



CELEBRATION

Lutheran Church

CELEBRATE * GROW * SERVE

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

April 26 & 29, 2026

4th 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

CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING

TODAY

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: Acts 2:42-47

Black Bible: pg. 886

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:19-25

Black Bible: pg. 984

Gospel Reading: John 10:1-10

Black Bible: pg. 872

8:30am Sunday Music:

Organ Dr. Kim Kasling; Vocals – Jody Pasell & Cyndi Worshek

Prelude Song: *Organ Solo*

Opening Song: “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” ELW #807

Song of Praise: “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us” ELW #789

Offering Song: *Duet*

Communion Song: “The King of Love My Shepherd Is” ELW #502

Closing Song: “O Living Bread from Heaven” ELW #542

10:30am Sunday Music:

Musicians – Silas Dingman, Emma Lundgren, Noah Zobitz

Prelude Song: “Captain” *On Screen*

Opening Song: “Stand In Your Love” *On Screen*

Song of Praise: “Goodness of God” *On Screen*

Offering Song: “The Goodness of Jesus” *On Screen*

Communion Song: “O Come to the Altar” *On Screen*

Closing Song: “Lead On Good Shepherd” *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 bother)

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

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

Kristi Malley (Bill & July Morgan’s daughter)

Judy Neste (Shari Pretzer’s friend)

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)

Our condolences are extended to **Vern & Bery Voss** and family on the death of Vern’s mother, Delores Voss. 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 ninth 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	\$858,729	\$240,744
Budget YTD	\$996,250	\$150,000
Expenditures YTD	\$911,608	\$113,484
Budget YTD	\$935,878	\$141,000
Net YTD	-\$52,879	\$127,260
Net Budget YTD	\$60,372	\$9,000
Ahead (Behind)	-\$113,250	\$118,260

Chili Cookoff

Winners!

thank you

1st - Jenny Keen
“Jenny From the Crock”

2nd - Ryan Newman
“BWCA (Best White Chili Around)”

3rd - Roy Snyder
“Unbearably Good Chili”

Spiciest
August Hanson “Just a Little Spicy”

Most Unique
Roy Snyder “Unbearably Good”

Thank You!

March’s Mission of the Month
raised \$3,785.18 for
HELPS International!

Join us in the Fireside Room 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 3rd, 10th, 17th
AT 9:30 AM

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 Mistranlation 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.

FREE
Community Store

Pick-Up Food Bag Event

Tuesday, May 5th
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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Lutheran Church
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YouthConnection
Sunday School (Age 3-Kind)
GodZone (Gr. 1-5)
Nicole Oftedahl: 255-0488 x 105
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Middle School (6-8)
Katrina Bahen: 255-0488 x 107
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High School (Gr. 9-12)
Nathan Kleppe: 255-0488 x 108
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YOUTH SUMMER FUN EVENTS

Watch for a Summer Calendar to be mailed to you soon!

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.

SPRING FUN

GAMES & PRIZES
BOUNCY HOUSES
PICNIC LUNCH
SILENT AUCTION - ENDS AT 12:30 pm
MAY 3 @ 11:30
FACE PAINTING

**Fundraiser for our summer Youth Mission Trips

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!

May 20 8:15am

The Breakfast Club

Grades 9-12

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.

American Heart Association Open To All Ages

FREE

Adult & Child CPR Class
Including AED & Heimlich Maneuver training

Sunday, April 26th
6:00 - 8:00pm

Scan QR code to sign up

Class held 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!

May 14

- Mary Center playdate at 9AM
- Celebration meetup at 7PM
- Topic: Mom Olympics

May 28

- Mary Center meetup at 9AM
- Topic: Mom Olympics
- 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

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

DONATE GLASSES HERE




Your Recycled Glasses Can Make A Difference!

Eyesight can be easily corrected with eyeglasses, yet millions living in low and middle income countries lack access to basic eye care services.

Donate your old eyeglasses today in the hallway container.

Venmo QR code.

Please specify what payment is for!



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Greg Shirley

Greg volunteers twice a month at the CLC Free Store, distributing bags to the community with care. He is thoughtful and generous, often donating fresh fruits and vegetables. He also spends hours maintaining our grounds—removing invasive plants and adding vegetation that will thrive at Celebration. Thank you for your dedication!



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Friday 8am - 1pm

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

<p>26</p> <p>8:30am Worship/Milestones</p> <p>9:30am Sunday School</p> <p>9:30am Congregational Meeting</p> <p>10:30am Worship/Milestones</p> <p>6pm JET Movie Night in Youth Room</p> <p>6pm CPR Class in Fireside Room</p>	<p>27</p> <p>7am Second Harvest Delivery</p> <p>7:15am Men's Group @ 2nd St. Coffee House</p> <p>8:30am Second Harvest Pick Up</p> <p>8:30am Yoga</p> <p>9:30am Staff Meeting</p> <p>6:30pm Choir</p>	<p>28</p> <p>8:30am Preschool</p> <p>10am CLC Store Bag Packing</p>	<p>29</p> <p>9am Women's Bible Study</p> <p>10:30am Chair Yoga</p> <p>4:45pm Taco 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>30</p> <p>6:30am Early Risers Study</p> <p>8:30am Preschool</p>	<p>1</p> <p>Pastors' Sabbath Day</p> <p>8:30am Preschool</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>3</p> <p>8:30am Worship</p> <p>9:30am Sunday School Party</p> <p>9:30am Civic Life Table Talks</p> <p>10:30am Worship</p> <p>11:30am Spring Fling</p> <p>4pm Pints & Praise at Bad Habit</p>	<p>4</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>5</p> <p>8:30am Preschool</p> <p>9am Quilters</p> <p>10am CLC Store Bag Pick Up</p> <p>6:30pm Baptism Prep Class</p>	<p>6</p> <p>9am Women's Bible Study</p> <p>10:30am Chair Yoga</p> <p>5:30pm VBS Prep</p> <p>7:15pm YDT (Last night)</p>	<p>7</p> <p>6:30am Early Risers Study</p> <p>8:30am Preschool</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Pastors' Sabbath Day</p> <p>8:30am Preschool</p>	<p>9</p> <p>9am Piano Recital</p>