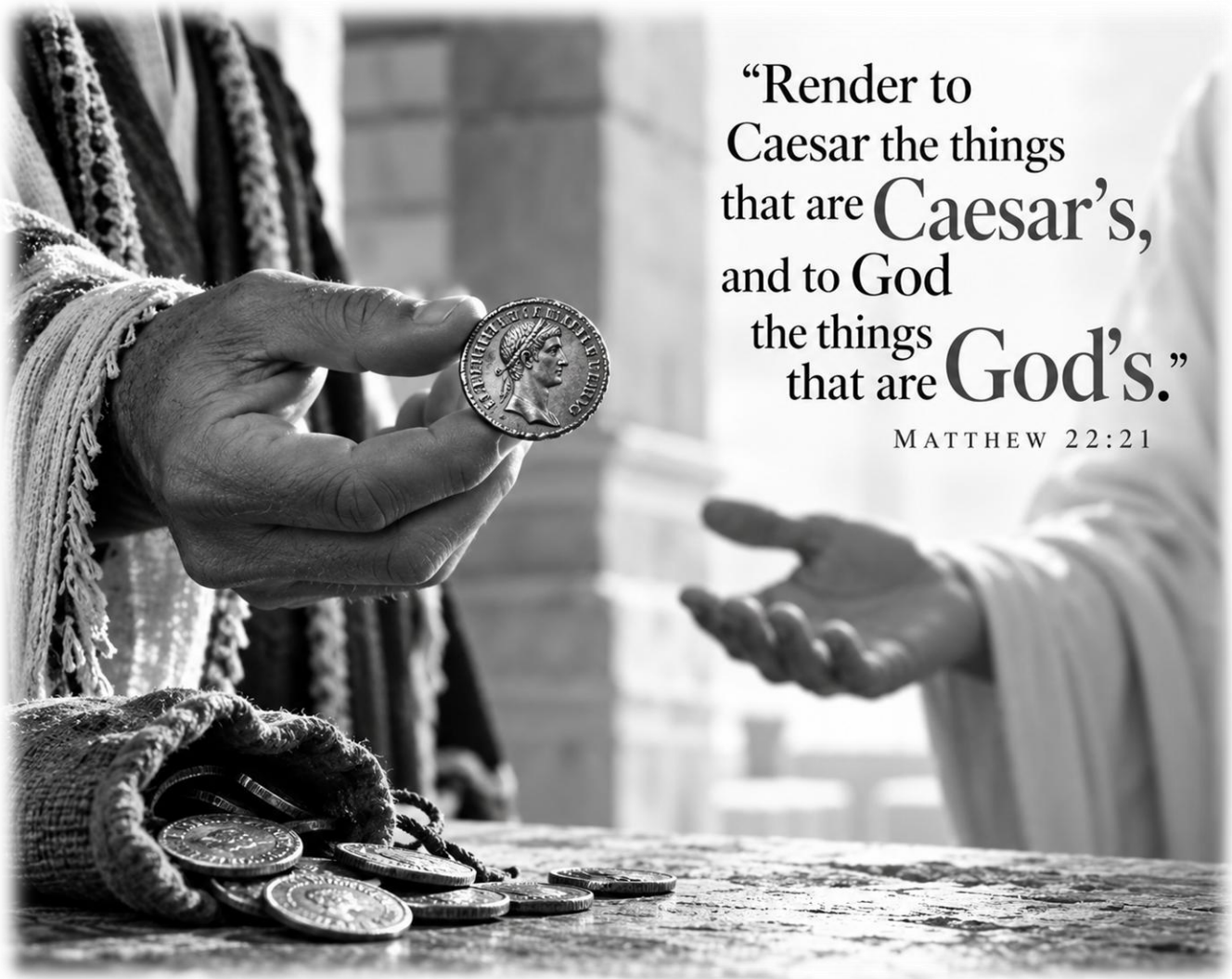


Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

9 AM WORSHIP SERVICE – October 18, 2026



“Render to
Caesar the things
that are **Caesar’s**,
and to God
the things
that are **God’s**.”

MATTHEW 22:21

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WELCOME! THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY.

To help you prepare for worship.

1. Locate today's Bible verses in your Bible.

- *Isaiah 45:1-7*
- *1 Thessalonians 1:1-10*
- *Matthew 22:15-22*

2. Mark each verse with a bookmark so you can easily find it during worship.

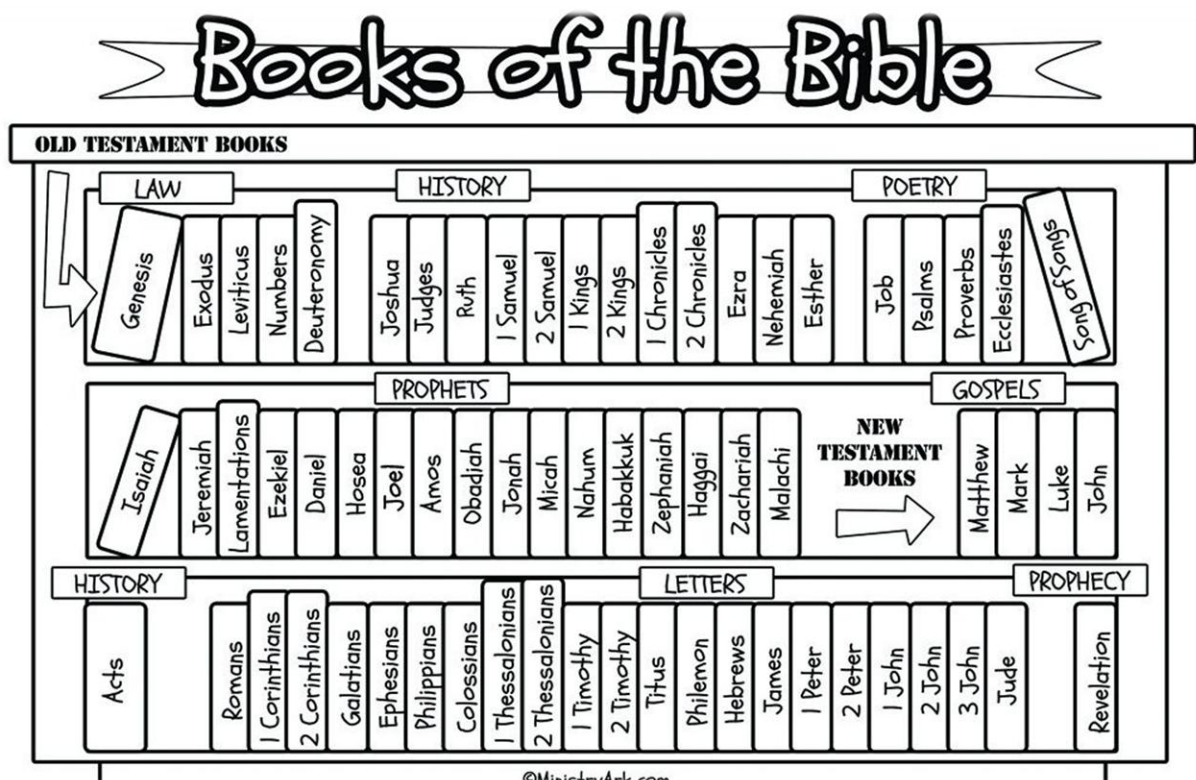
3. Highlight those verses you find helpful.

4. Pray the following prayer before worship:

Gracious Father, everything we are and everything we have comes from You. As we worship, turn our hearts from ourselves to Jesus, who gave Himself completely for us. Through Your Word and Sacrament, strengthen our faith and teach us to use Your gifts faithfully and generously. In Jesus 'name. Amen.

**Bookmarks and Bible highlighters are available
at the back of the sanctuary.**

Need help finding the Bible verses? This image may help!



WELCOME

OPENING HYMN #940

Holy God We Praise Thy Name

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- 1 Holy God, we praise Thy name;
Lord of all, we bow before Thee.
All on earth Thy scepter claim,
All in heav'n above adore Thee.
Infinite Thy vast domain,
Everlasting is Thy reign.
- 2 Hark! The glad celestial hymn
Angel choirs above are raising;
Cherubim and seraphim,
In unceasing chorus praising,
Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord:
Holy, holy, holy Lord!
- 3 Lo, the apostles' holy train
Join Thy sacred name to hallow;
Prophets swell the glad refrain,
And the white-robed martyrs follow,
And from morn to set of sun
Through the Church the song goes on.
- 4 Thou art King of Glory, Christ;
Son of God, yet born of Mary.
For us sinners sacrificed,
As to death a Tributary,
First to break the bars of death,
Thou hast opened heav'n to faith.
- △ 5 Holy Father, holy Son,
Holy Spirit, three we name Thee;
Though in essence only one,
Undivided God we claim Thee
And, adoring, bend the knee
While we own the mystery.

INVOCATION

The sign of the cross + may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word,
call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood
of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar,
let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God
and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and
that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition.
Together as His people let us take refuge
in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father,
seeking His grace for the sake of Christ,
and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins,
and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you
and for His sake forgives you all your sins.
As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority,
I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father
and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

This Is the Feast

Divine Service, Setting One - LSB pg.155

Refrain: This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God. *Refrain*

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength,
and honor, blessing, and glory are His. *Refrain*

Sing with all the people of God,
and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing, honor, glory, and might
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. *Refrain*

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia. *Refrain*

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 45:1-7

¹Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus,
whose right hand I have grasped,
to subdue nations before him
and to loose the belts of kings,
to open doors before him
that gates may not be closed:

²"I will go before you
and level the exalted places,
I will break in pieces the doors of bronze
and cut through the bars of iron,
³I will give you the treasures of darkness
and the hoards in secret places,
that you may know that it is I, the LORD,
the God of Israel, who call you by your name.

⁴For the sake of my servant Jacob,
and Israel my chosen,
I call you by your name,
I name you, though you do not know me.

⁵I am the LORD, and there is no other,
besides me there is no God;
I equip you, though you do not know me,
⁶that people may know, from the rising of the sun
and from the west, that there is none besides me;
I am the LORD, and there is no other.

⁷I form light and create darkness,
I make well-being and create calamity,
I am the LORD, who does all these things."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

THE EPISTLE READING

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

¹Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

²We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, ⁷so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything. ⁹For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 22:15-22

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk. ¹⁶And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" ²¹They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." ²²When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

THE APOSTLES' CREED

HYMN OF THE DAY #781

We Give Thee But Thine Own
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- 1 We give Thee but Thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
- 2 May we Thy bounties thus
As stewards true receive
And gladly, as Thou blessest us,
To Thee our firstfruits give!
- 3 Oh, hearts are bruised and dead,
And homes are bare and cold,
And lambs for whom the Shepherd bled
Are straying from the fold.
- 4 To comfort and to bless,
To find a balm for woe,
To tend the lone and fatherless
Is angels' work below.
- 5 The captive to release,
To God the lost to bring,
To teach the way of life and peace,
It is a Christ-like thing.
- 6 And we believe Thy Word,
Though dim our faith may be:
Whate'er for Thine we do, O Lord,
We do it unto Thee.

SERMON

THE OFFERING – WAYS TO GIVE

- Sunday in the Offering Plate
- Text “Give” to 844-431-7278
- Scan the QR code.
- By mail: PO Box 126, Pequot Lakes, MN 56472

Thank you!



A TIME FOR PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

✠ THE LORD’S SUPPER ✠

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also, He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God

Divine Service, Setting One – LSB pg.163

C Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

PREPARING FOR THE LORD'S SUPPER

We believe that Christ's body and blood are present in, with and under the bread and wine. Our Lord invites to His table those who repent of all sin, and trust in Jesus as their Savior.

Please take a moment to examine your hearts (1 Corinthians 11:28).

Ask yourself:

- 1) Am I sorry for my sins? (Psalm 51:10)
- 2) Do I believe Jesus died and rose for me? (John 3:16; Romans 5:8)
- 3) Do I believe His body and blood are truly present for the forgiveness of my sins? (Matthew 26:26-28)

If you have never communed at Gloria Dei before or are unsure about what is taking place, please talk to Pastor Meyer. Welcome to the Lord's Table!

Non-alcoholic wine is available in the purple cups in the center of each tray.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN #627

Jesus Christ Our Blessed Savior

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- 1 Jesus Christ, our blessed Savior,
Turned away God's wrath forever;
By His bitter grief and woe
He saved us from the evil foe.
- 2 As His pledge of love undying,
He, this precious food supplying,
Gives His body with the bread,
And with the wine the blood He shed.
- 3 Jesus here Himself is sharing;
Heed then how you are preparing,
For if you do not believe,
His judgment then you shall receive.
- 4 Praise the Father, who from heaven
To His own this food has given,
Who, to mend what we have done,
Gave into death His only Son.
- 5 Firmly hold with faith unshaken
That this food is to be taken
By the sick who are distressed,
By hearts that long for peace and rest.

- 6 Agony and bitter labor
Were the cost of God's high favor;
Do not come if you suppose
You need not Him who died and rose.
- 7 Christ says: "Come, all you that labor,
And receive My grace and favor:
Those who feel no pain or ill
Need no physician's help or skill.
- 8 "For what purpose was My dying
If not for your justifying?
And what use this precious food
If you yourself were pure and good?"
- 9 If your heart this truth professes
And your mouth your sin confesses,
You will be your Savior's guest,
Be at His banquet truly blest.
- 10 Let this food your faith so nourish
That its fruit of love may flourish
And your neighbor learn from you
How much God's wondrous love can do.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN #632

O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee
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- 1 O Jesus, blessed Lord, to Thee
My heartfelt thanks forever be,
Who hast so lovingly bestowed
On me Thy body and Thy blood.
- 2 Break forth, my soul, for joy and say:
What wealth is come to me this day!
My Savior dwells within my heart:
How blessed am I! How good Thou art.

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor ☩ and give you peace.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN #806

Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart

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Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ His Son.

(repeat)

And now let the weak say "I am strong,"

Let the poor say "I am rich,"

Because of what the Lord has done for us.

(repeat)

Give thanks, give thanks.

ANNOUNCEMENTS for October 18, 2026

This Week at Gloria Dei

Sunday – October 18

- Worship w/Holy Communion – 9:00 am
- Coffee & Refreshments – 10:00 am
- NO Education this week. MEA School Break

Monday – October 19

- Church Council Meeting – 6:00 pm

Tuesday – October 20

- Quilters Group – 9:00 am to Noon
- Wise Guys Bible Study: “Blessed is the man who finds wisdom.”
Proverbs 3:13 – Conference Room – 9:30 am

Wednesday – October 21

- Bible Study – “Book of Revelation” – 10:00 am
- Hallelujah Sisters – 1:00 pm

Thursday – October 22

- Thirsty Thursday – Meal 5:00 pm
- Thirsty Thursday – Movie & Discussion – “The Best of” Episodes of The Chosen – 6 pm

Friday – October 23

- Chat N Chow – 11 am – Gloria Dei Serves

Next Sunday – October 25

- Worship w/Holy Communion - 9:00 am
- Coffee & Refreshments – 10:00 am
- Education – Sunday School, Confirmation, Adult Bible Study – 10:15 am all are on the lower level

In Our Prayers

We lift up Peg Jacobson, Michael Anderson, and Ruth Habein in prayer.

Trunk or Treat!

Donations of fun size candy are now being collected in the buckets in the Narthex for Trunk or Treat which will be held on October 31 4 pm to 6 pm!! There is also a sign up sheet for those wishing to decorate their trunk and hand out candy! We would love to see 20 trunks this year! We also need helpers to cook and serve hotdogs and popcorn, help with parking, set up and clean up! Please sign up!

Hallelujah Sisters: Calling all women to join us on Wednesdays at 1:00 in the Conference Room. We are so amazed about how the “Uncreated God of the Universe” created us to have an intimate relationship with Him through Jesus! We’re starting at the beginning of the story in Genesis. Call Pam Kruger at 218-821-4510 for more information. HALLELUJAH!

Operation Christmas Child/Samaritans Purse

Again this year, Gloria Dei will be participating in packing and shipping shoe boxes with gifts, games, educational items and trinkets for boys and girls around the world. Boxes will be available soon to pack for a boy or girl. Each box will contain instructions and information on what you can and cannot pack. Shipping each box costs \$10. Please include the shipping fee when returning your box. If you would like to donate toward additional boxes and shipping, please place your donation in the offering plate marked Operation Christmas Child. If you have any questions, please talk to Miriam Hanson 218-242-9181. There are resources on the table in the Narthex. Please return your packed boxes as soon as you have them ready. The boxes will be blessed on **November 15** and shipped later that week. Our goal is 50 boxes!

All Saints Sunday Remembrance

November 1st we will remember loved ones who have passed and we miss. Please use one of the cards in your bulletin to request a remembrance. Please share the cards with friends and relatives as well and invite them to church on November 1 to remember someone they love and miss. Cards can be placed in the basket on the Usher’s Desk.

Thirsty Thursday!!

Join us for dinner at 5:00 pm and “The Best of” Episodes of The Chosen and discussion at 6:00 pm. A relaxed evening of film, honest questions, and conversations about Jesus, faith and life. All are welcome!!

Acolyte Academy

All children of Sunday School and Confirmation age and their families are invited to attend a learning session about what the purpose and meaning behind being an acolyte is. This will also be a time to express our thanks to you for serving during worship. Please join us on October 25 at 11:00 for lunch, learning and fun. All kids will participate in a haystack scramble searching for prizes!! RSVP to info@gloriadeipl.org or call the church office 218 568-5668. Thank you! *Board of Family Ministry & Education*

New Physical Address for Earl Hemmerich

Earl is residing at Riverside Assisted Living in Pine River. Visitors are welcome and appreciated! 2175 White Pine Point Road SW, Pine River Room #12. Afternoon or evening visits are usually best. There are folding chairs in his closet. Ask Lynn if you have any questions about visiting.

Chat N Chow

Chat N Chow is a weekly (depending on school schedule) ministry shared by area churches serving lunch to Pequot Lakes High School juniors and seniors. Students arrive for lunch at 11:00 am and return to school at 11:30 am. During lunch Pastor Meyer has an opportunity to share a brief message with students. Help is needed from 9 am to Noon with preparing, serving and cleaning up. Gloria Dei serves on October 23, December 4, January 15, February 12, March 12 and April 23. We need help with preparing the meals, serving and cleaning up on those dates. Also, on Fridays when Gloria Dei is not serving, a representative from Gloria Dei must be on hand from 10 a.m. to Noon to assist the host church. A sign-up sheet has been created for both serving days and representative days is on the bulletin board. Please talk to Sandie Zeidler, Liz Berg or Barb Fuller for more information and how you can help.

Prayer at Gloria Dei

There is now an active group praying for members and friends of Gloria Dei. If you have a prayer request for the prayer chain, please let Pastor Meyer, Pam Kruger, Carrie Ruud or Lynn in the office know. The Prayer Warriors will meet monthly on the last Sunday of the month briefly following coffee time to touch base. Prayer will also be happening on Sunday mornings to pray for our worship leaders and those attending worship. Meet for a few minutes, beginning at 8:35 am with Cindy and Arlen Kuehl at the front of the Sanctuary. All are welcome. Finally, friendship visits with our shut-ins and hospitalized members will be ongoing.

Food Shelf Protein Push!

Help fill our local food shelf with much-needed protein items! Donations of canned tuna, chicken, Spam, salmon, and peanut butter may be placed in the collection box in the entryway.

Monetary donations are also welcome and help purchase the items most needed by local families.

Thank you for sharing God's love through your generosity!

Lakes Area Food Shelf, 29316 Patriot Ave, Pequot Lakes.

Food shelf contacts: George and Collette Miller (218) 820-2928