



CELEBRATE * GROW * SERVE

Celebrate the Good News of Jesus Christ - **Grow** as faithful disciples - **Serve** in the world!

November 30 & December 3, 2025

First Sunday of Advent

Sunday 8:30 & 10:30am, Wednesday 6:30pm

in-person and online worship

Our online service can be found on Facebook, YouTube or on our Website: [CelebrationLutheranChurch.com](https://www.CelebrationLutheranChurch.com)

An Advent Carol

(with apologies to Charles Dickens)



Our Advent worship invites fun and thoughtful reflections as our Narrator and Scrooge explore Advent Past, Present, and Future.

Dec. 3, 10 & 17 @6:30pm



*Advent offerings support the CLC Free Store



WELCOME!

- **Visitors:** Please sign the Welcome to Worship book today when it is passed to you. Please include your contact information.

"We, Celebration Lutheran Church, embrace and celebrate the diversity of all people. We are committed to fostering a welcoming and safe space where people of every race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender expression and identity, educational and economic background, relationship status, or physical and mental ability, can experience love, support, and community. We value racial equity and inclusivity, where everyone is worthy of dignity and respect. We invite you to journey with us, as we grow in faith, serve our neighbors, and extend love to all."

Here at Celebration, you are welcome just as you are."



**Mission
of the
Month**



**Terebinth
REFUGE**

A Shelter for Hope and Healing

Thank you for your support!

Visit us online at [celebrationlutheranchurch.com](https://www.celebrationlutheranchurch.com) and on Facebook at "Celebration Lutheran Church"

We Prepare For Worship:

First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

Black Bible: pg. 550

Second Reading: Psalm 122

Black Bible: pg. 498

Gospel Reading: Matthew 24:36-44

Black Bible: pg. 806

8:30 am Sunday Music:

Piano – Jeanne Bruns

Prelude Song: SOLO

Opening Song: "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" ELW #807

Song of Praise: "Hark the Glad Sound" ELW #239

Offering Song: "Come Now, O Prince of Peace" ELW #247

Communion Song: "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" ELW #484

Closing Song: "Christ, Be Our Light" ELW #715

To prepare for worship on December 7, 2025 read:

Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72; Romans 15:4-13; Matthew 3:1-12

10:30am Sunday Music:

Dwayne Bruns, Jeanne Bruns, Nate Dahl,
Mark Wolters, Brandon Zylka

Prelude Song: SOLO

Opening Song: "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" ELW #807

Song of Praise: "Glory (Let There Be Peace)" On Screen

Offering Song: "Give Us Clean Hands" On Screen

Communion Song: "Take My Life (Holiness)" On Screen

Closing Song: "Soul on Fire" On Screen

Advent is a season of waiting and preparation for the celebration of Jesus' birth at Christmas. It also symbolizes the anticipation of his second coming. It begins on the fourth Sunday before Christmas and lasts for four weeks, each often focusing on themes like hope, peace, joy, and love.

Children are welcome to participate in worship. Children's spirituality develops through experience. In our community children can serve as ushers, greeters & readers. We expect that children will be children—giggles, wiggles, and all. Kids (and their parents) sometimes need a break. We also have a self-serve nursery available for ages birth – 5 years old or kids tables located in the back of the sanctuary.

Prayer Requests

Contact Jenny in the office with requests. Prayers are listed for 4 weeks; contact the office to extend.



In Our Prayers: Alice Bailey, Stuart Bailey, Paul Berglund, Jim Ellis, Kathleen Engel, Pam Plautz, Abe Salber, Karla Teer, Todd Thornton, Diane Weber,

Tom Bolting (Lindsay Dingman's uncle)
Gina Bortnem (Karell Sartell's daughter)
Gordon Goodman (Susan Goodman's father)
Howard Horrmann (Lynne Kreft brother-in-law)
Don Manea (Dale & Carol Ann Zika's friend)
Judy Neste (Shari Pretzer's friend)
Don Schwegel (Jessica Akkerman's father)
Dan Shumway (Avis Jacobson's brother)

Military:

Colin Stein (Aaron & Connie Stein's son)
Ben Brix (Darren & Jenny Brix' son)
Cody Raymond (son of Lynette Pflueger and brother of Ashley Raymond)

Thank you for sharing your time, talents, and financial gifts. The figures below provide a snapshot of our financial activity through the fourth month of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026. We are deeply grateful for your generosity, which makes our missions and ministries possible.

	Mission & Ministry Funds	Building/Capital
Giving YTD	\$325,305	\$53,654
Budget YTD	\$385,875	\$66,667
Expenditures YTD	\$393,841	\$49,795
Budget YTD	\$446,235	\$56,000
Net YTD	-\$68,536	\$3,860
Net Budget YTD	-\$60,360	\$10,667
Ahead (Behind)	-\$8,176	-\$6,807



Christmas Poinsettias

\$20 Donations toward Christmas Eve Poinsettias may be given in memorial or celebration of a loved one and help beautify the sanctuary. Information can be found at the Welcome Center

**Deadline is
Sunday, Dec. 14**

Advent begins

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA
Chamber Singers
DAVID HOLDRESEN, CONDUCTOR

Host families needed! The University of South Dakota Chamber Singers will visit in March 2026.

To help host a student, contact
Nathaniel Knoblock at
nathaniel.knoblock@gmail.com



SEWING MACHINE NEEDED!

Quilters need a used sewing machine in GOOD working order with a manual. Email Kathy Bonifas for more details at kbonifas12@gmail.com

FREE
Community Store

**Pick-Up
Food Bag
Event**

**Tuesday, December 2nd
10am - 12pm***

1 Free Food Bag PER FAMILY
• Must Be Present At Pickup
• While Supplies Last*
• All In Need Are Welcome
• No Appointment Necessary

CELEBRATION
Lutheran Church
1500 Pine Cone Rd N, Sartell, MN

YouthConnection
Sunday School (Age 3-Kind)
GodZone (Gr. 1-5)
 Nicole Ofstedahl: 255-0488 x 105
 NOftedahl@CelebrationLutheranChurch.com

Middle School (6-8)
 Katrina Bahen: 255-0488 x 107
 KBahen@CelebrationLutheranChurch.com

High School (Gr. 9-12)
 Nathan Kleppe: 255-0488 x 108
 NKleppe@CelebrationLutheranChurch.com

**MARCUS
THEATRES**

Discounted Movie Tickets

ON SALE NOW!

See a participating Youth or Order at the Welcome Center by Dec. 8

Thank You
For Your Support Of
Our Mission Trip Youth

THANK YOU for your generous support of money, donations, and volunteering for the CLC FREE store!! Contact Jenny to get involved!



GRANITE CITY MOMCO

CRAFT FAIR & Silent Auction

DEC 06 | 9AM-2PM
CELEBRATION LUTHERAN

GIFTS, FOOD, & MORE!!!

December 14, 2025

9:15-10:25am Sunday School Rehearsal
 2:40pm Return to get ready for program
3:00 Christmas Program

SAVE THE DATE

CLC FREE STORE ITEMS NEEDED

(Approx. 160 of each per month!)

- Reusable Cloth Shopping Bags
- Toothbrush/Toothpaste
- Shampoo/ Deodorant
- Laundry Detergent Pods
- Toilet Paper/ Paper Towels
- Feminine Products
- Peanut Butter
- Cereal
- Fruit Snacks/ Granola Bars
- Hamburger Helper/Macaroni & Cheese
- Canned Fruit/ Canned Vegetables/ Soups
- Spaghetti Noodles/ Spaghetti Sauce
- Taco Seasoning & shells (soft)
- Monetary Donations
- Hand Soap/ Dish Soap



yoga MONDAYS @ 8:30AM
 WITH MARILYN PEITSO

No Class on 11/10, 11/17 & 12/29

- Wear stretchy clothing for this hatha style class.
- Bring your yoga mat, blocks and straps if you have them.
- All levels and ages welcome.
- \$5 per session payable at class.

Join us for our Advent

\$8 MISSION MEALS
 \$5 (10 and Under)
 \$30 Family Cap

Benefitting Our Summer Mission Trip Youth

Wednesdays 5-6:30pm Before Worship

12/3	Chicken Alfredo
12/10	Pulled Pork
12/17	Chicken Wild Rice Soup & Sandwich

TOYS FOR TOTS

Drop off NEW, UNWRAPPED Toys at Celebration by December 7 in the special marked box. Thank you!

Baby Kit Put-Together Get Together

Monday, January 12, 2026 @ 6:30-8:00pm

SAVE THE DATE

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

*See Welcome Center for items needed for kits.

\$1 DO-NUT
 leave without a treat!

Support our Mission Trip Youth Today!

To Go Orders Also Available!

coat DRIVE
 thank you for helping to keep others warm

We are collecting new or gently used coats, hats, mittens, boots, sweaters and socks of all sizes to share with our local neighbors in need. Drop them off in the box provided in our entryway. Thank you!

YOUTH MAKE & BAKE SALE

December 7, 10, 14, 17 & 21 (Sundays & Wednesdays)

Summer Mission Trip Fundraiser

Wed, December 17
 5:30-8:30pm
 6th-8th Grade Movie Event

• Movie • Treats
 • Discussion • Games
 • Pizza • Bring A Friend!

Wear Your Christmas Spirit! PJ's, Socks, Hat Sweater etc...

Bring a Bean Bag chair, blanket, pillow, whatever makes you comfy watching a movie

• Contact Katrina with questions

If you are interested in joining a small group or have an idea for a group you would like started, please contact **Pastor Russ 320-255-0488 x102**



Sing to the Lord a New Song!

Rehearsals Mondays @ 6:30pm

*Join For A Full
or Partial Season!*

New Voices Welcome!
Talk To Tom With Details & Questions

**ALL Seniors 55+
YOU ARE INVITED to...**



**December 11
11:30am**

**FUN & FELLOWSHIP
POTLUCK SOCIAL
Bring a dish to share**

For more information, call the Church Office.

CELEBRATION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 8am - 4pm
Friday 8am - 1pm**

Lead Pastor: Jeff Sackett x 101
Congregational Life Pastor: Russ Britton x 102

**John 15:12 says,
"This is my commandment,
that you love one another as
I have loved you".**

Just Love.

Venmo QR code.

Please specify what
payment is for!



We invite you to
become an important
part of our church
family by volunteering
your time and talents!
There's a place for
you here!



**volunteers
needed**

To Volunteer contact Jenny Keen

Ph: 320-255-0488 ext. 170

Email:

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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT GARY ORMAN



This week we celebrate one of our faithful volunteers whose warm presence helps make worship welcoming and meaningful. He regularly emcees, helps prepare for the bake sales, serves communion, and greets with a smile, offering hospitality and care to everyone who comes through our doors. We're grateful for his joyful service!

30 8:30am Worship 10:30am Worship	1 7:15am Men's Group @ 2 nd St. Coffee House 8:30am Yoga 9:30am Staff Meeting 1pm Pastoral Meeting 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal	2 8:30am Preschool 10am CLC Store Bag Pick Up 6:30pm Exec. Board Mtg	3 9am Women's Bible Study 5pm Advent Meal - Chicken Alfredo 5:30pm Christmas Program Rehearsal 6:30pm Advent Worship 7:30pm Youth Group	4 6:30am Early Risers Study 8:30am Preschool	5 Pastor Jeff Sabbath Pastor Russ Sabbath 8:30am Preschool	6 9am - 2pm MomCo Craft Sale
7 Make & Bake Sale 8:30am Worship 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship 3pm Christmas program rehearsal 4pm Pints & Praise at Bad Habit	8 7:15am Men's Group @ 2 nd St. Coffee House 8:30am Yoga 9:30am Staff Meeting 1pm Pastoral Meeting 6:30pm Personnel Team Mtg	9 8:30am Preschool 10am CLC Store Bag Packing 6:30pm Council Meeting	10 9am Women's Bible Study 5pm Advent Meal - Pulled Pork 5:30pm Christmas Program Rehearsal 6:30pm Advent Worship 7:30pm Youth Group	11 6:30am Early Risers Study 8:30am Preschool 11:30am Lunch Bunch 7pm MomCo Meet up	12 Pastor Jeff Sabbath Pastor Russ Sabbath 8:30am Preschool	13 9am Christmas Program Rehearsal