

Christ Lutheran Church

March 2026

The FRIEND

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH SOMERSET, WI 54025



WEDNESDAY NIGHTS LENT SCHEDULE

5:30-6:15 pm Soup &
Sandwich Supper Served

6:30-7:00 pm Worship

WEEKLY WEDNESDAY WORSHIP TOPIC

Mar. 4: Letting Go of Shame & Guilt

Mar. 11: Letting Go of Busyness

Mar. 18: Letting Go of False Beliefs
About Yourself

Mar. 25: Letting Go of Trying to
Save Yourself

HOLY WEEK AT CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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PALM
SUNDAY

March 29th
10 am



MAUNDY
THURSDAY

April 2nd
6:30 pm



GOOD
FRIDAY

April 3rd
6:30 pm



EASTER
SUNDAY

April 5th
10 am

On Maundy Thursday we will serve an Agape Meal, which is an appetizer-style meal of Christian fellowship that recalls the meals Jesus shared with his disciples during his ministry. This service includes special prayers, scripture and numerous simple food items such as bread, crackers, figs, nuts and olives, as well as wine & juice that we will share together around a special table.

Everyone is welcome to join us for Easter breakfast on Sunday, April 5th, 8:30 to 10:00 am. We will be serving pancakes (gluten free available), sausages, fruit, cookies, bars, and beverages. Please bring your family and friends. Free will donation, all proceeds will help fund our mission trip this summer.



Faith Reflections

by Pastor Jeff Smith

Dear Partners in Ministry,

We have settled into the Lenten rhythm of Wednesday evening worships and our theme of Letting Go. If you haven't had a chance to join us, I hope you will soon. The intent of the series is to help us all let go of things that hold us back from living the life God intends for us.

At the end of Lent comes Holy Week. On Mandy Thursday, we'll gather at 6:30 pm for an Agape meal. We did this a couple years ago and it was well received. The Agape meal is a chance to join in fellowship over a simple, ancient meal of crackers, breads, meats, cheeses, olives, wine and juice.

Then on Good Friday we will have a traditional style service with a new twist this year. These two services are among my very favorite and I'm always surprised how few people attend compared to Easter or Palm Sunday. I hope to see you there!

I pray that this Lenten season is an opportunity for you to slow down and grow in faith.

God's peace,

~Pastor Jeff

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lights up... curtain rises... and YOU'RE invited! Join the Somerset School District this weekend for a fantastic production of Disney's "The Little Mermaid" at our new Performing Arts Center! Several young CLC members will be performing!! It's the perfect night out - full of fun, heart, and incredible local talent. Grab your seat, cheer loudly, and help us pack the house! Feb 27th-March 1st. Purchase tickets at the door one hour prior to showtime or <https://www.somerset.k12.wi.us/article/2033618>

Youth retreat on March 6th-8th to Luther Point. 6th to 12th grades and friends are welcome. Cost \$35 and money for a dinner stop on the way to camp. We will be leaving church on Friday night at 5:30 and returning to church around 2:00 pm on Sunday. This will be an opportunity to enjoy the milder winter activities that March can offer. We would be enjoying fellowship, indoor and outdoor games, bible studies, good food, and a time away from Somerset Winter Blues. Come and join us and bring a friend. Contact the church office!

WALKING TOGETHER- Church Without Walls. Everyone is invited! March 21, 2026, 8:00 - 4:00 pm at Bethany Lutheran Church - Rice Lake, WI. \$25 Per Participant. Many workshop options including: Church of the Wild Retreat, Community Organizing, Being Witnesses, Lutheran Social Services, How to be an Advocate, Church and Community Collaboration, Benefits of Composting and More!!! Register and Details Here: <https://nswwi.org/walking-together-event>

Congregations of NW Wisconsin, you are invited to a special production of Jesus Christ Superstar! This musical has impacted audiences around the world for more than 50 years and will be performed in Eau Claire the two weekends leading up to Easter. 36 talented performers will retell the last days of Jesus life leading up to his crucifixion. As we journey through this season of Lent, it is a unique way to engage in this powerful story. Due to the generosity of a local philanthropist who covered all production costs, tickets for this production are affordable and 100% of the proceeds will benefit three local non-profits: The Community Table, JONAH, and the Eau Claire Children's Theater. Performances: March 26-29, April 2-4. Tickets: \$20 Adult/Senior, \$15 Youth. [Purchase Tickets Here](#)

Rays 4K is a new, private tuition-free program that provides Kindergarten Readiness to ages 4-5. Through play based learning and Christian Education, they aim to help each child grow in God's love. Call today to preview the school! (715) 247-2273, www.sonshinesomerset.com. Rays 4K & Rays of Sonshine, 706 Lehmann Way, Somerset, WI.

Grace in Grief at Joy Lutheran Church 501 Hwy 35 Centuria, WI. This group is a compassionate, nonjudgmental space for anyone grieving any kind of loss. All grief is valid—no matter the size, shape, or story behind it. You're welcome here whether you choose to share or simply listen. No one is expected to speak. Together, we honor each other's grief and walk gently through it. 2nd Monday of the month at 11:00am & 6:00pm. YOU ARE WELCOME - JUST AS YOU ARE.

Please hold these dear friends in prayer: Meghan and Ivy, Sue Strese, Merle Meisner, Mirandi & Dylan, Gary H., Deanna and Jonathan, Darrell Wold Sr., Bob Treloff, Evelyn, Dean Strehlau, Marya, Tami, Tom and June Boyer, Eric Grant, Paul H, Scott and Sue Hovet, Curt Hughes, Jeff and Carol Reed, Ronald Rixmann, Ross Swanson.

Easter Flower Order Form - March 22nd Order Deadline

Flowers for the Easter Sunday Worship Service may be ordered and can be designated in memory or in honor of a loved one. Checks should be made out to: **Christ Lutheran Church with Easter Flowers** in the memo. **Flowers need to be ordered by Sunday, March 22nd. Payment must accompany this order form.** Drop off your form in the church office, mail your order to CLC, or leave in an envelope marked for flowers in the offering basket. **Flowers will be labeled and may be taken home after Easter worship.**

Please circle your flower selection, color, and cost

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|-----------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| 1. Easter Lily - \$11 | 2. Tulip - \$10 | 3. Hydrangea - \$22.50 (blue/pink) |
| 4. Pink Azalea - \$24 | 5. Begonia - \$16 (red/pink/ylw) | 6. Chrysanthemum - \$15 (ylw/white/lav) |

Please Print Clearly

1. Flower # _____ (order by flower # please) Total _____
 Given in memory of: _____ or Given in honor of: _____

2. Flower # _____ (order by flower # please) Total _____
 Given in memory of: _____ or Given in honor of: _____

Given by: (name as you wish it to appear in announcements)

_____ Phone: _____ TOTAL \$ _____



Sincere condolences to Tricia Davis and family upon the passing of Tricia's sister Tammy Nick on February 8, 2026. We are so sorry for your loss.

March Food Shelf Needs

chunky soups - heat and serve, chili, beef stew, spaghetti sauce, ground coffee or pods, cake mix & frosting, baked beans, shelf stable pickles, crackers, BBQ sauce, salsa, ketchup, \$ financial \$

Easter Breakfast at Christ Lutheran Church

Sunday, April 5th 8:30 - 10 am

Free will donation, all proceeds will go to help fund our mission trip this summer.

Pancakes
(gluten free available)

Sausages

Fruit

Bars &

Cookies

Coffee, Juice & Milk



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WALKING TOGETHER

Church Without Walls

March 21, 2026

8:00 - 4:00

\$25 Per Participant

Bethany Lutheran Church - Rice Lake, WI

Keynote Speaker: Natalia Terfa



Register and Details Here:
<https://nswsi.org/walking-together-event>

Northwest Synod of Wisconsin
 Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

We are looking for donations of fresh fruit, cookies, bars, milk, and fruit juice for Easter breakfast. Please sign up in the narthex and bring donated items to the church by Saturday, April 4th. We appreciate your support and fellowship! We hope you will join us for breakfast before Easter worship service.

Christ Lutheran Church
510 Germain Street - PO Box 123 - Somerset, WI 54025
2025 Annual Report
Sunday, February 8, 2026 - 11:21 am
Annual Meeting Minutes

Call to Order - Sarah Warren -

Determination of Quorum - 26 in attendance

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Annual Congregational Meeting Opening Liturgy Page 2 - Pastor Jeff Smith

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Campus Ministry Annual Report for Congregations Page 4

Approval of 2025 Annual Meeting Minutes Page 5 Donnie Kern move to approve, Bob Trealoff seconded - Motion approved unanimously.

Celebrating Christ Lutheran Church

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2025 Ministry Team Reports Page 11

No longer have a Children's Ministry in 2026

Building and Grounds is in need of new people, more help, local person needed to stop in to check on things.

Donnie Kern motion to accept the 2025 Ministry Team Reports, Margie Metzdorf seconded - Motion passed.

2025 Financial Reports Page 23

Donnie made a motion- to recommend 3 merging designated accounts as listed on page 24. Tricia Davis (and Roger Hughes) seconded.

-Merging ed jk-6 and 7-9 confirmation into youth fund

-merging dinner church into community life

-memorial be forwarded to general fund and future memorials if not specified to a current designated fund will be general fund money.

Motion passed.

Vote on 2026 Proposed Budget Page 25

Donnie Kern moved to accept the 2026 proposed budget, Ashley Cochran seconded. Discussion.

Motion Carries.

Nominations of Council Officers

Donnie made a motion to cast a unanimous ballot for Rachel as Secretary and Beth as Vice President - Cherrie Wood seconded and moved to close nominations - Sarah Warren seconded.

President- no nominations.

Nominations of Synod Assembly Delegates

Donnie Kern nominated Sharon Ammerman and Cherrie Wood

Donnie motioned to accept Sharon Ammerman and Cherrie Wood as Synod Assembly Delegates.

Bob Trealoff seconded. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business

New Business

2025 Amendments to the Constitution for Congregations -

Donnie Kern made a motion to adopt the 2025 Churchwide Assembly Amendments to the Model Constitution for Congregations of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Chris Dubak seconded. Motion carried.

Donnie Kern made the motion to adjourn. Roger Hughes seconded. Motion passed.

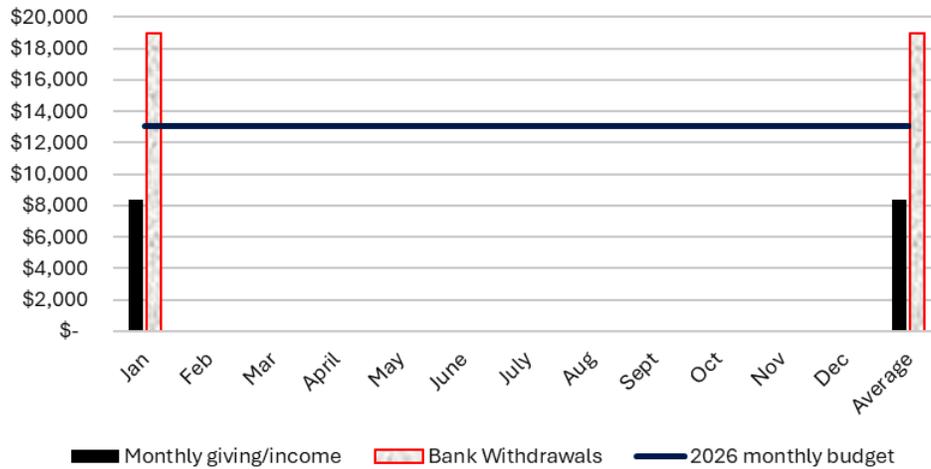
Closing Prayer

Respectfully submitted by Rachel Erickson

*** Meeting minutes are not official until approved at the next annual meeting**

Monthly Financial Report for January 2026

2026 CLC General Account Monthly Giving



Monthly Budget
\$13,020

January Deposits
\$8382.20

January Withdrawals
\$18,934.23

March Birthdays

Tayva Strom	Robert Trealoff	Zachary Smith
Allen Ziemer	Caryn Johnson	Westton Mattren
Megan Larse	Alexis Mevissen	Kevin Noeldner
Levi Nichols	Roger Hughes	Christina Dubak
Ashlyn Hoffman	Aiden Johnson	Jon Meyer
Jackson Nichols	David Nichols	Addison Vrieze
Howard Morud	Nicole Rivard	Amy Mattren
Miladis Kern	Margaret Atkins	

Month	Altar Care	Reader	Communion Assistant	Greeter	Counters
March	Sharon Swanson				
1		Sharon Swanson	Sharon Swanson	Sharon Swanson	Erv & Roger
8		Sharon Swanson	Sharon Swanson	Sharon Swanson	Sharon & Roger
15		Cherrie Wood	Cherrie Wood	Cherrie Wood	John & Sue
22		Sharon Ammerman	Sue Strese	Sharon Ammerman	Joe & Sharon
29		Berit Strom	Berit Strom	Berit Strom	John & Sue
April	Ardie Wold				
2	(Maundy Thursday)	Rachel Erickson	Sharon Swanson		
3	(Good Friday)	Sharon Ammerman & Sharon Swanson			
5	(Easter)	Cherrie Wood	Cherrie Wood	Cherrie Wood	Erv & Roger
12		Sue Strese	Sue Strese	Sue Strese	Roger & Sharon
19		Kevin Noeldner	Kevin Noeldner	Kevin Noeldner	John & Sue
26		Carol Hokenson	Carol Hokenson	Carol Hokenson	Carol & Gary

March 2026

Connection and Community

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 10 am Worship	2 9 am Quilting 7 pm Boy Scouts	3 1-3 pm Phase 10	4 5:30-6:15 pm Soup Supper 6:30-7 pm Lent Worship Service	5 NO Bible Study 10 am-4 pm River Valley Foot Care	6 5:30 pm Youth Retreat Leaves	7
8 10 am Worship- 2 pm Youth Retreat Returns Daylight Savings Time Begins	9 Church Office Closed 9 am Quilting 7 pm Boy Scouts	10 Church Office Closed 1-3 pm Phase 10	11 5:30-6:15 pm Soup Supper 6:30-7 pm Lent Worship Service	12 Church Office Closed 10 am Bible Study 8:00 am- Midnight - CLC Crafters	13 8:00 am- Midnight - CLC Crafters	14 8:00 am- Midnight - CLC Crafters
15 10 am Worship Baptism of Violet Ludwik	16 9 am Quilting 7 pm Boy Scouts	17 1-3 pm Phase 10	18 5:30-6:15 pm Soup Supper 6:30-7 pm Lent Worship Service	19 10 am Bible Study 10 am-4 pm River Valley Foot Care	20	21
22 10 am Worship Orders for Easter Flowers Due	23 9 am Quilting 7 pm Boy Scouts	24 1-3 pm Phase 10	25 5:30-6:15 pm Soup Supper 6:30-7 pm Lent Worship Service	26 10 am Bible Study	27	28
29 10 am Worship Palm Sunday	30 9 am Quilting 7 pm Boy Scouts	31 1-3 pm Phase 10				

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Sharing God's Love with Hearts and Hands

Christ Lutheran Church
SOMERSET, WISCONSIN

Contacts for CLC

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510 Germain Street - Somerset, WI 54025

Church Office: 715.247.3341

Office Hours: Mon-Thurs: 11 am - 4 pm

Pastor Jeff Smith:
clcsomersetpastor@gmail.com

Council President: Sarah Warren

Accompanist: Beth Hankel

Cantor: Rachel Erickson

Custodian: Roger Hughes

Office Manager: Chris Dubak

Established in 1896, we are a Christ-centered faith community with the heart and mind of those living in the 21st century. Our mission is to love and serve you right where you live. Everyone is welcome here!

SUNDAY WORSHIP - 10:00 AM

Followed by coffee and fellowship

Sunday service is live-streamed on YouTube - search Christ Lutheran Somerset.

A link is posted on our Facebook page as well.

WEEKLY WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE

5:30-6:15 pm Soup & Sandwich Supper Served
6:30-7:00 pm Worship



E-mail: christluthsom@somtel.net



Website: <https://somersetlutheran.com>



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