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Forested shoreline on Mille Lacs Lake. John Pearson photo

## Free Lunch and Learn

Area residents, property owners, and visitors are all invited to a free lunch and presentation from noon to 1 p.m., Saturday, June 24. The event takes place at Appeldoorn's Resort on the southeast side of Mille Lac Lake, 45401 Mille Lacs Parkway, Isle.

Lindberg Ekola, Private Forested Watersheds Protection Coordinator, Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources will speak about how best forest management practices will benefit water quality, wildlife habitat, and climate resiliency.

In addition to the presentation, attendees will learn how the Mille Lacs Compass Program connects property owners to information, resources, and inspiration to take steps to protect the overall health of Mille Lacs Lake. A free drawing for handcrafted birdhouses made by Isle student woodworkers will also be held.

After the presentation attendees are invited to stay for the Watershed Group's June meeting.

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# Toolin Tour raised over \$6,000 for Habitat



Mark's Bar in McGregor was a popular spot.

The Toolin Tour Ride for Habitat riders had a great time tooling all around Aitkin County on May 21. They

raised over \$6,000 for affordable housing and donations are still coming in.

Thirty-one motorcycles and two classic cars made the trek from the Ripple Building in downtown Aitkin to the Pine Inn, Glen: Mark's Bar, McGregor, scenic route to Jacobson, back to the Rustic in Palisade and the American Legion in Aitkin.

At the Legion, they enjoyed picnic food, won door prizes and bid on the silent auction. "This is the best weather we ever had for the Toolin Tour,"

said Ann Schwartz, Aitkin County Habitat for Humanity Executive Director. "We had a goal of 30 units and were spot on."

"Riders, donors, sponsors, media, venues, volunteers, law enforcement and communities all worked together to make it the most successful Toolin Tour ever," enthused Schwartz.

The first Toolin Tour was in 2016. Since then it has been plagued with cold weather, rainstorms, wind, snow, and two years of the pandemic.



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As we clean up our homes and yards after the long winter, streets need some attention too. The city of Aitkin crew fills cracks on the winter-worn city streets.  
Ann Schwartz photo

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And if you want to learn to ride, the "Basic Rider" course is a great way to learn and become a licensed rider. The next course will be June 2. For more information, and to sign up, visit the Minnesota Motorcycle Safety Center web page <https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/ots/mmsc/Pages/default.aspx>

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**May**  
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 21st - Toolin Tour Ride for Habitat. Leave Aitkin at noon. Food, prizes, auction, raffles. Info, aitkinhabitat@gmail.com  
 28th - Crosslake Lutheran Church Memorial Day community observance. A more traditional worship service will be held at 8:30am in the sanctuary at Crosslake Lutheran Church across from the campground. The 10am Outdoor Worship will feature a larger 'community-wide' Memorial Weekend observance. This is located at 14019 Daggett Pine Road, across from the Crosslake Community Center baseball field. Both services are open to the public. The outdoor service will feature an aerial fly-over (weather permitting), the Crosslake-Fifty Lakes American Legion Post 500 Color Guard will provide appropriate honors to the colors and to the dead, including a bugler playing "TAPS." Please join us to honor our troops, veterans, and country.  
 29th - Lakers Lions Memorial Day Service at Pine Ridge Cemetery in Emily, 9 a.m., The public should bring chairs for comfort during the ceremony. Please contact Barry at 651-328-1375 if you know of a name that should be added to the Memorial list. Reception to follow at the United Methodist Church in Emily  
 29th - Memorial Day Service at 10:30 am at Lakewood Cemetery in Crosby hosted by Myrin-James American Legion Post #443. Following the service a meal of hamburgers, baked beans, chips and potato salad will be served from 11:30am-1:30pm (dine-in only) at the Ironton American Legion (donations are welcome).  
 29th - Walter Scott Erickson Post #557 Memorial Day Service at the Deerwood Legion Post at 8:30am with a flag raising ceremony. The service will continue at the Deerwood Auditorium at 9 a.m. All are welcome. Refreshments will be served.  
 31st - Open house and dedication at the new McGregor Fire Department hall (252 North Maddy Street) on 5:30-7:30 pm. There will be a short program at 6 pm. Hot dogs, chips, cookies and beverages will be provided. This is an event to which the public is invited. The date is exactly 43 years after the previous fire hall was dedicated - with some of those firefighters being fathers and grandfathers of our current firefighters.

**June**  
 3rd - Hog Roast Fun Day Fundraiser hosted by The American Legion Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion and American Legion Post #557 at the Walter Scott Erickson Legion, on Forest Road in Deerwood at noon with a beer garden, charitable gaming, bake sale, and commemorative t-shirts. A MEGA meat raffle begins at 2pm. The Pork Feed (large Pork Sandwich, Cowboy Beans and Chips) for \$12 per plate will be served from 4pm - 7pm. Live music by Yesterdaze Gone begins at 5:30pm. Raffle and drawings will be held at 8:30pm. For more information call the Legion at 218 534-3215



## LOOK WHOSE baby JUST ARRIVED

### HAZEL HAWKINSON

Hazel Mae Hawkinson, a girl, weighing 8 lbs., 2 ozs., was born May 9, 2023, in Aitkin, to Nicole and Jacob Hawkinson of Aitkin. Grandparents are Steve Cook of Aitkin, Karin Cook of Roseville, and Jeff and Laurie Hawkinson of Tamarack. Great-grandparents are Barbara Konsor of Aitkin and Margaret Hawkinson of McGregor.

### RIVER TROTTER

River Wade Trotter, a boy, weighing 7 lbs., 2.5 ozs., was born May 17, 2023, in Aitkin, to Caitlin and Austin Trotter of Aitkin. Grandparents are Chad and Stephanie Trotter of Aitkin, Eric Larson of Maple Grover and Heather and Damon Graham of Aitkin.

# OBITUARIES

## KURT KLICKER



Kurt Hans Klicker, 65, of Aitkin died Thursday, May 18, 2023 at his residence.

A service with military honors was held on Wednesday, May 24, 2023 at Saint John's Lutheran Church in Aitkin with Pastor David Becker officiating. Burial was at Pine Hill Cemetery in Williams.



He was born November 3, 1957 at Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, NC to Marvin and Shirley (Villemaire) Klicker.

He graduated from Fergus Falls High School in 1975. He was a U.S. Marine Corps Veteran and was honorably discharged in 1979 having attained the rank of Corporal. Kurt was united in marriage to Jill Kroeze December 17, 1988 in Detroit Lakes. He was always happy in the

kitchen. Like his dad, Kurt was a phenomenal cook and the family go-to-guy with questions about cooking. Those of us who knew Kurt will say that once you met him, you'd never forget him, and he would always remember your name.

He is survived by his wife, Jill Klicker of Aitkin; sons: Darren Krohn (Katie) of Williams, Kristopher of Roseville, and Dr. Austin Krohn (Colleen) of Aitkin; five grandchildren: Ella, Abby, Jenna, George, and Colton; siblings: Mark (Elaine) of Spring Hill, TN., Peter (Kathy) of Roseville, and Kristi (Jonathan) of Fergus Falls; and many special nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents: Marvin and Shirley Klicker, and his brother Karl on March 28, 2022.

Arrangements were with the Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Aitkin. Leave online condolences at www.srtfuneral.com.

## BURT TASCHÉ



Burt Leslie Tasche (more affectionately known as Burturde), 59, (5 months shy of his 60th birthday) died November 29, 2022 due to health complications.

A graveside service will be held at 11:00 a.m. Friday, May 26, 2023, at the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery in Little Falls will full military honors.



He was born May 13, 1963 in Watertown to Patricia and Roy

Tasche. Burt was formally educated in Horticulture with a focus on landscape design and architecture. He dedicated his life to his craft and touched many people along the way. Even going as far to inspire one of his daughters to go into horticulture as well. Burt served in the military in his younger years and was honored as a sharpshooter, during his time in the service. Burt was an avid outdoors

Church event ad man, a responsible hunter and fisherman, as well as, an inspiring athlete. Burt completed many marathons and triathlons in his life, including in-line marathons. He volunteered many winters at local fitness centers teaching classes and inspiring others. He was happiest riding motorcycle, camping and kayaking. He was an active volunteer throughout his life. Most recently spent his retirement helping veterans maintain their yards and homes.

Burt is survived by his daughters Megan (Andrew) and Brittney (Bill); grandson, Jasper; brothers: Troy (Julie) and Greg (Amy); partner, Theresa and her daughter, Carla; aunt, Norma Halberg and many nieces, nephews and cousins. Preceding him in death are his parents, Roy & Patricia Tasche.

Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home of Crosby. To leave a message of condolence go to www.koopfuneralhome.com.

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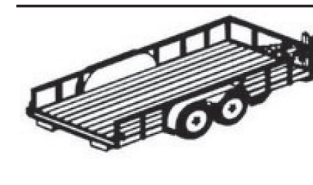
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# OBITUARIES

## SHAWN LEE



Shawn Alan Lee, 52, of Aitkin died Friday, April 14, 2023 at Essentia Health in Duluth. Memorial Service will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, May 30, 2023 at Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home in Aitkin. Visitation begins one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

He was born November 28, 1970 in St. Cloud to James Alan and Arenda (Holz) Lee. Shawn grew up loving to farm, fish, drive his ATV and play video games. He was enrolled in the Special Education program at Princeton Schools and graduated in 1990. He played goalie for the Special Olympics soccer program. Shawn enjoyed listening to the Oakridge Boys, was

good at remembering everyone's birthday and was always happy and childlike.

Shawn is survived by his sister, Candi (Nick) Fuller of Crosby; brother, Michael Lee (Sheila Dahlen) of Milaca; family friend, Darlene Strong of Aitkin; nieces and nephews: Annabelle, Arenda, James, Vincent, Eli, Isaac; aunts and uncles: Kevin (Shirley) Lee, Kathy Sungren, (Dee) Lee, Richard (Anne) Holz, Anita (Lorn) Werner, Terry (Kimm) Holz; many special cousins, other relatives, and friends.

He was preceded by death by his parents, grandparents, aunt, and uncles.

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).

## VILMA GORFIN



Vilma Gloria Gorfin, 95, of Crosby died on Friday, May 19, 2023 at the Cuyuna Regional Medical Center in Crosby.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, May 26, 2023 at the Koop Funeral Home in Crosby. Burial was at the Lakewood Cemetery in Crosby. Visitation was one hour prior to the service at the funeral home on Friday.

She was born on May 28, 1927 in Ironton to Marko and Mary Krmptich. Vilma married

William "Don" Gorfin on October 8, 1948 in Webster, SD. Don and Vilma moved many times from the West Coast to Crosby. They found their peace on Serpent Lake on Peterson Creek Drive. Don and Vilma had no children, they enjoyed their good friends Eve and Earl Bedard and their large family.

Vilma is survived by her sister, Mary Jane Krumrei of Las Vegas.

Preceding Vilma in death are her parents; husband, Don; and sister, Goldie Harthun.

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

## ROBERT RODENBORN



Robert "Bob" Rodenborn, 81, left this world suddenly on Monday, May 15, 2023.

A Memorial Mass of Christian Burial was held Wednesday, May 24, 2023 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 617 Poplar St., Crosby with Father Eli Gieske officiating. Graveside services with Military Honors were held at St. Thomas Catholic Cemetery of Aitkin.

He was born to Dolores and Richard Rodenborn on January 30, 1942. Bob was drafted into the Army where he was a Paratrooper in many places amongst the U.S. Bob met the love of his life, Renee, across the street from him. Bob and Renee married on September 10, 1966 at St. Alphonsus Catholic Church. They lived in Brooklyn Park until 1999. They also owned a second home in Aitkin and retired there. They also spent some winters down in Florida. Bob was a lover of all things outdoors, including deer hunting, fishing, and gardening. He had a bee farm for many years making his own honey and also making his own maple syrup. Entertaining was his specialty, making sure everyone

was taken care of when they had company at the cabin, which meant when he was cooking, get out of the kitchen!

Bob is survived by his wife, Renee Rodenborn; children: Charlene McKernon, Audra Mosher (Jason Domeier) and Wesley Rodenborn; 10 grandchildren: Reece Mosher (Jenny), Robert Mosher (Katie), Caitlin Sunder (Ted), Mitch McKernon, Justin McCarthy (Emily Hanson), Maegan McKernon, Jordyn McCarthy (Jordan Bane), Emily Hutchings (Gabby Simon), Carsen and Chaille Domeier; 15 great-grandchildren: Eleanor, Madilyn, Avery, Odin, Karley, Klohi, Piper, Justin Jr., Scarlett, Jaycee, Quinten, Hunter, Harley, Landon, and Lexie; brother Mark Rodenborn (Shaleen), Sister Hope Rodenborn, Sister Kay Beck (John); brother-in-law, Bob Stanek; sister-in-law, Lonnie Rodenborn and brother-in-law, Greg Paquette (Jacalyn).

Bob is preceded in death by his parents; brother, Richard Rodenborn; sister, Sheryll Stanek and his mother and father-in-law, Roger and Gladys Paquette.

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).



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**ALLIANCE**  
Aitkin\* — New Life; Larry Burg & Tyrel LaValle, pastors; Worship 10:15 am & 6pm; youth group Wed. 6pm; 11-1st Street SW; [newlifeaitkin.com](http://newlifeaitkin.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; [hillcityagchurch@gmail.com](mailto:hillcityagchurch@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.thechurchontheviseroad.org](http://www.thechurchontheviseroad.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; Tues. 5:30-6:30 pm  
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 Inglewood 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 [fbcbrainerd.com](http://fbcbrainerd.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 May 21-Labor Day; Sun. Indoor 8:30am, Outdoor 10am; Indoor: 35960 CR 66, Outdoor: 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. Lovaa; 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 10:30, (alternates with Zion of Crosby) 218-534-3069  
Isle — Faith (ELCA), Interim Pastor Rev. Henry French; Worship 9:30; handicap 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. Sasse; 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.  
Rossburg — 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.  
Wright — St. John's (Missouri Synod), Pastor Joshua Reinke; Worship 10:30; Bible Study and Sunday School Sun. 9:30; Lent services Wed. 5:30 pm. \

**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  
Emily — Cornerstone Church; Pastor Earl Ready; Worship 10, 41536 Birchwood Drive, Emily; 218-763-2939.  
Ironton — Iron Range Christian Center; Pastor Dwight Semler; 218-546-6523; meeting at Irontone Town Hall, Co. Rd. 12, (Deerwood Shortcut); Worship 10 & Wed. 7 pm.  
Tamarack — Warriors of the Rainbow Ministry, Pastors Ken and Ron Fairbanks, Sat. 11. 218-768-3585

**PRESBYTERIAN**  
Crosslake - Pastor Mark Ford, 218-692-4769; Worship 9; Fellowship 11. 14444 Daggett Pine Road, Crosslake, just passed the Community Center; [www.crosslakepres.org](http://www.crosslakepres.org).  
McGrath — Calvary, Pastor - Todd Oltmann; Worship 9.  
McGregor/Round Lake — Pastor Talley; Worship Sat. 5 pm. Tamarack — First, Rev. J. Yingling; Worship 11.

**REFORMED**  
Crosby — Lifespring Church, a member of Fellowship of Independent Reformed Evangelicals, 9:30, 30 Hallett Ave NE 218-545-5433, [www.visitlifespring.com](http://www.visitlifespring.com)

**SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST**  
Aitkin — Pastor Roger Hagen; Worship Sat. 9:30, Bible Study 10:30; Prayer Mtg. Wed. 5:30 p.m.; [www.aitkinadventist.org](http://www.aitkinadventist.org); 423-805-0933  
Brainerd — Pastor Roger Hagen; Worship Sat. 11:20, Bible Study 10; Bible Study & Prayer Mtg. Wed. 6:30 p.m.; 2910 Oak Street, Brainerd, 218-829-1676

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Pequot Lakes — 28877 State Hwy 371, Pequot Lakes 10:30 1st and 4th Sundays. 218-330-3476

**UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Brainerd — First Congregational UCC, 415 Juniper St. Brainerd. Sunday worship at 10. Pastor; Leslie Moughty. Handicapped accessible.

**UNITED METHODIST**  
Aitkin\* — Aitkin - Pastor Dawn Houser; Worship 10, Wednesdays at 5:30 pm Bible & Brew, Facebook live.  
Crosby/Deerwood\* — Cascade, Pastor Gary Taylor; Sunday Worship with Youtube live streaming 10 am with fellowship to follow. Cascade Ladies meet on the first Wednesday of each month at noon. Come & Eat Community dinner on the third Wednesday of each month at 5:30 pm. Please call the office to sign up: 218-534-3507.  
Cutler — Pine Lake Chapel, Worship 9, fellowship follows.  
Cromwell — Pastor Tim Homstad; Worship 10; SS 9  
Emily\* — Pastor Gary Taylor; Sunday Worship with Facebook live streaming 8:30 with fellowship to follow. UWF meet on the first Sunday of each month following worship. Men's prayer breakfast 2nd Saturday of each month at 8. Bible Study Thursdays at 6 pm.  
Fleming\* — (Northern Lights Parish) SS 9:15; Worship 10:30; fellowship follows.  
Hill City — Pastor Roger Lynn; Worship 10  
McGregor\* — (Northern Lights Parish) Worship 8:45; fellowship follows.  
Onamia — Pastor Rick & Judy Wilder; Worship 11; fellowship 10; 2 blks north of Post Office; handicap ramp; 320-532-3150; office: 218-546-7656; cell: 218-360-1947

**WESLEYAN**  
Emily — Rev. Jason Gressman; Worship 9; Friendship Time 10; SS 10:30; Wed. Activities 6:30 p.m.; 218-763-HOPE.

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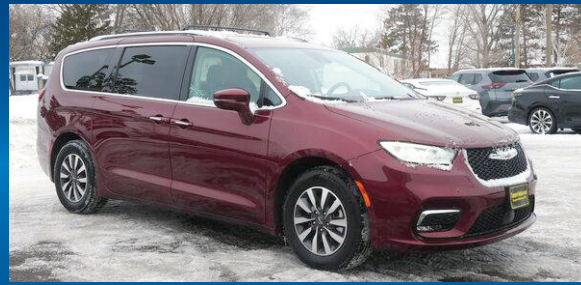
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Pickleball Lessons: 10 a.m.-12 p.m. (Learn to play Pickleball from Ruttger's Pro Tracy Kennedy)  
Corn Hole Tournament: West Lawn 3-4 p.m.  
Live Music by Bruce Archer: West Deck 6-8 p.m.  
Bonfire & Smores: West Deck Pit 8:30-10 p.m.

**Seafood Boil** West Lawn 4-7 p.m.  
Includes Louisiana Crawfish, Lobster Tail, Peel & Eat Shrimp, Snow Crab Legs, Andouille Sausage, Red Potatoes, Corn on the Cob tossed Cajun or Lemon Garlic Butter & Jalapeno Cheddar Corn Bread. Accompanied by a salad and choice of dressing.  
\$45/ for One -OR- \$70/ for two (Must be same butter sauce)

**Sunday, May 28**

Cookout: West Lawn 11 a.m.-2 p.m.  
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