

ST. PETER LUTHERAN CHURCH

Anchored in Christ Since 1867
3030 Navajo Ave. Watertown, MN 55388

November 2026 Newsletter

Sunday Service 9:00 a.m.

*Holy Communion is celebrated
the second and fourth Sunday of
each month.*



**Sunday School
Adult Bible Study
Youth Confirmation Class**
10:15 a.m. (Sep-May)

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3030 Navajo Ave. Watertown, MN 55388
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 508 Watertown, MN 55388

Important Dates

- **Sunday, November 15th** at 11:00 AM.
Gerry Bentz Memorial Service
- **Thursday, November 26th** Thanksgiving
Service Thursday at 9am
- **Sunday, November 29th** Church
decorating on following the church service.
All are welcome to help
- **Wednesday, December 2nd** Advent
Service at 7pm

Celebrating Our Confirmands

ST. PETER LUTHERAN CHURCH • OCTOBER 25, 2026



Saylor Berkley • Elijah Jewison • Peyton Mosher

On Sunday, October 25, three of our youth—Saylor Berkley, Elijah Jewison, and Peyton Mosher—were confirmed into the communicant membership of St. Peter Lutheran Church. We rejoice with them as they publicly confessed their faith in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.

As they continue their walk with Christ, may the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit guide their lives, deepen their faith, and keep them firmly rooted in His Word and promises. Please join us in praying for these young people as they grow in faith and share the love of Jesus with others.

To God be the glory!

Minnesota Oktoberfest Debrief

Join us on **Sunday, November 8, at 7:00 PM** at **St. Peter Lutheran Church** for a Minnesota Oktoberfest debrief!

We will reflect on this year's Oktoberfest, share highlights, discuss what went well, what didn't, and consider ideas for making future events even better.

All St Peter members are welcome. We look forward to seeing you there!

SAVE THE DATE

St. Peter Christmas Party!
December 12th
Pastor and Linda's home
1:00 - 5:00p.m.





Nikolausabend Volunteer Sign-Up

The worker sign-up sheet for Nikolausabend is now posted on the bulletin board! Any help is greatly appreciated. Many hands make light work, and every volunteer makes a difference!

St. Peter's Youth are encourage to get involved and volunteer.



Nikolausabend RSVP

If you plan on attending Nikolausabend, or know someone who will be attending, we would greatly appreciate it if you would sign up on the reservation sheet posted on the bulletin board.

You can also call **(952) 955-1679** or email admin@stpeterlc.org, and we will be happy to add you to the RSVP list.

Please be sure to include the **number of adults and number of children** attending so we can plan ahead and have enough goodies for everyone!

Please help spread the word!



Nikolausabend

Sunday December 6, 2026 4:30pm - 6:30pm
St. Peter Lutheran Church
3030 Navajo Ave. - Watertown, MN.

Buffet includes Bratwurst, Crisp Chicken Schnitzel, Homemade Mushroom Sauce, Red Cabbage, Bavarian Sauerkraut, Spatzle, and Mashed Potatoes
Apfelstrudel with Vanilla Sauce
Coffee, Lemonade & Water will be served.

RSVP is **STRONGLY** recommended by
December 4th

Please note number of children and adults so Nikolaus can have enough treats for all of the good children!



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email: @ www.stpeterlc.org
website: admin@stpeterlc.org

German St. Nikolaus



Scrumptious German Buffet - Free will donation- new toys, gift cards or monetary donation per person.

Lots of activities, crafts & games for kids to do
Traditional goodie bag for the good kids & a nice switch for the naughty!



We look forward to seeing you for an evening of
good food & lively fellowship!



100% of donations will go to local families in need through these
nonprofit organizations: Gather and Grow Food
Shelf (Watertown), WeCan (Mound) and Love Inc. (Delano).

November Birthday Blessing

Saylor Berkley	11 th
Jack Jewison	13 th
Garrett Berkley	20 th
Joan Luchsinger	21 st
Brody Bettcher	25 th
Larry Anderson	26 th

November Anniversaries

Jeff ♥ Lisa Jewison	1 st
Jodene ♥ Steven Heldt Penegor	11 th
Rick ♥ Joyce DeNomme	20 th
Ken ♥ Brenda Dressel	26 th
Kurt ♥ Sue Eickschen	26 th

St. Peter Members Only

The Fellowship Hall and Kitchen are available to rent.

- Rental Fee: \$100
- Deposit: \$100

For more information or to reserve the space, please contact Joyce DeNomme or Ruth



Lutheran Women's Missionary League

I would like to highlight two Mission Grant recipients for the MN South District Biennium 2026-2028 for the month of November. Pray for them as they continue their work in God's kingdom. You may support these Mission Grants by contributing to your small Mite Box and bringing it back to church. Information on these and other Mission Grant opportunities can be found at the mnslwml.org website. Touch base with Ruth Bury if you have questions.

1. Dwelling Place Domestic Abuse Program (MN) \$15,000 The Dwelling Place seeks general operating support for our faith-based domestic abuse program, which provides transitional housing, basic needs, advocacy, mentoring, and wraparound services for women and children fleeing domestic abuse, all grounded in the love of Jesus Christ. Your support will help end the generational cycle of domestic violence by helping women and their children become self-sufficient, empowered, and committed to living a Christ-centered, healthy life.

2. Minnesota South District Student Aid Scholarships—Concordia University \$30,000 The Minnesota South District offers student aid scholarships to qualifying students that are members of District churches looking to study towards professional church work in the Concordia University System (CUS), or rostered workers furthering their education through graduate studies. This grant would support these student aid scholarships.

FriendshipGroup

If you're interested in good conversation and friendly chatter, please join us!

Friendship Group will meet for lunch at 11:30 on **Monday, November 9th** at the Whiskey Jar in Delano



Changes to Thrivent Choice Dollars

Thrivent has made changes to its Thrivent Choice program.

- All Thrivent members now receive Choice Dollars.
- Choice Dollars are now available in full at the start of the calendar year. *All 2026 Choice Dollars are available to direct now.*
- Members can direct Choice Dollars anytime through December 31.

Please check your Thrivent account and direct your Choice Dollars. All Choice Dollars must be directed before the end of the calendar year.

Please contact Thrivent or Lisa Jewison if you have any questions

Piece of Peace

Faith, Family, and Friends

November has a way of turning our thoughts toward thankfulness. We picture a table filled with food, familiar faces gathered around it, and perhaps a slice of pumpkin pie waiting nearby. But before we reach for that second helping, let's take a moment to consider three gifts that give us reason to thank God every day: **Faith, Family, and Friends.**

Faith. What a blessing to know that we belong to Jesus! When life is uncertain, His promises remain sure. When we stumble, His forgiveness restores us. When we wonder what tomorrow will bring, He reminds us that we are in His hands. Even our faith is His gracious gift: "For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God" (Ephesians 2:8). Our greatest reason for thanksgiving is what Christ has done for us through His death and resurrection. Because of Jesus, we have forgiveness, hope, and a place in God's family.

Family. Families give us plenty of reasons to give thanks—and occasionally a few opportunities to practice patience! Around our tables are different personalities, opinions, and ways of doing things. Yet God gives us opportunities to love, forgive, listen, and care for one another. We also remember those whose chairs will be empty this year. We thank God for the love we have shared, even as we miss those dear to us. And we give thanks for our church family, where we share one another's joys and help carry one another's burdens.

Friends. Some of God's kindness comes through a familiar voice on the phone, a shared cup of coffee, or someone who asks how we are doing and stays to hear the answer. Proverbs 17:17 tells us, "A friend loves at all times." What a gift to have people who walk beside us! This month, take a moment to thank a friend. Send a note, make a call, or invite someone to sit with you. Your friendship may be the very blessing for which someone else is thanking God.

Scripture encourages us to "give thanks in all circumstances" (1 Thessalonians 5:18). Some circumstances are hard, and gratitude may come through tears. Still, our Savior remains faithful. His mercy meets us each morning, and His love carries us through each day.

So, as November unfolds, let's make thanksgiving more than a meal on the calendar. Let's pause each day and name a blessing: **Faith. Family. Friends.** Gifts from our gracious Father, received with grateful hearts and shared with others.

And if there happens to be an extra slice of pie, we can be thankful for that, too!

*In His Grace,
Pastor Doug*



CCLS Happenings

<https://www.ccls.net>



Sunday, November 1st - 6:30pm

CCLS GRACE Meeting at CCLS - Come and Join Us!

Monday, November 2nd

CCLS No School - Staff Development Day

Tuesday, November 3rd - 5-8pm

Delano DQ Art Night featuring CCLS Preschool Artwork

Wednesday, November 25th

CCLS No School - Staff Development Day

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, December 1st - 5-8pm

Delano DQ Art Night featuring CCLS 1st and 6th Grade Artwork

Saturday, December 5th - 6pm

Sunday, December 6th - 2pm and 6pm

CCLS Play "The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe" at Mayer Lutheran High School Auditorium

****See Flier for more information**

Monday, December 7th

Deadline for RaiseRight gift card orders to ensure delivery for Christmas.

(Contact Elissa Stoeckman or Ruth Bury for more information)

Wednesday, December 16th - 9am and 6:30pm

CCLS Children's Christmas Program at CCLS



**MAYER
LUTHERAN
HIGH SCHOOL**

MLHS Happenings

<https://mayerlutheran.org>



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Tuesday, November 10th

Mayer Lutheran Preview Night - 6pm ****See Flier for more information**

Wednesday, November 11th

MLHS Veterans Day Program - 10:30am. ****See Flier for more information**

Friday November 20th - 7pm

Saturday November 21st - 7pm

Sunday November 22nd - 2pm

MLHS Play "William Shakespeare's The Twelfth Night or What You Will"

at Mayer Lutheran High School Auditorium ****See Flier for more information**

Upcoming Event

Friday, December 4th

Mayer Lutheran High School - Celebrate His Harvest ****See Flier for more information**

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The Coolest Night of the Year!

We're so excited to continue this sweet fundraiser!

Come celebrate our students' creativity, grab your favorite DQ treat, and enjoy a night full of smiles, sprinkles, and school spirit.

Art from **PRESCHOOL** classes will be on display in **DELANO** on **Tuesday, November 3rd.**

GRACE will receive 10% of all sales on Tuesday, November 3rd from 5pm-8pm

MONTHLY
Coffee
with a
HEALTHCARE PROVIDER

featuring

ZACK ITEN
5TH GENERATION FUNERAL DIRECTOR
Iten Funeral Home in Watertown

Zack will offer a conversation about death, dying, pre-planning, and grief.

A time for questions will be offered as well.

NOVEMBER 18 | 3:00 PM

WATERTOWN COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER
313 Angel Ave, Watertown, MN 55388

PLEASE CALL 952-955-0280 TO REGISTER

OR REGISTER ONLINE AT <https://wm.ce.eleyo.com/>

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VETERANS DAY
OBSERVANCE

Honoring all who served

GUEST SPEAKER
Kortland "Kort" Booth
Freshman at UW-River Falls studying Conservation
Central High School (NYA) graduate - Memorial Day speaker
Music by Mayer Lutheran and Local Lutheran Elementary School Students

WEDNESDAY
NOV 11

PROGRAM BEGINS
10:30 AM

MAYER LUTHERAN
THEATER

ALL VETERANS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND
Stay for a free meal for veterans and their partners after the program
Provided with the help of Theatrical Financial

MAYER LUTHERAN

Preview Night

Discover your future at ML

TUESDAY, NOV 10, 2026 - 6:00 PM

Campus Tour Student & Parent Panel Giveaways & Snacks Live Q&A

REGISTER AT WWW.MAYERLUTHERAN.ORG
FOR MORE INFO, CONTACT TRICIA RUPP AT 952-657-2251, EXT 1011.

PREPARING CHRISTIAN LEADERS 306 Seventh St NE, Mayer, MN 55360 mayerlutheran.org

THE LION AND THE WITCH AND THE WARDROBE

DRAMATIZED BY JOSEPH ROBINETTE
FROM THE STORY BY C.S. LEWIS.

December 5th 6:00 pm
December 6th 2:00 pm & 6:00 pm

Performances at Mayer Lutheran High School
Fine Arts Center
306 7th St NE, Mayer, MN

Tickets:
Adult: \$8.00 * Student: \$5.00 * Under 5: Free

General Admission
Cash, Check and Venmo Available at the Door
All Credit Card Transactions Must be Purchased by
December 4th in the CCLS Office

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MAYER LUTHERAN
PRESENTS
WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE'S
TWELFTH NIGHT
or What You Will

November 20 & 21 - 7 PM
November 22 - 2 PM

Mayer Lutheran Fine Arts Center Theater
Tickets: \$45 | 12 & under \$10
Reserved tickets online at mayerlutheran.org/tickets
General admission tickets available at the door

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952-657-2251

COME AND SEE WHAT GOD HAS DONE, HIS AWESOME DEEDS FOR MANKIND! - PSALM 66:5 (NIV)

Celebrate HIS HARVEST
2026
MAYER LUTHERAN

FAITH • GRATITUDE • ABUNDANCE

DECEMBER 4, 2026
5 PM SOCIAL TIME | 6:30 PM DINNER

A spectacular night of...
Gathering, Games & Giving with Gratitude!

Tickets Available Now!

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