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## Enjoy fall colors while hunting, hiking, ATViing, biking...

By ANN SCHWARTZ  
Whether your preference is silent outdoor sports, such as hiking, biking, canoeing, horseback riding, or revving your engines with ATVs and

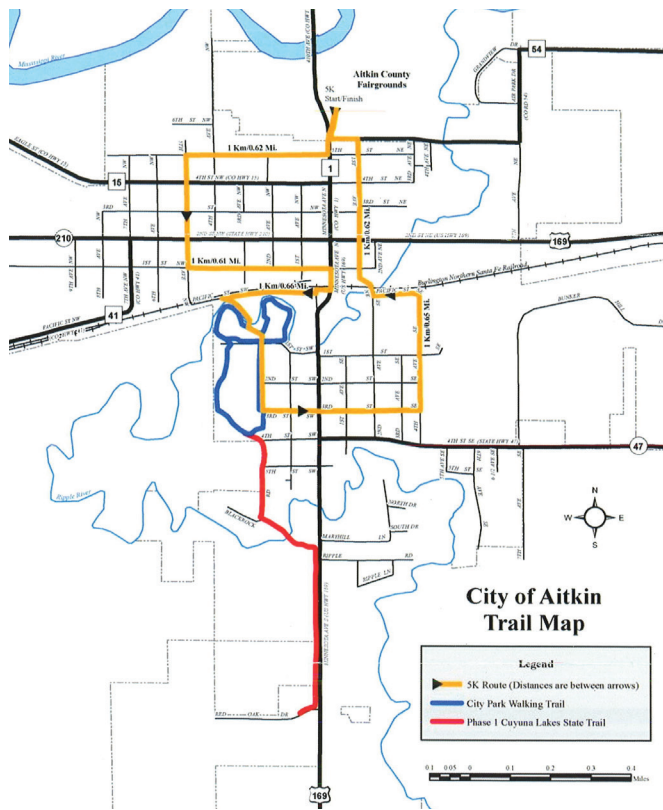
mud trucks, now is the time to get out in and explore the areas right out our back door that folks come from all over the world to enjoy. State parks in the area in-

clude Crow Wing, Cuyuna, Kathio, Father Hennepin and Savanna Portage. Find more info at [https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/state\\_parks/map.html](https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/state_parks/map.html). The Crow Wing and Aitkin

land departments maintain many types of trails and campgrounds, including ATV trails follow these links: [www.crowwing.gStatov/DocumentCenter/View/13949/](http://www.crowwing.gStatov/DocumentCenter/View/13949/)

COUNTYWIDE-MAP?bidId= and [www.co.aitkin.mn.us/departments/Land/atv-inter-active-map1.html](http://www.co.aitkin.mn.us/departments/Land/atv-inter-active-map1.html).

For some, fall means hunt  
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In Aitkin, you can walk on the 5K route (marked in yellow), certified by the USA Track & Field Road Running Technical Council. The City Park walking trail loop (marked in blue) is approximately 1 mile. The Cuyuna Lakes State Trail is a multi-purpose paved trail that will eventually connect the communities of Aitkin, Deerwood, Crosby, Ironton, Riverton and Brainerd to the Paul Bunyan State Trail. Plans for Phase 2 in Aitkin are currently underway.

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# Mille Lacs Community Trust Board awards grants to area non-profits

The Mille Lacs Community Trust Board meets quarterly to distribute funds raised through Operation Round Up. This September, the board awarded \$20,500 in grants to local non-profit organizations including: Advocates Against Domestic Abuse (HOPE), Aitkin County Search & Rescue, Crisis Line & Referral Service, Lakes Area Restorative Justice Project, Mille Lacs Area Health Foundation, Mille Lacs Trails, Second Harvest North Central Food Bank, South Aitkin First Respond-

ers, and Wealthwood Rod & Gun Club. The total amount of grants awarded since the start of Operation Round Up has reached an astounding \$1,508,979!

Operation Round Up is a voluntary program at Mille Lacs Energy Cooperative where our generous members roundup their electric bill payment to the nearest dollar. All of the funds raised go into the trust fund which is donated back to the community. Board members include: Lisa Anderson, Kim Waffensmith, Darlene Stigen, Bethany

Sellers, Charles Schotzko, Becky Joerger, Bob Nelson, and Doyle Jelsing. To receive a Trust application, contact

Deb Chute at 218-927- 8221 or 1-800-450-2191. The Trust Board meets the second Wednesday in March,

June, September and December. Applications are accepted at any time. Those submitted a week before the

quarterly meetings will go to the board. Anything submitted after will be seen at the next board meeting.



Front row (left to right): Mary Marana, Beth Swenson, Lorna White, Darla Blegen, Rachel Beaufeaux and Paula Fisher  
Second row: Chuck Schotzko, Kevin Pullis, Brian Andrews, Phil Tange, Jim White, Todd Brown, Scott Van Hatten, Jim Stigen, Peggy Larsen, Scott Gale, and Bob Nelson

## Inmate dies in jail

On Saturday, Sept. 23 at 8:49 a.m., deputies responded to a medical in the Crow Wing County Jail. A female inmate, Shannon Lee Cook, 54, was found unresponsive in her bunk. Life-saving measures were attempted by both corrections staff and North Ambulance personnel. The inmate was announced deceased at 9:19 a.m.

The Morrison County Sheriff's Office responded and is investigating the matter. This is routine protocol in all in-custody deaths. The Ramsey County Medical Examiner performed an autopsy. The results of the autopsy are pending toxicology results. The inmate was a boarder from Beltrami County. No foul play is suspected at this time.

### Enjoy fall colors | Continued from Page 1

ing. Here is a rundown of area hunting seasons. Always access <https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/hunting/seasons.html> for seasons, regulations and locations.

- Bear season is open until October 15.
- Sharptail Grouse is open in the Northwest Zone through November 9.
- Ruffed and Spruce may be hunted statewide through January 1, 2024.
- Waterfowl regs are more

complex and we recommend to view <https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/hunting/waterfowl/index.html>

- Deer archery hunting is open statewide through December 31, 2023.
- The Youth Deer Hunt is statewide, October 19-23. Deer firearms, open November 4 and varies by permit area.
- Deer Season B opens November 19 and Deer Muzzleloader on November 25.

### Special Tank Trail dedication

What were once National Guard training tails, a new, paved extension of the Tank Tail is open and can be reached in Aitkin from Red Oak Drive in between Paulbeck's County Market and St. James Catholic Church. There is parking available at the trailhead. A dedication ceremony will be held on Tuesday, October 3, at 4:30 p.m. **More to do**  
This list does not include all the festivals and events.

You may be buying pumpkins, picking apples or harvesting from your garden. Saturday morning Farmers' Markets in Aitkin and Crosby are at their peak. This doesn't even include fishing, kayaking, waterboarding, boating, going out in a launch, golfing, frisbee golf, mini golf and more. Shopping abounds at local gift shops. Food trucks make their rounds. If nothing else, take a few hours to just jump in your car and go for a color ride.

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**PERSONAL PROPERTY**

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**CLEAN SHARP LOW MILEAGE VEHICLE:** 2003 Chevrolet 1500 Z71 extended cab off road package, 5.3 L Vortec 8, 4WD, w/Leer hard tonneau cover, 60,100 low miles in excellent condition **SKIDSTEER:** New Holland L775 gas skidsteer, 60 HP w/ 66" bucket great runner **ATV:** 1995 Honda Fourtrax 300 w/plow, good rubber, like new condition **TRAILERS:** 1995 Towmaster 6.5x14 Trailer w/steel bed, electric brakes, ramps, GAWR 12,000lb, GVWR 12,650lb over length with the tongue is 20 feet (good condition), 4x8 Utility trailer w/sides **LAWN & GARDEN:** 2014 Husqvarna YT54LS riding lawn tractor w/ snow blower attachment, 900 hours very good condition, John Deere model 314 riding lawn tractor in good condition, Stihl 029 super chainsaw, smaller Husqvarna chainsaw & others, Montgomery Ward 5 HP dual stage walk behind snow blower, Mantis front tine garden tiller, Push style trimming mower, Smaller pull style lawn thatcher, Gas weed trimmer, Smaller Toro electric snow blowers, Marble top table & 4 wrought iron chairs, Decorative yard wind mill, Wicker table & 4 chairs & other wicker deck chairs, Numerous long handled lawn & garden tools, Numerous lawn decorative ornaments **FIREARMS:** Winchester model 72A bolt action .22 S.L.L.R, Remington model 34 bolt action .22 S.L.L.R, Winchester model 12 pump 16 GA 2 1/2", J.C. Higgins model 31 semi auto .22 S.L.L.R, Ruger Mark 1 semi auto .22 LR pistol **GARAGE TOOLS & RELATED:** Miller Thunderbolt arc welder, welding helmets & welding rod, Generac 6250 watt gas generator on wheels, Delta 12.5" portable planer, Sears Craftsman 12" two speed band saw 1 1/8 HP, Delta 1" bench top belt sander, Craftsman 10" table saw, Craftsman #10 radial arm saw, Combination belt & disc sander, Dust collector system, Smaller bench top drill press, Bench top scroll saw, Router table w/router, Older 4.5" planer/jointer, Craftsman portable miter saw stand on wheels, Numerous carpenter & mechanic hand tools, Large variety of grip clamps, C clamps & other clamps, Makita skill saw w/bag & other corded hand power tools, Pro-Tech dual wheel bench grinder & other industrial dual wheel bench grinder, 55,000 BTU Reddy heater, Aluminum folding work bench, Homebuilt belt driven drill press, Tractor chains & log chains, Bottle jacks & other floor jacks, Rocket air compressor w/air hose on wheels & other air compressor on wheels, Kerosene heater **HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE & RELATED ITEMS:** Antique Maple style dressing table, matching dresser & matching bed frame, Numerous oak style coffee & end tables, Large three section computer/office desk, Oak style buffet, Variety of glass front display cabinets, Oak 8 drawer dresser w/mirror, Five drawer chest of drawers, Framed wildlife artwork, framed decorative artwork & a variety of picture frames, Pine four tier storage shelf w/wooden bins **ITEMS OF INTEREST:** Collectible Texaco die cast cars, airplanes, trucks & related, Variety of fishing poles, Half dozen full body goose decoys, Numerous Christmas village items including the train, Cream cans & metal watering can, Collectible radio super flyer 4 wheel wagon, Decorative yard wind mill, Variety of lumber & building materials

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Columbus of Crosslake/Emily, Council 9657 to ensure that no child in North America goes without a coat during the winter season.

The tournament features two divisions: Family/Friends and Champions. Prizes will be awarded for both divisions

for first, second and consolation winners in each division.

"Holy Smokes" pork chops, alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages will be available for purchase

Contact Paul McConville at 612-876-9636 for registration details.

# COMMUNITY EVENTS

- September**  
 30th - Emily Wesleyan Church Community Market in the church parking lot from 9 am-2 pm.  
 30th - Cascade United Methodist Church Harvest Supper, 4:30-6 pm with meatballs w/gravy, mashed potatoes, rutabagas, seasonal vegetables and dessert. All are welcome to attend this fall celebration of the harvest. A free will offering will be accepted for the meal. Proceeds are used for the local missions of the church. The church is located on Hwy. 6/210 between Crosby and Deerwood.  
 30th - Garrison Bay Lake Area Lions "Swinging for Scholars" pork chop dinner, music by Kings Ransom, and raffle fundraiser at the Deerwood American Legion #557. Proceeds benefit Aitkin and C-I High School scholarships.
- October**  
 2nd - Grief Support Group, 5 p.m. at Heartwood Senior Living in Crosby  
 4th - United Way Chili Cook-off, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Northern Pacific Center at Brainerd  
 4th - Cuyuna Regional Medical Center Walk with a Doc, 4:30 p.m. free at Hallett Community Center  
 6th - Thank a CRMC PA at Physician Assistant Day at Cuyuna Regional Medical Center  
 7th - Jaques Art Center's Gala Harvest Dinner, 5-8 pm, Heartwood Conference Center, Crosby. Call 218-927-2363.  
 7th - Lakers Lions' Famous Pork Chop on-a-Stick during Autumn  
 8th - Bridges of Hope and My Neighbor to Love Coalition present: zAmya Theater Project's A Prairie Homeless Companion at the Gichi-zibi Center for the Arts  
 9th - Grief Support Group, 5 p.m. at Heartwood Senior Living in Crosby  
 11th - Cuyuna Regional Medical Center Walk with a Doc, 4:30 p.m. free at Hallett Community Center

# READER RIBBETS

## Biden inflation and border crisis

Have you a made a trip to the grocery store lately? How about the gas station? Or the pharmacy? Or the mailbox where your monthly energy bill awaits. In each and every case, you are being forced to pay more. Way more. And it's unsustainable. And unacceptable. **IT IS NO MYSTERY: BIDENOMICS PRODUCES BIDENFLATION**

And Minnesotans are paying too much. Check out these concerning economic reports from a variety of news sources:

—Axios: Inflation under Biden wipes out income gains for Minnesotans

—Wall Street Journal: A gusher of unprecedented and unnecessary social-welfare spending helped to produce the highest inflation in 40 years that has made Americans poorer

—NBC News: Inflation expected to worsen because of higher gas prices Americans can't afford four more years of Biden's failed economic policies.

**ELLISON, WALZ, DFL STAND IN WAY OF SCHOOL SAFETY**

As a 23-year police officer, believe me when I say how concerned I am about the state of public safety in our state and country. In our schools, Minnesota Democrats are literally

crippling our law enforcement and forcing School Resource Officers to withdraw from protecting our students. Meanwhile, Tim Walz, Keith Ellison and DFL Legislators sit on their hands while many of our kids go to schools with no officers or security on school grounds, should danger call. Across our great country, frustrations and concerns from our finest are at an all-time high. Recruitment and retention are at an all-time low. When in America did it become a liability to stand with our police and support our sheriffs?

—Fox 9: School Resource Officers pulled from schools across the state

—WCCO: Eagan, Maple Grove, New Hope, White Bear Lake police departments pull School Resource Officers

—Northern News Now: Hermantown SRO speaks out about policy changes

—Fox News: Minneapolis police staffing level plummets to historic 4-decade low

—KSTP: Minnesota Republicans call to repeal change in School Resource Officer law

**ILLEGAL CROSSINGS NEAR SIX MILLION UNDER BIDEN**

During a 96-hour span last

week, the Customs and Border Protection agency reported encountering more than 35,000 illegal immigrants on the southern border.

Biden's borderless society is causing humanitarian and national security crises with no end in sight. Since Biden took office:

—More than 5.8 million illegal crossings on our southern border

—Approximately 1.6 million illegal immigrants have evaded apprehension at our southern border

—In July alone there were 183,503 illegal immigrants encountered at the southern border (a 27% increase from June) Wall Street Journal: Why Biden's Border Policies Aren't Working

**HAPPY NATIONAL HUNTING AND FISHING DAY!**

National Hunting and Fishing Day is Saturday, Sept. 30. Grouse hunting opened last weekend, the bear hunt is well under way, and before we know it deer hunting season will be here.

Good luck hunters!  
 Representative Pete Stauber  
 U.S. House of Representatives, Congressional District 8

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 Deadlines are Mondays at Noon  
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# OBITUARIES

## KIMBERLY VERRET



Kimberly Joy Verret, 61, Garrison, died Tuesday, September 19, 2023.  
 A celebration of life for Kim will be held at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 1, 2023, at the Halvorson Taylor Life Events Center, 512 S. 8th Street, Brainerd.  
 Kimberly Joy Verret was born in Kenmare North Dakota on August 12, 1962 to Karyl and Robert Knecht. Kim moved to Minnesota in 1984 where she worked at Children's Palace, Metro Gravel, the Post Office and Beauty Mart. In 1996, she moved back to North Dakota where she owned and operated a bar and restaurant, Stir'um Up Bar and Grill until 2008. She moved to Arizona in 2008 and worked with her mother and step-father, Karyl and Mike O'Leary. In 2018, she moved to Minnesota to be closer to her sons and grandchildren. She helped operate the Spotlite Café in Garrison and retail store Unclaimed Freight North in Aitkin, with her son Nick. Kim enjoyed the outdoors - fishing and camping. She was an avid quilter. In her younger years she enjoyed going on cruises, riding her Harley, and shooting fast-draw. Kim lived life

to the fullest each and every day. Her pride and joy were her sons and her 10 grandchildren. She was so proud of everyone's accomplishments and always encouraged and supported her family's ambitions.  
 Kim is survived by her mother, Karyl O'Leary; father, Robert (Arlene) Knecht; sons: Nick (Amber) Bratland, Scott (Sharon) Houle; 10 grandchildren: Zac, Riley, Emma, Lilly, Olivia, Baron, Paisley, and Charles, Kaleb and Kristian; and her four-pawed companions: Salina and Jack.  
 She is also survived by uncle George (Diane) Clark; and cousins, Tammy Baumann and Jeff Heilman.  
 Kim was preceded in death by her second husband, Steve Houle and third husband Gary Verret; stepfather, Mike O'Leary; brother, Kenneth Knecht; and aunt, Judi Current.  
 Arrangements were with Halvorson-Taylor Funeral and Cremation Care www.halvorsonjohnson.com

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# LEGAL NOTICE

(Published in NewsHopper Sat., Sept. 23, 30 & Oct. 7, 2023)  
**COURT FILE NO. 18-CV-23-3271**  
 STATE OF MINNESOTA DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF CROW WING NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT Case Type: Quiet Title Action Abigail Addition Townhomes Association, LLC Plaintiffs, vs. MRA Financial Group, LLC, or any Other person claiming an interest in the Real estate described herein, Defendants.

**SUMMONS**

THE STATE OF MINNESOTA TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS:

You, and each of you, are hereby summoned and required to serve upon Plaintiff's attorneys an answer to the Complaint which is on file in the office of the Court Administrator of the above-named Court, within twenty-one (21) days after the service of this Summons upon you, exclusive of the day of such service.

If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. You are further advised that this is an action to determine adverse claims to the following described real estate, situated in the County of Crow Wing, State of Minnesota, to-wit: Lot 11, Block 1, Abigails Addition Dated: August 28, 2023 BREEN & PERSON, LTD. /s/ J. Brad Person J. Brad Person, Esq. #0296302 Alex D. Kuhn, Esq. #0395479 Attorneys for Plaintiffs 124 N. 6th Street, PO Box 472 Brainerd, MN 56401 Telephone (218) 828-1248.



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**Please Note: The Household Hazardous Waste Facility DOES NOT ACCEPT Florescent Light Bulbs, Business or Farm Hazardous Waste.**

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For more information call Crow Wing County Land Services at 218-824-1010.

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# OBITUARIES

## RONALD JOHNSON



Ronald Everett Johnson, 85, of Aitkin, died Tuesday, August 22, 2023 at Northwest Medical Center in Tucson, Arizona. Services will be Saturday, October 14, 2023 at 11 a.m. in First Lutheran Church, Aitkin with Pastor Reggie Denton officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church. Interment will be in Diamond Lake Cemetery.

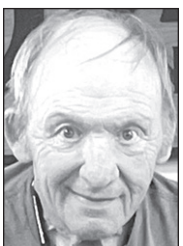
## BENJAMIN LUDKE



Benjamin John Ludke, 29, of Cuyuna died on Saturday, September 16, 2023 at his home. A Memorial Gathering will be held from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Sunday, October 8, 2023 at the Koop Funeral Home in Crosby. He was born in St. Cloud on

December 22, 1993 to John and Tammy (Lehnhoff) Ludke. Benjamin was a Home Health Aide working with the Department of Veterans Affairs. Benjamin is survived by his father, John Ludke Jr. of Cuyuna; and brother, David Ludke of Ironton. Preceding Benjamin in death was his mother. Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home of Crosby. To leave a message of condolence go to [www.koopfuneralhome.com](http://www.koopfuneralhome.com).

## CHARLES DEBOER



Charles "Chuck" DeBoer, 76, died peacefully on Thursday, September 14, 2023, at his home in Baxter, after a short battle with cancer. A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Chuck donated his body to the U of M Bequest Program. Charles was born to Hazel and Pete DeBoer on

Oct. 12, 1946, in Eugene, Ill. Chuck was a very proud Vietnam veteran. His hobbies included hunting and fishing and had a very nice collection of die cast tractors. He is survived by his daughters: Dena (Mike) Storm and Dawn (Tom) Fisher; former wife, Tamra Erickson; three grandchildren: Justin, Zach and Emma Storm; a great-grandson, Sterling Storm; siblings, Pat Zebedee, Nyna Wourms, Dave DeBoer and Linda DeBoer. Preceded in death by his parents; and brother, Jimmy DeBoer.

## KENNETH ONSTAD



Kenneth William Onstad, 69, of McGregor, died Wednesday, September 20, 2023 at his home. A celebration of Life for both Kenneth and Laurie will be held Saturday, October 14, 2023 from Noon until 3 p.m. at Bann's Bar and Restaurant, 18870 Goshawk St, McGregor. Kenneth was born June 7, 1954 in Cloquet to William and Doris (Anderson) Onstad. Kenneth was

a veteran of The United States Air Force. He worked construction for many years and was a member of Minnewawa Sportsman's Club. Kenneth is survived by his siblings, Althea (Craig) Thimmesh, Valerie Onstad, Lucille Onstad, Janet (Herman Eason) Owens and James (Tammy) Onstad; special friend, Patty Boyd; nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Kenneth is preceded in death his life partner of 36 years, Laurie Tarnowski and his parents. Arrangements were with the McGregor Funeral Home and Cremation Service in McGregor. Leave online condolences at [www.srtfuneral.com](http://www.srtfuneral.com).

## DEREK BROWN



Derek Lee "Buddy" Brown, 44, of Crosby died on Saturday, September 23, 2023 at his home after a battle with cancer. No services are being held. He was born in Crosby on June 30, 1979 to August and Juanita (Erickson) Brown. Buddy loved people and the outdoors, always carving wood and doing art work. He loved nature and riding his electric scooter through the bike trails. He cared about everyone he met, always with a big smile. He will be sadly missed by many.

Buddy is survived by his mother, Juanita Brown of Crosby; his brother, Luke Erickson (Jody Erickson) and his sister, Tandy Brown; nephews Corey and Willy Erickson; an aunt, Wanda Sullivan; cousins, Charles Erickson, LeRoy, Angie and Mary Sullivan all of the White Earth area; and many other relatives from White Earth and Crosby area. Preceding Buddy in death are his father, August Brown; grandparents, Augustus and Mabel Brown, LeRoy and Bertha Erickson and his great grandmother, Mary Erickson. Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home of Crosby. To leave a message of condolence go to [www.koopfuneralhome.com](http://www.koopfuneralhome.com).

## AGNES ANDERSLAND

Agnes Constance Andersland, 96, formerly of Nisswa died on Sunday, September 24, 2023. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. at

the Scarville Lutheran Church on September 30, 2023. Visitation was on Friday, September 29th at the Schott-Mittlestadt Funeral Home, in Lake Mills, Iowa.

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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; [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; [hillicitygchurch@gmail.com](mailto:hillicitygchurch@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 Tom Hoffman, 218-996-6369, 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: Thurs. and Fri. at 8; Tues at noon, Sun. 8:30 & 10:30.  
Crosslake — Immaculate Heart, 218-692-3731; [www.ihmstmilys.org](http://www.ihmstmilys.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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### 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 — The Log Church 9:30, Pastor Troy Nelson; 218-692-4141, 37218 County Road 66, [www.crosslakeefc.org](http://www.crosslakeefc.org)  
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.lchurch.org](http://www.lchurch.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 Lutheran Church (ELCA) [www.crosslakelutheran.com](http://www.crosslakelutheran.com) • 218-692-3682 Kristin Oltmann, Senior Pastor; Becky Swanson, Associate Pastor Labor Day-Mem. Day: Sun. 9:30am, Wed. 6:15pm; Mem. Day-Labor Day: Sun. Indoor 8:30am, Outdoor 10am

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), 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 10:30, (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), Pastor Steven Teff; 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.

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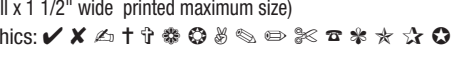
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