



AUGUST 2025 OUTREACH



FJELDBERG NEWSLETTER



DATES TO REMEMBER:

8/17

BACKPACK BLESSING
IN WORSHIP

8/23

PRAIRIE FEST PARADE AT
10AM

8/24

PRAIRIE FEST WORSHIP
SERVICE AT RAILROAD
PARK AT 9:00AM

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

FROM PASTOR TIM:

"Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth." —Psalm 46:10

Whoa, where has summer gone?! If your family is anything like mine, you started with big plans, full calendars, and hopes of meaningful time together. We've had a great summer, lots of fun, lots of activity, and now we're trying to squeeze out every last bit of it. One of my favorite things about summer is when we find those moments to slow down and simply enjoy being together. That rest can look different for each of us, but it's so important.

I'll be honest, it's hard to find time to rest, even in the summer. This past week, in the midst of the busyness, I got to check one more item off my summer list and visited our partner camps, Riverside Bible Camp and Lutheran Lakeside Bible Camp. Every time I'm at camp, I'm reminded of the gift of camp: a place to unplug, draw closer to God, and simply be. I love that our kids get to experience that kind of holy community. But if I'm being honest, I find myself longing for that space, too.

How can you take time to be still and dwell with God? Maybe for you, that space looks like camp, or maybe it's something else entirely. Wherever it is, I hope you find it before summer slips away.

What's Been Happening?

>>> YOUTH BOATING

An after-
noon of
fun



at Little
Wall
Lake!



>>> SUNDAY SCHOOL ROOM ADDITION + UPGRADES



Faith Formation Updates

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



[Sign Up Here](#)

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.

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What's coming up!

>>> SUNDAY SCHOOL

We know that summer is busy and a season of fun! We want to give parents and kids a space to grow in faith and community, and a holy break.

We will now have Sunday School during the summer after the children's message. Kids are welcome to join us for a fun laidback time of summer faith growth!



>>> ICUBS GAME

Join us on Sunday, August 3rd at 1:00pm for a fun afternoon of baseball at Principal Park in Des Moines. Come for the game, the conversations, and/or the food. All are welcome!

Cost: \$20

SIGN UP!

>>> 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

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

LSI is an affiliated social ministry partner of the Iowa congregations of the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America) and a member of LSA (Lutheran Services in America). We proudly serve people of all ages, abilities, religions, sexes, gender identities, national origins, ethnicities, races, and sexual orientations. Learn more at LSIowa.org and facebook.com/LSI.iowa.

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.

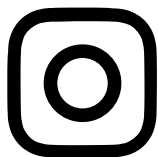


God's work. Our hands.



Sunday, September 14th

If you do not have a **God's Work, Our Hands** T-Shirt or if your old one no longer fits, we will be putting in an order for some additional ones. Please let Jan in the Church Office know by Sunday, August 17th what size you will need. Cost is \$13/shirt.



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Worship
Online

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

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

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

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Pastor

Heather Bristow
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

CHECK OUT OUR APP!



Stay connected with our church and community.

So, what does it do?

Give: Enter how much you want to give, specify which fund you want to give to, and which payment method you want to use, as well as choose whether to cover processing fees.

Groups: Find and join groups (Connect Groups, Bible Studies, etc). Stay connected with groups you may already be a part of.

Register for Events: Some of our events require registration. With Churchcenter, you can complete a full registration, including payment.

Profile Update: When you create a profile for the Churchcenter app, you will now be able to update your profile information in our church database.

Directory: View and connect with members who opt into the directory. Let Jan know if you want an invite to the directory.

[Download the Churchcenter App from your app store.](#)

WAYS TO CONNECT



>>> 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.

>>> OUT TO BRUNCH BUNCH

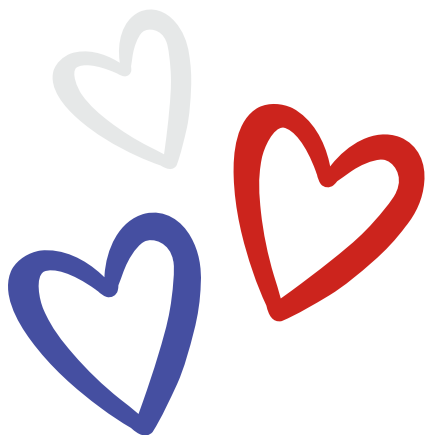
The Out to Brunch Bunch meets after Fellowship on the 3rd Sunday of each month to have brunch at the Tournament Club of Iowa in Polk City.

We would love to have you join us!

>>> JOY SEEKERS

will meet
Thursday, August 21st
6:00 PM
at **Saints Avenue Cafe**
(buffet or menu)
1312 S. Story St.
Boone, IA
RSVP to
Tom Cross
(515-480-1616)
or
Nancy Cross
(515-418-3222)
by Sun., 8/17.

We would love to have you join us!



>>> 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

The Fjeldberg Quilters are on break over the summer.

If you would like to make quilt tops over the summer to be ready for fall, quilt tops should be 60" x 80". Thank you to all of our dedicated quilters and those who support their work.

>>> CHOIR & BELLS



Calling all singers & handbell ringers!

**Mark you calendars for
Wednesday, August 27th
6:30 PM**

Potluck supper to kickoff our fall rehearsals!

Bring a dish to share.

Tableware will be provided.



AUGUST 2025 CALENDAR

Sunday, August 3 - 8th Sunday after Pentecost

9:00A Worship with communion and
Also live-streamed on YouTube
Fjeldberg Kids during worship!
10:15A Coffee, treats & conversation
1:00P Iowa Cubs Family Event, Des Moines

Monday, August 4

1:00 P Ladies Card Club

Tuesday, August 5

1:00 P Men's Card Group

Wednesday, August 6

6:00 P Huxley Food Pantry is open

Thursday, August 7

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

Sunday, August 10 - 9th Sunday after Pentecost

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

Monday, August 11

1:00 P Ladies Card Group

Tuesday, August 12

1:00 P Men's Card Group

Wednesday, August 13

6:00 P Huxley Food Pantry is open

Thursday, August 14

10:00A Huxley Food Pantry is open

Sunday, August 17 - 10th Sunday after Pentecost

9:00A Worship with Communion and
Blessing of the Backpacks
Also live-streamed on YouTube
Fjeldberg Kids during worship
10:15A Coffee, treats & conversation
10:15A Worship & Music Committee
11:00A Out to Brunch Bunch - TCI, Polk City

Monday, August 18

1:00 P Ladies Card Club
6:30 P Church Council

Tuesday, August 19

1:00 P Men's Card Group

Wednesday, August 20

6:00 P Huxley Food Pantry is open

Thursday, August 21

9:30A Thursday Bible Study (Youth Room)
10:00A Huxley Food Pantry is open
6:00P JOY Seekers at Saints Avenue Cafe, Boone

Saturday, August 23

10:00A Prairie Fest Parade in Huxley

Sunday, August 24

9:00A Community Worship in the Park for
Prairie Fest
NO Fjeldberg Kids during worship

Monday, August 25

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

Tuesday, August 26

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

Wednesday, August 27

6:00 P Huxley Food Pantry is open
6:30 P Choir & Bells Welcome Back Potluck

Thursday, August 28

10:00 Huxley Food Pantry open

Sunday, August 31

9:00A Worship with Anointing (Healing Service)
Also live-streamed on YouTube
Fjeldberg Kids during worship
10:15A Coffee, treats & conversation

Monday, September 1 - Labor Day

Church Offices are CLOSED

1:00P Ladies Card Group

Tuesday, September 2

1:00P Men's Card Group

Wednesday, September 3

6:00P Huxley Food Pantry is open

Thursday, September 4

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

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Worship Servers:

Altar Guild: Helen E.
Bread Baker: Daphne A.
Streaming: John W.

>>> AUGUST 3

Church Musicians: Lisa P.
Special Music: Bruce M.
Liturgist (NTF): Tim E.
Acolyte(s): ???
Greeters: Nancy S-C. & Sue L.
Reader: Heidi L.
Proclaim Slides: Sue E.
Communion Assistants: Heidi L., Suzy B.
and Helen E.
Altar Flowers: Helen E.
Fellowship Hosts: Bob & Sue J., Sheila N. &
Jessica N.
Sound: Mel V.

>>> AUGUST 10

Church Musicians: Paul V. R.
Liturgist: NA (Setting 10)
Greeters: Suzy B. & Steve Q.
Reader: Anne Q.
Proclaim slides: Kathy W.
Communion Assistants: Nancy S.-C. & Helen E.
Acolyte(s): Boden B.
Altar Flowers: Leonard & Patty F.
Fellowship Hosts: ???
Sound: Heather B.

>>> AUGUST 17

Church Musicians: Paul V. R.
Liturgist (NTF): Mel V.
Greeters: Roger W. and ???
Reader: Suzy B.
Proclaim Slides: Stacy P.
Communion Assistants: ???, ???, & ???
Acolytes: ???
Altar Flowers: Lorraine & Pete H. honoring
August birthdays and annicercaries.
Fellowship Hosts: ???
Sound: Bill H.

>>> AUGUST 24

9:00 A **Community Worship in the Park for
Prairie Fest.** Bring your own blankets or
lawn chairs to Railway Park in Huxley as
we celebrate worship with our brothers
and sisters in Christ.



>>> AUGUST 31

Church Musicians: Paul V. R.
Liturgist: NA (Setting 10)
Greeters: Peggy W. & Kya H.
Reader: Kya H.
Proclaim Slides: Jan N.
Communion Assistants: NA - Healing Sunday
Acolytes: ???
Altar Flowers: Bob & Sue J. in honor of Pastor
Pastor Tim's birthday
Fellowship Hosts: Sharon H., Joan, T. Mary H.

Rally



September 7

Ways to Serve

>>> FOOD PANTRY INFORMATION

July Statistics

Households Served: 53 Total People Served: 167

Age Groups: 0-18: 72 19-59: 74 60+: 21

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)
- Instant potatoes (all flavors in pouches)
- Canned Chili (with beans)
- Honey (small bottles)
- Mushrooms (small cans)
- Chunky soups (all varieties)

VOLUNTEERS to work Fjeldberg Lutheran Church: Huxley/Kelley Food Pantry Volunteers
([signupgenius.com](https://www.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.



>>> BALLARD SUMMER MEALS FOR KIDS

Currently there are more than 145 children signed up to receive meals this summer. Meals are assembled by volunteers at the Ballard Middle School kitchen on Tuesday and Friday mornings; then distributed from the Middle School here in Huxley, over in Slater and also in Cambridge. If you are able to volunteer to assemble or deliver meals please use the link below

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4FAEAB2EA3F4C52-56904694-ballard>

Monetary donations can be made by:

- check to Fjeldberg with Ballard Meals for Kids on the memo line.
- by cash in an offering envelope - note Ballard Meals for Kids on it
- thru Fjeldberg's Church Center App.

Over the summer this program will have provided approximately 11,000 meals to children in our school district.



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.**