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Charming park in Tamarack now has pollinator garden



Above: Deb Drexler at the Tamarack City Park Monarch Garden.
Left: Monarch caterpillar already munching on a milkweed plant.

By ANN SCHWARTZ
Driving to Duluth, you may notice a charming little park in Tamarack, Minnesota, along Hwy. 210.

Boasting a playground, clean bathrooms, a picnic shelter, open space and more, the park now has a pollinator garden. Such gardens use special plants to attract butterflies and insects which pollinate plants.

Deb Drexler, a retired school teacher from rural

Tamarack, was the impetus behind the project. "I moved to the area in 2017. I love to garden and grow vegetables and flowers. For a couple of years, I wanted to do something for Tamarack."

A Carlton County Master Gardener, Drexler obtained a \$900 grant from Aitkin County's Business Development and Recreation Grant, with matching funds from the Tamarack Activities Club.

She did research on polli-

nator gardens and what type of plants to use. "I thought, with a city park, that we shouldn't use seeds but plants."

She got needed permission from the city council and, with the help of her husband Greg on the fence, located the garden on the eastern edge of the park and surrounded it with the fence. It was completed by late June. There are laminated maps and information for the pub-

lic to read and be educated.

"It is a work in progress. It will take a few years to fill it in, but a couple things did bloom this year. We have to keep it watered and weeded and keep dogs out of it."

"My goal was to attract butterflies and other pollinators and to educate the public about how they could do this themselves, as I have on my property. I have a pollinator garden and honey bees. Many, many people stop at this rest stop and hopefully this gives them this something new to look it and they will spend some money in the area."

For any individuals or groups interested in starting their own garden, she recommends websites by the University of Minnesota Extension. There, they can find information about plants and what attract pollinators. <https://extension.umn.edu/lawns-and-landscapes/flowers-pollinators>. <https://beelab.umn.edu/pollinator-garden>.

"They have to be ready to work hard. For the first couple of years, it is imperative that it stays weeded and watered."

Next time you pass through Tamarack, consider a bathroom stop at the little park. Take a walk around, look for butterflies and bees, check out the playground and stretch your legs. The park is a credit to the little community and a bright spot on what can be a long and fulfilling ride.



A guide posted at the garden lists the pollinators' favorite plants which include Butterfly Weed, Meadow Blazing Star, Ironweed, Whorled milkweed, Rose milkweed, Lance leaf coreopsis, Purple prairie clover, Rough blazing star, Golden Alexander, Showy Goldenrod, Common milkweed and Hyssop.

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Annual Wild & Free benefit includes arts activities and bird release



Ready for release into the woodlands surrounding Ripple River Gallery, this owl waits for re-release while Dr. Katie Baratto describes its recovery from injury. The gallery's annual fall open house is a benefit for Wild and Free Animal Rehabilitation Program.

Ripple River Gallery's 25th annual fall open house, set for Saturday, Sept. 27, celebrates the season with a colorful combination of art, fun and fall color. Meet artists, make an accordion book, take a walk in the woods, see what's new in the gallery

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and enjoy refreshments—all while supporting Wild and Free Wildlife Rehabilitation Program in Garrison.

Along with original work by more than 60 outstanding regional artisans, featured in the gallery is “Reclaim and Reframe,” an exhibit of found object sculptures by John Bauer and photographs by Rachel Cain. The artists will be on hand to talk about their work throughout the day.

At noon join Minnesota Master Naturalist Volunteer Elizabeth Carls for a leisurely guided walk in the woods. Participants will learn to identify several species of native trees and plants, and perhaps spot some birds along the way. Closed-toe shoes and long pants are advised.

Celebrate your inner artist and make a tiny artist book or decorate a pumpkin! Fellow artisans will be on hand throughout the day to guide you in making an accordion book. You’ll use paint, markers, stamps, colored pencils and imagination to create a page that will be folded and cut to form a small book. Wild and Free volunteers will also provide supplies for decorating a pumpkin—just in time for fall celebrations!

Volunteers with Wild and Free Wildlife Rehabilitation Program in Garrison, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to educating the public about wildlife and habitat will be on hand to talk about the program. Veterinarian Dr. Debbie Eskedahl heads the volunteer-based program, which provides food, shelter, medical and surgical care to orphaned or injured wildlife under permits from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Donations for Wild and Free will be accepted. Wild and Free functions completely on charitable donations, fundraising and the generosity of its members.

A highlight of the afternoon is the release of recovered birds that are ready to fly. Over more than a decade, Wild and Free has released owls and several species of hawks (dozens!) at Ripple River Gallery’s annual event. For an up-close experience, enter your name for the drawing and you might get to do the actual release, which takes place around 1 p.m. “With leather gloves, it’s one-two-three, up, up and away! It’s a thrill!”

Take time to celebrate the season, feed your creative spirit and travel the back roads of the lakes country. For a fall destination, consider Ripple River Gallery, five miles south of Deerwood on Highway 6, then 3 miles east of Ruttger’s Bay Lake Lodge on County Road 14 to Partridge Avenue; or south of Aitkin on Highway 169 to Bennettville, then 3.2 miles west on County Road 11 to Partridge Avenue. For more information call 218-678-2575 or e-mail: rippleriver-gallery@gmail.com.

Crosslake Lutheran Church Jul Fest

Crosslake Lutheran Church will once again host its annual Jul Fest (Christmas Coffee Fest) on Saturday, September 27, as part of the community-wide Crosslake Days celebration. The festive event runs from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and takes place at the Crosslake Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall, located on County Road 66.

A cozy and colorful blend of Scandinavian charm and small-town spirit, Jul Fest is a true highlight of the fall season in Crosslake. Visitors will find a wide variety of handcrafted treasures—including beautifully sewn and knitted items, unique fall and Christmas decorations, and lovingly made greeting cards.

In the ever-popular Bake Shop, shelves will be stocked with an irresistible assortment of homemade goodies. From traditional Jul Bread and lefse to pies, cookies, and caramel rolls, there’s something to satisfy every sweet tooth. Pair your treat with a fresh cup of coffee or juice and enjoy the warm hospitality the church is known for.

At the heart of the event is the raffle drawing at 2:30 p.m. for a stunning handmade quilt titled Pine Burst, crafted by the talented Crosslake Lutheran Quilters. Raffle tickets will be available for purchase throughout the day, and all are welcome to try their luck at taking home this one-of-a-kind keepsake.

Best of all, every dollar raised stays local—with all proceeds supporting charities and services right here in the Crosslake community.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

September
27th - Crosslake Lutheran Church Jul Fest (Christmas Coffee Fest) will be held in conjunction with Crosslake Days, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at the Crosslake Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall, located on County Road 66 in Crosslake. Craft and Bake Sale. Quilt raffled off at 2:30 p.m.

October
1st - Registration deadline for the MPCA Smart Salting for Roads Certification Training from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 8 at the Cass County Land Department in Backus. The training will cover application rates, weather considerations, environmental effects of deicing, calibration, storage, new maintenance methods, and anti-icing strategies. At the conclusion of the course, participants can take a test to earn a five-year MPCA Smart Salting for Roads Certification. The training is free, and lunch will be provided. Registration is required by Oct. 1. For more information, visit cswcd.org/smart-salting. This training is funded by the Clean Water Land and Legacy Amendment.

3rd - Walleye Dinner at Aitkin American Legion serving 5-6:30. Public Welcome.

4th - St. John's Lutheran Church Bazaar, Aitkin, 9-2. All are welcome to enjoy lunch, Grandma's and Grandpa's attic, crafts, bake sale, and produce sale.

11th - Fall Fest 2025, noon-4 p.m., face painting, trunk-or-treat, games, vendors and more in Crosby Memorial Park on Serpent Lake.

18th - Shepherd of the Lake Lutheran Church Fall Bazaar, 9 a.m.- 2 p.m. All are welcome for crafts, lefse, bake sale, and lunch. Located at 10583 U S Highway 169, Garrison (1 mile north of Garrison on Hwy. 169.)

24th - The Roe Family Singers will perform at the Grassroots Concerts, 7 p.m. at the Journey Church, 5459 Lakers Lane (next to the school in Nisswa.) The Roe Family Singers mix original music and contemporary takes on old-time, traditional, and gospel tunes into one roiling and rollicking river of fresh yet familiar American music.

Send your community events to hopper@crosbyironton.net



St. John's Lutheran bazaar in Aitkin
St. John's Lutheran church ladies in Aitkin are busy making crafts for their annual church bazaar which will be held on Saturday, October 4 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be a lunch served, Grandma's and Grandpa's attic, crafts, bake sale, produce and all are welcome.

Smart Salting for Roads Certification Training

Winter maintenance professionals and contractors are invited to attend the MPCA Smart Salting for Roads Certification Training from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 8 at the Cass County Land Department in Backus.

Hosted by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, the Crow Wing Soil and

Water Conservation District (SWCD), Cass SWCD, and the Pine River Watershed, the training equips road maintenance staff with knowledge and tools to balance public safety with environmental protection.

Participants will learn how to integrate science-based practices into winter road maintenance

to improve efficiency while reducing the environmental impacts of salt use. The training will cover application rates, weather considerations, environmental effects of deicing, calibration, storage, new maintenance methods, and anti-icing strategies.

At the conclusion of the course, participants can

take a test to earn a five-year MPCA Smart Salting for Roads Certification. The training is free, and lunch will be provided.

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Walleye dinner in Aitkin

They're the proud, disciplined faces you see at veterans' funerals, local parades, and Aitkin High School sporting events — and now the Aitkin American Legion Color Guard is inviting the community to join them for an evening of food and fellowship.

On Friday, October 3, the Color Guard will host a Walleye Dinner at the Aitkin American Legion Post, with serving from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. This event is open to everyone to come and enjoy a great meal and support a

great cause.

The Color Guard is made up of U.S. military veterans, and their presence at local events is a proud symbol of honor and tradition. Whether presenting colors before the big game or standing in solemn tribute at veterans' funerals, their service continues long after active duty.

Now, the community has a chance to say thank you with a plate of delicious walleye while supporting the ongoing efforts of the Color Guard to serve the Aitkin area with dignity and pride.

Mille Lacs Energy Trust Board awards grants

The Mille Lacs Community Trust Board meets quarterly to distribute funds raised through Operation Round Up. This September, the board awarded \$14,000 in grants to local non-profit organizations including: Advocates Against Domestic Abuse dba HOPE, Gabriel's Home, Lakes Area United Way, Mille Lacs Area Health Foundation, and Wealthwood Rod & Gun Club.

The total amount of grants awarded since the start of Operation Round Up has surpassed \$1.6 million! Operation Round Up is a voluntary program at Mille Lacs Energy Cooperative where our generous members round-up their electric bill payment to the nearest dollar. All the funds raised go into the trust

fund which is donated back to the community. Board members include: Lisa Anderson, Kim Waffensmith, Mavonne Prokop, Bethany Sellers, Charles Schotzko, Marna Wahl, Bob Nelson, and Doyle Jelsing.

To receive a Trust application, contact Deb Chute at 218-927-8221 or 1-800-450-2191. The Trust Board meets the second Wednesday in March, June, September, and December. Applications are accepted at any time. Those submitted a week before the quarterly meetings will go to the board. Anything submitted after will be seen at the next board meeting.

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Fall Bazaar in Garrison

Mark your calendar for the Shepherd of the Lake Lutheran Church Fall Bazaar, on Saturday, October 18, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The Fall Bazaar will include handcrafted goods, home-

made lefse, a bake sale packed with sweet treats, and a hearty lunch to enjoy.

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Grassroots Concerts fall season under new artistic director Kelley Smith

In an era of on-demand entertainment and digital distractions, Grassroots Concerts are keeping the spirit of live performance alive — and this fall, the Grassroots Concerts series is back with a fresh season and a new face

at the helm. Kelley Smith, a Brainerd Lakes area native and gifted folksinger-songwriter, has stepped up as the new Artistic Director of the beloved nonprofit series. After learning that the long-running

concert series was at risk of shutting down, Smith said the decision to step in was “a no-brainer.” “I’m so thankful to Dawn and Joe Stattine for entrusting this thing to me, and for sticking around to show me

the ropes,” Smith shared in a heartfelt message on the series’ website, www.grassrootsconcerts.org.

The 2025 Fall Concert Season promises four exceptional Friday night performances at 7 p.m. at Journey Church,



Roe Family Singers

Back by popular demand, this joyful Minnesota-based band blends original songs and fresh takes on old-time, gospel, and Americana. Fronted by high-energy duo Kim and Quillan Roe, the group’s foot-stomping sound is made even livelier by Kim’s award-winning clogging. Expect laughter, toe-tapping, and maybe even a little hollering. www.roefamilysingers.com



Kelly Hunt

• Friday, November 7 – Kelly Hunt

Hailing from Memphis with roots that run from opera to blues, Kelly Hunt brings haunting vocals, poetic storytelling, and a sound that is both vintage and contemporary. Her debut album, Even the Sparrow, earned critical praise as “the musical equivalent of a book you can’t put

down.” www.kellyhuntmusic.com

• Friday, November 21 – Weary Ramblers

Fresh off the release of their new album, Iowa’s Weary Ramblers (Chad Elliott and Kathryn Fox) deliver rich harmonies, multi-instrumental magic, and vivid folk narratives. With a dynamic stage presence and award-winning songwriting, this duo has been dubbed “an Iowa-based super duo” by Iowa Public Radio. www.wearyramblers.com

• Friday, December 5 – Jack Klatt

Ending the season with a flourish, Minneapolis’ own Jack Klatt brings his genre-blending sound to Nisswa. A master of finger-style guitar and storytelling lyrics, Klatt’s music traverses the landscapes of folk, blues, early rock ‘n’ roll, and Americana. Authentic, timeless, and impossible to pin down. www.jackklatt.com

For tickets or more information, call 312-720-2849 or visit www.grassrootsconcerts.org. Whether you’re a devoted fan or a newcomer curious to see what all the fuss is about, this fall season is the perfect time to experience what makes Grassroots Concerts one of the Brainerd Lakes Area’s best-kept cultural treasures.

OBITUARY

CECELIA BURGWARD



Cecelia Rose Burgwald, 88, of Irondale Township, passed away on September 21, 2025 at the Cuyuna Regional Medical Center in Crosby.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 27, 2025 at St. Joseph’s Catholic Church in Crosby. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church on Saturday. Burial will be at the Lakewood Cemetery in Crosby.

She was born on September 1, 1937 in Crosby to Ernest and Mary (Grimler) Burgwald.

Cecelia was a member of the College of St. Benedict Alumni, class of 1959. She was a retired Elementary School Teacher with 34 years of service to the Ely and Anoka-Hennepin School Districts. Cecelia was a member of St. Joseph’s Catholic Church in Crosby.

Cecelia is survived by one brother, Tom Burgwald of Ironton; one sister, Katherine (LeRoy) LaForce of Little Falls, sister-in-law, LeAnn Burgwald of Deerwood and many nieces and nephews.

Preceding Cecelia in death are her parents and one brother, Denis Burgwald.

Arrangements are with the Koop Funeral Home in Crosby.



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BAPTIST
Aitkin — Northwoods Community Church, Pastor William Verbeke, Worship 10:30, northwoodscommunitychurch.org
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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
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Glory* — SS 9:15; Worship 10:30 am.; Wed 6pm Glory Family night, KidMin grades kindergarten - 6, Mad4Christ grades 7-12. aitkinchurch.com
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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.ihmstemilys.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
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McGregor — Holy Family, Fr. Mike Patullo, 218-927-6581; Mass Sun. 8; Confessions Tues. 5:30-6:30 pm
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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 — 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
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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.
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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
Malmö — 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.
First* — (ELCA) Pastor Reggie Denton, worship Sun. 9am (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. Office open M-Th 7:30am – 4pm.
Aitkin (Cedarbrook) — St. John’s (ELCA) Pastor Sarah Stadler, Worship on Sundays at 9 am followed by Sunday school at 10 am beginning September 7. Blessing of the Backpacks on Sept 7. stjohns-cedarbrook.weebly.com, 27452 St. John’s Church Road, Aitkin.
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 10:15, 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 fclbrainerd.com 424 8th Street South, Brainerd
Brainerd* — Good Shepherd Free Lutheran Church (AFLC), Pastor David Franz, find service info at 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.llchurch.org)
Brainerd — Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA) 1420 South 6th St. Brainerd, Worship Sunday 9 am, Wednesday 6 pm. 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) Rev. Paul Mattson; Sun. 9:30 worship; SS (Sept.-May) 10:15; 10:30 fellowship
Crosby — Zion (LC-MS) Worship 8:30, Pastor Donald Klatt 218-546-6910
Crosslake Lutheran Church (ELCA) • www.crosslakelutheran.com • Kristin Oltmann, Pastor • Becky Swanson, Pastor, 218-692-3682, September 7-Mid-May: Sunday at 9:30am & October-Mid-May: Wednesday at 6:15pm - All are welcome!
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 Worrell. 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 10:30, Pastor Donald Klatt 218-534-3069
Isle — Faith (ELCA), Pastor Josh Blair; Worship 9:30; handicapped accessible.
Isle — Holden (ELCA), Worship 9:15
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)
Malmö — Bethesda (ELCA) Rev Christina Kadelbach; 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 Lorelei 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
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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
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NON-DENOMINATIONAL
Aitkin—Cedar Lake Norwegian Lutheran Church, service is the 3rd Sunday of the month May-October at 11am , 3100 Pioneer Ave., Aitkin.
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. Pastor Walter Starr, 763-316-7270, Sunday Worship 10:00am, Wednesday Bible study 6:30pm
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.vistilifespring.com

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Aitkin — Pastor Josh Jeresek; Worship Sat. 9:30, Prayer Meeting & Bible Study Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.; www.aitkinadventist.org; 423-805-0933; 830 Minnesota Ave S
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Brainerd — First Congregational UCC, 415 Juniper St, Brainerd. Sunday worship at 10. Pastor; Leslie Moughty. Handicapped accessible. www.uccbbrainerdmn.org

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 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 10; fellowship 9; 2 blks north of Post Office; handicap ramp; 320-532-3150; office: 218-546-7656; cell: 218-360-1947

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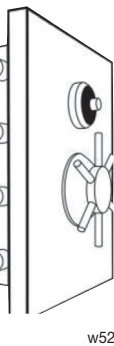
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