



SEPTEMBER 2025 OUTREACH



# FJELDBERG NEWSLETTER



## DATES TO REMEMBER:

**9/7 RALLY SUNDAY**  
ICE CREAM SOCIAL/  
BRUNCH FOLLOWING  
WORSHIP

**9/14 GOD'S WORK, OUR  
HANDS SUNDAY**

**JOIN US FOR WORSHIP ON  
SUNDAYS AT 9:00AM**

## FROM PASTOR TIM:

As the seasons shift and September ushers in cooler air and new routines, we are reminded of God's unwavering faithfulness amidst these transformations. The same God who provided for the Israelites, sent Jesus, and resurrected Him is the same God who is present for you and me. As students and teachers embark on a new school year and fields prepare for harvest, we are also called to grow in faith and produce love.

Paul writes, "Let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up" (Galatians 6:9). May this month be a time of renewal—of learning, serving, and trusting in the God who provides through every season. There are countless opportunities to share God's love both within and beyond Fjeldberg. Even if you feel that your season of serving has passed or hasn't yet begun, there is always a way to serve and spread God's love. I encourage you to open your hearts and minds to the various ways you can make a difference.

Thank you for all the ways you have served and will continue to serve at Fjeldberg!



# What's Been Happening?

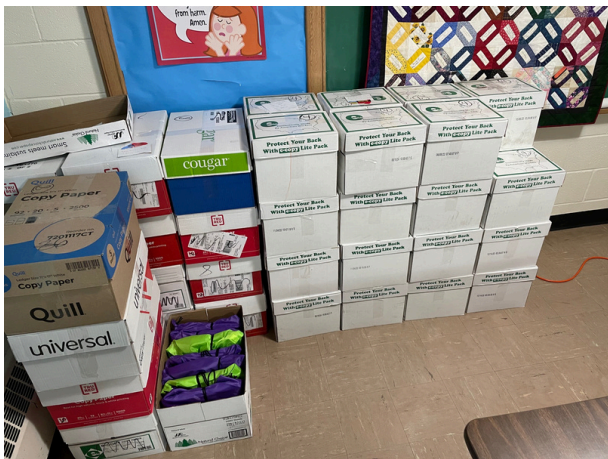
## ➤➤➤ PRAIRIE FEST PARADE



## ➤➤➤ NEW CARPETS IN CLASSROOMS & FIRESIDE ROOM



## ➤➤➤ LWR SCHOOL KITS COLLECTED & PACKED - 259 KITS SO FAR



## ➤➤➤ NEW ROCK IN OUR LANDSCAPING



# Faith Formation Updates

➤➤➤ REGISTER FOR KIDS, STUDENT, AND YOUTH MINISTRY



Fjeldberg Kids Ministry invites kids in **grades PK-5**. Kids ministry is a time for kids to gather, have fun, and learn about God's love for them through lessons, crafts, and games.

Kids will begin their time by joining their family in worship, because we want you to have this opportunity to worship as a family and then after the children's message kids will go to their classrooms.

[Sign Up Here](#)



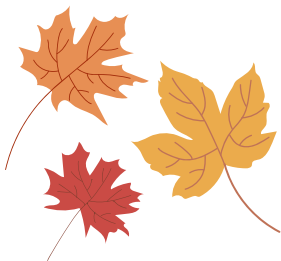
**Students in 6th-8th grade** experience significant faith development, exploring complex thoughts about God, what being Lutheran means, friendships, and their identity. Fjeldberg's Student ministry will focus on activities, conversation, teaching, and visual images, meeting on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM in the Youth Room.

[Sign Up Here](#)



We aim to connect **9th-12th grade** high school youth with God and help them understand their identity in God. Youth's involvement in our Youth Group fosters community and faith growth. Our group offers fun activities, service opportunities, and meaningful conversations, meeting Wednesday evenings at various locations.

[Sign Up Here](#)



# Faith Formation Continued

## >>> VOLUNTEER SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED!

To provide our youngest members with best and most personalized experience this year we are expanding to three Sunday School Classes each week. In order for this to happen and be successful we are calling on members of the congregation to volunteer just one Sunday a month to help developing the next generation of Christians.

To learn more about this opportunity or to volunteer please message Braden at: [braden@fjeldberglutheran.org](mailto:braden@fjeldberglutheran.org) or (319) 457-0807

## >>> YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY STARTING UP

Faith Formation is taking steps to be more intentional on having focused groups to continue people's growth in Faith after they leave Youth Group. Starting in September a Young Adults Bible Study shall begin for those interested in participating in scripture based community. The group will be centered around ages 18-25+ focusing on questions members may have and passages to help navigate the early stages of Adulthood but all are welcome to join.

Sign ups will be in the back of the sanctuary or interested individuals can reach out to Braden At [braden@fjeldberglutheran.org](mailto:braden@fjeldberglutheran.org) or (319) 457-0807

## >>> YOUTH MENTORSHIP

We are all calling on our adult members to be involved in the faith progression of our students. This fall we will try to implement a mentorship program for our confirmation students where twice a semester they meet with a non-relative Fjeldberg member

## >>> IMPORTANT DATES

September 7: Rally Sunday

September 10: Youth Group & Confirmation Kickoff

September 14: First Day of Sunday School

September 17: First Gather@ with Palestine

September 24: First Youth Group

## >>> SILVER CORD BOX

Starting September 14th a box will be in the back of the sanctuary with request forms for members to fill out. Once a week the box will be checked and requests will be assigned to our Youth Group Students to complete as a way to help them get silver-cord hours.





# What's coming up!

## GRIEF SUPPORT GROUPS



A warm, caring environment for those who have experienced human loss through death.

Fall Group



### GriefShare

A 13-week faith-based program designed to support & equip individuals as they navigate the difficult emotions & experiences of grief.

**Thursdays, Sept. 18 – Dec. 11, 6:30pm – 8pm**

(You are welcome to join at any point during this period.)

### Blue Christmas

**Thursday, Dec. 11, 7-8pm**

All events are held @ Huxley Public Library, 515 N Main Ave, Huxley (2<sup>nd</sup> floor of 3 C's Building) Contact [ericklimpel@gmail.com](mailto:ericklimpel@gmail.com), 515-597-2620

## >>> LSI - LUTHERAN SERVICES OF IOWA

*LSI proudly serves Iowans in all 99 counties through our services of Mental Health, Early Childhood, Foster Care & Adoption, Global Greens, People with Disabilities, and Immigrant & Refugee Community Services. We serve individuals of all ages, from families with newborns navigating the early stages of parenthood, to Refugee and Immigrant elders, as well as children at every stage of development. Our heart beats for the people we serve. We empower families and communities by recognizing and honoring the strengths and gifts of every individual.*

### A New Beginning: Carmen's Journey to Safety and Self-Reliance

Carmen Ortiz was born in Charco, Nariño, Colombia. At 11, her family relocated to Buenaventura, where she finished high school and watched her father build a small business. Violence in the region forced the family to move again — this time to Bogotá, in search of safety and stability.

In Bogotá, Carmen reconnected with a childhood friend who would become her life partner. Together, they launched Frutería, a fruit-selling business Carmen successfully operated for 17 years. During that time, she also became a mother to her son, Adiel Jesús

In 2023, violence once again disrupted their lives. Fearing for their safety, Carmen and Adiel fled to Ecuador and applied for asylum through the International Organization for Migration (IOM). Life in Ecuador was grueling.

"We were homeless. I had to sleep with my son under a bridge," she recalls. "He got sick and had to be hospitalized."

For the rest of this story go to [lsiowa.org/stories](https://lsiowa.org/stories)

For more information, please contact Deb Whitford, LSI's Director of Philanthropy and Church Relations, at [Deborah.Whitford@LSIowa.org](mailto:Deborah.Whitford@LSIowa.org) or 563-676-2065.

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## BALLARD SUMMER MEAL PROGRAM YEAR END REVIEW



The summer is over, and the Ballard Summer Meal Program is wrapping up for the year. Kathy and Eileen are in the process of closing the books for the year. Unfortunately, not all of the bills have been submitted yet, so we aren't sure where we stand with the money that we have left over to start next year. But we do have some information about the number of meals and the amount of food purchased.

- Number of children registered: 162
- Number of children self-reporting on Free or Reduced meals: 82
- Total Meals Made in June: 1009
- Average weekly meals made in June: 252.25
- Total Meals Made in July: 898
- Average weekly meals made in July: 224.5
- Total Meals Made in August: 595
- Average weekly meals made in August: 198.3

Favorite meals: Uncrustables, French Toast Sticks, mini pizza, and Chicken nuggets  
How many chicken nuggets did we serve? The total nuggets served 5,500! We also served 1,200 sausage links and 1,845 French Toast sticks. But we only served 268 mini pizzas because we didn't get the recipe for those until late July.

Volunteers were probably the most important part of the whole summer! Without the help of the volunteers, we would not have been able to accomplish our goal of feeding the Ballard children. Each week we needed to fill 75 volunteer hours. (Meal prep was 5 people for 5 hours, 3 distribution sites required 3 people, and 2 people to drive the meals to Cambridge and Slater. We did have a number of people who volunteered every week, and one person who volunteered 19 out of 24 days!!

Total volunteer hours: 900+

Total volunteers: 49+ people (some people showed up and didn't complete the sign-up sheet)

Total high school student service hours: 187

In September we will have a Thank You event for our volunteers. We want them to know how appreciated that they are. We also may be trying to get some feedback on what we need to change for next year.

Thank you to all of you for your support of this program!





# What's coming up!

## >>> Communications

If you have changed your address, email, or cell phone number, please contact the church office with your updated information.



**God's work. Our hands.**



## **Sunday, September 14th**

Thru September 14<sup>th</sup> we will be collecting food, personal care items, and cleaning supplies for families using the Huxley Food Pantry. Our goal is to fill the area at the back of the sanctuary. On Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> we will sort, date check & deliver all the items to the Food Pantry. See page 12 of this newsletter for a list of needed items.

### **Gathering in Memory of Beverly Lee Saturday, September 20th 1:00 p.m., Fjeldberg Fellowship Hall**

Beverly Kay Lee was 82 years old when she entered her eternal home with her savior Jesus Christ on July 20, 2025. She was born on March 28th, 1943 in Oberon ND.

Beverly married John Edward Lee of Huxley on August 28, 1960 and they raised 3 daughters, Arlene, Kathleen and Barbara. She loved Christ and was a loving wife, mother and grandmother, always passionate about serving and caring for others ahead of herself. She enjoyed gardening, cooking, bowling, roller skating and many crafts like quilting, sewing, knitting and crocheting. She enjoyed visiting friends and family, both near and far, and her family always looked forward to her delicious meals and especially her treats like thin pancakes and kringla! She moved to Washington in November 2014 to live with Kathleen and her husband Don due to the effects of dementia.

In 1973 she chose Christ as her center, her example and her vision, and we can all make that choice today.

Any questions, contact Kathleen at 253-569-3083 (text is OK) or [kathleenj@reachone.com](mailto:kathleenj@reachone.com)

## **COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

**Allison Rigler-President  
Alex Severn-Treasurer  
Kathy Wilson-Secretary**

**Ron Bollmeyer  
Heather Bristow  
Patty Foley  
Krisi Preston  
Peggy Wilson  
Zach Swanson  
Linda Eklund**

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Pastor**

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Choir Director**

**Braden Hayes  
Faith Formation Coordinator**

**Jan Nyhus  
Church Administrator**

**Justin Pedersen  
Communications Coordinator**

**Paul Van Ryswyk  
Musician**

**John Wilson  
Facilities and Communications  
Coordinator**

# ORDER YOUR FJELDBERG APPAREL



We've heard the interest in Fjeldberg apparel, and we're excited to share that we've partnered with P&M Apparel in Polk City! An online store is now open where you can order Fjeldberg gear—polos, quarter zips, sweatshirts, hoodies, and more. The store will be available through **September 23**, and all orders will be ready for pick-up at Fjeldberg. Your purchase also acts as a fundraiser for our Youth Mission Trip!

[Order Here](#) >>

## CHECK OUT OUR APP!





# WAYS TO CONNECT



## >>> OUT TO BRUNCH BUNCH

The Out to Brunch Bunch meets after Fellowship on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month to have brunch at the Tournament Club of Iowa in Polk City.

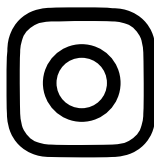
We would love to have you join us!

## >>> JOY SEEKERS

will meet  
**Thursday, September 18**  
**6:00 PM**  
at Hickory Park Restaurant  
Ames

RSVP to  
Jackie Fjelland  
(515-229-2726)  
by Sunday, 9/14.

We would love to  
have you join us!



Like & follow us on  
Facebook & Instagram



Worship Online

## >>> WOMEN & MEN'S CARD GROUPS

We have two groups that meet each week to play cards, have fun, conversation, and treats.

**The Ladies Group** meets every Monday afternoon at 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

**The Men's Group** meets each week on Tuesday afternoons at 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

## >>> BOOK STUDY GROUP

Will be meeting in the **Youth Room every other Thursday of 9:30 a.m.** We are studying *Bad Girls of the Bible*. **Our next meeting dates are August 7 and 21**

We would love to have you join us as we study how our faith relates to life.

## >>> FJELDBERG QUILTERS



## >>> CHOIR & BELLS



### Calling all singers & handbell ringers!

Do you love to sing? Would you like to learn how to ring bells or already know how? Come join us on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. for choir and/or 7:30 p.m. for bells.

Share your musical talents and make joyful music to God!



# SEPTEMBER 2025 CALENDAR

## **Sunday, August 31- 12th Sunday after Pentecost**

9:00 A Worship with Anointing (Healing Service)  
Also live-streamed on YouTube.  
NO Fjeldberg Kids (3yrs-6th Grade) during worship.  
10:15A Coffee, treats & conversation

## **Monday, September 1 - LABOR DAY HOLIDAY** **Church Offices will be CLOSED**

1:00 P Women's Card Group (Fellowship Hall)

## **Tuesday, September 2**

1:00 P Men's Card Group (Fellowship Hall)

## **Wednesday, September 3**

6:00 P Huxley Food Pantry is open  
6:30 P H.I.S. Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
7:30 P JOYFUL Bells Rehearsal (Fireside Room)

## **Thursday, September 4**

9:30 A Women's Bible Study (Youth Room)  
10:00A Huxley Food Pantry is open

## **Sunday, September 7 - RALLY Sunday**

9:00 A Worship with Communion and  
Also live-streamed on YouTube.  
NO Fjeldberg Kids (3yrs-6th Grade) during worship!  
10:00A Ice Cream Social/Brunch to start our Fall Programing  
Fun for everyone!

## **Monday, September 8**

1:00 P Women's Card Group (Fellowship Hall)

## **Tuesday, September 9**

1:00 P Men's Card Group (Fellowship Hall)

## **Wednesday, September 10**

6:00 P Huxley Food Pantry is open  
6:30 P H.I.S. Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
7:30 P JOYFUL Bells Rehearsal (Fireside Room)

## **Thursday, September 11**

10:00A Huxley Food Pantry is open

## **Sunday, September 14 - GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS SUNDAY**

9:00 A Worship with Communion  
Also live-streamed on YouTube.  
Fjeldberg Kids (3yrs-6th Grade) during worship!  
10:00A Coffee, treats & conversation followed by  
service projects.

## **Monday, September 15**

1:00 P Women's Card Group (Fellowship Hall)  
6:30 P Church Council (Fireside Room)

## **Tuesday, September 16**

1:00 P Men's Card Group (Fellowship Hall)

## **Wednesday, September 17**

5:30 P Community Meal - All are welcome  
6:00 P Huxley Food Pantry is open  
6:00 P FLC Students (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades)  
6:30 P H.I.S. Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
7:00 P FLC Youth (9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grades)  
7:30 P JOYFUL Bells Rehearsal (Fireside Room)

## **Thursday, September 18**

9:30 A Thursday Bible Study (Youth Room)  
10:00A Huxley Food Pantry is open  
6:00 P JOY Seekers at Hickory Park, Ames

## **Sunday, September 21**

9:00 A Worship with Communion and Special Music by  
H.I.S. Choir  
Also live-streamed on YouTube.  
Fjeldberg Kids (3yrs-6th Grade) during worship.  
10:15A Coffee, treats & conversation  
11:00A Out to Brunch Bunch @ TCI, Polk City

## **Monday, September 22**

1:00 P Ladies Card Group  
6:30 P Church Council (Fireside Room)

## **Tuesday, September 23**

1:00 Men's Card Group (Fellowship Hall)

## **Wednesday, September 24**

5:30 P Community Meal - All are welcome  
6:00 P Huxley Food Pantry is open  
6:00 P FLC Students (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades)  
6:30 P H.I.S. Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
7:00 P FLC Youth (9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grades)  
7:30 P JOYFUL Bells Rehearsal (Fireside Room)

## **Thursday, September 25**

10:00 Huxley Food Pantry open

## **Sunday, September 28**

9:00 A Worship with Communion  
Also live-streamed on YouTube  
Fjeldberg Kids during worship  
10:15A Coffee, treats & conversation

## **Monday, September 29**

1:00 P Ladies Card Group

## **Tuesday, September 30**

1:00P Men's Card Group

## **Wednesday, October 1**

6:30 P Community Meal - All are welcome  
6:00 P Huxley Food Pantry is open  
6:00 P FLC Students (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades)  
6:30 P H.I.S. Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
7:00 P FLC Youth (9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grades)  
7:30 P JOYFUL Bells Rehearsal (Fireside Room)



# Worship Servers:

Altar Guild: Helen E.  
Bread Baker: Suzy B.  
Streaming: John W.

## >>> SEPTEMBER 7 - RALLY SUNDAY

Church Musician: Paul V.R.  
Liturgist (Setting 8): Heather B.  
Acolyte(s): Boden B.  
Greeters: ???, ???, ???  
Reader: Bruce M.  
Proclaim Slides: Kathy W.  
Communion Assistants: Helen E., Jan N, ???  
Altar Flowers: Sheila Norris in memory of John  
Beck and Harold Wiegert  
Fellowship Hosts: Bob & Sue J. & Nancy S-C  
Sound: Bille H.

## Rally SUNDAY September 7

## >>> SEPTEMBER 14

Church Musician: Paul V. R.  
Liturgist: (Setting 8) ???  
Acolyte(s): ???  
Greeters: Mick & Lisa P.  
Reader: ???  
Proclaim slides: ???  
Communion Assistants: Nancy S.-C. & Helen E.  
Altar Flowers: Anne Q. in memory of her sister,  
Sandra.  
Fellowship Hosts: ???, ???, ???  
Sound: Mel V.

## >>> SEPTEMBER 21

Church Musician: Lisa P.  
Special Music: H.I.S. Choir  
Liturgist (Setting 8): Sharyn E.  
Acolytes: ???  
Greeters: Matt, Amber, Bodie, Kasen & Tucker F.  
Reader: ???  
Proclaim Slides: Kathy W.  
Communion Assistants: Helen E., Jan N., & ???  
Altar Flowers: ???  
Fellowship Hosts: Cathy & Don R. and  
Thelma & Jerald N.  
Sound: Heather B.

## >>> SEPTEMBER 28

Church Musician: Paul V. R.  
Liturgist: (Setting 8) ???  
Acolytes: ???  
Greeters: ???, ???, ???  
Reader: Kya H.  
Proclaim Slides: Jan N.  
Communion Assistants: Kya H. & Peggy W.  
Altar Flowers: Jan N. & Del M. in memory of  
Marion M.  
Fellowship Hosts: Gloria W., ???, ???  
Sound: Bille H.





# Ways to Serve

## >>> FOOD PANTRY INFORMATION

### August Statistics

Households Served: 45 Total People Served: 143

Age Groups: 0-18: 59 19-59: 71 60+: 13

Items Needed:

- Cash donations, Fareway Gift Cards
- Grocery Store Gifts Cards (Fareway, Hy-Vee, WalMart)
- Cash donations
- Personal care products & small bottles cleaning supplies
- Small containers of condiments (katsup, mayo mustard, relish)
- Pancake Mix and Pancake syrup
- Cereal (unsweetened)
- Sugar (small bags)
- Spaghetti-O's with Meatballs
- Pears (small cups)
- Mandarin Oranges (cans)

**VOLUNTEERS to work** [Fjeldberg Lutheran Church: Huxley/Kelley Food Pantry Volunteers](#)  
([signupgenius.com](#))

### Regular Food Pantry Hours

6:00 - 7:00 PM Wednesdays

10:00 - 11:00 AM Thursdays

## >>> SHARE GOD'S LOVE

### Huxley Area Food Pantry

We are thankful for the opportunity to share God's love through our food pantry, and meet the needs of those in our community! The need continues for food and monetary donations, but we also need people to serve. If you are able to volunteer sign up at the link above. We will train you before your first shift.



### MOST NEEDED FOOD ITEMS

Chef Boyardee Beef Ravioli (canned)  
Dinty Moore Beef Stew (canned)  
Eggs, Large (dozen)  
Cheese, Shredded (pack)  
Chicken Breast Chunk in a Can  
Carrots (Sliced and Diced) (canned)  
Sweet Potatoes  
Knorr Rice Side Dishes (packet)  
Baked Beans / Pork & Beans (canned)  
Manwich (canned)  
Corn, Cream (canned)  
Corn Beef Hash (canned)  
Pancake Syrup (plastic bottle)  
Spaghetti Sauce (canned)  
Crackers, Oyster (bag)  
Knorr Pasta Side Dishes (packet)  
Fruit Preserves and Marmalades (jars)  
Helper Meals (boxed)  
Cheese, Sliced (packets)  
Olives, Black (canned)  
Pears (cans and cups)

# Ways to Serve

## Lutheran World Relief School Bags

**It's time to shop for school supplies!** Please pick up one or more LWR school bag(s) from the tote in the back of the sanctuary. Return the filled bags to the larger tote located in the back of the sanctuary. **You can also just buy quantities of individual items and bring them to the church; then volunteers will put the kits together.** These bags will be shipped in the fall to Lutheran World Relief. This is a project of Fjeldberg Congregation and the FLC Sewing Circle.

### Supply List:

- **Four (4)** 70-sheet spiral notebooks of **wide ruled paper** approximately 8" x 10 1/2". NO loose-leaf paper.
- **One (1)** blunt scissors (safety scissors with imbedded steel blades work well).
- **One (1)** 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters one side and inches on the other.
- **One (1)** pencil sharpener.
- **Five (5) unsharpened #2 pencils** with erasers. Secure together with a rubber band.
- **One (1) eraser**
- **Five (5) ballpoint pens** (NO gel ink). Secured together with a rubber band.
- **One (1) box of 16 or 24 crayons.**



If you are packing your own bags DO NOT add other items or leave out any of the items listed. Remove any excess packaging and pack items in the bag. Return the filled bags to the church by **September 21st.**