



CELEBRATION

Lutheran Church

CELEBRATE * GROW * SERVE

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

April 12 & 15, 2026

2nd Sunday of Easter

Sunday 8:30 & 10:30am

in-person and online worship

Our online service can be found on Facebook, YouTube or on our Website: CelebrationLutheranChurch.com

Save the Date!

CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING

April 26 @ 9:30 am

All Celebration Members Are Encouraged To Attend



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."



"We aim to create a community where violence is not tolerated, and where every home is a safe one."

Thank you for your support!

We Prepare For Worship:

First Reading: Psalm 16

Black Bible: pg. 430

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Black Bible: pg. 983

Gospel Reading: John 20:19-31

Black Bible: pg. 883

8:30am Sunday Music:

Organ – Dr. Kim Kasling

Prelude Song: Organ SOLO

Opening Song: "Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing"

ELW #389

Song of Praise: "We Walk By Faith"

ELW #635

Offering Song: "My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less"

ELW #597

Communion Song: "By Your Hand You Feed Your People"

ELW #469

Closing Song: "The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve"

ELW #551

To prepare for worship on April 19, 2026, read:

Acts 2:14, 16-41; Psalm 116:1-4,12-19; 1 Peter 1:17-23; Luke 24:13-35

10:30am Sunday Music:

Musicians – Dwaine Bruns, Tom Garberick, Mark Wolters, Brandon Zylka

Prelude Song: "Holy Ground"

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Opening Song: "I'm So Glad, Jesus Lifted Me"

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Song of Praise: "I Lift My Hands"

On Screen

Offering Song: "Revelation Song"

On Screen

Communion Song: "O Come to the Altar"

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Closing Song: "My Jesus"

On Screen

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, Lucy Bjorkman, Marlene DeBoer, Kathleen Engel, Lynn Fitzthum, Phil Konsor, Laura Mackenthun, Abe Salber, Karla Teer, Diane Weber,

Rhonda Akkerman (Josh Akkerman's mother)

Gina Bortnem (Karell Sartell's daughter)

Mike Flanagan (Kelly Fandel's father)

Paul Killmer (Wayne Killmer's brother)

Sandy Liestman (Todd Thornton's mother-in-law)

Don Manea (Dale & Carol Ann Zika's friend)

Kristi Malley (Bill & July Morgan's daughter)

Michael Orman (Gary & Linda Orman's son)

Kelly Plemel (Dale & Carol Ann Zika's friend)

Don Schwegel (Jessica Akkerman's father)

Dan Sowada (Vern Voss' brother-in-law)

Julie Widvey (Stacy Anderson's sister)

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)

We celebrate as **Lenora Rose**, daughter of Brianne Carlson & Tyler Schlabsz, is welcomed into God's family at Celebration through the gift of **Holy Baptism**. Sponsors: Jenna Carlson & Connor Carlson.

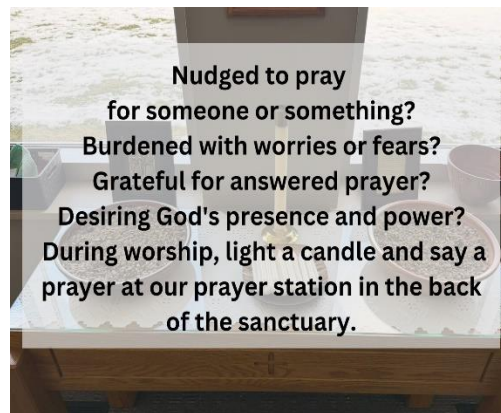
Our condolences are extended to **Keith & Tammie Yapp** on the death of Tammie's father, Donald Babitzke. May the promise that our Lord Jesus Christ is the

resurrection and the life, comfort and strengthen all who mourn.



Thank you for sharing your time, talents, and financial gifts. The figures below provide a snapshot of our financial activity through the seventh 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	\$655,841	\$110,004
Budget YTD	\$746,075	\$116,667
Expenditures YTD	\$703,859	\$93,242
Budget YTD	\$738,630	\$123,000
Net YTD	-\$48,018	\$16,762
Net Budget YTD	\$7,445	-\$6,333
Ahead (Behind)	-\$55,463	\$23,096



1946
THE MISTRANSLATION THAT SHIFTED CULTURE

- Sunday, April 26th
- 6pm - 8:30pm
- In the Youth Room

Join Pastor Russ for a viewing of the 2022 movie **1946: The Mistranslation that Shifted Culture**. Faithful scholarship continues to beckon the church to reform when needed. This thought provoking movie followed with discussion will look at the forces affecting translation and the implications. Feel free to bring a snack to share. We hope to see you.

Budget Info Session

With our Treasurer

Sunday 4/19 **9:30 A.M.**

Have budget questions? Come to our info session

FREE
Community Store

Pick-Up Food Bag Event

Tuesday, April 21st
10am - 12pm*

1 Free Food Bag PER FAMILY

- Must Be Present At Pickup
- While Supplies Last*
- All In Need Are Welcome
- No Appointment Necessary

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YouthConnection
Sunday School (Age 3-Kind)
GodZone (Gr. 1-5)
Nicole Oftedahl: 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

April 19th
@11:30

Chili Cookoff Fundraiser

Trophies for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place, spiciest chili & most unique chili

Come eat & vote on your favorite chili!

\$8 Adults,
\$5 age 10 & under
\$30 family max

Think YOU have the best chili? Sign up here to find out!

All proceeds go to support our Youth Boundary Waters Canoe Trips this summer!

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



Wednesdays at 10:30am

Join us for our new **Chair Yoga** class—a gentle, accessible way to stretch, move, and relax. Led by instructor Marilyn Peitso, the class meets in the Commons and is \$3 per session.

April 15
8:15am

The Breakfast Club

Grades 9-12

CLC FREE STORE ITEMS NEEDED
(Approx. 160 of each per month!)

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

CELEBRATION SPIRIT MERCH

Check out our Celebration Spirit Store on the website to order!

SPRING FLING!

Please Bring Donations by April 10th

Fundraiser for our summer Youth Mission Trips **MAY 3**

CAN YOU DONATE A SILENT AUCTION ITEM?

Forms Can Be Found At The Welcome Center

yoga MONDAYS @ 8:30AM
WITH MARTLYN PEITSO

- 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 discussion that will draw on the themes presented by scripture and the recently adopted ELCA Social Statement on Civic Life and Faith. All are welcome to come and listen, reflect and participate in the conversation as the Spirit may move you. Discussions led by Pastor Russ, Pastor Jeff and retired pastor Steve Peterson.

The Christian and Civic Life: Table Talks **MAY 3, 10, 17**
9:30 AM (BETWEEN SERVICES IN THE FIRESIDE ROOM)

All Profits Benefit Our Youth Summer Mission Trips

SAVE THE DATE & YOUR TREASURES!

Donations being accepted starting May 11

RUMMAGE SALE

JUNE 10-11-12

HEY MAMA... we saved a seat for you!

April 9

- Mary Center playdate at 9AM
- Celebration meetup at 7PM
 - Topic: Tea & Testimony

April 23

- Mary Center meetup at 9AM
 - Topic: Tea & Testimony
- Celebration mom's night at 7PM

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MOUNTAIN MOVERS DAY CAMP

Day Camp: Mountain Movers
August 3-6, 2026
WATAB CREEK PARK

Preschool (3yrs by 9/1/25) 9:00am - Noon
K - 4th Grade (25-26 year) 9:00am - 3:00pm

Vacation Bible School
3yrs to 4th Grade (25-26 school year)


JUNE 1-4, 2026
9:00am-12:00pm

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RAINFOREST FALLS
Exploring the Nature of God

Sign up online using the QR code or pick up a registration form in the Gathering Space

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**



Early Risers
Thursdays at 6:30am

Join us as we study scripture, pray, and have fun laughing and sharing.



"Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me."
Matthew 18:5


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

Venmo QR code.

Please specify what payment is for!



To Volunteer contact **Jenny Keen**
Ph: 320-255-0488 ext. 170
Email: jkeen@celebrationlutheranchurch.com



CELEBRATION Lutheran Church
Mission Quilters

Join us to tie knots on our mission quilts for Lutheran World Relief, Bless-A-Family, and special local situations.

Enjoy sewing at home? Pick up a quilt kit behind the Welcome Center and help us prepare quilts for upcoming donations!

Meets the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of Every Month @ 9:00am



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT
SHELBY ANDERSON

Shelby recently became a member of our church and has already become involved in many areas of ministry. She has served as a Scripture Reader, helped decorate the Sanctuary, and even shared her musical talents by playing piano for various services. Thank you, Shelby!

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Friday 8am - 1pm

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

<p>12</p> <p>8:30am Worship/Baptism</p> <p>9:30am Sunday School</p> <p>9:30am RIC info session</p> <p>10:30am Worship</p> <p>4pm Pints & Praise at Bad Habit</p>	<p>13</p> <p>7:15am Men's Group @ 2nd St. Coffee House</p> <p>8:30am Yoga</p> <p>9:30am Staff Meeting</p> <p>1pm Pastoral Meeting</p> <p>6:30pm Choir</p>	<p>14</p> <p>8:30am Preschool</p> <p>10am Free Store Bag Packing</p> <p>6:30pm Council Budget Mtg</p>	<p>15</p> <p>8:15am Breakfast Club</p> <p>9am Women's Bible Study</p> <p>10:30am Chair Yoga</p> <p>4:45pm Pasta Meal</p> <p>5:30pm GodZone</p> <p>6:30pm WOW Worship</p> <p>7:15pm YDT/Confirmation</p> <p>8:30pm Youth Group</p>	<p>16</p> <p>6:30am Early Risers Study</p> <p>8:30am Preschool</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Pastors' Sabbath Day</p> <p>Preschool Conferences</p>	<p>18</p> <p>1pm Baseball Photos</p>
<p>19 Place of Hope Meal</p> <p>8:30am Worship</p> <p>9:30am Sunday School</p> <p>9:30am Budget info Session</p> <p>10:30am Worship</p> <p>11:30am Chili Cook Off/Meal</p>	<p>20</p> <p>7:15am Men's Group @ 2nd St. Coffee House</p> <p>8:30am Yoga</p> <p>9:30am Staff Meeting</p> <p>6:30pm Choir</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Preschool conferences</p> <p>9am Quilters</p> <p>10am CLC Store Bag Pick Up</p> <p>6:30pm Council Meeting</p>	<p>22</p> <p>9am Women's Bible Study</p> <p>10:30am Chair Yoga</p> <p>4:45pm Pizza Meal</p> <p>5:30pm GodZone</p> <p>6:30pm WOW! Worship</p> <p>7:15pm YDT/Confirmation</p> <p>8:30pm Youth Group</p>	<p>23</p> <p>6:30am Early Risers Study</p> <p>8:30am Preschool</p> <p>11:30am Lunch Bunch</p> <p>7pm MomCo Meet Up</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Pastors' Sabbath Day</p> <p>8:30am Preschool</p> <p>8pm HS Fire/Movie Night</p>	<p>25</p>