

Church Calendar this week

Sunday, August 10

8:45 am Little Bethany Worship
9:00 am Coffee Hour (New Life)
10:00 am New Life Worship
Confirmation Trip to Medora

Monday, August 11

Confirmation Trip to Medora

Tuesday, August 12

Confirmation Trip to Medora

Wednesday, August 13

8:00 am to 5:00 pm Lori in the office
10:00 am Mission Quilters
6:30 pm NLLC Council Meeting

Thursday, August 14

No activities scheduled

Friday, August 15

No activities scheduled

Saturday, August 16

No activities scheduled

Sunday, August 17

8:45 am Little Bethany Worship
9:00 am Coffee Hour (NL)
9:30 am Coffee Hour (LB)
10:00 am New Life Worship
Molter Baptism

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. Amen.

SENDING HYMN

“How Great Is Our God”

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Thank you to:

Organist:

Joyce Peterson

Reader:

Faith Waldoch

Sound System:

John & Heather Reber

Leaders:

Stephanie Curtis

Katie Reber

Lauren Reber

Heather Reber

Doris Moen

9th Sunday after Pentecost

10 August 2025

PRELUDE

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Lord God, you give us life but we choose not to live. We enjoy the wonder of your creation, but fail to acknowledge you as Creator. We seek the full pleasure life has to offer, but we feel like we have been shortchanged. God, we confess we separate ourselves from you by our thoughts, words, and actions. We desire life to be what it was meant to be. We are in need of a Savior. God, forgive our sin and give us real life found in you.

Our God is the God of life. Our Creator God brought the world into being, created each of us, and desires only the best for us. God knows of our sin and has provided for our deliverance through Jesus—God with us. Jesus gave up his life so that we might live. Jesus’ death was for our sin and for our daily relationship with him. Our God is the God of life. As we trust God, our life is made new and we live together with God for now and throughout eternity.

We praise God for the gift of life. Amen.



OPENING HYMN—Noisy Offering

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness ”

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 15:1-6

¹ After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, “Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” ² But Abram said, “O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” ³ And Abram said, “You have given me no offspring, so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.” ⁴ But the word of the LORD came to him, “This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.” ⁵ He brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your descendants be.” ⁶ And he believed the LORD, and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.



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Publication Deadlines:

Sunday announcements - Tuesday A.M.,
Newsletter - 19th of the month

Jesus says, “It is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom.” It is God’s promise from the beginning—to Abraham, to the early church, and to the “little flock” of which we are a part in today’s assembly. Faith, God’s baptismal gift, trusts the promises of God. Have no fear.

Announcements

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August 4 to 7:
Rothsay Baptist Church
Vacation Bible School
9:00 to Noon
“Women of Faith”

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August 10-12:
2025 Summer
Confirmation Retreat
Medora, ND
Sign up today!

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August 20:
All Committee Meeting
6:30 pm

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August 22:
POOL PARTY!
Fergus Falls Aquatic Center
7th—12th Grade
4:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Sign up with Jess

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September 8:
Tia Ji Quam
(Balance Class)
9:00 am
Mondays and Thursdays

Psalm: **Psalm 33:12-22**
¹² Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord! Happy the people chosen to be God’s heritage!
¹³ **The Lord looks down from heaven and sees all humankind.**
¹⁴ God sits firmly enthroned and watches all who dwell on the earth.
¹⁵ **God fashions all their hearts and observes all their deeds.**
¹⁶ A king is not saved by the size of the army, nor are warriors rescued by their great strength.
¹⁷ **The horse gives vain hope for victory; despite its great strength it cannot save.**
¹⁸ Truly, your eye is upon those who fear you, O Lord, upon those who wait for your steadfast love,
¹⁹ **to deliver their lives from death, and to keep them alive in time of famine.**
²⁰ Our innermost being waits for you, O Lord, our helper and our shield.
²¹ **Surely, our heart rejoices in you, for in your holy name we put our trust.**
²² Let your lovingkindness, O Lord, be upon us, even as we place our hope in you.

Second Reading: **Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16**
¹ Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ² Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³ By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.
⁸ By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance, and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹ By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰ For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹ By faith, with Sarah’s involvement, he received power of procreation, even though he was too old, because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹² Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, “as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.”
¹³ All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the

earth, ¹⁴for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵ If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶ But as it is, they desire a better homeland, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Gospel: **Luke 12:32-40**
[Jesus said:] ³² “Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.
³⁵ “Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶ be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷ Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸ If he comes during the middle of the night or near dawn and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.
³⁹ “But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰ You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON



HYMN OF THE DAY

“The Old Rugged Cross ”

OFFERING

OFFERATORY PRAYER

God of our life and all our resources, we bring these gifts with thankful hearts for all that you have done for us. Bless the labor of our minds and hands. We pray that our gifts would built community and help distribute justice for all people. Amen

Mission Quilters

Will be meeting on Wednesday, August 13th between 10:00 am and 2:00 pm. Remember to bring a sack lunch.



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HELP GROW HEARTS
& HARMONIES!

Hey church family! Are you passionate about planting seeds of faith and sharing the joy of music? We’re on the lookout for:

- Sunday School Teachers: If you love storytelling, crafting, and guiding curious young minds, this is your chance to make a lasting impact in the lives of our kids!
- Music Director: Got a gift for leading voices and instruments in praise? Help us lift our hearts in worship every Sunday—and maybe toss in a few heavenly harmonies while you're at it!

Whether you're a seasoned leader or someone ready to try something new, we'd love to have you join the team. Just bring your love, your energy, and your prayers!

Interested? Reach out to the church office or speak with Steph Olson.

Let’s make Sunday mornings unforgettable—for ears, hearts, and souls!