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Aitkin's music man gets encore in an auditorium dedication



B.J. and his wife Marilyn now orchestrate family time with their grandchildren: Karly Shereck (back, right) and Cori (back left), Callie and Christian Johnson.

By ANN SCHWARTZ

There was the time he bought a couple dozen pairs of black panties at Walmart for his choir musical. Or how about talking a landowner into lending his windmills for Oklahoma. Or bringing motorcycles into the school for Joseph.

There was nothing B.J. Johnson of Aitkin wouldn't do, no one he wouldn't talk to, beg, cajole, bribe, to help make Aitkin High

School's spring musicals a success for all the 39 years that he produced them.

On Saturday, Sept. 28, at 7 p.m., Aitkin will celebrate a signature event to dedicate the Aitkin High School auditorium in Johnson's name.

Ed Anderson, former Aitkin school superintendent, and Karen Hillman, his former business manager, are organizing a star-studded night of alumni performances.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and they hope to see the auditorium packed for the man who made the Aitkin choir musicals famous and went on to produce many plays for Friends of the Arts.

"We have 13 different musical groups, back from his first class in 1967 to the present-day Madrigal Singers, who weren't even born when Bryan retired in 2007," said Anderson.

Former students, for whom he taught music for 40 years and produced 39 musicals, are coming in from all over the country to perform. Also, Friends of the Arts will help

staff the celebration. "We will be accepting a free will donation to cover our costs of technology, printing and an award," said Anderson. "But we want to stress that admission is free."

Johnson also produced plays for Friends of the Arts, and finally retired from that as well. He still stays busy at the piano, playing for his church and the community.

Anderson shares that the audience will enjoy much reminiscing, scrapbooks kept by B.J.'s wife Marilyn, video and audio presentations curated by Scott Klingelhofer, and more.

"It's going to be a very special, special night," summed up Anderson.



B.J. Johnson in the late 1960s when he came to Aitkin, as a high school music teacher.

Challengers Lee and Johnson advance to general election for District 5

In the 2024 primary election, Crow Wing County Commissioner Doug Houge has been edged out of the race for District 5, clearing the way for challengers Jamie Lee and Johnna Johnson to advance to the general election.

Houge, who has served as commissioner since 2007, was defeated in a close contest, finishing 45 votes behind Johnson. The final tally saw just a 10-vote difference

between Johnson and Lee, showcasing a competitive race.

Johnson stood out with significant support in the city of Crosby and Deerwood Township, making her the only candidate to achieve such strong numbers in these precincts. Tuesday's primary, held on August 13, involved votes from 21 precincts across District 5, which covers central and northeastern

Crow Wing County, including the Cuyuna Range and the cities of Crosby, Ironton, Deerwood, Emily, Fifty Lakes, Riverton, and surrounding townships.

The top two vote-getters, Johnson and Lee, will face off in the November 5 general election. The upcoming race promises a dynamic blend of new perspectives and continued commitment to the region's leadership.

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Riverwood Healthcare Center in Aitkin unveils new surgical wing



Aerial view of Riverwood Healthcare Center new surgical center during construction.

By ANN SCHWARTZ
Following several years of construction, about 800 folks from the Aitkin area helped celebrate the opening of the new surgical center at Riverwood Healthcare Center in Aitkin. A grand opening was held on August 12.

The new space is on the west side of the building and the helicopter landing pad is relocated to the south. The new area will have much to offer in privacy and comfort

for patients, with its own entrance and expanded recovery areas, waiting rooms, operating rooms and more.



An expansive lobby with a fireplace greets patients and the flow is set up to minimize

staff steps and maximize efficiency. There are nine new recovery rooms for longer recoveries as well as chairs for short-term recovery after eye surgery.

The expanded pre-and-post op areas will support six large operating rooms with over double the square feet of present rooms. The new operating rooms are specially equipped with special lighting for laser procedures as well as one room dedicated to urology procedures and another to gall bladder, pancreatic and other internal surgeries.

Jodie Pratt showed the extensive infection control area. There is a dirty side, with a cart washer and stations for cleaning all the instruments and equipment – super-duper dishwashers and mini car-washes. After everything is sterilized, it moves to the clean side of the room for documentation and wrapping.

“We take great pride in our new space,” said Pratt.

Riverwood has over 500 employees and it has been ramping up its surgical staff in anticipation of the expansion.



The present surgery space in the older wing must be decommissioned – demolished down to the studs. A plan is still under development for reusing the space although several departments are ready to expand.

The new space also has a specialty clinic with rooms dedicated to various procedures, such as acid reflux treatment or removing lesions. Patients should note when attending the specialty clinic that some services will remain in the present space, Specialty Clinic A, on the north side of the older wing, and Specialty Clinic B is in the new space. All vehicle access will come from Bunker Hill Drive.

“The covered outdoor entrance space will offer a protected drive-up area and more privacy when you enter and leave from surgery,” said a staff member during a tour.

The surgery team includes surgeons and specialists: six in orthopedics, five in general surgery, three in OB/gyn, three in spine, neck and back and two in urology. Brain and heart surgery are two procedure areas that can't yet be done locally. In a partnership with Cuyuna Regional Medical Center, these highly skilled staff are shared and serve patients throughout the region.

Outside, it was a celebratory day indeed with music, food, speeches and more, with the August sun and blue sky happy to shine down on all. Retired doctors and new surgeons were spotted among the crowd, with couples treating it like a date night and plenty of cameras on hand to record the event. The line was about a block long with commu-



The new wing boast expanded recovery areas.

nity members eager for tours of the space that many have watched and heard as the construction was underway in southeast Aitkin.



RHCC CEO Ken Westman

Speaking at the program were Ken Westman, CEO and doctors Timothy LeMieur,

chief of surgery/general surgeon; Evan Kelly, general surgeon; Brandon Reynolds, urologist and Dan Lonergan, anesthesiologist, who specializes in pain management.

Non-healthcare speakers were Kathleen Ryan and Steve Wilson from the board of directors and Pat Weerts, project manager and Ryan Turner, architect.

Pride was on display on the faces of community members, staff and leaders.

CEO Westman summed up the day: “It is both an honor and a privilege to welcome you to the grand opening of our new 70,000 square foot surgery expansion. A standout feature is our hybrid operating room, a fully equipped surgical space integrated

with high-tech x-ray imaging equipment. This unique setup enables our surgeons to complete complex medical procedures that previously required travel to much larger medical centers.

“To our community members, thank you for your unwavering trust and support. It is because of you that we strive to be better every day. This expansion is for you.”



Jodie Pratt demonstrates equipment used to sterilize operating room equipment.

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Patty Wetterling to present on "Dear Jacob: A Mother's Journey of Hope"

The Friends of the Brainerd Public Library are happy to announce that activist and author Patty Wetterling will discuss her book "Dear Jacob: A Mother's Journey of Hope" at the Gichi-ziibi Center for the Arts.

On Monday, September 9, from noon to 1:00 p.m., Patty Wetterling will speak about her activism and the book she wrote with Joy Baker about the untold story of the 27-year search for her son Jacob—and its astonishing conclusion. On October 22, 1989, in the small town of St. Joseph, Minnesota, eleven-year-old Jacob Wetterling was kidnapped at gunpoint. Twenty-seven years later, on September 3, 2016, Danny Heinrich led authorities to the boy's remains. What lies between is the riveting story of the search for Jacob Wetterling,

told by his mother, Patty. With her trademark candor and down-to-earth honesty, she details the investigation as it unfolds, discusses her family's struggles, and shows how she maintained her energy and optimism.

Patty Wetterling is a national advocate, visionary, and educator on the prevention of child abduction and exploitation. She served on the board of directors for the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children from 1991 to 2021 and was its chair from 2012 to 2015. She also co-founded Team HOPE, a national support group for families of missing children. She is now a national consultant, presenting at child abuse conferences and law enforcement trainings. Patty has received many awards, and she was named

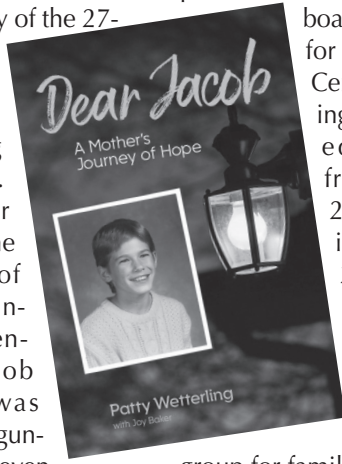


Patty Wetterling, mother of Jacob Wetterling who was kidnapped at gunpoint in 1989.

one of the 100 Most Influential Minnesotans of the Century by the Minneapolis Star Tribune in 1999.

This presentation is sponsored by the Friends of the Brainerd Public Library through their volunteer and fundraising efforts. No registration is required, and all are welcome.

For more information, contact the library at 218-829-5574 or visit the Friends of the Library's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/Friendsofthebrainerdpubliclibrary.



COMMUNITY EVENTS

- August**
- 15th -18th - Crosby Heritage Days. Enjoy Music in the Park, Night to Unite, Antique Appraisals Lions Car Show, Story Hour, Arts/Crafts Show, Children's Festival of Games/Activities, Loon Calling Contest and more
 - 17th Cuyuna Range Lions Annual Car Show at Crosby Memorial ball field. Registration begins at 9 a.m. with show hours 10 a.m.- 3 p.m. Multiple trophy classes. Entry fee is \$10 per car. For more information e-mail: truenorthartdesigns@gmail.com
 - 17th - Cuyuna Fest sponsored by the Cuyuna Lakes Mountain Bike CREW at Trailside Tavern in Crosby. Live music by "Rusty Crayfish Brass Band," pulled pork meal, drawings and more! For more information call 218-546-5465.
 - 17th - Bethesda Lutheran Church of Malmo's Annual Corn Feed, 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. Serving Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Calico Beans, Coleslaw, Bars and all the Corn you can eat. Adults \$12.00. Children 10 and under \$5.00.
 - 18th - Emily United Methodist Community Picnic at noon and Outdoor Concert with the Jumpin' Jehosafats trio at 1:00 p.m. All are welcome. The church is located 1 block west of Hwy. 6 on Co. Rd. 1. Picnic lunch and concert are free, however donations for Minnesota Homeless and Wounded Veterans are encouraged. Bring a lawn chair if you wish. Activities will move indoors in the event of rain.
 - 18th - Manna for Malawi benefit fundraiser at the Bridge Tavern north of Crosby. The event offers live music from 2 - 6 p.m. Pulled pork sandwiches, coleslaw and chips will be available. A raft of raffle items will be drawn for. This is a free will offering event and parking is free and plentiful. The Bridge is located five miles north of Crosby at 26969 State Highway 6. Manna for Malawi supports the Malawi Orphan Care Project, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. For more information, visit www.malawiorphanproject.org or call Immanuel Lutheran Church of Crosby at 218-546-6010.
 - 24th & 25th - Annual Cuyuna Crusher Mountain Bike Race in the Rec Area near Ironton. For more information and sponsorship opportunities call the Cuyuna Lakes Chamber at 218-546-8131.
 - 31st - Northland Arboretum Fungi Workshop, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. at 14250 Conservation Drive, Brainerd. For more information call 218-829-8770.
- September**
- 9th - Patty Wetterling will be speaking at Gichi-ziibi Center for the Arts at noon, as part of the Friends of the Brainerd Public Library Brown Bag Author Series

Highway 371 potential improvements

The Minnesota Department of Transportation invites the traveling public, area residents and businesses to participate in a survey as part of an ongoing Highway 371 study between Nisswa and Baxter.

MnDOT is evaluating potential travel and safety improvements in the area that will help guide future construction. We invite the public to take the survey and provide input on possible changes. The survey runs until Sept. 9, 2024.

Visit the MnDOT Let's Talk Transportation project web page to take the survey, learn more about the project and sign up for email updates at <https://talk.dot.state.mn.us/hwy-371-nisswa-baxter-study>.

Highway 371 between Nisswa and Baxter is a critical roadway for both the local community and the greater Brainerd Lakes region. The purpose of the study is to gain an understanding of transportation needs, identify potential future improvements, and

determine how and when these improvements should be implemented. The study is focused on traffic, safety, land use and demographics.

MnDOT invites and encourages participation by all. If you need an ASL, foreign language interpreter, or other reasonable accommodation, or need documents in an alternative format (such as braille or large print), please email your request to Janet.Miller@state.mn.us or call 651-366-4720.

Hackers uncover voting vulnerabilities

At DEF CON's Voting Village in Las Vegas, top hackers identified critical vulnerabilities in voting machines and election equipment, but with November's elections approaching, these issues may remain unresolved. Despite annual findings that often reveal security gaps, the lengthy process for implementing fixes means changes are unlikely before Election Day.

This year's scrutiny is heightened due to concerns over foreign interference and the impact of former President Donald Trump's fraud claims from 2020, which have heightened doubts about election integrity. Voting Village organizers, frustrated by the slow pace of updates, highlighted the challenges of fixing vulnerabilities in time. The complex certification process for

voting machines, combined with pre-election lockout periods, makes rapid implementation difficult.

The event underscored the need for faster responses and better collaboration between hackers and machine vendors. Although immediate fixes are unlikely, organizers emphasize the importance of understanding and addressing vulnerabilities to strengthen election security.

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Court File No. 18-PR-24-2678
State of Minnesota District Court
County of Crow Wing Probate Division
Ninth Judicial District
Estate of Jeffrey Furlan Klun a/k/a Jeffrey F. Klun a/k/a Jeffrey Klun, Decedent
It is Ordered and Notice is given that on September 18, 2024, at 1:30 PM, a hearing will be held in this Court at 213 Laurel Street, Suite 11, Brainerd, Minnesota, for the formal probate of an instrument purporting to be the Will of the Decedent dated, October 1, 2021, ("Will"), and for the appointment of Crystal Elaine Genelin, whose address is 33818 316th Street, Le Sueur, MN 56058 as Personal Representative of the Estate of the Decedent in an UNSUPERVISED a SUPERVISED administration. Any objections to the petition must be filed with

the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper and if no objections are filed or raised, the Personal Representative will be appointed with full power to administer the Estate including the power to collect all assets, to pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, to sell real and personal property, and to do all necessary acts for the Estate.
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OBITUARIES

HOPE WINDORSKI



Hope Charlene Windorski, 69, died on Sunday, August 4, 2024. A celebration of Hope's life will be announced at a later date. In lieu of flowers, please raise a glass in her honor or consider a donation to a wildlife rehab center or animal shelter.

maker, gardener, friend—but perhaps the ones that suited her best were beer drinker, Bs'r, and cook. She was known for her sharp wit, infectious humor, and a cooking style that could only be described as "unapologetically hearty."

She leaves behind her husband, Steve, whose heart she held for over five decades; three children: Travis Windorski (Elisa Lehman), Tracy Zaska (Al Haman), and Taryn Windorski (Nate Melzer); as well as her beloved grandchildren: Zack Windorski and Harley Windorski.

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

DONNA WHITE



Donna Lee White, 63, of the Aitkin-Malmo, died Sunday, August 4, 2024 at Riverwood Health Care Center in Aitkin.

Funeral service was held at 11 a.m. on Friday, August 16, 2024 at Bethesda Lutheran Church of Malmo with visitation one hour prior to the service. Burial was at the Malmo Cemetery.

touched so many people with her sunshine, people loved Donna. She was so precious in so many ways, always smiling and happy, so sweet. One of God's chosen children, forever in our hearts.

Donna is survived by her mother, Joanne White of Malmo; siblings: Diane (Monte) Ripplinger of Rogers, Joy Borden of Malmo, Jim (Lorna) White of Malmo and Paul (Karla) White of Malmo; nieces and nephews: Travis (Amanda) Ripplinger, Luke (Paige) Borden, Samantha (Parker) Suek, Mitchell (Alison) White, Emilee (Travis) Pisarek, Anthony (Abbie) White, Nikki (Julian) Cook, Joe White, Adam White, Melanie White and Maggie Borden; great-nieces and great-nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father, Fred L. White; nephew, James White; grandparents: Joe and Rose Brummer and Fritz and Alice White.

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

GERALD FLOM



Gerald Jerome "Jerry" Flom, 83, of Emily died on Saturday, August 10, 2024 at the Cuyuna Regional Medical Center in Crosby.

No services are being held at this time. He was born on February 15, 1941 in Faribault to Harold and Mary (Perron) Flom. He graduated from the Faribault High School, class of 1959. Jerry was a U.S. Air Force veteran. He married Karen Rinde on March 29, 1962 in Crystal.

Jerry is survived by his wife Karen; two sons, Michael (Twila) Flom of Parkers Prairie and Todd (Paula) Flom of Prior Lake; one brother, Robert (Bonnie) Flom of Winona; four grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Preceding Jerry in death are his parents.

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

JAMES BERG



James M. Berg, 80, died peacefully at his home in McGregor on Thursday, August 8, 2024.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, August 24 at 11 a.m. in Grace Lutheran Church, McGregor with Pastor Lorelie Robinson officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church. Family and friends will gather to celebrate Jim's remarkable life.

Interment with full military honors will take place at a later date in Fort Snelling National Cemetery, Minneapolis. Born on September 28, 1943, in Gary to Marvin and Henrietta (Roe) Berg, Jim lived a life full of dedication, service, and love. After graduating from Gary High School, Jim attended Moorhead State College. Jim began his professional life in education, teaching high school history and coaching football and basketball in McGregor for two years. Jim was drafted into the Army and served for two years before returning to McGregor to continue teaching. It was in McGregor that he met the love of his life, Betty Maron. They were married in March of 1970 and shared 54 wonderful years together. A proud member of the Masons and Shriners also Jim was a member of the Gary MN American Legion and actively involved with the McGregor American Legion, Jim's commitment to community service was evident throughout his life.

After retiring from a successful career in sales leadership and entrepreneurial ventures in 2007, Jim continued to give back to his community. He worked as a substitute teacher in the McGregor School District and served as the chairman for Workman Township for 13 years until his passing. Jim's kindness, wisdom, and dedication touched the lives of many. His memory will live on in the hearts of his family, friends, and the countless students and community members whose lives he impacted.

Jim is survived by his beloved wife, Betty Berg; daughters and son-in-law: Jennifer and Andrew Wolfe and Judith Berg; three grandchildren: Nicholas Wolfe, Zachary Wolfe, and Sophie Wolfe. Jim's family was his pride and joy, and he leaves behind a legacy of love and devotion. Arrangements were with the McGregor Funeral Home and Cremation Service in McGregor. Leave online condolences at www.srtfuneral.com.

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Aitkin* — New Life; Larry Burg & Tyrel LaValle, pastors;
Worship 10:15 am; 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; 8:30, 10 & 11:30 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
Hill City — Interim Pastor John Koppel, Staff Pastor Lisa Jordan; Worship 10; 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
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.; fcbbrainerd.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 Thorsen; SS 9:45; Service 10:45 and 6 p.m., Bible Study Wed. 7 pm
Deerwood* — Jeff Shadrick, 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
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.
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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; 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.

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

COMMUNITY
Aitkin — Nondenominational; 927-2749; at 219-1st Ave. NE., Aitkin, Services Sun. 10, 218-927-6959
Brainerd - Community of Hope Church of the Nazarene- Pastor Dave McGaffey Sunday worship at 10. SS 9; 16549 Johnson Rd -church phone 218-829-9005
Glen — Pastor R. F. Stauter, 218-838-1981; Worship 9 May-Oct.
Grand Rapids — Solid Rock Church of God, Pastor Robert Kimberling; 218-326-0711; Sun. BS 9:30, Worship 10:30; Wed. BS 6:30 pm
Jacobson — Jacobson Community Church, Pastor George Collins, 218-252-5938, Sun. SS (All ages) 9:30, Worship 10:30; Family Time 2nd & 4th Sundays; Wed. BS 7 pm
Kimberly — Nature Ave. Rev. Rick Perry; Worship 9; Adult Bible Study & Sunday School 10:30; 218-927-6256.
McGregor — The Lighthouse 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
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, 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 KGIN 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 on Sundays at 9:00 am and Wednesdays at 6:30 pm. VBS Aug 5-8; register online at 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.

Baxter — Prince of Peace (LCMS); Communion every Sunday 9, Fellowship 10; Adult Bible Class & Sunday School 10:30 am 218-829-7092 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 fcbbrainerd.com 424 8th Street South, Brainerd
Brainerd* — Good Shepherd Free Lutheran Church (AFLC), Pastor David Franz, find service info at www.goodshepherdfree.lutheran.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.
Crosby — Immanuel (LCMC, NALC) Rev. Paul Mattson; Sun. 9 & 10:30 worship; SS (Sept.-May) 10:40.
Crosby — Zion (LC-MS) Worship 9 (alternates with Immanuel Iron Hub) 218-546-6910.
Crosslake Lutheran Church (ELCA) www.crosslakelutheran.com Kristin Oltmann, Pastor / Becky Swanson, Pastor 218-692-3682 May 19-Labor Day: Sun. Indoor 8:30am, Outdoor 10am Indoor: 35960 CR 66, Outdoor: 14019 Daggett Pine Rd
Crosslake —Mission of the Cross (LCMS), Pastor Leslie Uhrinak; Worship 9:30 with every Sunday Communion, Fellowship 10:30, Adult Bible Class 11, 218-692-4228, www.missionofthecross.org
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.
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 11, fellowship follows. 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), Pastor Josh Blair; Worship 9:30; handicapped accessible.
Isle — Holden (ELCA), SS 9:30; Worship 10:30.
Isle — Trinity (Missouri Synod), Rev. Mark Mauunula; 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), 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.,

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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; 1st, 3rd and 4th 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.
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
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
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST
Pequot Lakes — 28877 State Hwy 371, Pequot Lakes 10:30 1st and 4th Sundays. 218-330-3476
UNITED CHURCHES 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 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
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