

The Beacon

Pastor Tim Wheatley

October 27, 2025

Worship

- In-person worship— 9:30 AM Sundays
- Online worship is live-streamed to our YouTube and Facebook pages



Church Council 2025

Laurie Brown (sec'y.) Billie Chock (pres.) Tim Current (treas.) Pat Czock **Brandt Dinger** Heidi Goldbeck Luke Jeseritz Lisa Krause (v. pres.) Ryan Tool Pastor Tim Wheatley



Contact us!

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The Sisters of LOC invite you to their November event. See details and sign-up link below. A drink is included in the price. If interested, please sign up by November 10th. Contact Kelly Harstad with any questions: 763-227-8246 or kellyharstad8@gmail.com.

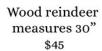


Snowman ornaments 2/\$30 measure 5"





Set of 4 watercolor cards \$30







Wood santa measures 30" \$45

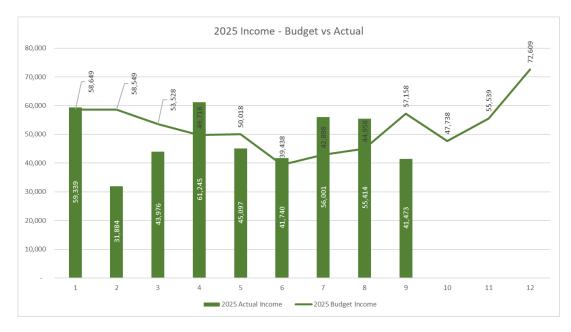
Join us on Nov 11th, 6:30 pm at The Whiskey Jar for an evening of friendship and creating. Pick one of the projects above to make. Register at the link below

www.studio527mn.com



CHURCH NEWS

LOC Monthly Income - Actual versus Budget



Year To Date Summary – September 2025

- YTD Budget \$454,914
 YTD Actual \$436,168
- Year to Date Actual is \$18,746 below budget
- September giving below budget



New Members Being Received on Sunday, November 16th

If you're interested in joining our church family, we invite you to attend a New Member Information Class on **November 2**nd at 5:30

PM. To help us prepare, please let the church office know <u>by October 29th</u> if you plan to attend. We're also here to answer any questions you may have.

Connect the Dots to Your Legacy



The Endowment Fund
Committee and Columbarium
Board invite you to join a
November 2 discussion about
planned gifts to Light of
Christ, ensuring a strong
financial future. We welcome
ELCA Foundation Planned
Giving rep Joe Sullivan who
will answer your questions at
10:45 in the Fellowship Hall.

Stay Informed!

The current Church Council meeting minutes can be found on the <u>church</u> <u>website</u>.



What Is a Memorial Garden?

A memorial garden is a space designed to honor and remember the life of a loved one. A private place for reflection, remembrance and meditation. A beautiful spot creating a serene and reflective environment. Light of Christ is blessed to have our own beautiful setting right outside our entrance. We invite you to take a moment to visit our

Columbarium and Memorial Garden to share in the tranquility and beauty it has to offer!

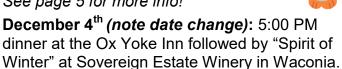


STAYING CONNECTED

OWLS Upcoming Events

Come join the Older Wiser Lutherans (OWLS) for fun, fellowship, and faith!!

October 30th: LaDonna is planning an unforgettable Halloween party. See page 5 for more info!



December 18th: Christmas potluck and white elephant gift exchange. Start searching your closets for a unique gift, nothing to purchase. This was a "*HOOT*" last year!!

All events are subject to change so let Sue Fink know your email address and phone number in case we need to get news out to everyone. Also, watch the bulletin and Beacon newsletter for updates. Get ready to make lasting friends who share the love and light of Christ.

Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday, November 2nd. Don't forget to set your clocks back next Saturday!



Love INC Birthday Ministry



The November birthday bags for our Love INC neighbors. Please pray for the kids who receive these birthday bags assembled with care by this month's volunteers, Ann Bassett & Ginny Iverson! Thank you for your support of this ministry!



Attention, Women!

The women's Bible study meets the first and third Mondays of the month, 6:30 – 8:00 PM at LOC. If you need to leave early at any point that is okay. We will meet through June. We will not meet in December. If you can't make it every time that is okay! We want you to come when you can.

We will be doing two Bible studies by Nancy Guthrie.

God Does His Best Work with Empty

God Does His Best Work with Empty: Guthrie, Nancy: 9781496439697: Amazon.com: Books

Even Better Than Eden

Even Better than Eden: Nine Ways the Bible's Story Changes Everything about Your Story:
Guthrie, Nancy: 9781433561252: Amazon.com:
Books

We hope to see you there! If you are interested in participating, please contact Lindsay Lindall at lindsay.lindall@gmail.com

Bible Study/Discussion Group for Moms of Pre-Teens/Teens

As we work to be a community where all feel connected and cared for, we are trying a new time/group for moms of pre-teens and

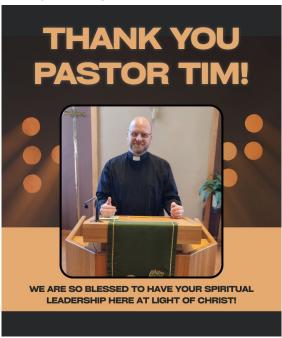


teens. Join us on **Thursday, November 20**th from **8:15-9:45 AM** (right after school drop-off) to meet with some other moms and talk about life, faith and parenting. This will be very laid back with zero prep or expectation. Coffee, creamer and treats provided. We'll discuss future meetings & times with those who attend or express interest...so email Kirsten if you're interested but cannot attend. Please also contact Kirsten about any specific food needs/requests. Hope to see you there!

CHURCH NEWS

October Is National Pastor Appreciation Month

We at LOC are happy to thank and celebrate Pastor Tim in our church this October. We are fortunate to have you as our church leader who makes ministry a joy and a blessing. We appreciate your dedication, guidance, and spiritual messages. We also are so happy to have your delightful family join our church family. Thank you, Pastor Tim!



WOW (Worship on Wednesday)

We're excited to have our WOW (Worship on Wednesdays) Confirmation worship services on the **first Wednesday** of each month. All are welcome at these youth-led services that go from 6:15-7:00 pm on the following Wednesdays:

- November 5
- December 3
- ♦ January 7
- ♦ February 4
- April 8 (2nd Wed. due to Holy Week)
 We hope you'll join us at WOW!





Prepare — Cultivate Your Faith

As our *Rooted in Faith. Growing in Generosity.* journey continues, we move from **Planting** to **Preparing** — a time to *cultivate* what God has already begun to grow in us. Just as healthy soil helps roots take hold, our hearts and lives are strengthened through prayer, worship, Scripture, and acts of kindness. This month, we're invited to tend to our faith, nurture compassion, and grow generosity — both in spirit and in action. As we *prepare the soil* of our lives, may we become even more deeply rooted in Christ's love and ready for the growth God is bringing through us and through our church.

Also, as you tend to the small flower/ plant you received at church, take a quick update/photo of you with your plant's growth and send that on into Katie at katie.kohler@locdelano.com. We'll begin showing some pics of all of us as a symbol of our growth as a community and homes.



All Saints' Day

Each All Saints' Day, November 1st, Pastor Tim goes out and prays for those who have departed in his church's local cemetery. This year that means he will be in our Columbarium at **9:30 AM on November 1st**. If you would like to join him, you may. It will not be a full service, but rather about a half hour time of prayer and thanks to God for gift of life and the promise of new life. Also, it is outside, rain or shine, so dress appropriately.

Then on **November 2**nd we will celebrate All Saints' Sunday. This celebration will include a time for you to acknowledge the departed saints in your life with the lighting of a candle. Please join us for these times when we remember that our God is the God of the living and the dead!

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STAYING CONNECTED



Calling All OWLS (Older Wiser Lutherans) Get Ready for the Owl-O-Ween Spooktacular!

DATE: October 30th **TIME:** 12:00 (Noon)

WHERE: Light of Christ Living Room

ATTIRE: Halloween costume (or be at the mercy of LaDonna who will provide something to wear)

BRING: Your favorite Halloween dish to share (potluck

event)

**Or a favorite dish with a Halloween name/ description (i.e. brownies become "graveyard dirt,"

hotdogs are "yummy mummies," or add an

adjective like spooky, creepy, eerie or a Halloween

character to the title like "spooky monster

meatloaf")

WHY: To enjoy an Owl-O-ing good time RSVP: ekernjl@gmail.com; 320-212-2583

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY EVENTS

Voyagers and Pathfinders learned about the lost sheep and Jesus' sacrifice for us.



CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY NEWS

Pizza & a Movie Night

The movie showing of "Light of the World" on October 15th was a wonderful time to be had by young and old. 50 people in all enjoyed pizza, popcorn and a wonderful movie portraying Jesus' life. Afterwards we had a little talk about the meaning of Jesus in our lives and wrapped things up with worship and a prayer.



Confirmation Calendar

- 10/29/25 = Teaching night
- 11/5/25 = WOW/Teaching night
- 11/12/25 = Teaching night
- 11/19/25 = Family Matters event
- 11/26/25 = No Confirmation due to Thanksgiving

Youth Choir Begins in November!

We will once again have youth choir this year for ages 3rd-6th grade! The first rehearsal will be for Lessons and Carols (December 7th) and will take place after worship on **November 9th**. Rehearsals are 30 minutes

long. Sign up using the QR code or contact Katie at katie.kohler@locdelano.com with any questions. The full schedule is on the sign-up form. All levels welcome! You do not need to make every rehearsal to be a part of the choir.

