

First United Methodist Church
30828 Irene Ave.
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Lindstrom, MN 55045

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lindstrommethodist.org

Sent with a prayer to:

September 2023

We Are Here to Help!

Worship with us in-person every
Sunday morning at 9am.

Watch our Sunday service LIVE on our
Facebook page.

Sunday Service is available to view on
our website the following Tuesday at
lindstrommethodist.org

Join us for Worship!

Church Office Hours:
Monday, Wednesday & Friday
9am - 2pm

Church Office Email:
office@lindstrommethodist.org

Pastor Chris' Email:
ckneen60@gmail.com

Mission Focus: zoeempowers

80 million children worldwide are trapped in the cycle of poverty. Through Zoe Empowers children who once lived in poverty become entrepreneurs, providers, and leaders in their community who know their worth and abilities. The organization equips children to overcome poverty by addressing all areas of life including child rights, food security, health and hygiene, secure housing, community connections, education, income generation, and spiritual strength. Most importantly, children learn that God loves them and experience the gospel in action.

First United Methodist Church will help Zoe Empowers to make an impact when you designate a portion of your offering to “missions” in September. A little bit makes a big difference! It costs less than \$300 to equip one child to overcome extreme poverty and become part of a strong and healthy community in just three years. Be even more connected by signing up for encouraging stories of orphan empowerment to be sent to your email inbox or to become an official ministry [prayer partner](#) and receive weekly updates on the [Zoe Empowers website](#).

Church Events

- Sept 4 - Labor Day: Church Offices Closed
- Sept 6 - Praise Practice 6:00pm
- Sept 12 - Worship Team 5:30pm
Trustees 6:30pm
SPRC 7:00pm
- Sept 18 - 10th Anniversary Community Meal
4-6pm at Zion Lutheran
- Sept 19 - Finance 6:00pm
Church Council 7:00pm
- Sept 20 - Confirmation Parent Meeting 6pm
Adult Education 7:00pm
- Sept 23 - Lois Anderson Memorial
FIKA 11:00am
- Sept 24 - Rally Day! All Church Pot Luck 11am
Sunday School begins 10am
- Sept 27 - First Confirmation Class 5-7pm
- Sept 28 - Women’s Ministry Meeting 6pm

Meals On Wheels

Route 2 - September 2023

Coordinator: Bonnie Bielicki 651-470-8806

September 1 - Fred & Barb Prindle

September 4 - Labor Day Closed

September 5 - Grace Schmidt

September 6 - Carol Carlson

September 7 - Irve & Dorothy Lecy

September 8 - Kim Giesbrecht

September 11 - Jon Glader

September 12 - Cindy Kopp

September 13 - Dick Berglund & Wally Ostlie

September 14 - Kim Giesbrecht

September 15 - Phil & Joan DeMunck

September 18 - Michelle Gillespie

September 19 - Jeff & Sue Meinholz

September 20 - Carol Carlson

September 21 - Jack Danielson & Gary Gerke

September 22 - Jack Danielson & Gary Gerke

September 25 - Greg McCarthy

September 26 - Greg McCarthy

September 27 - Dick Berglund & Wally Ostlie

September 28 - Jim & Joyce Stafki

September 29 - Irve & Dorothy Lecy



Unexpected Company Chorale Rehearsals

Starting for Winter Concert

Calling all singers to join Unexpected Company Chorale as we embark on our 39th season!!!

Rehearsals for our winter concert, "Shines a Star", begin on Monday, September 11th, at 7PM (registration and music hand-out will start at 6:30), at Trinity Lutheran Church in Lindstrom (13025 Newell Avenue -- come through the door at the back of the church in the parking lot).

Rehearsals are every Monday, and the concerts are Friday evening, December 1st, and Sunday afternoon, December 3rd. Membership dues are \$60 per concert cycle, and purchase of concert attire may be required. We look forward to having you sing with us!! No audition is required.

NORTH BRANCH, MN

2ND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
10:00 - 11:30 AM

Access Church
4359 392nd Street
North Branch, MN



2023 DATES

JANUARY 14
FEBRUARY 11
MARCH 11

APRIL 8
MAY 13
JUNE 10

JULY 8
AUGUST 12
SEPTEMBER 9

OCTOBER 14
NOVEMBER 11
DECEMBER 9

\$25 Cash Donation

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND!

You Will Receive an Abundance
of Grocery Items

NO Income or Residency
Requirements

Need Additional
Information?

Call (651) 674-0009

www.rubyspantry.org

RUBY'S PANTRY

OR

RUBY'S PANTRY-NORTH BRANCH, MN

Happy Birthday!

Russell Oehme.....September 6

Sophia Nelson..... September 12

Jeremy Tomczak.....September 16

Donn Arnold.....September 17

John Jindra.....September 17

Dari Ferguson.....September 19

Alan Hultman.....September 21

Sharon Loeffelholz.....September 21

Angel RempelEwert.....September 25

Kaitlyn Nelson September 25

LeRoy Johnson.....September 28

ST. BRIDGET OF SWEDEN
CATHOLIC CHURCH

BLOCK PARTY

SATURDAY, SEPT 2 • 6-10 PM

Featuring
BOOGIE WONDERLAND
Get Down Tonight
6-10 PM

**TURKEY DINNER • BEER TENT
BURGERS • HOT DOGS • BRATS
KIDS GAMES • SILENT AUCTION**

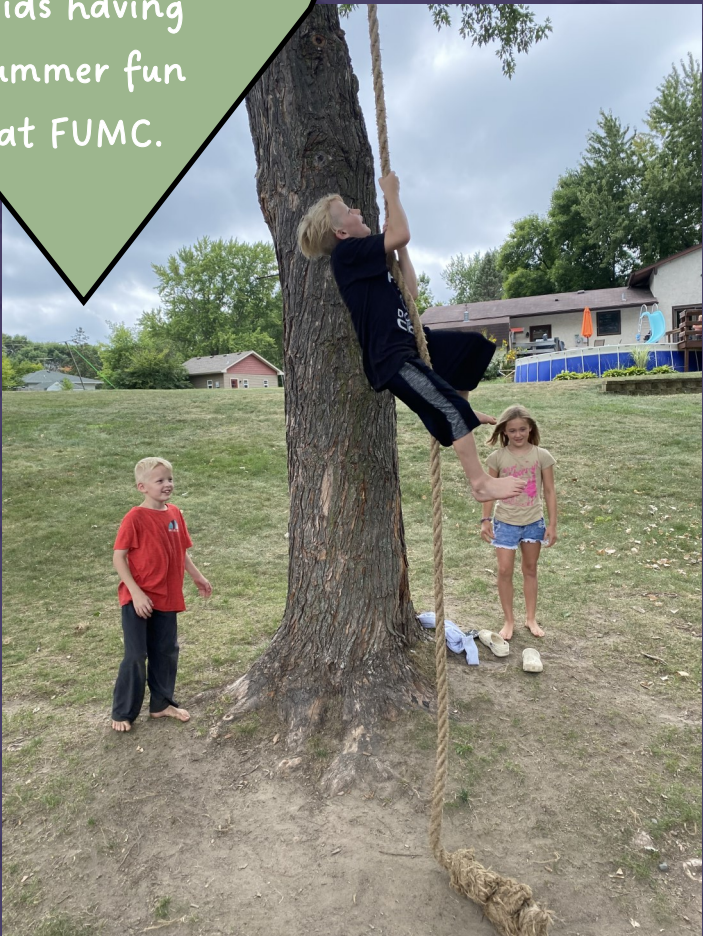
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Hwy 8, Lindstrom, MN

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Neighborhood
Kids having
summer fun
at FUMC.



CLCM Chisago Lakes Community Meal

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ZION LUTHERAN

The picnic will be held outside the church at 28005 Old Towne Road, Chisago City. In the event of rain, the picnic will move indoors



- * FON
- * FOOD
- * FELLOWSHIP
- * MUSIC
- * FACEPAINTING

CLCM is a ministry of Zion Lutheran, Trinity Lutheran, Chisago Lake Lutheran and First United Methodist Churches



FREE WILL DONATION



Pastor Tom Ervasti and I invite you to the Confirmation Parent Information meeting at First United Methodist Church, Lindstrom, on Wednesday, September 20th at 6:00 pm. Please plan on attending the meeting with your confirmation youth to find out about the upcoming Confirmation year. Feel free to invite other confirmation aged youth; youth entering 6th grade thru 8th grade are eligible for confirmation. We are very excited about the curriculum and field trips we have planned for the coming year.

First United Methodist Church

Taylors Falls United Methodist Church

Bring a Friend to Confirmation!



FIKA

11:00 AM

**First United Methodist Church
Lindstrom, Minnesota**



Featuring Gay Lindfors, Christian Speaker

IN THE SWEDISH TRADITION, KAFFE, SMORGAS, AND FIKABROD WILL BE SERVED FOLLOWING GAYE'S MESSAGE

Registration is Required!

www.lindstrommethodist.org or by calling (651)257-4306

There will be an opportunity for a free will offering



“Powerful things happen when women gather!”

In our church today we have the opportunity to begin a ministry for women with the purpose of growing faith, fostering friendship, and serving others. On Thursday, September 28 at 6:00 we will gather for a discussion of next steps towards starting this ministry. Every woman is invited and encouraged to attend.

If, you will not be attending, please contact Dorothy Lecy, Sharlene Arnold, or Barb Prindle so that we have sufficient materials ready.



Kids Church

- ♦ **Sunday School 2023-24**
Begins September 24th
10am
- ♦ **Confirmation Parent Meeting** September 20th
6pm
- ♦ **Confirmation Classes** begin
September 27th 5-7pm



Final Children's
Sermon Summer
Series 2023 &
Backpack Blessings

THANK YOU!!!

Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make the Garage Sale a success!!! You are the heart of First United Methodist Church thank you for all that you do! You are appreciated.



Community Events



Fun for all ages!
See you there!

**Labor Day Weekend
Rubber Duckie Paddle**
Sunday, September 3, 2023

Register for FREE at Lindström Beach Park
12:30pm - 1:30pm

12505 Newell Avenue, Lindström, MN 55045

Gather all 10 different rubber duckies from various locations along shore on North Lindström Lake, Bull Lake, & vicinity to win prizes!

Prizes awarded at 4pm at Lindström Beach Park:
• Non-motorized watercraft only
• One entry per watercraft (kayak, canoe, paddle board, rowboat, etc.)
• \$100 - Drawing of the winning duck
• \$50 - Second place
• Numerous gift cards
• Special prize for the watercraft that is "Ducked Out" for the event!

BULLDOGS GALA

SEPTEMBER 10 3:00 PM

SPLITROCKS EVENT CENTER / WYOMING, MINNESOTA
ALL YOU CAN EAT CATERED FORMAL EVENT
SILENT AUCTION AND AWARD CEREMONY
\$50.00 PER PERSON (INCLUDES DINNER)

THE CHISAGO LAKES BULLDOGS ARE A DONATION-DRIVEN COMMUNITY NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION

SEE OTHER SIDE FOR MORE INFO & TO REGISTER

THE CHISAGO LAKES BULLDOGS ARE PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THE FIRST ANNUAL END-OF-SEASON FUNDRAISING GALA.

THIS YEAR SAW THE MOST SUCCESSFUL SEASON IN OUR HISTORY AND WAS MADE POSSIBLE BECAUSE OF THE COMMUNITY AND ALL OF OUR FANS. AS WE LOOK TO THE FUTURE, WE WOULD BE HONORED AND DELIGHTED IF YOU COULD ATTEND.

PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW OR CALL COACH BUDKE AT 320-232-0462 TO REGISTER OR DISCOVER MORE WAYS TO SHOW YOUR SUPPORT.



Options for Women invites you to the Annual

Fall Banquet

Dinner & Live Auction
September 28, 2023
Access Church, 4359 392nd St.,
North Branch, MN 55056

Doors open at 6:00 pm Dinner at 6:30 pm
\$50 per ticket \$400 per table Wine included
RSVP by phone, email, or website by September 21st.
651-674-2121 info@pregoptions.org
https://www.pregoptionsfriends.org/events
Free child care - must register in advanced.



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