations, a wholesome meal, and your hands on support meant the world to laundromat guests! During the 7/22 event, LCDR provided a large box of laundry supplies, quarters for 40 families, and served 135 meals.

**\*\*Meal expenses**  
**supplemented with Thrivent**  
**Action Team Funds. Learn**  
**more at Thrivent.com**



**HELP NEEDED!**



If you are waiting for your kids to get done with Sunday School, would you be willing to help stack & put away chairs in St. Peters hall after music? You can show up around 10:10. Carts are available to stack them on. Darcie would be forever grateful if a parent or high school student could help out each week!



## **CHOIR PRACTICE**

Calling all singers! The LCDR Choir will begin practices on **Wednesday, September 3 at 6:30 pm** in the chapel. We are always looking for new members to join the group.

No experience required.

If you have any questions, please contact  
Nancy Kelm at 370-8286.



**We Need**  
**You!**

Beginning September 8, 2024 we will resume our fall schedule with 2 services at 8:30 am & 10:45 am. With two services we double our need for volunteers! Each service requires:

- Ushers
- Scripture Reader
- Communion Servers

Your help is vital in our services running smoothly. If you have ANY questions please do not hesitate to ask! Our goal is to equip everyone with the information they need to make assisting in Worship enjoyable and simple. **THANK YOU** to everyone willing to help!

**SIGN UP in the Welcome Center**  
**or contact Arrielle at 605-428-3197**

# YOUTH MINISTRY

## *From the Youth & Worship Leader:*

With summer now in the rearview mirror, our focus now swings to our youth programming for the next 9 months! Truth be told, that's where our focus has been since we closed the door on last school year. Over the past 3 months, Pastor Andrea, Pat, and I have worked together to update some of what we do at LCDR and how we do it. Here are just a few of the changes:

Snack & Drink Donation - Food is one way our youth connect at LCDR! They are teenagers (or pretty close), after all. Instead of asking parents to occasionally provide a snack and drink, this year we are asking that families provide a \$25 donation in the fall and again after the New Year (total of \$50) for each child involved in our High 5, Route 67 and confirmation programming. This will go a long way toward covering our costs for this part of our ministry. Cash, checks (made payable to LCDR YOUTH) and Venmo are accepted.

Youth may also note a change in the structure of our nights, with more work being done in small groups, the addition of music and theater to the activities provided, and older youth serving as group leaders. Speaking of which...

We are so excited to have a group of high school students willing to be a part of The Luther League - a group of "super heroes" helping lead small group activities for our middle school groups. As our youth numbers continue to grow, we need more helpers to make the programming run smoothly, and our high school youth are a perfect fit.

*John Pollmann*



**Youth  
Registration**



**Simple Supper  
Sign Up**



**Acolyte  
Sign Up**

## **UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS**

### **September 3 | Youth Activities**

5:30 pm Simple Supper  
6:15 pm Route 67 & Confirmation

### **September 7 | Blessing of 5th Graders**

8:30 am Blessing of 5th Graders  
9:30 am 5th Grade Open House

### **September 10 | Youth Activities**

3:30 pm High 5!  
5:30 pm Simple Supper  
6:15 pm Route 67/Confirmation  
7:30 10th Grade Confirmation Rehearsal

### **September 14 | Confirmation in the Park**

10:45 am Worship in the City Park  
Affirmation of Baptism for  
10th Grade

### **September 17 | Youth Activities**

3:30 pm High 5  
5:30 pm Simple Supper  
6:15 pm Route 67/No Confirmation

### **September 24 | Youth Activities**

3:30 pm High 5!  
5:30 pm Simple Supper  
6:15 pm Route 67 & Confirmation

**If you have any questions, please contact John  
at 605-370-8092 • [lcdryouth@siouxvalley.net](mailto:lcdryouth@siouxvalley.net)**



## **Affirmation of Baptism**

**Sunday, September 14  
City Park @ 10:45 am**

Our 10<sup>th</sup> grade students will affirm the promises made in their baptism (confirmation) in an outdoor service at the City Park! All are welcome to join us at 10:45 am on Sunday, September 14 (a regular worship service will be at 8:30 am at LCDR). Please bring your own seating. Confirmation rehearsal will be at 7:30 pm the Wednesday night before, September 10.



# SUNDAY SCHOOL



## From the Director of Sunday School:

What a great way to end August with our Rally Day Sunday. Even though we couldn't enjoy it in the park, it was a great turnout at the church...and the coffee truck, wow! I had a couple kids ask if we could have that coffee truck every Sunday! A big thanks to many people who helped make Rally Sunday a great day – John for setting up the gaga pit; the Praise Band for awesome music (glad to have them back every month); Pastor Andrea and Pat for the great sermon on “listening and being silent”; Nicole Dulaney, Sami Dulaney, Boden Weidauer and Natalie Nelson for doing a great job with the sermon skit; to my Board of Ed members who helped with setting up the games, the food, serving and cleaning up; Jillian Nedved-Harms and Annie Selken and their kiddos for helping tear down the gaga pit and rolling it back down to St. Peter's Hall. We've got a great September and October planned with lots of Milestone Ministry events, so looking forward to seeing all the kids back at our church home. Here's to a September filled with crisp air and cozy moments!

*Darcie*



## TEACHING IS A WORK OF HEART

Suzie Cleveland  
Carmen Rogen  
Rebecca Bonin  
Kayla Carstensen  
Katie Diez  
Kelsey Rounds  
Nicole O' Bryan  
Rachel Rounds  
Jill Smith  
Brittany Moeller

Arrielle Scheibler  
Shauna Hoglund  
Nicole Dulaney  
Carrie Addengast  
Rachel Pierson  
Nancy Kelm  
Jann Saxon  
Crystal Dahl  
Cassandra Menzel

**We installed our Sunday School teachers during Rally Day Worship Service on Sunday, August 24 at LCDR.  
We appreciate you so much!**



### August 31

No Sunday School

### September 7

**8:30 am** Blessing of the 5th Graders

**9:30 am** First Day of Sunday School/5th Grade Open House in Chapel

### September 14

**9:30 am** Sunday School

**10:45 am** Confirmation in the Park

### September 21

**9:30 am** Sunday School

### September 28

**8:30 am** 3rd Grade Bibles

**9:30 am** Sunday School/3rd Grade Bible Activities in Fellowship Hall

### Looking Ahead.....

### October 5

**Mitten Tree Donation Begin**

**8:30 am** Nursery Bibles/N-K Sing

**9:30 am** Sunday School/Nursery Bible Activities in Fellowship Hall with Families

## 5th Grade Blessing & Youth Group Meeting

**Sunday, September 7 @ 8:30 am Service**  
**Student/Parent meeting to follow in chapel**

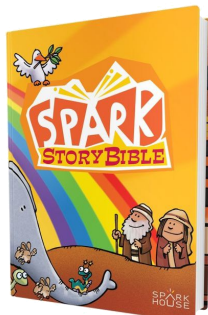
All 5th graders and parents are invited to receive a blessing at the 8:30 am worship service. All 5th graders and parents are also invited to a meeting (with donuts) after worship from 9:30 am - 10:00 am in the Chapel. We will explain what the High 5! Youth group looks like and what that means for 5th graders, and sign up for Simple Suppers.



# Presentation of Bibles

## MILESTONES MINISTRY

**Nursery (3 year olds)** will receive their Story Bibles on **Sunday, October 5** at the 8:30 am Worship. Between services, Nursery students & their families will do Bible activities in the back of Fellowship Hall.



**Our 3rd Grade Sunday School Students** will be receiving their 3rd Grade Spark Bibles on **Sunday, September 28** at 8:30 am. Between services, students and families will do Bible activities in the back of the Fellowship Hall.

If you have any questions, please contact Darcie at [lcdrdarcie@siouxvalley.net](mailto:lcdrdarcie@siouxvalley.net)

## FALL OFFICE HOURS

8:00 AM  
to  
4:00 PM

Bulletin Deadline:  
Thursdays at 11 am

### Get your official LCDR T-Shirt!



We're still taking **orders** for our brand-new **LCDR T-shirts!**

Whether you're volunteering, attending events, or just want to rep our church family, these shirts are a perfect way represent LCDR. We also look forward to T-Shirt Sundays at church!

♦ **Available Sizes:** Youth S – Adult 4XL

♦ **Design:** Available to view in Church Entrance. Logo on front, mission on back.

♦ **Cost:** Youth—Adult XL (\$25) 2X-4X (\$30)

♦ **How to Order:**

Stop by the church office to buy one now! You may order more by filling out an order form and returning it with payment to the church office if we do not have your size in stock.

Let's wear our faith together!

**Questions?** Contact the church office.

## getCONNECTED

- ⇒ Live Worship posted for 8:30 am Worship services at LCDR
- ⇒ Follow LCDR on Facebook
- ⇒ Subscribe to our YouTube channel
- ⇒ Find current activities and worship materials on our website at [lcdr-sd.org](http://lcdr-sd.org)



Visit our website, [lcdr-sd.org](http://lcdr-sd.org), to find a link to our YouTube channel!

*Then you will call upon me  
and come and pray to me,  
and I will hear you.*

*When you search for me,  
you will find, if you seek me  
with all your heart.*

**Jeremiah 29: 12-13**



**Young at Heart  
Thursday,  
September 18 at 12 pm**

Young at Heart will meet in the Fellowship Hall for a potluck at noon.

Young at Heart is for anyone wanting to gather for ideas, food and fellowship.



**September Altar  
Committee:**

Bev Rieck, Carmen Rogen,  
Jeanine Schnieders, Diane  
Wirkus, Jacque Wallin & Sue  
Bredlow

Thank you for your time and dedication! If you are interested in joining the Altar Committee Ministry or have any questions, please contact Sue Bredlow at 605-321-1185.

## Online Giving Made Easy!

### Giving with Venmo

You can now use Venmo for your online giving. In your Venmo account, select to pay [lcdri@siouxvalley.net](mailto:lcdri@siouxvalley.net) or just scan the QR code.



### Simply Giving

Please call the office to set up your Simply Giving (secure electronic giving)! All you need is your routing and account numbers. If you prefer to sign up online, the link is on our website at [lcmdr-sd.org](http://lcmdr-sd.org).



If you have any questions or run into any problems, please contact the church office at 605-428-3197.



## God's Healing For...

Connie Earley  
Allen Brown  
Sue Bredlow  
Jim Hendrickson  
Delores McKee  
Charles Johnson  
Priscilla Landsman, Mother of Kathy Peterson  
Lucy Bixenmann  
Marlys Graves  
Deb Peterson, sister in law of Jon & Kathy Peterson  
Uliyanna, daughter of Justin & Jess Evans  
Jeff DenHerder, brother of Jody Morrow  
Bridget Schmidt, sister of Susi Bunkers

## Remember to pray for...

The Call Committee as they continue to faithfully follow the process of calling our next pastor at LCDR.

The Storehouse Food Pantry, St. Dysmas Prison Congregation, Church on the Street, The Banquet, Two Strike Community, Pine Ridge, The Lutheran Church of Faith & Hope in Nicaragua, and ELCA.

Please contact the church office if you are hospitalized or wish to be included in our prayers. All prayer requests will be posted for a month, unless a longer period is requested.



**Christ in Our Home** is a quarterly devotional that encourages readers to live out their faith daily. Each reflective reading is accompanied by a daily scripture reference and prayer for the day that follows the Revised Common Lectionary. Both large and small print are available.

**This resource is available to pick up in the Church Entrance.**

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF DELL RAPIDS  
CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
AUGUST 20, 2025

Attending: Alyssa Zweifel, Shanna Moke, Zach Rogen, Tom Morris, Kathleen Bongers, Bob Harms, Steve Munk, Lindsey Ronfeldt, Ella Johnson, Pastor Andrea DeGroot-Nesdahl, Pat Eidsness

Consent Agenda: All reports have previously been made available to members. Steve made a motion to approve the consent agenda (committee reports and July minutes); seconded by Shanna. All members voting yes; motion carried.

Committee Reports: **Education** - Sunday School teacher status was discussed and we are short a few teachers. Emails have been sent to parents. Plans for Rally Day are coming along. We will grill hot dogs and brats. There will be games outside. Plans for a confirmation reception in the park are coming along. We will provide coffee, water, and donuts. Boutonnieres for the confirmands have been ordered. The group reviewed the upcoming calendar including milestone events. We went through the facility use/needs questionnaire and provided feedback.

**Property** - We sprayed for weeds and we continue to screen extra rocks and redistribute. We have added or replaced some landscaping plants. During VBS, there was a condensation problem with one of the new AC units. This was checked and it is now set to the proper pressure. It was also discovered that two electrical ovens were not heating properly and the gas oven did not work. This is in the process of being fixed. The freezer in St. Peter's Hall does not work and a replacement is being investigated. **Stewardship** - The Laundry with Love activity took place on July 22nd from 3 to 8 pm. Volunteers prepared sack lunches. About 135 meals were served along with providing laundry supplies and cash for the laundry machines. Council goals for 2026 were reviewed and adopted. They are: 1) Financial stability for LCDR to meet regular expenses and mission with annual giving and 2) Financial plan for future replacement, maintenance, upkeep, and renovation needs of our facilities. The theme for the 2026 presentation will be "Our Moment". A video presentation will be prepared to describe the many ministries of LCDR and the need for Thank Offerings to fully support these ministries. It will include information regarding the use and purpose of the statement of intent cards. A mailing will go out to all members in October. The mailing will include a brochure and a statement of intent card. Commitment Sundays will be on November 16 and 23. **Worship** - 25 chests were ordered on July 29th and are in the process of being built. **Youth/Family Ministry** - The group discussed the restructuring of Route 67 and High 5. The new structure will include stations and will need support from the congregation and parents. The focus will be more faith based, as well as plenty of fun for a more meaningful experience. Orientation will allow parents to sign up to volunteer at High 5 and Route 67. We are aware that this may be difficult for families but want to really encourage more parental involvement. We will continue with a sign up genius for simple suppers but also have a sign up sheet on opening night. We want to encourage simple suppers to be a place and time where whole families can be together. There was discussion about changing up the confirmation area to be more

relaxing. We plan to use tables rather than the desk chairs and decorate it to make the kids feel like the space is more their own. **Fellowship/Community Outreach, Technology** - No report at this time.

Presentation by John Pollmann - Youth Budget Breakdown - John reviewed a number of items regarding the youth programs including programming costs and fundraising. He noted that over the past three years, there has been an average of 115 young people participating in the programs. The programs include 5th grade and up for the Wednesday activities, confirmation, and high school Impact. Food is and has been a large expense. Changes for this year include having healthier snacks and asking parents to donate toward the food expenses. There are also expenses for programming, activities, and scholarships. He also reviewed the fund raisers which include the County Fair cards, simple suppers, Christmas wreaths, baskets and bidding, and special events. This year, they plan to ask parents to join their 5th grade kids at Simple Suppers. Andrea suggested that the Council may want to get a quarterly report regarding the youth programs.

Member Actions: Joseph Kvigne, Merrit, Katie have asked to be removed from our membership. Theo Randall joined through first communion here. Member actions, approved.

Treasurer's Report: Tom reported that July was pretty standard. Summer expenses were down a bit from the rest of the year. There is still \$20,000.00 left on our line of credit for the roof. We got a 90 day renewal on it. Treasurer's report approved.

Pastor's Report: Andrea complimented Darcy on the VBS event which was attended by 112 kids. This is fantastic! She stated that summer nights went well and they will be making notes for the future. Stacia Bunkers has been hired to fill the custodian position.

Associate in Ministry's Report: Pat reported that on September 16 at 5:30 we are having a speaker who is an expert on evangelism. She invited Council members to attend.

Unfinished Business:

Call committee for Administrative Senior Pastor - Lee Weidauer reported that there are currently two candidates at varying stages of the process. A Zoom interview is being set up with one candidate. The other is working with the committee to set up an in-person interview.

New Business: No new business at this time.

Executive Session: No executive session.

Announcements: Next meeting September 17, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.  
Rally Sunday is August 24 at 9:30 a.m.  
Committee reports are due by noon on  
Monday September 15

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer

Submitted by: Kathleen Bongers, Church Council Secretary





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 1:30 pm Quilting 5:30 pm Simple Supper 6:15 pm Route 67/Confirmation 6:30 pm Choir Practice Begins	4 2 pm Prayer Shawl	5	6
<b>7 Fall Worship Begins</b> 8:30 am Worship Service/Blessing of the 5th Graders 9:30 am Sunday School/ 5th Grade Open House/Coffee & Treats 10:45 am Worship Service	8	9	10 3:30 pm High 5! 5:30 pm Simple Supper 6:00 pm Education Committee Meeting 6:15 pm Route 67/Confirmation 7:30 pm 10th Grade Confirmation Rehearsal	11	12	13
<b>14</b> 8:30 am Worship Service 9:30 am Sunday School/Coffee & Treats 10:45 am Confirmation Service Pastor Jeff Sorenson Preaching	15 12 pm Committee Reports Due in Office	16 5:30 pm "Contagious Christianity" with Speaker Troy Troftgruben (See Pat's Article)	17 3:30 pm High 5! 5:30 pm Simple Supper 6:15 pm Route 67/ No Confirmation 7:00 pm Council Meeting	18 12 pm Young at Heart 2 pm Prayer Shawl	19	20
<b>21</b> 8:30 am Worship Service 9:30 am Sunday School/Coffee & Treats 9:45 am Worship Committee Meeting 10:45 am Worship Service	22	23 4 pm Elder Connections	24 1:30 pm Bible Study at Friendship Village	25	26 4 pm Newsletter Deadline	27
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## Coming Up at LCDR

- 9/7 Begin Fall Worship Schedule of 2 Worship Services at 8:30 and 10:45/  
First Day of Sunday School/Blessing of the 5th Graders
- 9/14 Confirmation Service in the Park at 10:45 am-Guest Pastor Jeff Sorenson  
Preaching
- 9/16 Meal with Speaker Troy Troftgbruben on "Contagious Christianity"
- 9/28 3rd Grade Bibles at 8:30 am Worship Service