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## Accordion-playing polka man has gone on to a new venue



Former State Senator Florian Chmielewski pictured here entertaining residents and guests at the Town Square at Aitkin Health Services in 2014 at age 87.

By ANN SCHWARTZ  
Florian Chmielewski of Sturgeon Lake died Tuesday, April 23 at age 97.

A one of a kind name for a one-of-a-kind man, who was known for his accordion polka band in northeastern Minnesota, and a duo career serving in the Minnesota Senate.

I met Florian and interacted with him when I was with the press in Aitkin and he was

a state senator. His grin — I remember it. Some folks have a smile. Florian had a grin.

We crossed paths at different events in the area and he told me some stories. "I didn't get to be a musician by accident," he noted. "I practice all the time. I have an accordion in every room of my house except the bathroom because my wife won't let me. I pick it up and play it all the time."

His official biography says he was one of 15 children born on a family farm near Sturgeon Lake in 1927. My late uncle, Peanuts Holmberg, was also a polka dancing fool born in the same decade in Lawler, MN. He and Florian probably celebrated many a Saturday night playing and dancing at polka fests all over Minnesota.

Florian had the Chmielewski Funtime Television Show for 35 years. It was broadcast locally as well as syndicated all over the United States and Canada. A local music show akin to Lawrence Welk it featured couples dancing to polka music,

He also started an International Polka Festival which ran for 40 years and won many grammy awards and was inducted into various halls of fame and awarded honorary music degrees,

He was also a state senator for 26 years, and that part of his resume shows the serious and studious nature of Florian. He served as Minnesota Senate president for a time, and seriously tried to get a higher education: He graduated from Willow River High School, with honors, in the 1940s. But he went

on to attend the University of Minnesota, School of Agriculture; for three years; did a business course at Fort Benning, Georgia, where he also graduated with honors and attended LaSalle Law Extension University Law School for two years. But the draws of his family business and legislative career might have kept him from getting a degree completed — except honorary ones.

He continued to perform, even at his 97th birthday in February. Daughter Patty carries on the family business.

When I moved from covering Scott and Carver counties to Aitkin County, I wrote a column about names. I told how I learned to spell these German names, like Klingelhofer, in Carver County, but in Aitkin County, I had to learn Finnish names such as Paakarinen and Hyytinen. And, I added,

I also learned how to spell Chmielewski. I heard that Florian grinned when he read it.

Mass of Christian Burial for Florian will be held on Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at 11 a.m. in St. Isidore's Catholic Church, Sturgeon Lake. Visitation will be one hour prior to the Mass at St. Isidore's Catholic Church and also visitation will be held on Monday, May 6 from 5-7 p.m. in Hamlin-Hansen-Kosloski Funeral Home, Moose Lake. Burial with Military Honors will be held in St. Isidore's Catholic Cemetery, Sturgeon



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# Minnesota moms: Join the Mother's Day weekend fishing challenge

Moms who live in Minnesota are invited to join a free virtual fishing challenge Saturday, May 11, through Sunday, May 12, during Take a Mom Fishing Weekend, when all Minnesota moms can fish without purchasing a fishing license.

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources is partnering with the Student Angler Organization and Women Anglers of Minnesota to host the challenge.

To participate in the Mother's Day weekend fishing challenge, moms simply need to join the Facebook group called "Minnesota Moms

Fishing Challenge 2024" and post one photo of each fish they catch.

All participants who submit one or more fish photos will have their name entered in a random drawing for prizes provided by the Student Angler Organization and their partners, including gift cards for SCHEELS and Lund. Additionally, participants are invited to tune in for a pre-challenge virtual Fishing 101 class, hosted by Women Anglers of Minnesota in the challenge Facebook group (facebook.com/groups/967975514717550) on May 7.

Challenge details are available on the Minnesota DNR website (mndnr.gov/take-momfishing). All fish species and sizes are welcome in the challenge. Participants can snap a photo and let their fish go or keep it if it's in season.

"This year's event follows the successful inaugural Minnesota Moms Fishing Challenge in 2023. Last year, more than 2,400 moms joined the challenge," said Cara Hanson, DNR marketing coordinator. "This year, we hope even more people will join in the fun!"

The Minnesota State Legislature established Take a

Mom Fishing Weekend in 1988 to coincide with Mother's Day. This year, the weekend also coincides with the fishing opener — seasons begin Saturday, May 11, for walleye, northern pike, bass, and trout in lakes. To celebrate the fishing season, the Minnesota Governor's Fishing Opener event is taking place May 10-12 in Lake City.

Fishing season dates and regulations are available on the Minnesota DNR fishing webpage (mndnr.gov/fishing). Find out how and where to fish, learn about fishing equipment, read about ways to catch different kinds of

fish, and get acquainted with fishing ethics and being stewards of Minnesota's natural resources, on the Minnesota DNR learn to fish webpage (mndnr.gov/gofishing).

Mandy Erickson, DNR fisheries expert said this year, the DNR enhanced the program in a few ways, most notably by adding 18 species in the catch-and-release category beyond the four current species that were previously recognized.

In a webinar on Wednesday, May 8, you may join DNR staff as they go live while shore fishing to talk about the upcoming fishing

opener and Take a Mom Fishing Weekend on May 11-12. The webinar will focus on the upcoming fishing season, DNR fishing updates, favorite lures, and how to be more successful fishing. People might also hear about a great fishing spot or two.

The Minnesota Outdoor Skills and Stewardship webinar is free though registration is required. Visit the Outdoor Skills and Stewardship webpage of the Minnesota DNR website (mndnr.gov/discover) for the registration portal, more information about upcoming webinars and recordings of past webinars.

## Fatal UTV crash in Crow Wing Co.

On Wednesday, April 24, at approximately 7:47 pm, the Crow Wing County Sheriff's Office responded to a report

of a single vehicle UTV crash near the intersection of County Road 138 and Loveland Pass, in Roosevelt Township. As a result of the crash, a 67-year-old male from Garrison was pronounced deceased. The crash remains under investigation.

## Business electronics collection

The Crow Wing County Land Services Department will conduct a business electronics collection event on Thursday, May 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Crow Wing County Landfill Site.

This is an opportunity for businesses to dispose of any old electronics. If you would like to be included on our business electronics notification list, please contact us, and provide the best email address to send these notifications.

Items accepted include Computer Equipment, CPUs, CD/DVD Roms, Monitors, Memory, Networking, Printers, Scanners, Tape Drives, Other Equipment, Circuit Boards Integrated Circuits, Precious Metal Scrap, Wire and Cable, Motor Generators, \*Loose batteries are

not accepted, Specialized Equipment, Duplication/Copying, Banking, Bar Code, Communication, Hospital/Medical, Telephone, and Test/Lab equipment. Billing for businesses will be accomplished through the Landfill Office. This fee is due the day of the event or within 30 days of receipt of invoice for those businesses that already have a charge account at the Landfill. If a business wishes to establish a charge account, please contact the Landfill Office at 218-828-4392 prior to the event. During the event the landfill attendant will direct businesses, after their vehicle has been weighed, to the collection site. Equipment to be disposed of will be unloaded and their vehicle will be directed back to the landfill office to be reweighed at the scale. At this time businesses will be provided with a bill for payment.

Citizens are encouraged to contact the Land Services Solid Waste Office at (218) 824-1010 or for more information, please visit the Crow Wing County's Web site at www.crowwing.gov/landfill.

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**Traditional Benedict** Thick cut Canadian bacon, poached egg & house Hollandaise

**Chicken Cacciatore** Breaded & pan seared chicken breast with red and yellow peppers, local mushrooms, Kalamata olives & tomatoes.

**Strictly Mushrooms Spicy Vodka Penne** (V) Local sautéed mushrooms & penne pasta tossed in our house spicy vodka sauce.


**Shrimp Cocktail** (GF), Assortment of "Northern Waters Smokehaus" **Smoked Salmon & Lake Trout** (GF), Assortment of **Danishes, Sweet Breads, Donuts, Caramel Rolls, Cream pies & Cakes** (V), **Chef's Salad** with Assortment of Dressings (V), **Pasta Salads** (V), **Yogurt Parfait & Fresh Fruit** (V) (GF)

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# Vietnam and the 1968 election

Join Unlimited Learning on Monday, May 13 at 1:30 p.m. to hear from Steve Wenzel as he describes one of the most troubling and painful times in our history. The program will be in the Forum Room at Crosby-Ironton High School. It's free for members and \$10.00 for non-members.

The Vietnam War was long, costly and divisive, leaving the nation psychologically and financially exhausted. Its impact has shaped gener-

ations as memories of that tumultuous time linger.

Wenzel will cover the history of the Vietnam War, its roots in the Truman and Eisenhower administrations and growing involvement under Kennedy and then the all-out American entry into the war under Lyndon Johnson. He will also review how Vietnam dominated and influenced the 1968 presidential election and how it determined the outcome of the Nixon-Humphrey race.

Steve Wenzel of Little Falls is a political Science Instructor at Central Lakes College. An educator by background, Wenzel was elected to the Minnesota House of Representatives in 1972, serving 15 terms. He is also the executive director of the Gordon Rosenmeier Center for State and Local Government at CLC.

For more information about membership, contact Ruth Ann Wefald at ruthann@ksu.edu.



## LOOK WHOSE baby JUST ARRIVED

### HAYES KERN

Hayes Robert Kern, a boy, weighing 6 lbs., 2 ozs., was born April 28, 2024 in Aitkin, to Mariah and Travis Kern of Aitkin. Grandparents are Chad and Stephanie Trotter, Aitkin and Rod and Kim Kern, Palisade.

### PENELOPE BRANSTAD

Penelope Renee Branstad, a girl, weighing 7 lbs., 15 ozs., was born April 27, 2024 to Sam and Jordan Branstad of Brainerd. Grandparents are Dave and Kathy Branstad, Detroit Lakes and Eric and Miriam Anderson, Deerwood. Great-grandparents are Randy and Jean Mertes, Baxter and Karen Mertes, Baxter.

# LEGAL NOTICES

(Published in NewsHopper Sat., May 4, 2024)  
**CITY OF CUYUNA NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given the Cuyuna City Council will convene for their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, May 13, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. at the Cuyuna Fire Department to conduct the following public hearing:

Ordinance Amendment 02-2024 to amend the City of Cuyuna Zoning Ordinance No. 903 to modify Section 9.03.04, "Rules and Definitions," Section 903.13, "General Requirements," Section 9.03.03, "Jurisdiction, Application and Interpretation," Section 906.06, "Single and Two Family Residential District," 906.07 "Multi-Family Residential District," 903.08 "General Business District." The proposed ordinance modifications define and regulate

the use of storage containers, extends the permit expiration timeframe, and establishes SSTS drainfield to road right-of-way setback requirements. The proposed ordinance also amends the city's zoning map to rezone PIN 19310893 (owner: Kim Wynn) and PIN 19290513 (owner: Soo Line Railroad Co) to "Single and Two Family Residential," and PIN 19310911 (owner: City of Cuyuna) to "Open." The proposed ordinance also modifies Ordinance 402B, correcting spelling and reference errors in the city's Subsurface Sewage Treatment Ordinance. Applicant: City of Cuyuna.

Ordinance Amendment 03-2024 to amend the City of Cuyuna Zoning Ordinance No. 903 to modify Section 903.04, "Rules and Definitions" to include a definition of "Recreational Vehicle," Section 903.06, "Single and Two-Family Residential District" and Section 903.07

"Multiple-Family Residential District" regarding "recreational vehicles" and add Section 903.13- Subd 10, "Parking, Storage and Usage of Recreational Vehicles," regarding permitting requirements and performance standards regarding recreational vehicles. Applicant: City of Cuyuna.

All interested persons are invited to attend these hearings at the Cuyuna Fire Department, 24849 Minnesota Avenue, and be heard or send written comments to City of Cuyuna, PO Box 536, Deerwood, MN 56444 or via email at info@ci.cuyuna.mn.us. A staff report is made available at the Cuyuna Fire Department typically one week before the scheduled meeting.

Dated: May 4, 2024  
BILL BEDARD,  
Clerk/Treasurer  
City of Cuyuna  
12.3

(Published in NewsHopper Saturday, May 4 & 11, 2024)

### LIBBY TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

The Libby Township Board will meet in person at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at the Palisade Community Center. The purpose of this meeting shall be to discuss and decide matters that may come before the board.

The township board meeting will be immediately followed by the conclusion of the Libby Township Board of Audit meeting that was tabled in March.

Dated this 24th day of April, 2024  
Jane Grimsbo Jewett, Clerk  
Libby Township  
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# COMMUNITY EVENTS

## May

4th - Cuyuna Lakes Expo 2024 at the Hallett Center of Crosby, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Contact Aubrey at Cuyuna Lakes Chamber for additional information 218-546-8131.

7th - 11th - Wild and Free Garage Sale at the Garrison VFW Hours are 3 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday. All proceeds go to the wildlife rehabilitation program and the care of the animals. For more information, please call Wild and Free at 320-692-5417 or the Garrison Animal Hospital at 320-692-4180.

10th & 11th - Aitkin Friends of the Library Used Book Sale, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Aitkin Public Library Community Room, 110 First Avenue NE in Aitkin. Most items are fifty cents to a \$1. A bag sale is available all day Saturday at \$3 per bag. Proceeds help support the public library in Aitkin.

11th - Annual Electronic Recycling at Deerwood Technologies, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

11th - Ruttger's Bay Lake Resort Spring Fashion Show Luncheon, noon to 2 p.m. in Ruby's Dining Room. Tickets are \$25 and are available on-line at ruttgersretail.com/events or visit the stores or front lobby to purchase a ticket. The event includes lunch, the fashion show, wine sampling and a swag bag. Enter for a chance to win a free outfit and other great giveaways. In addition, you are eligible for 20% off all weekend at the retail stores.

11th - Authors Patty Wetterling and Joy Baker book signing and presentation at Crosby-Ironton High School, 2 p.m. Admission is \$30 (\$45 admission and hardcover copy). Purchase tickets in advance at www.ci.k12.mn.us/events?id=26510834. Call Community Ed Coordinator Abby Geotz 218-545-8822 with questions.

11th - Pequot Lakes Diamond Club Pancake Breakfast, 7 to 11 a.m. at the Pelican Lakes Conservation Club in Breezy Point, 7-11 a.m. The breakfast is \$7 and will benefit the Pequot Lakes Diamond Club (baseball and softball programs). The clubhouse is located at 8922 Thrane Drive in Breezy Point.

11th & 12th - The Cuyuna Rock, Gem Annual Agate and Mineral Show at the Crow Wing County Fairgrounds, 2000 S.E. 13th Street, Brainerd, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Lunch available. Admission is \$2 for adults; \$1 children under 12. In honor of Mother's Day, mothers are free on Sunday. For more information contact Ed Opatz, President, Cuyuna Rock, Gem & Mineral Society at 320-250-1363.

13th - Lakes Area Unlimited Learning: Vietnam and the 1968 Presidential Election 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.



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**Sunday, May 19**  
Registration begins at 11:30 a.m. • Ride leaves at 12:30 p.m.  
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## OBITUARIES

### GABRIEL ALDRIDGE



Gabriel "Gabe" Allan Aldridge, 42, died on Thursday, April 25, 2024 in Ironton.

A Celebration of Life was held on Friday, May 3, 2024 at 12:00 p.m., preceded by visitation at 11:00 a.m. at Heritage Church in Baxter with a reception that followed. He was laid to rest at

Woodland Cemetery in Irondale Township.

Born on August 25, 1981, in Duluth, he was the beloved son of Barry and Alana (Chambers) Aldridge. Gabe exchanged vows with Michelle Siiltz on March 10, 2001, in Brainerd, marking the beginning of a beautiful journey together.

His passions included hunting, fishing, and spending time in God's creation. Gabe found peace in the woods, on the water, and in the tree stand.

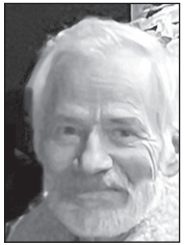
An intrepid spirit, Gabe was a risk-taker, venturing fearlessly into the realms of mountain big game hunting, deep-sea fishing, and entrepreneurial

endeavors. Described as a "serial entrepreneur," he was hailed as one of the most driven individuals, undeterred by challenges and fueled by relentless determination. Gabe established several successful ventures, including Aldridge Brothers Construction, AH Contracting, and AAA Disposal, and for the past four years, he co-owned Hali-Brite in Brainerd. Despite the brevity of his years, Gabe achieved remarkable milestones, from nurturing five remarkable children to pioneering innovative businesses, all while savoring precious moments in the company of loved ones.

Gabe is survived by his beloved wife, Michelle; children: Briana, Elijah, Caleb, Violet, and Lucy, all of Ironton; parents, Barry and Alana of Ironton; brother, Shawn of Crosby; sister Stacy (Joshua) May of Harvest, Alabama; and 14 nieces and nephews.

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

### MARK BLAZEVIC



Mark Thomas Blazevic, 73, of McGregor, died at his home on Tuesday, January 16, 2024, after a long battle with Cancer.

A gathering to celebrate Mark's life along with his parent's lives Nick and Joanne Blazevic and the life of his Aunt Kay (Catherine) Ridnour will

begin at 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 11, 2024 at the McGregor Funeral Home in McGregor. Mark's burial with military honors will be at 3

p.m. at Woodland Cemetery, McGregor.

Mark was born December 28, 1950 in Minneapolis to Nick and Joanne (Lindquist) Blazevic. He grad-

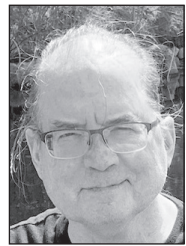
uated from Washburn High School. Mark did everything with honesty and integrity. He loved being outdoors and his hobbies included fishing, hunting, and working on anything that needed fixing.

Mark is survived by his life partner of 18 years, Trudy Bunge of McGregor; children: Nick (Monique) Blazevic of Lakeville and Angela Blazevic (Seth) of Prior Lake; four grandchildren; sisters: Cindy Blair and Kathy Blazevic; and other family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Sandra Blazevic, and nephew, Wade Johnson and Aunt Catherine (Kay) Ridnour on March 15, 2024 at the age of 103.

Arrangements were with the McGregor Funeral Home and Cremation Service in McGregor. Leave online condolences at [www.srtfuneral.com](http://www.srtfuneral.com).

### DANIEL JAEGER



Daniel John Jaeger, 68, of Aitkin, formerly of Anoka and Eden Prairie, died peacefully at home on Saturday, April 20, 2024 overlooking his beloved Hanging Kettle Lake after being in hospice care since April 4.

A gathering of family and friends will be held Wednesday, May 22, 2024 at Quincy Hall Event Center, 1325 Quincy St NE, Minneapolis, MN 55413 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. with a Celebration of Life at 5 p.m. with dinner and beverages following. In lieu of flowers memorials preferred to the family.

He was born March 23, 1956 in Minneapolis to Francis and Joyce (Femrite) Jaeger. Daniel was a gentle spirit and a soft-spoken soul of few words. He was so full of life with a deep love for his family. Over his life he acquired two Bachelor of Science degrees from the University of Minnesota and spent his career as a manufacturing engineer contracting for various companies. Right out of college he spent two years as a Peace Corp volunteer in the Dominican Republic. He married his high school sweetheart,

Mary in 1982. They were blessed with three children: Matthew, Katie and Eric. They settled in Anoka before moving to Eden Prairie where they lived for 20 years. They were able to purchase Mary's grandparents' lake home in 1997 where they spent weekends and holidays before moving up to Aitkin full time in 2013. Daniel became a Master Gardner sharing his love of all things, plants and gardening. He loved playing hockey and coached through Matt and Katie's hockey years. He loved fishing, whether it was on the ice or off the dock or pontoon.

Daniel is survived by his loving wife, Mary Kelly Jaeger; sons and daughter-in-law, Matthew and Kara Ann Jaeger and Eric; daughter, Katie and her life partner, Matt Reisinger; two granddaughters: Athena Rae and Robin Rose Jaeger; siblings: Theresa (Tim) Gedig, Stephen (Kathy) Jaeger, David (Carolyn) Jaeger, Mary Catherine Jaeger, Amy Jaeger and Andrew (Kelly) Jaeger; As well as many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Daniel is preceded in death by his parents and sister, Ann.

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).

### NANCY TRAPP



Nancy Lee Trapp, 83, of Palisade, died Monday, April 22, 2024 in Essentia St. Joseph's Hospital, Brainerd.

Services will be Saturday, May 18, 2024 at 11 a.m. in St. John's Lutheran Church, Aitkin with Pastor David Becker officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior

to the service at the church.

She was born October 27, 1940 in Minneapolis to Harold and Francis (Conner) Sherman. Nancy was united in marriage to David Trapp on June 18, 1960 in Minneapolis. Nancy was Head Cook for the Richfield School District for several years. She enjoyed

fishing, watching baseball and gameshows, gardening, flowers, knitting, baking, sewing, watching the hummingbirds, feeding the deer and enjoying nature.

Nancy is preceded in death by her parents; sister, Lois Hawke.

Nancy is survived by her husband, David Trapp; children: Cheryl (Christopher) Zoebisch and Mike (Jodi) Trapp; four grandchildren: Andrew and Lucas (Andrea Brandt) Zoebisch, Justin (Katie Marx) Trapp and Casey (Alyssa Montero) Trapp; three great grandchildren: Aaliyah, Paislee and Jaxxon.

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## CHURCH DIRECTORY

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

**ALLIANCE**  
Aitkin\* — New Life; Larry Burg & Tyrel LaValle, pastors; Worship 10:15 am & 6pm; youth group Wed. 6pm; 11-1st Street SW; [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; [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 - Northwoods Community Church (formerly The Journey North) Tom Hoffman, interim pastor, Worship 10:30, [northwoodscommunitychurch.org](http://northwoodscommunitychurch.org)  
Baxter - The Journey North, Worship 9 & 10:30, 218-824-5617 [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.; [fcbbrainerd.com](http://fcbbrainerd.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\* — Jeff Shadrack, SS 9:30; Worship 10:30 and 6 pm; Wed. Service, 6:30 pm.  
Glory\* — 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.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; Confessions 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.

**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 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  
Malm — 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, 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 (Cedarbrook) — St. John's (ELCA) Pastor Sarah Stadler, 602-318-6876, 27452 St. John's Church Road, Aitkin. Worship 9:00. Sunday School 10:00 Sept-May. VBS Aug 5-8. Bible Study 1st & 3rd Tues at 6:30 pm. [stjohns-cedarbrook.weebly.com](http://stjohns-cedarbrook.weebly.com)  
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 Ingelwood 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-lu](http://www.princeofpeace-lu)

theran.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 [fcbbrainerd.com](http://fcbbrainerd.com) 424 8th Street South, Brainerd  
Brainerd\* — Good Shepherd Free Lutheran Church (AFLC), Pastor David Franz, find service info at [www.goodshepherdfreechurch.org](http://www.goodshepherdfreechurch.org), 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. Crosby — Immanuel (LCMC, NALC) Rev. Paul Mattson; Sun. 9 & 10:30 worship; SS (Sept.-May) 10:40.  
Crosby — Zion (LC-MS) 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. Lovas; 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) Worship 9, (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)  
Malm — 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 (LCMC), Pastor Lorelie Robinson; 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 - Gloria Dei Lutheran Church (LCMS) Pastor Monte Meyer Worship 9 am, Fellowship 10 am, Sunday School and Adult Bible Study 10:15 am  
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 Lutheran (LCMC Congregations in Mission for Christ) 11:30 service. Communion 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 Irondale 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

**UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST**  
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\* (South Aitkin County) — Pine Lake Chapel, Pastor Gary Taylor; Worship Sunday 1 p.m. Fellowship follows.  
Cromwell — Pastor Tim Hornstad; 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

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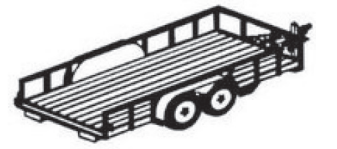
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## CWC Land Services property review

Crow Wing County Land Services will begin the state mandated "quintile" process of physically viewing 20 percent of the parcels within the County for property valuations effective in 2025. State statute requires each county to review properties annually to verify the accuracy and completeness of assessment records used to determine property taxes. This year, property assessors will view approximately 8,000 parcels county-wide.

Property Assessor Supervisor Sandra Brueland noted "Property owners will see assessors verifying information about their property including, size, quality, homestead status, and conditions of improvements. Assessors will also be able to answer property owners' questions about the

property tax process. This may be the only contact a property owner has with the County, and we are committed to providing excellent customer service during this review process. Assessors will always display their County identification badges, will wear a Crow Wing County high visibility vest, and vehicles will display County markers. Business cards will be left with customers if no one is home during the visit, and some customers may receive a follow up letter requesting an interior review if necessary."

Brueland added, "We are committed to fairly and accurately valuing property for tax purposes. Annual physical reviews of property is an essential tool in maintaining accurate, uniform, and con-

sistent property valuations." Information from the 2024 physical review will be reflected in the 2025 property tax assessment. Property valuations are primarily determined by analyzing sales information on similar properties throughout the County. Official notice of the 2025 assessment will be mailed to property owners by the end of March next year.

Crow Wing County Land Services Department is committed to providing excellent customer service and responding to all inquiries in an efficient, courteous, and professional manner. Property owners may contact the office at [landservices@crowwing.gov](mailto:landservices@crowwing.gov) or 218-824-1010 with any questions they may have about valuation and classification process.

## Foster care families and partners



there were 76 licensed foster families with 108 children and teens in foster care in Crow Wing County. There continues to be an urgent need for foster and adoptive parents to open their hearts and homes to children in need of a safe environment in which to grow and thrive.

"There is significant importance of having licensed foster homes as these homes provide a safe, stable living environment for babies to teens while their parents work towards reunification," states Crow Wing County Family Services Supervisor Ronda Kline. Kline adds the need for families who can foster sibling groups and crisis homes is great at this time. Crisis homes are available to take children

on short notice for short periods of time.

Setting aside the month of May to thank those who are involved in the foster care system is important. Foster parents, family members, volunteers and mentors are essential to our community well-being and keeping our kids safe and cared for. Recognizing all involved is a wonderful way to celebrate the importance of all those who make a meaningful difference in the lives of young people in Crow Wing County.

If you are interested in becoming a foster parent or would like to discuss the possibility further, please call 218-824-1165 and speak with Allyson Davis, Crow Wing County Child Foster Care Licensing Social Worker.



Each May, since 1988, National Foster Care Month has raised awareness of the foster care system for millions of Americans across the country. Recognizing and celebrating the role foster homes play in enhancing the lives of children and youth in foster care is an opportunity to broaden awareness and unite individuals and organizations through strong support and recruitment programs.

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