

CHIMNEY ROCK LUTHERAN CHURCH -- SEPTEMBER NEWS

Message from SAM Monica Dejno

Blessings to ALL. On August 6, 2023 we welcomed a new member into the community of Christ through the sacrament of Holy Baptism. We welcomed Kayden McAdam Kensmoe. Kayden was born on April 11, 2003 in Eau Claire, WI to parents McAdam Kensmoe and Brooklynn Olson and a sister Aubrey Ella Kensmoe and a deceased sister Ella Elizabeth Kensmoe. Kayden's Sponsors were: Mackenzie & Eric Mueller, Brittany & Matt Franson, Zane Olson & Kianna Turner, and Broc & Rachael Kensmoe. Please remember, as his sisters and brothers in Christ, we also have a responsibility to support Kayden's parents and sponsors and Kayden himself on his Faith journey. We welcome and Pray for you Kayden as a new member in the community of Christ and as you start your Faith journey. As we come to the end of August there is lots of newness. Lots of kids and adults will be starting school again. For some it is starting school for the very first time in your life. For some it will be starting a new post-secondary school. It might also mean for the first time in your life that you will be living away from your parents. For some it might mean starting a new job or going back to work. For some this means a whole change of schedules and priorities. The end of August also brings about a change of season as we will begin to see signs of fall. Fall harvest will be starting soon. Let us not forget in all of this newness and change our Faith lives. Let us not put God on the back burner. There are many ways that we ALL can continue to grow in Faith. I myself will be starting Lay School again in September. Sunday Schools, Confirmation, Youth Groups, Bible Studies, Campus Ministries, Worship, Prayer and Prayer Groups and spending time reading Scripture are just some of the ways that we can grow in our Faith and help others grow in their Faith. God's Peace and Blessings to ALL!

Confirmation Classes to Begin

Confirmation Classes are scheduled to begin on September 10 and will be held from 9:30-11:00am. A schedule will be posted in the narthex.

Sunday School to Begin

The first day of Sunday School is set for September 17 from 9:30-11am. Sunday School will **not** be held on September 24. Check the monthly schedule in the narthex, as well as the bulletins and newsletters.

Freedom Honor Flight Planned for September

Bob Kolve will be going on the Freedom Honor Flight on September 16, accompanied by his son, Matthew. When the plane returns to La Crosse from Washington, DC that day, there will be a celebration at the airport to further honor these veterans on the flight and their military service. If you would like to send a card thanking Bob for his service, please mail it to:

Freedom Honor Flight
Mail Call: Bob Kolve
P.O. Box 505
La Crosse, WI 54602-0505

We Acknowledge the Following Memorials . . .

- ❖ Dale, Roxie and Terry Erickson memorials to the Cemetery Fund given by Jerald Erickson.

Cemetery Reminder

All urns and summer flowers should be removed from the cemetery by October 1. Thank you.

Please Inform Pastors of Illness & Hospitalizations

If you hear that one of our members is hospitalized, please let Pastor Sands or Monica know. Because of HIPAA laws, hospitals no longer contact pastors when someone is admitted. Also, please contact them about illnesses—even when the member isn't hospitalized.

Anyone Have an Extra Cookbook?

We received another request for one of our Elk Creek-Chimney Rock cookbooks. The one requested at this time is the Specialties II, which has a lavender cover with black binding and was printed in 1989. If you have a cookbook that you no longer use and would be interested in giving away or selling, please contact Barb Sylla. Sometimes these cookbooks can even be found at garage sales or estate sales, so please keep your eyes open!

Strum Is Senior Dining Site

Trempealeau County ADRC began offering Senior Dining at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Strum in 2022. The meals are catered by Sweet Temptations, are now served both Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:30am-12:30pm, and the suggested donation is \$4 for those who qualify (60 years & older). Reservations are required by 9am a day prior by calling 715-695-3511. This is not only for senior citizens from Strum—anyone can attend if you meet the age requirement and call ahead.

Immanuel Lutheran Food Pantry Open Twice Each Month

The Food Pantry at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Strum is open the first Saturday from 9-11am and the third Wednesday from 5-7pm. No appointment needed. They offer non-perishable foods and fresh milk, eggs, ground venison, hamburger, and pork sausage. Visit and see what they have to offer. Current needs are: peanut butter, cereal, paper products, and personal hygiene products.

Norden's Fall Festival Scheduled

Trinity Lutheran Church of Norden has scheduled its Fall Festival for Sunday, September 10. Worship will be held at 8:30am; charcoal chicken dinner will begin at 11am; and live auction at 1pm. Also included are a silent auction, basket bonanza, tractor parade, 50/50, bouncy houses, face painting, youth stand, and root beer barrel game. Raffle prizes include: Grand Prize—1/4 Black Angus beef, 2nd—\$200 cash, 3rd—\$100 cash, 4th—\$100 cash, 5th—\$100 cash, 6th—\$50 cash.

Resources and Services Available through the La Crosse County Health Department

La Crosse County Health Department has sent materials to promote available resources and services in this area. They are hoping to reach individuals to promote:

- Medicaid/BadgerCare Plus, a public healthcare coverage program for low-income Wisconsin residents (children and adults).
- FoodShare. You've probably heard of food stamps or SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program). In Wisconsin, we call the program FoodShare. The goal of this program is to stop hunger.

La Crosse County Health Department can provide application assistance for FoodShare and BadgerCare Plus to residents of Buffalo, Clark, Jackson, La Crosse, Monroe, Pepin, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties. Please contact Lindsey Schwarz-Nichols at 608-473-3538 for more information. A pamphlet can also be found in the church narthex.

TCC Personal Email Service Available Through 2023

Some who have email service through TCC have not informed the church of their new email addresses yet. Please do so to continue receiving the church newsletter and other important information once TCC has discontinued personal email service, which may be in early 2024. Please call Barb at 715.985.3496 or email her at bbsylla8246@gmail.com with updates.

Church Offerings

Please remember that our church needs your continued financial support. Jason has put a "donate" button on our church website (www.chimneyrockchurch.org) for those who wish to contribute electronically. E-Pay information is also included in this issue. Of course, checks are the preferred method of donation and should be made payable to Chimney Rock Lutheran Church. If you don't attend Sunday worship, your offering can be sent to one of the addresses listed below.

Chimney Rock Lutheran Church
N43255 Church Rd.
Strum, WI 54770

Daniel Solfest
N43178 State Rd. 93
Strum, WI 54770

Membership

If anyone is interested in becoming a member, please talk to Pastor David Sands or Synodically Authorized Minister Monica Dejno. Their contact information is located on the calendar page and also in the weekly bulletins.

E-Pay Available at Chimney Rock

If anyone would like to send their contributions to the church electronically, please contact Treasurer Dan Solfest for the correct information. You will need the church's account name, account number, depository bank's name, and bank's Federal Reserve Bank routing number. You will also need to tell your bank the

amount to send and frequency of remittance. Dan can be reached at 715.985.3242 or in church on Sundays. Thank you for your interest in supporting Chimney Rock Lutheran Church.

Newsletters

For those who can't access the monthly newsletters electronically via email, our church website, or Facebook, please pick up a printed copy the last Sunday of each month for the next month's calendar and news. Newsletters will be mailed to those who don't have electronic access or aren't in church to pick up a copy. Any questions, please contact Barb Sylla at 715.985.3496 or bbsylla8246@gmail.com. Information to be included in the newsletter should be submitted by the 20th of each month.

Our Vision Statement

Be alive and well in ten years with healthy evangelism and vital family fellowship.

Our Mission Statement

We, as a family of God, rooted in the strength and inspiration of God's Holy Spirit, are called forward facing challenges by the promises of God to reach out in love to our rural community, especially cherishing and welcoming children.

No Council Meeting was held in August of 2023.

President	Brad Olson	715.694.2239 715.797.5559
Trustee	Randy Olson	715.985.3309 715.797.2988
Trustee	Richard Gunderson	715.797.3721
Deacon	Jon Flury	715.797.0152
Deacon	Bev Paulsen	715.287.3323
Deacon	Barb McGee	715.695.3448
Treasurer	Dan Solfest	715.985.3242
Secretary	Barb Sylla	715.985.3496 715.530.0338

Happy Belated Birthday to Pastor David Sands on August 15!

September Birthdays and Anniversaries

1st--Sara Kensmoe, Ryan Wogh
2nd--M/M Andy (Butch) Dejno
3rd--Donna Olson
4th-- Chase McGee
6th--M/M Thor Hermanson
8th--Kevin Edison
9th--Ann Johnson
10th--Dawn Woychik
12th--Tess Nysven
15th--Justin Bohlinger
16th--Carson Bisek
23rd--Kim Jacobson
24th--Heidi Christianson, M/M Dalton Solfest
25th--Brooklynn Olson, Mackenzie Olson
26th--M/M Levi Loesel
28th--Carson Coburn, Broc Coburn
29th--Bill Hermanson
30th--Evan Lee, M/M Keith Edison