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## Aitkin County Habitat for Humanity Toolin Tour May 21



The Aitkin County Habitat for Humanity Toolin Tour is set for Sunday, May 21.

Cars, trucks, motorcycles and trikes will leave Aitkin at noon from the Ripple Center. They will stop in Glen, McGregor and Palisade and return to the Aitkin American Legion for door prizes, auction, food and

more. The first 50 riders get a Toolin Tour flashlight.

Some silent auction items already lined up include: two quilts, quilted wall hanging, quilted runner, fishing pole, bird feeders, black dirt, Husqvarna item, homemade soap products and more. Anyone can come to the Legion at 4

p.m. and bid on the auction.

Items are still sought for prizes and silent auction items. Also, businesses and civic organizations are asked to help out with cash

donations.

Aitkin County Habitat for Humanity builds and repairs homes in partnership with families and communities. Proceeds will go to

the next home.

For more information, email [aitkinhabitat@gmail.com](mailto:aitkinhabitat@gmail.com) or call 218.927.5656. The registration form is posted on Facebook.

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# Gov. Walz visits fish hatchery to highlight investments ahead of opener



Governor Tim Walz and Lieutenant Governor Peggy Flanagan toured a state fish hatchery on May 1 in St. Paul ahead of the fishing opener. The facility was the first state-run hatchery established in Minnesota. Today, the facility produces young walleye, muskellunge, and tiger muskie used to stock lakes across the state.

“Fishing is one of our greatest outdoor traditions, and it makes up a \$4.4 billion dollar industry in Minnesota,” said Governor Walz. “Hatcheries are an essential part of conservation and the system we have to ensure the continuation of our fishing and outdoor recreation industry. We need to make investments to repair and improve our aging fish hatcheries and outdoor infrastructure to ensure world-class fishing for decades to come.”

The St. Paul Fish Hatchery is one of 15 hatcheries

operated by DNR, each of which specializes in one or more fish species. Like the St. Paul hatchery, most of these facilities were constructed decades ago—many predate the 1960s—and need renewal and modernization. Critical issues, including biosecurity, aging infrastructure, and safety, need to be addressed within the hatchery system.

The One Minnesota Budget for DNR proposes investments in these facilities, fisheries management, and the lakes and rivers where Minnesotans fish.

“Like so many Minnesotans, I can’t wait to get back out on open water and cast a line for walleye this fishing opener weekend. The outstanding and diverse angling opportunities we experience during opening weekend and throughout the season depend on the work and dedication of DNR staff and partners, and the investments

Minnesota makes in managing our fisheries resources,” DNR Commissioner Sarah Strommen said. “By investing in the infrastructure, places, and people that make fishing opportunities possible across the state, we help support our economy and the premiere outdoor recreation experiences Minnesota is known for.”

The state’s diverse aquatic habitat, from Lake Superior and Lake of the Woods in the north to small, cold streams in the Driftless Area of the southeast, offers world-class fishing that DNR’s hatcheries support through stocking programs. The One Minnesota budget’s Get Out MORE (Modernize Outdoor Recreation Experiences) proposal would make a \$118 million General Fund investment, which would combine with additional funds in the Governor’s bonding proposal, to ensure all Minnesotans

are able to take part in Minnesota’s outdoor traditions. The General Fund proposal includes \$35 million to enhance fisheries and fishing infrastructure, \$35 million for modernizing boating access, and \$15 million for restoring streams and modernizing water-related infrastructure to support outdoor recreation.

Minnesotans will head to lakes and rivers for the opening of the walleye, sauger, and northern pike season on Saturday, May 13, and the tradition will be celebrated in many ways. The 2023 Governor’s Fishing Opener will be held in the greater Mankato area Thursday, May 11, through Saturday, May 13. May 13-14 is also Take a Mom Fishing Weekend, when Minnesota moms can fish for free without a license and participate in the virtual Minnesota Moms Fishing Challenge.

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## House Democrats approved a bill against constitutional rights

Our First Amendment right to free speech is protected by our Second Amendment right to bear arms. These are cornerstones on which our state and nation were founded, yet House Democrats approved a bill this week that threatens to weaken each.

Before we get into the details, I want to make clear I am an ardent supporter of our constitutional rights. I will continue fighting to uphold them and push back against undermining efforts every time.

Back to the bill itself, which the House majority approved this week: It is a public safety package (S.F. 2909) which, again, includes provisions of major concern for both our First Amendment and Second Amendment rights.

One measure in the bill creates a bad-speech registry where the state would create a government database of perceived "hate incidents" that fall short of criminal acts. To be clear, we're not talking about "hate crimes" because those already are tracked.

In other words, the bill gives state authority to collect data about crimes of bias that have not been reported to law enforcement – so there is no documentation that the event happened – but people still could be placed in a registry.

The bill also features anti-Second Amendment language from two controversial gun control bills: H.F. 14 (universal gun registration) and H.F. 15 (red flag). I support our law enforcement officers' concerns about provisions that are unworkable and unrealistic to enforce on the streets. Instead of addressing the root causes of violent crime, this bill will create strict and impractical hurdles for law-abiding Minnesotans seeking to exercise their Second Amendment rights. Criminals looking to acquire

firearms will not follow the complex new process laid out in the proposal and it will do nothing to stop the flow of firearms among criminals.

Let's hope a conference committee does a major overhaul and eliminates these provisions before the bill comes back for a vote on final passage. Our efforts should be focused on enforcing the numerous laws we already have governing firearm transfers before the Legislature creates new ones that will harm law-abiding citizens and are unlikely to deter those with bad intentions.

### Nursing homes shorted funding

House Democrats approved a bill this week which ignores a long-term care crisis in our state by severely underfunding this portion of the state budget.

The House Human Services Finance omnibus package (S.F. 2934) came to the floor accounting for just .01 percent of the Democrats' \$72 billion budget proposal that consumes the state's \$19 billion surplus and increases state General Fund spending by 40 percent.

Not long ago, both sides of the aisle would have jumped at the idea of fully funding nursing homes. Today, that concept doesn't seem to get the attention of the Democrats' special interest groups so it's off the table. This gives us further proof the Democrat party is more interested in sending political paybacks to its radical base than doing what's right for Minnesotans. The fact Minnesota's House majority proposes sending state spending into orbit but also is unwilling to adequately support our seniors and the people who care for them is disgraceful.

Meanwhile, Minnesota is in the midst of a "silver tsunami," with more than 1.3 million state residents aged 65 or older.

As these residents age, their need for care grows and it is unfortunate to see Minnesota is not keeping up with these needs. A reported 2,597 nursing home beds have been taken out of service in Minnesota since 2020, the equivalent of shuttering 52, 50-bed homes. The long-term care industry in Minnesota, currently is operating with a worker shortage of 53,000 and that, in the month of October alone, 11,000 elderly residents were turned away from nursing homes – largely due to lack of staff.

The best we can say right now is thank goodness this bill is headed to a conference committee where there's still a glimmer of hope the bill will be improved before it is considered for final passage. This is the time when it's most important to make sure legislators know where we stand on this issue so a just outcome can be achieved.

### Tax bill

The Democrats' tax bill (H.F. 1938) was among the last omnibus finance packages to come to the floor for a vote on preliminary approval and there are some provisions of major concern. House Republicans continue working to eliminate a measure I mentioned in my last newsletter that would end electronic pull tabs as we know them, dealing a severe blow to local charity organizations/non-profits. Overall, this bill includes \$2.2 billion of the Democrats' \$9.5 billion in proposed tax increases, again, at a time the state has a massive surplus.

I'll come back with a closer look at this bill soon. Until then, please have a good weekend and let me know how I can help.

Sincerely,  
**State Rep. Ben Davis**  
 District 6A

## LEGAL NOTICE

(Published in NewsHopper Sat., May 6, 13 & 20, 2023)  
**LIBBY TOWNSHIP MEETING**

The Libby Township Board will meet at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 23, 2023 at the Palisade Community Center to discuss matters that may come before the board. The meeting will be followed by a road tour on the west and east sides of the township.

Dated this 27th day of April, 2023  
 JANE GRIMSBO JEWETT,  
 Clerk, Libby Township  
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## Fund-raiser for Barb Neprud

Barb Neprud's Fight Cancer Fund-raiser will be held on Thursday, May 11 from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. at The Hudson, 208 Curtis Avenue in Ironton.

There will be a silent auction and food. Hudson Street tacos will be available for a \$15 meal ticket. Other foods include Taconite Canteen Pizza, Barb Hoge's Famous Chocolate Chip Cookies, Christine's Creations and Maddie's Macrons.

Live music provided by Todd Wohl.

Silent Auction items include Shift Integrative: six sessions laser medium weight loss treatment; \$900 value; Maddie's Macarons \$100 gift card; Fishing with Phil: two pro-guided trips plus three day, two night stay on a private island cabin located on Lake Vermillion, a \$1,600 value; Sound Connection remote starter and installation, a \$399 value; Cascade Med Spa Basket worth \$120, Grand Casino Free night stay with food and play vouchers,

a \$200 value, a like new LLC Mobile detailing full interior detail, a \$275 value and more. Silent auction items are being accepted at Unity Bank in Crosby until May 8.

Cash/check donations are being accepted at Unity Bank in Crosby to the Barb Neprud Benefit Account.

For more information contact Mark Hoge at 218-330-4953, mark.hoge@ceterais.com or Sarah Portz 218-838-1822, sarahportz 80@gmail.com

## Tree sale pick-up-drive through

The Crow Wing Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) will host the 24th Landowner Tree Sale Pick-Up.

According to Melissa Barick, District Manager "This year the Tree Sale Pick-Up will be held in the Crow Wing County Fair Grounds, Safety Building. We will continue the drive-through process to pick up your trees. Please follow signage and cones to the Safety Building."

All plants, trees, and other items must be picked up on Thursday and Friday, May 11 and 12 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Address for the Safety Building is 2000 SE 13th St, Brainerd, MN 56401. Follow yellow signs to the Safety Building. Please stay in your vehicle.

Leftover stock will be added online on Friday, May 12. The SWCD will only accept online orders only at https://www.cswcd.org/shop. "Help us reach our goal

of One Million Trees for Crow Wing County. Over the years landowners have planted over 842,652 trees. We are grateful to all our customers that continue to plant trees each year. Little by little, we are making a big difference." Melissa stated.

For more information you can watch the tree sale video at www.youtube.com/watch?v=uYAdW9p09qA or visit www.cswcd.org, email: tasha@cswcd.org or call 218-828-6197.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### May

- 9th - The Central Lakes Jazz Orchestra, featuring vocalist Rebecca Timmins & Central Lakes Wind Symphony, present their spring concert "Perseverance" at 7 p.m. in the CLC Chalberg Theatre. Cost \$5 for adults; students and children 14 and under are free.
- 11th - Final Gift at Crosslake Lutheran Church, registration 10:30-11am, course 11am-4pm, planning for end of life choices. The program includes an attorney, funeral director, Pastor, RN, and other program leaders who will review parts of the process for end of life and services such as memorial and funerals. This event is free and is open to the public. RSVP by May 8 to Crosslake Lutheran Church office by calling 218-692-3682.
- 11th - Baia Della in Baxter will host a Happy Hour For A Cause event to benefit Relationship Safety Alliance fka Mid-Minnesota Women's Center from 5-7pm, \$20 per person at the door includes wine and mixed drink tasting, light appetizers, and entry into drawings. 100% of proceeds will be donated to RSA to continue its mission of saving lives and supporting survivors of relationship abuse. Space is limited so register on Eventbrite at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/copy-of-happy-hour-for-a-cause-relationship-safety-alliance-tickets-622105372917.
- 13th - Electronics Recycling Drive to Benefit Area Youth Education, 10 am-2 pm, at Deerwood Technologies, 21301 Archibald Road (at the corner of Archibald Road/Hwy 6 and Cross Drive) in Deerwood.
- 13th & 14th - Cuyuna Rock, Gem and Mineral Society Agate and Mineral Show is a great opportunity to purchase gifts for Mother's Day and other events. Hours are Saturday 9 a.m. -5 p.m. and Sunday, 10 a.m. -4 p.m. at the Crow Wing County Fairgrounds, 2000 S.E. 13th Street, Brainerd. Activities include demonstrations of knapping, rock cutting, geode cracking, the spinning wheel and sluicing for treasures. New this year will be a rock pile for kids to look for agates and other small treasures. Great concessions will be available for lunch and snacks. Admission is \$2 for adults; \$1 for children under 12. In honor of Mother's Day, mothers are free on Sunday.
- 20th - Emily Spring Fling. Join area businesses coffee, cookies, food and drink specials, meat raffles, one-day meat sale, open houses, golf scramble and more!
- 21st - Toolin Tour Ride for Habitat. Leave Aitkin at noon. Food, prizes, auction, raffles. Info, aitkinhabitat@gmail.com
- 29th - Lakers Lions Memorial Day Service at Pine Ridge Cemetery in Emily.
- 29th - Memorial Day Service at Lakewood Cemetery in Crosby hosted by Myrin-James American Legion Post #443.



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# OBITUARIES

## NICOLE GUTZMAN



Nicole Anne Gutzman, 48, of Crosby died on Wednesday, February 22, 2023.

A Memorial service will be held at noon on Saturday, May 20, 2023 at the Koop Funeral Home in Crosby. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the funeral home on Saturday. Burial will be at the Woodland Cemetery in Irondale Township. In lieu of flowers memorials are preferred to the Nicole Gutzman Memorial Fund at the Deerwood Bank.

She was born in Brainerd on July 27, 1974 to

Gary and Rose (Barto) Gutzman.

Nicole is survived by her daughter, Courtney Gabrio of Deerwood; sons, Jared Pankratz of Crosby and Wyatt Pankratz of Aberdeen, SD; five grandchildren; mother, Rose Stimac (Don Nickel) of Pequot Lakes; two brothers: John (Cory) Gutzman of Blaine and Brent (Amy) Gutzman of Aitkin; and two sisters: Lisa Gutzman of Crosby and Carla Miller (Bill Robins) of Lindstrom.

Preceding Nicole in death is her father, Gary Gutzman.

Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home of Crosby. To leave a message of condolence go to [www.koopfuneralhome.com](http://www.koopfuneralhome.com).

## DORIS DOTY



Doris (Sarff) Doty, 98 of Palisade died Saturday, April 22, 2023 at Rivers Edge Assisted Living in Aitkin.

Funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 27, 2023 at Bethel Lutheran Church in Palisade with Pastor Steven Teff officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church.

Burial will be in Pine Grove Cemetery, Palisade.

She was born March 21, 1925 in Palisade to Pierre and Betsy (Tyren) Sarff. She graduated from Aitkin High School and then attended the Cadet Nursing Program at the University of Minnesota. Doris was united in marriage to Denny Doty on April 21, 1945 in Palisade. They lived in the Twin Cities area when Doris earned her RN degree from North Hennepin Junior College. She worked for Mission

Farm and North Memorial Medical Center in Robbinsdale retiring in January of 1991. She was a wonderful wife, mother and a friend to many, and was known for making delicious muffins. She was a member of Bethel Lutheran Church of Palisade.

Doris is survived by her children: Linda (Scott) Peterson of Big Lake, Lois J. Doty (Mike Mulcahy) of Watertown, Jerry (Carol) Doty of Gilbert, and Cheryl (John) Forse of New Hope; 12 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and 3 great-great-grandchildren; sister, Evelyn Holm of Aitkin; brother, Donahue (Marlyn) Sarff of Mankato. She was preceded in death by her parents, Pierre and Betsy Sarff; husband, Denny Doty on July 8, 2000, son, Thomas Earl Doty; and sister, Erma Ertz.

Arrangements were with the Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Aitkin. Leave online condolences at [www.srtfuneral.com](http://www.srtfuneral.com).

## RALPH FERRIER



Ralph James Ferrier, 73, of Aitkin died on Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at the Riverwood Health Care Center in Aitkin.

A Celebration of Life is being planned for July 3, 2023 in Crosby.

He was born in Sturgis, MI to Ralph and Analee (Hart)

Ferrier. Ralph married Linda Fageroos on January 14, 1982 in Pequot Lakes. He was an avid outdoorsman, and guided for fishing, hunting and trapping trips.

Ralph is survived by his wife Linda; three sons: Victor (Jaime) Fageroos of Urbandale, IA, Eric (Holly) Keck of Clearfield, KY, and J.R. (Melissa)

Ferrier of Brainerd; two daughters: Amy (Wade Kuznia) Pendegayosh of Deerwood and Melissa (Leif) Gustafson of Crosby; four brothers: Phil (Ruth) Ferrier of Burr Oak, MI, Jerry (Candace) Ferrier of Aitkin, Roger and Mike Tye; five sisters: Diane Halsey of LaGrange, IN, Ruthanne (Jerry) McKay of Ina, IL, Cynthia (Fred) Cramer of Sturgis, MI, Nancy (Mark) Paul of Huntington, IN and Penny Harrop of Coco Beach, FL; 16 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren; many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Preceding Ralph in death are his parents; a grandson, a great-granddaughter and a brother. Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home of Crosby. To leave a message of condolence go to [www.koopfuneralhome.com](http://www.koopfuneralhome.com).

## ARNOLD LORENSON



Arnold Roy Lorensen, 86, of Aitkin died on Friday, April 21, 2023 at his home.

Per Arnold's request, no services are being held.

He was born on December 22, 1936 in Thief River Falls to Edward and Laura (Woyach)

Lorensen. Arnold was a retired math teacher, who enjoyed spending time with family, gardening, reading, jigsaw puzzles and just being outdoors.

Arnold is survived by his wife Peggy (Geotz) Lorensen; two daughters: Laurie (Jim) Odden

and Robbie (Luke) Oeltjenbruns; grandson, John Oeltjenbruns; seven grandchildren: Don (Chris) Smith, Sherrie (Rich) Ewischek, Bill (Erica) Smith, Arne Smith, Renee Kostohryz, Karen Hoheisel, and Abby (Mike) Geotz; 22 step-grandchildren; 14 step-great-grandchildren; two step-great-great-grandchildren and brother, Raymond (Charlotte) Lorensen.

Preceding Arnold in death are his parents; wife, Junnell (LaFrance) Lorensen; son, Arnold Lorensen Jr.; three brothers, one sister and two step-sisters.

Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home of Crosby. To leave a message of condolence go to [www.koopfuneralhome.com](http://www.koopfuneralhome.com).

## KATHLEEN MIDDLETON



Kathleen Jo Middleton, 69, of Long Lake died peacefully on Monday, April 24, 2023 at the MC Little Hospice House in Edina surrounded by her loving family.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, May 6, 2023 at St.

Joseph's Catholic Church in Crosby. Burial will be at the Bay Lake Township Cemetery. A visitation will be on Friday, May 5, 2023 at the Koop Funeral Home in Crosby from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. with a rosary at 6:30 p.m. and on Saturday one hour prior to the service at the church.

She was born in Crosby on January 15, 1954

to John and Betty (Johnson) Perpich. Kathleen married Patrick Joseph Middleton on December 20, 1974 in Crosby.

Kathleen is survived by her husband, Pat; sons: Andrew (Abbey) Middleton of Baxter and Anthony (Amanda) Middleton of Minnetrista; four grandchildren; three brothers: Steven "Choik" (Connie) Perpich of Crosby, Thomas (Cindy) Perpich of Virginia; and two sisters: Julie Perpich of Little Falls and Sandra (Dennis) Davis of Crosby.

Preceding Kathleen in death are her parents.

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# CHURCH DIRECTORY

\* Indicates handicap accessible. NOTE: All times are Sunday morning (a.m.) unless indicated otherwise.

### ALLIANCE

Aitkin\* — New Life; Larry Burg & Tyrel LaValle, pastors; Worship 10:15 am & 6pm; youth group Wed. 6pm; 11-1st Street SW; [newlifeatitkin.com](http://newlifeatitkin.com) 218-927-2823.  
Baxter\* — Pointway Alliance Church; Rev. Charles Bolstridge, 218-537-6505; 7756 Highland Scenic Road; Worship 10:00; [www.pointway.org](http://www.pointway.org)  
Garrison\* — Worship 10:30am  
Onamia — Vineland Native American Chapel, Hwy. 169 north of casino; Worship 11; Pastor Boeringa 320-532-4449

### ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Aitkin — Pastor Andrew Jergenson; Sunday Morning Service 10.  
Baxter — Heritage Church, Pastor Heath Beard; 9 & 10:45 Sundays, 6:30p Wednesdays, [iamheritage.org](http://iamheritage.org)  
Crosby — Pastor Dustin McCaleb; Worship 10:30  
Crosslake — Crossroads Christian, Rev. Gary Espeseth; SS at 9:30; Worship at 10:45  
Hill City — Interim Pastor John Koppel, Staff Pastor Lisa Jordan; Worship 10; [hillyciyagchurh@gmail.com](mailto:hillyciyagchurh@gmail.com); 218-697-2662  
Palisade — Pastor Charlie Bell; SS 9; Worship 10; Kids Church; Small groups during the week 218-845-2726

### BAPTIST

Aitkin\* — The Journey North, Pastor Jeremiah Rice, 218-824-5617, Worship 10:30, [thejourneynorth.com](http://thejourneynorth.com)  
Baxter — The Journey North, Pastor Jeremiah Rice, 218-824-5617, Worship Saturday 5, Sunday 9 & 10:30, [thejourneynorth.com](http://thejourneynorth.com)  
Brainerd\* — Faith Baptist Church, Pastor Jim Stephens, 218-829-3191; SS 9:00, Worship 10:30 and 6 p.m.; Wed. Classes and Clubs 6:30 p.m.; [fbcbrainerd.com](http://fbcbrainerd.com)  
Brainerd- The Church On The Wise Road, Pastor Todd Stumbo 218-829-4673, Worship 11:00, SS 9:45 [www.thechurchonthewiseroad.org](http://www.thechurchonthewiseroad.org)  
Breezy Point — Eagles Nest, Pastor Zach Broom 218-562-5252, Worship 9:30, SS 11.  
Crosby — Bible Baptist, Pastor Jon Thorson; SS 9:45; Service 10:45 and 6 p.m.; Bible Study Wed. 7 pm  
Deerwood\* — SS 9:30; Worship 10:30 and 6 pm; Wed. Service, 6:30 pm.  
Glory\* — Pastor Chris Meirose; 927-3678; SS 9:15; Worship 10:30 am.; Wed 6pm Glory Family night, KidMin grades kindergarten - 6, Mad4Christ grades 7-12. [aitkinchurch.com](http://aitkinchurch.com)  
Hill City — Pastor Lonnie Lee; 218-697-2645; Adult SS 9; Worship 10 am; Bible Study, Fri., 7 pm.  
Isle — Pastor Nick Skogen; 676-3171; SS 9:30; Service 10:30; Bible Study, Wed., 7 p.m.  
Opstead — 676-8859; SS 9:30; Worship, 10:30; Bible Study Wed., 7 p.m.

### CATHOLIC

Aitkin\* — St. James, Fr. Mike Patullo, 218-927-6581; Mass Sat. 5 pm, Sun. 10:30. Confession Sat. 10-10:45 and 4-4:45 pm.  
Brainerd — St. Andrew's, Fr. Gabriel Waweru, Sat. 4:30; Sun. 10:00 and St. Mathias Sunday 8:00.  
Brainerd\* — St. Francis, Fr. Michael Garry, Sat. 5:00; Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 11:15 and All Saints Saturday 4:00 and Sunday 10:30.  
Cromwell/Wright — Immaculate Conception, Mass: Sat. 5 p.m.  
Crosby\* — St. Joseph's, Fr. Eli Gieske, Mass: M, Th and F at 8; Tues at Noon, Sun. 8:30 & 10:30.  
Crosslake — Immaculate Heart, 218-692-3731; [www.ihmstamilys.org](http://www.ihmstamilys.org); Mass: Sat. 4 pm; Sun. 8:30; Confession Sat. 3 pm.  
Emily — St. Emily, Mass: Mon. & Wed. 8; Sun. 10:30; Confession 1st Sat. 11 or by appt. 218-763-2101.  
Garrison — Our Lady of Fatima, Fr. Eli Gieske, Mass Wed. 9 & Sat. 4 pm, Confession Sat. 3:30 - 3:50 pm  
Grand Rapids — St. Joseph's, Fr. Jerry Weiss, Mass: Sat. 5 pm; Sun. 8 & 10:30. 218-326-2483  
Hillman — Holy Family; Sun. 10 to Mass Sat. 6:30 pm (only through Labor Day) w/ confession before or by appt.  
McGregor — Holy Family, Fr. Mike Patullo, 218-927-6581; Mass Sun. 8 am. Confession 7:15-7:45 am.  
Vineland — St. Therese, Mass Sun. 11; Holy Days 8:30.

### CHURCH OF CHRIST

Baxter, Lakes Area — Nondenominational; 7001 Highland Scenic Road; Bible Study every Wed. 7 pm; Worship 10:30-11:30. 218-828-1362  
Tamarack — Pastor Terry Banker, 608-475-1528, Worship 9:30; SS 10:45; Wed Youth 4 pm.

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Aitkin — Co. Rd. 12, Chapel Ph. 218-927-4454; Kevin Haffner 218-792-5684; Sacrament Mtg. 10

### COMMUNITY

Aitkin — Nondenominational; 927-2749; at 219-1st Ave. NE., Aitkin, Services Sun. 10, 218-927-6959

Brainerd - Community of Hope Church of the Nazarene- Pastor Dave McGaffey Sunday worship at 10, SS 9; 16549 Johnson Rd -church phone 218-829-9005

Glen — Pastor R. F. Stauter, 218-838-1981; Worship 9 May-Oct.

Grand Rapids — Solid Rock Church of God, Pastor Robert Kimberling; 218-326-0711; Sun. BS 9:30, Worship 10:30; Wed. BS 6:30 pm

Jacobson — Jacobson Community Church, Pastor George Collins, 218-252-5938, Sun. SS (All ages) 9:30, Worship 10:30; Family Time 2nd & 4th Sundays; Wed. BS 7 pm  
Kimberly — Nature Ave. Rev. Rick Perry; Worship 9; Adult Bible Study & Sunday School 10:30; 218-927-6256.

McGregor — Amazing Grace Christian Church; Worship 10; 99 South 1st Street (at the McGregor United Methodist church [shared] in downtown McGregor) Pastor Joel Seibel.

McGregor — Victory Mission, Pastor J. Gould, 218-768-2160; Sun. 10; Wed. Bible Study, 7:30 pm.

Merrifield — Community Church of the Nazarene, Pastor Ron Christenson; Service 11 & 6 pm. Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.; 218-829-7536.

Merrifield — Ossipee Community, SS 10; Service 11; Wed. Bible Study Prayer, 7:00 p.m.

Nisswa — Christ Community Church, Pastor Richie Bean; Service 10; Fellowship 9:30-10

Outing\* - Narrows Community Church, Pastor Kenny Holm, 218-792-5530 Worship 9:30; 6297 Woods Bay NE, just north of Hwy. 6 bridge

Palisade — Hilltop Chapel (Waukenabo Twp)\* - service 10 a.m.; Adult and Children's SS 9 a.m.; 49448 Osprey Avenue, Palisade.

Tamarack — Church of Christ, 218-768-3898; Service 9:30; SS 10:45.

### EPISCOPAL

Aitkin — St. John's, Holy Communion or Morning Prayer 9 Brainerd\* — St. Paul's, Rev. Joyce A. Rush. In-person worship service at 10 am Sunday. Online at 5 pm Saturday. Call the church 219-829-3834 and leave a message with email to receive a Zoom invitation.

### EVANGELICAL FREE

Baxter — Lakewood EFC, Pastor Matt Nagel; Worship at 9:00 and 10:45. Wednesday for all ages 6:30 pm.  
Crosslake — Pastor Mark Holmen; Call for Service Times at 218-692-4141, email [thelogchurch@crosslake.net](mailto:thelogchurch@crosslake.net)  
Isle — Pastor Mark Lee; Sunday School 9:00 am; Worship 10:30 am, Sun. Youth group 6:00 pm, Wed. Adult Prayer 6:30 pm and Kids Connect 6:30 pm  
Malmo — Pastor Glenn Browning; SS 9:30; Fellowship 10; Worship 10:15  
Wright — Pastor Ken Mitchell, 218-426-5115; SS 9:30; Worship, 10:30; Thu., Bible Study, 7 pm.

### HEBREW/MESSIANIC

Glen — Beth Shalom Tabernacle of Truth, Rabi Frank Dell, for information 320-684-2804

### LUTHERAN

Aitkin — Bethlehem (ELCA), Rev. Rebecca Hinz; Worship 9:30; Holy Comm. 1st & 3rd Sun each month.  
Aitkin — First\* (ELCA) Pastor Reggie Denton; worship Sun. 99am (9am service also available via livestream on YouTube — First Lutheran Church, Aitkin and broadcast on KKIN 94.3 FM radio at 10am), take out community meal every Mon. & Thurs. 5pm and Tues. 12pm; food shelf 2nd & 4th Thurs. each month 9am- 4pm.  
Aitkin — St. John's (Missouri Synod), Pastor D. Becker; Worship Sun. 9, SS 10  
Baxter — Christ Lutheran Church and Preschool (WELS). Pastor Bill Werth. Sunday Worship 9. Sunday School/Adult Bible Class 10:15. 13815 Cherrywood Dr. in Baxter. (Corner of Ingewood and Cherrywood). 218-829-4105. [www.christbaxter.com](http://www.christbaxter.com).  
Baxter — Prince of Peace (LCMS); Communion every Sunday 9, Fellowship 10:15, Adult Bible Class & Sunday School 10:30 am 218-829-7092 [www.princeofpeace-lutheran.church](http://www.princeofpeace-lutheran.church)  
Beaver Township — Finnish EA, Hwy. 27, Worship 1st & 3rd Sun., 10:30.  
Brainerd — First Lutheran Church (ELCA) Pastors: Patty Bjorklund and Jordan Gades, Sunday worship 9, Sunday

School following worship. Services also available on YouTube and Facebook. 218-829-9552 [fcbraainerd.com](http://fcbraainerd.com) 424 8th Street South, Brainerd

Brainerd\* — Good Shepherd Free Lutheran Church (AFLC), Pastor David Franz, find service info at [www.goodshepherdfreelutheran.church](http://www.goodshepherdfreelutheran.church), 5878 Pine Beach Road, Brainerd, 218-824-3052

Brainerd — Laestadian Lutheran Church, 1501 So. 8th St. - Sunday Worship Services 10:30 am. ([www.llchurch.org](http://www.llchurch.org))

Brainerd\* — Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA) 1420 South 6th St. Brainerd, Worship time September through May 8:15am & 10:30am; worship (June through August) 9 am. 218-829-5147. Website: [www.trinitybrainerd.org](http://www.trinitybrainerd.org). Email: [trinity@trinitybrainerd.org](mailto:trinity@trinitybrainerd.org)

Brainerd — Truth Lutheran Church (LCMC, Pastor James Walth, Corner of 5th and Kingwood, Worship 9

Brainerd - Zion Lutheran Church (LCMS) Pastor Steve Benson, Sunday Worship 9, Monday Worship 6 pm. Education hour Sunday 10:15 am. 220 N. 8th St. Brainerd. 218-829-4317. [www.zionbrainerd.com](http://www.zionbrainerd.com).

Cedar Lake, Norwegian Lutheran — Third Sun 11, May - Oct. Cedarbrook — St. John's (ELCA); Worship 8:30; Holy Comm. 1st & 3rd Sun.

Crosby — Immanuel (LCMC, NALC) Rev. Paul Mattson; Sun. 9 & 10:30 worship; SS (Sept.-May) 10:40.

Crosby — Zion (LC-MS) Pastor Dean Stolz; Worship 8:30; SS 10; Bible Study Wed. 7 pm; handicap accessible. 218-546-6910

Crosslake — (ELCA) [www.crosslakelutheran.com](http://www.crosslakelutheran.com) • Kristin Oltmann, Pastor 218-692-3682 Labor Day-Mem. Day: Sun. 9:30am, Wed. 6:15pm Mem. Day-Labor Day: Sun. Indoor 8:30am, Outdoor 10am 14019 Daggett Pine Rd

Crosslake — Mission of the Cross (LCMS), Pastor Leslie Uhrinak; Worship 9:30 with every Sunday Communion, Fellowship 10:30, Adult Bible Class 11, 218-692-4228, [www.missionofthecross.org](http://www.missionofthecross.org)

Deerwood\* — Salem (ELCA), Pastor Amanda Kempthorne; Worship: 9; Sunday School 9:50.

Garrison — Light of the Cross (ELCA), Pastor Juli Sutton-Deem; Worship 9 SS 9; 320-692-4773 or 877-406-9101.

Garrison — Shepherd of the Lake (LCMS), Rev. Caleb Worrel. Worship 10 with Communion Every Sunday, Adult Bible Study 8:30am, Sunday School Sept-May, 8:30am. Fellowship 11am. 320-692-4581. [www.shepherdofthelake.org](http://www.shepherdofthelake.org).

Giese — Immanuel, Rev. R. Langhorst & Rev. R. Lovaas; Worship 9; SS 10; Holy Communion 1st Sun. of month 8:45.

Hill City — Trinity, (Missouri Synod), Pastor M. Eckert; Worship 9; Bible Study 10:15.

Hillman — Immanuel, (ELCA) Sun. Worship 9:30, SS 10. Located on the corner of Hwy. 27 and Co. Rd. 47. (Handicap accessible)

Iron Hub — Immanuel (LC-MS), Pastor Dean Stolz; Worship 9 am Alternates with Zion of Crosby 218-534-3069

Isle — Faith (ELCA), Interim Pastor Rev. Henry French; Worship 9:30; handicapped accessible.

Isle — Holden (ELCA), SS 9:30; Worship 10:30.

Isle — Trinity (Missouri Synod), Rev. Mark Maunula; Worship 9; Fellowship follows; SS 10:30; Adult Bible 10:30.

Jacobson — Carmel, Vicar Mark Wagner; SS 1st & 3rd Sun. 10, Service 11, fellowship follows.

Lake Shore — Living Savior Lutheran Church, 8327 Interlachen Rd.; Worship 9 Sunday mornings, followed by fellowship and Bible study. (Located on Co. Rd. #77 N)

Malmo — Bethesda (ELCA) Rev. James Muske; Sun. Worship 9am. Fellowship following Service. Communion every Sunday.

McGrath — Grace; Wed. potluck 5 pm, Bible study 6 p.m.; SS 10; Worship 11.

McGrath — Zion (ELCA), Pastor Elliott Malm; Worship 9; SS 9.

McGregor/Big Sandy Lake — Grace Lutheran Log Church (ELCA), Pastor Ericka Foss; Worship 9, Fellowship follows, SS 10.

McGregor — Our Savior's (Missouri Synod), Pastor Joshua C. Reinke; Worship 9; SS 10; Bible Study Tue. 9, Wed. 7 pm

Outing — Our Saviors ELCA; Pastor Luke Lekander, Worship 9.

Palisade\* — Bethel (ELCA), Rev. Wm. J. Sass; Worship 9:30.

Pequot Lakes\* - Our Savior's Lutheran Church (ELCA) Rev. Stephen Blenkush Worship 9:00 a.m., SS 9:15 a.m., Fellowship 10:15 a.m. Wed. Adult Bible Study 11:00 a.m.

Rosburg — Bethesda (ELCA); Comm. 1st & 3rd Sunday each month.

Tamarack (AFLC) — Pastor Ron Staudinger; 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays 10 am; 41163 Kestrel Ave 3.3 mi. South of Hwy 210

Thor — Zion, Worship 11; 1st and 3rd Sun. April through December.

Wright — Bethlehem, Worship; SS 9.

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### NON-DENOMINATIONAL

Brainerd—Oak Street Chapel, Pastor Todd Wooden, Worship service is Sunday at 9:30, 523 SE 11th Street, Brainerd, 218-454-0984

Brainerd—Remnant Ministry Center, Pastor Ben Davis, Worship service is Sunday at 10am, 512 S 8th St., Suite 2, 218-829-2989.

### PENTECOSTAL

Baxter — Christ Alive, 12485 Forestview Drive, Baxter, MN 56425

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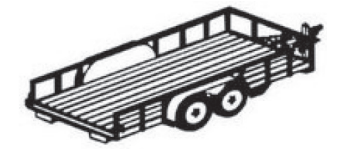
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### EMPLOYMENT

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## NEWSHOPPER Classified Order Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

All ads must reach our office no later than **Noon on Monday with payment.**  
Please type or print clearly. Your ad will be printed as you write it.

### Classified Rates

- # of issues
  - 75¢ per word one issue (10 word minimum)
  - 70¢ per word, per week for two issues (10 word minimum)
  - 65¢ per word, per week for three to twelve issues (10 word minimum)
  - 55¢ per word, per week for thirteen or more issues (10 word minimum)
- Add \$1.00 each for bold type and/or CAPITALIZED type, whether one word or all words in your classified ad. Add \$12.00 for your logo, artwork or photo! (1/2" tall x 1 1/2" wide printed maximum size)
- Add \$2.00 for one of our sixteen eye catching graphics: ✓ ✕ ↗ ↘ ↙ ↘ ⚡ ⚡ ⚡ ⚡ ⚡ ⚡ ⚡ ⚡ ⚡ ⚡ ⚡ ⚡

### Add a photo for \$12.00 per issue

As Low as \$5.50 per issue for 13 or more issues (10 word minimum)

### To Figure the Cost of Your Ad

Number of Words \_\_\_\_\_

Rate per Word x \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Costs + \_\_\_\_\_

Total Per Week \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Weeks x \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL COST OF AD \_\_\_\_\_

We are not responsible for error due to illegible copy or missing punctuation. Punctuation does not count as a word. Each phone number, e-mail and web address counts as one word.

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## Fishing reports available

Anglers looking for local information before the Saturday, May 13 fishing opener can look at the regional fishing reports from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources. These reports include details about waters in each region and can be found on the DNR website (mndnr.gov/fishing/outlooks.html).

### 'Catch' the fun of shore fishing this season

For people who want to go fishing but don't have a boat or don't want to use a boat, the DNR has two instructional videos about how to catch fish from shore. The videos can be found on the DNR website by searching

"shore fishing" (mndnr.gov/discover#tab-1-2). Shore Fishing 101 covers general shore fishing basics and Shore Fishing 102 focuses on river fishing from shore.

For those fishing in the Twin Cities area, the DNR has a map of accessible piers and shore fishing locations, and lakes stocked with fish at the DNR's Fishing in the Neighborhood page (mndnr.gov/fin). Stocking in many area lakes is happening through the end of May. For fishing locations across the entire state, the DNR has a map of fishing piers and shore fishing locations on the DNR website (mndnr.gov/fishing\_piers).

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