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Former human resources employee charged with stealing



A former Aitkin County Human Resources employee is charged with felonies in connection with charging food, fuel, cell card minutes and more with a county credit card.

Brittany Searle, 30, Milan, MN, is charged with aggravated forgery, financial transaction card fraud, theft, take use, transfer of property with no consent and theft of property or services. There are six felony counts charged

She made her first court appearance on November 27, 2023, and her omnibus hearing is set for February 5, 2023.

According to the criminal complaint filed with Minnesota District Court, as a human resources assistant, Searle was in charge of the Employee Recognition program at Aitkin County. In

this capacity, she purchased many gift cards for employees. Sometimes, however, the awarded employee chose time off rather than a gift card.

A Carlton County investigator looked into the case in April 2023 at the request of Searle's supervisor.

It first came to light with an O'Reilly's Auto Parts charge on an Elan card. The county is not in the habit of using O'Reilly's and the charge was related to Willmar, where Searle has connections.

Later, suspicious charges were found for Holiday gas station gift cards, Paulbeck's County Market, Target gift cards and Simple Mobile Unlmited Talk Text Prepaid

Searle worked for the county from 2021 to 2023, some of that time remotely and part-time.

Some suspicious charges

were uncovered when Searle bought gift cards for an "employee" but that employee chose time off instead. Searle was also allegedly forging her supervisor's signature on vouchers.

Conditions of Searle's release until her next hearing were that she remains law-abiding, remain in Minnesota and keep in contact with the court and her attorney.

The season for goodies



Linda Lueck (far right) and other workers from the Bethlehem Lutheran Church sell items from their bake sale at Bremer Bank in Aitkin on December 1. Ann Schwartz photo



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Caution and safety paramount as area ice season gets underway

of falling into cold water can

incapacitate even strong

swimmers. A good set of ice

picks can help someone get

out of the water, and a cell

phone, whistle or other com-

munications device makes it

Ice conditions this time of year are highly variable and can change quickly. Falling into the cold water can turn tragic fast. Safety officials stress the importance of anyone heading onto the ice to check its thickness for themselves and not rely on other people's footprints, tracks or social media posts.

While 4 inches of new, clear ice is the minimum recommended thickness for

walking, it takes at least 5 to 7 inches to hold a snowmobile or small all-terrain vehicle, 7 to 8 inches for a larger, side-by-side ATV, and 9 to 10 inches for a small car or SUV.

Each year, unexpected falls through thin ice lead to serious injury or death. Checking the ice thickness with a spud bar, auger or other device is the best way to prevent falling through. Wearing a life jacket is the best way to avert

more likely a person can call for help. General ice safety guidelines

No ice can ever be considered "safe ice," but following these guidelines (mndnr.gov/ safety/ice/thickness.html) can help minimize the risk:

Always wear a life jacket or float coat on the ice (except when in a vehicle).

Carry ice picks, rope, an ice chisel and tape measure. Check ice thickness at reg-

ular intervals; conditions can change quickly. Bring a cell phone or per-

sonal locator beacon.

Don't go out alone; let

tragedy, since the initial shock someone know about trip plans and expected return

> Before heading out, inquire about conditions and known hazards with local experts.

> > Parents and guardians

should talk with their children and neighborhood children about staying away from the ice unless there's adult supervision. This includes lakes and rivers, as well as neighborhood ponds, reten-

tion ponds and anywhere ice forms.

For more information, visit the DNR's ice safety webpage (mndnr.gov/icesafety) and the boating safety webpage (mndnr.gov/boatingsafety).

Electronics recycling drive to benefit area youth education

An electronics recycling drive is planned from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 9, to benefit continuing education for area youth through the Deerwood Technologies Scholarship Fund.

The event is at Deerwood Technologies, 21301 Archibald Road (at the corner of Archibald Road/Hwy 6 and Cross Drive) in Deerwood.

All items are slated for an end-of-life environmentally safe facility in the U.S.

People may bring in computer towers, monitors, laptops, speakers, keyboards, mice, routers, network hubs, cable boxes, batteries, any size printers, copiers, fax machines, VCRs, DVD and CD players, radios, PDAs & MP3 players, cell phones, telephones, extra cables, digital cameras, camcorders, power supplies & transformers, small electronics - razors, toothbrushes, hair dryers, curling

irons, electric brooms and

sweepers, all for \$0.60 per pound.

Microwaves will be at a flat rate of \$30.00.

Drop off old Christmas lights for recycling too! Free

Televisions are being accepted for a donation of \$15 each for under 27" and \$20 each for over 27". No major appliances will be accepted.

For more information: visit www.deertech.com/recycle or email events@deertech.com

New welcome signs



Jessica Much, a 2023 graduate, initiated a project to have the Welcome to Aitkin signs replaced. Jennifer Thompson, a city employee, wrote grants to pay for the project. The Iron Range Resources awarded a \$3,000 grant and Aitkin County, a \$1,000 grant. New signs welcome travelers coming from the North, South, East and West. A new Aitkin City Park sign is installed on Hwy. 169 (Minnesota Avenue) as well. Much took on this project as part of Scott Miller's community service project class through Aitkin High School. Joshua Johnson of Upland Advertisting, Merrifield, was the signmaker. Photo courtesy City of Aitkin

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- Our winter hibernators are sleeping deeply; black bears, woodchucks, 13-lined ground squirrels, bats, turtles, snakes, lizards, frogs, toads and
- Keep your suet feeders full to enjoy all of our hearty winter woodpeckers

STARGAZING NOTES, provided by the Minnesota Astronomical Society What's happening in the starry sky this week?

- Dec. 12: New moon
- Dec. 13 14: Geminid meteor shower. Meteors visible both nights, peaking on the morning of Dec. 14 between midnight and dawn.
- Dec. 17: Waxing crescent moon just below Saturn. They're due south at sun set, but best seen after 5 p.m.



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OBITUARIES

JOHN BORN



John Warner Born, 82, of Aitkin, died on Sunday, November 26, 2023 at his home.

A Celebration of Life is planned for a later date.

John was born on October 21, 1941 in Pipestone to Victor and Margaret (Bosacker) Born. He grew up in southwestern Minnesota and graduated from Lake Wilson High School in 1959. He enlisted in the United States Air Force and served from 1959 to 1963. He was an over-the-road truck driver, a member of Teamsters Local #120 for forty accident-free years. John was also a member of American Legion Post #118 of Wayzata and later American Legion Post #86 of Aitkin. John enjoyed fishing and hunting and was an enthusiastic follower of sports. John was united in marriage to Karen Moriarty on December 16, 1967 and resided in Wayzata where they raised their three children. They moved to Aitkin in 2005 and he loved every day of life in Aitkin where they connected with old friends and made many new ones. He treasured every one of them. John had an outgoing and friendly personality, a farm boy at heart. Affectionately known by his children as "the

old man", he was a proud and loving father and grandfather. He especially enjoyed telling stories about his time playing the piano in the high school marching band and his efforts to train a pet mouse for a career in movies. John left behind a legacy of laughter and unbelievable stories. Our hearts are broken from losing him but full from loving him and being loved by him.

John is survived by his wife, Karen; children: Katy Born of Plymouth, Stephen Born of Rogers and David (Jen) Born of Plymouth; three grandchildren: Jacob and Allison Born and Ruby Gehrman; sister, Margo Devlin of Plymouth; sister-in-law, Elizabeth Butler of St. Paul; brothers-in-law: Denny (Lisa) Moriarty of Stillwater, Dan Moriarty of Aitkin and Tim (Jan) Moriarty of Aitkin; several nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

John is preceded in death by his parents; brother, Robert Born; sister-in-law, Mary Ellen Moriarty and brother-in-law, Verne Butler, Jr.

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

LENORE MCBROOM



Lenore C. McBroom, 90, died peacefully on Sunday, November 26, 2023 at Golden Horizons of Crosslake.

A Memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, December 15, 2023 at Salem Lutheran Church in Deerwood. Visitation will begin one hour

prior to the service. Burial will be at Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery in Princeton.

Lenore was born on January 29, 1933 in Bradford Township, MN to Olof and Esther (Lundeen) Peterson. She graduated from Cambridge High School in 1950. She trained to be a Key Punch Operator and worked for the Green Giant Corporation in Le Sueur, MN. On April 25, 1952, Lenore was married to Chester McBroom at her childhood church, Long Lake Lutheran, in Bradford Township, MN. While raising a family, Lenore also worked as a school bus driver and then as a kitchen cook for the Princeton School District until her retirement. She and her husband moved to Deerwood, MN in 1994. Lenore's life was spent in service to her Lord, family

and friends. She was a devoted member of Salem Lutheran Church, and enjoyed helping with church activities, singing in the choir, cooking and baking her special treats. Lenore also loved gardening, knitting, fishing at their home on Agate Lake, and spending time with her family and friends.

Lenore is survived by three sons: Larry (Jo) McBroom of Milaca, Daniel (Meredith) McBroom of Mazeppa, and Steven (Kelly) McBroom of Zimmerman; two daughters: Sandra (Jeff) Green of Park Rapids, and Lois (Mary Harder) McBroom of Brainerd; son-in-law, Steve Deglmann of Princeton; daughter-in-law, Kathy McBroom of Albertville; 21 grandchildren, numerous great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

Preceding Lenore in death are her parents; husband, Chester; granddaughter, Theresa McBroom; son, Gregory McBroom; daughter, Linda Deglmann; brother, Ellery Peterson and two sisters: Lois and Esther Peterson.

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

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FILING NOTICE BAY LAKE TOWNSHIP

Affidavits of candidacy may be filed by appointment at the home of Clerk, Carol Pundt. Call 1-218-678-3256 for an appointment. Filing dates: Tuesday, January 2, 2024 through 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 16, 2024 for the offices of:

ONE SUPERVISOR, 3-year term, currently held by Justin Smith

CLERK, 2-year term, currently held by Carol Pundt

The Bay Lake Town Hall Construction Trailer will also be open for filing from 1-5 p.m. on Tuesday, January 16, 2024: Bay Lake Town Hall Con-

struction Trailer 13861 County Rd 10 Deerwood, MN 56444 218-678-3821.

Dated: December 5, 2023 CAROL PUNDT, Township Clerk (Published in NewsHopper Sat., Dec. 9 & 16, 2023) **LIBBY TOWNSHIP**

BOARD MEETING

The Libby Township Board will meet in person at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 19 at the Palisade Community Center. The purpose of this meeting shall be to discuss and decide matters that may come before the board.

Dated this 29th day of November, 2023 Jane Grimsbo Jewett, clerk Libby Township



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HAZELTON TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF CANDIDATE FILING FOR

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December

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lunch, treats and sign-up for door prizes. 9th - A Christmas Story music and song, 2:00 p.m.- 4:30 p.m. This is a free will offering event. Located at

Garrison Alliance Church, 9475 Jefferson St. in Garrison. 9th - Ecumenical Cantata JOY! A Gospel Christmas Celebration. at Salem Lutheran Church of Deerwood

starting at 7 p.m. 9th & 10th - Central Lakes College's annual Polar Xpress Holiday Festival, 12-4pm at CLC's Staples Campus.

The family-friendly event is free and open to the public. There will be Santa Claus, cookie and ornament decorating, miniature train rides, large G-scale train models, train history artifacts and more. It's sponsored by The Staples Historical Society and Central Lakes College.

10th - Ecumenical Cantata JOY! A Gospel Christmas Celebration at Salem Lutheran Church of Deerwood starting at 9 a.m.

14th, 15th & 16th - Sertoma's Winter Wonderland at the Northland Arboretum, 5:30 p.m.- 8 p.m. Experience a drive-through tour of more than 80 colorfully lighted and animated displays at 14250 Conservation Drive

17th - A Christmas Hymn Fest, 10:30 a.m. at Bethesda Lutheran Church of Rossburg. Everyone is welcome to join in on a Sunday full of Christmas music. Favorite hymns will be sung along with a short service. Coffee and goodies after. The church is located at 35941 350th Ave, Aitkin.

17th- Cuyuna Area Christmas Sing at Rafferty's in downtown Crosby starting at 4:30 p.m. Caroling hosted

21st - C-I Dance Team Show in Galovich Gymnasium at 6:30 pm with all Just For Kix dancers performing. 24th - A candlelight service will be held on Christmas Eve at 10:30 a.m. Please join us to celebrate the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ. Everyone is welcome to attend Bethesda Lutheran Church of Rossburg at 35941 350th Avenue, Aitkin.

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"A Christmas Story" in Garrison

Hear "A Christmas Story" on Saturday, Dec. 9, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Garrison Alliance Church located at 9475 Jefferson Street

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EDITH BEAL



Edith LaVerne "Edie" Beal, 90, of Baxter formerly of Crosby

and Edna (Rider) Wolford. Edie was a life-long member of Immanuel Lutheran Church of Iron Hub, founding member and past president of the Crosby Lioness, active with both the Crosby and Aitkin Chambers of Commerce, worked with her mother at Edna's Ladies Apparel in Crosby and was a longtime employee of the Crosby and Aitkin Ben Franklin stores. Edie enjoyed hunting, fishing, and gardening though out her life, as well as spending time with her

large extended family.

Edie is survived by two sons: Kerry Palmer of Andover, Monte (Lenka) Palmer of Freeport, FL; two daughters: Becky (Steve) McKenney of Roseburg, OR and Vanessa (Michael) Fordyce of Baxter; daughter-in-law, Bev Palmer of Brainerd; three sisters: Patricia Katzenberger of Grand Rapids, Sandy Colclough of Santa Rosa, CA and Barb (Rick) Knight of Santa Rosa, CA; 13 grandchildren, 22 great-grand-

Preceding Edie in death are her parents; first husband, Lee Palmer; second husband, Stanley Beal; two children: Lanny Palmer and Keely Palmer; daughter-in-law, Anna Palmer; and two sisters,

of Crosby. To leave a message of condolence go to www.koopfuneralhome.com.

ROSE STIMAC



Rose Anne Stimac, 80, of Brainerd formerly of Ironton died on Saturday, December 2, 2023 at Riverwood Healthcare Center in Aitkin.

A Memorial service will be at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, December 9, 2023 at the Cascade United Methodist Church in Deerwood.

Township. A visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church on Saturday. She was born on July 24, 1943 in Gouverneur, New

Burial will be at the Woodland Cemetery in Irondale

York to Edward and Muriel (Hance) Barto.

Rose is survived by two sons, Jon "Goose" (Cory)

Gutzman of Blaine, Brent "Bubba" (Amy) Gutzman of Aitkin; two daughters: Lisa Gutzman of Crosby and Carla Miller (Bill Robbins) of Lindstrom; several grandchildren and great grandchildren; three stepchildren: Brett Stimac, Brandi Stimac Mahowald and Brian Stimac; brother, Chuck Barto of North Berwick, Maine; two sisters: Mary Dandrea of Clouquet and Sue Barto of Ironton; and special friend, Don Nickel of Brainerd.

Preceding Rose in death are her parents; husband James Stimac; daughter, Nicole Gutzman; brother, Edward Barto; great-grandson, Oliver Gutzman and stepson, Blaine Stimac.

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



OBITUARIES

Patricia J Foster, 89, died peacefully with family at her side on Tuesday, November 28, 2023 at Aitkin Health Services, Aitkin after a decade long struggle with dementia.

PATRICIA FOSTER

At Patricia's request there will be no memorial service. If you would like to remember

Patricia, please make donations to the McGregor Library, Center Ave/2nd St., McGregor, MN 55760.

Patricia was born May 2, 1934 in Cloquet to Joseph Edward Blair and Esther Vivian (Maki) Blair. Much of her early years were spent on Dunlap Island in Cloquet. She was soon joined by sisters Peggy, Kathleen (Faye) and Sandra, together known as the "Blair Girls". Later the family moved to a farm on the Big Lake Road west of Cloquet. Patricia graduated from Cloquet High School in 1952 and soon started work at Northwest Paper. In June 1953 she married Donald Swanson in Cloquet and in June 1954 was blessed with a son, Michael. The Swanson family moved to McGregor in 1957 where Donald was employed as teacher/coach at the McGregor school. A daughter, Kelly, was born to Patricia in December 1957. While raising her family she also worked in McGregor as a waitress, secretary at church, and in school as a teacher's aid. Her husband, Donald, passed away from cancer on February 12, 1974. Patricia continued to live and work in McGregor until 1978 when she married Maurice Foster, who was employed by Burlington Northern Railroad in St. Paul and owned lake property in the area. Patricia joined Maurice in St. Paul where she was employed at a temporary agency staffing occasional secretarial openings at various firms downtown. Working for the railroad meant some job transfers to cities Fort Worth, Denver, and finally back to St. Paul. With her husband's retirement in 1996 they moved to their lake property on Lake Minnewawa near McGregor. Patricia spent much of her retirement years involved with church activities, yard work, home and and craft projects, and traveling. She also enjoyed her time with the grand and great grandchildren in their many activities.

She is survived by her husband, Maurice; son, Michael (Nina); daughter, Kelly (James) Hover; two granddaughters: Alison (Imran) Khan, Courtney Hover; two grandsons: Michael (Taylor) Swanson, Erik (fiancée Bobbi Jo Schuttemeire), three step-grandchildren: Chris Trone, Sarah (Will) Garriott, Thor (Brianne) Trone; six great-grandchildren: Ian and August Garriott, Isa and Ilya Khan, Madalyn Trone, and Raelynn Swanson.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph in 1984, Esther in 1995; sisters: Peggy Johnson in 2014, Sandra Blair in 2022, and Kathleen Faye Marciniak in 2023.

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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 218-927-2823.

Baxter* - Pointway Alliance Church; Rev. Charles Bolstridge, 218-537-6505; 7756 Highland Scenic Road; Worship 10; 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 Crosby — Pastor Dustin McCaleb; Worship 10:30

Crosslake — Crossroads Christian, Rev. Gary Espeseth; SS at 9:30, Worship at 10:45

Interim Pastor John Koppel, Staff Pastor Lisa HIII CITY Jordan; Worship 10; hillcityagchurch@gmail.com; 218-

Palisade — Pastor Charlie Bell; SS 9; Worship 10: Kids Church; Small groups during the week 218-845-2726

BAPTIST

Aitkin - Northwoods Community Church (formerly The Journey North) Tom Hoffman, interim pastor, Worship 10:30, northwoodscommunitychurch.org Baxter - The Journey North, Worship 9 & 10:30, 218-824-

5617 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 Brainerd- The Church On The Wise Road, Pastor Todd Stumbo 218-829-4673, Worship 11:00, SS 9:45

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 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.

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.

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. ihmstemilys.org; Mass: Sat. 4 pm; Sun. 8:30; Confession

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

Sat. 3 pm.

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.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS 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

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

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

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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 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 Konnect 6:30 pm

Pastor Glenn Browning; SS 9:30; Fellowship 10;

Wright - Pastor Ken Mitchell, 218-426-5115; SS 9:30; Worship, 10:30; Thu., Bible Study, 7 pm.

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Aitkin - Bethlehem (ELCA), Rev. Rebecca Hinz; Worship 9:30; Holy Comm. 1st & 3rd Sun each month.

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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.

Baxter — Prince of Peace (LCMS); Communion every Sunday 9, Fellowship 10:15, Adult Bible Class & Sunday School 10:30 am 218-829-7092 www.princeofpeacelutheran.church Beaver Township - Finnish EA, Hwy. 27, Worship 1st &

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 flcbrainerd.com 424 8th Street South, Brainerd

Brainerd* — Good Shepherd Free Lutheran Church (AFLC), Pastor David Franz, find service info at 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) 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. Email: 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. 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 • 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,

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Deerwood* — Salem (ELCA), Pastor Amanda Kempthorne; Worship: 9; Sunday School 9:50. Garrison — Light of the Cross (ELCA), Worship 9 SS 9;

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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.

Isle — Faith (ELCA), Interim Pastor Rev. Henry French;

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

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,

9: SS 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. Rossburg — Bethesda (ELCA); Comm. 1st & 3rd Sunday each month.

Tamarack (AFLC) — Pastor Ron Staudinger; 1st, 3rd and Hwy 210

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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

Worship service is Sunday at 10am, 512 S 8th St., Suite 2, 218-829-2989.

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 Irondale Town Hall*, Co. Rd. 12, (Deerwood Shortcut); Worship 10 & Wed. 7 pm.

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. McGrath — Calvary, Pastor - Todd Oltmann; Worship 9.

Crosby — Lifespring Church, a member of Fellowship of Independent Reformed Evangelicals, 9:30, 30 Hallett Ave

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; 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

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.

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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 Thursday 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

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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