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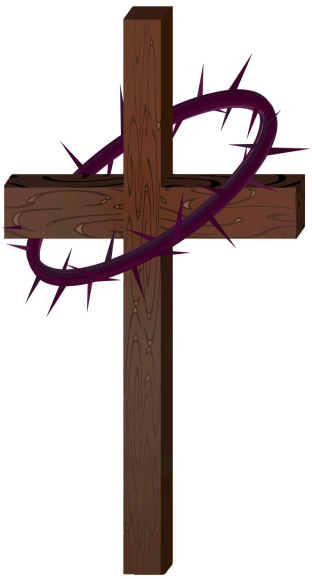
Pleasant Valley Lutheran Church

MARCH Newsletter 2026



In his year- end message, our Bishop Martin Halom focused on the theme of connection. Connection for the life and future of the church. Given his emphasis on this theme, I would like to also share a few ideas on the theme of connection.

First of all, connection to others is a very basic human need. Most of us need some cooperation with others for our basic needs of food, clothing, and shelter. We need our parents to protect us when we are young and to teach us how to behave when we are older. If we get sick or injured, we need someone to care for us. We need socialization with others if we are to marry and have families of our own. We need others to talk to if we share feelings, thoughts, or ideas. We need others to offer our help if we are to share our instincts of kindness and generosity. We need a connection to a community of people where we can share emotions. Emotions such as: love and joy, and sometimes grief and sadness, as well as the emotions that go with singing and worship.

More important than those however, is our connection to God. We thank Him as our maker, who has given us life and all that sustains us. And the most important connection of all, is our connection to God's Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Because He paid the price for the sin of the whole world. He can offer us the gift of eternal life in His Heavenly home, where our connections with the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are forever!

The good news is, we have those connections here at Pleasant Valley, and we can make further connections to others in the community. We can invite them to church to make connections with our members. My understanding is that our young people are already doing that with their classmates at school. I also understand that people of our congregation are inviting neighbors and people of the community to come and participate in activities at church, especially the Sunday School Christmas program. And when people visit us here at Pleasant Valley, we can hope that they will feel the presence of the Holy Spirit here among us. And we can pray that they will make their own connection with Jesus as their Savior. Then we will have made the connection God really wants us to make!

Your brother in Christ,
Pastor Sands

Pleasant Valley Lutheran Church
Council Minutes
February 2, 2026

The meeting was called to order by President Dwight Sands at 6:30 P.M. Pastor Dave Sands led the council in prayer and devotion. Pastor Dave thanked the council acting on behalf of the congregation for putting our trust in him.

Council positions for 2026 as follows:

President - Dwight Sands - 2 years left
Vice-President - Stephanie Kuehl - 3 years left
Education - Rhonda Hoverson - 2 years left
Worship - Cortney Sands - 3 years left
Property - Dave Vlcek - 1 year left

Motion made by Rhonda with a second from Dwight to approve positions. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Cortney with a second from Stephanie to appoint Roxie Ulness as treasurer and Kay Sands as secretary. Motion carried.

Hearing of Visitors

Marty Johnson shared how he uses the Google document created by Stephanie to find supply pastors. Marty will share the document with Cortney so she can take on that task.

Education

~Rhonda will contact Corissa Sands about involving the Sunday school kids in planning, preparing and serving the Easter breakfast between services on Easter Sunday, April 5. Randy Sands will apply for a Thrivent Seed Card to help support the expenses of the breakfast.

~Pastor Dave will involve the confirmation students in the Lenten services. They will also be asked to help during the soup suppers each Wednesday during Lent.

Worship

~Pastor Dave Sands and council members will be installed on Sunday, Feb.15.

~Pastor Sands will lead a worship service on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 18 at 5:30. The Holden Evening Prayer will be used for Lent. Stephanie Kuehl will assist in the singing. A supper will follow the service.

~The remainder of the Wednesday Lenten services will start with a soup supper from 5:30 - 6:00 P.M. and service led by Pastor Sands at 6:15 P.M.

~Roxie will pick up the large palms for Palm Sunday.

~An Easter sunrise service with communion will be at 6:30 A.M. A worship service led by the Praise Team will be at 9:00. Rhonda will take care of the

balloon drop. An Easter breakfast will be served between the two services from 7:00 - 8:30 A.M.

Property

~Dave will put the filter on the well for controlling the iron content after Oium Well Drilling is done with their required water testing.

Old Business

~Chairs for the Sunday school area tabled for the March meeting.

~The lift works, but there are times when the door has a glitch. Ruth Poore used a suction cup on the door to close it. It is advised that anyone using the lift have someone present outside of the lift. It was noted that other churches have someone appointed to operate the lift. That ensures the lift is used properly and people feel comfortable while using it.

~Pastoral contract with Pastor Dave Sands has been completed. He will receive $200 for teaching confirmation during the month of January.

New Business

~Easter breakfast - see comments under education and worship above.

~Easter plants - Kay will pick up spring plants to be distributed to our shut-ins on Palm Sunday.

Other

~Pastor Sands would like a postcard sent to our members to invite them to attend our Easter service. Stephanie will draft an invitation.

~Membership list - Kay will go through the membership book to compile a more efficient list.

~Steph will draft a letter for members to update their membership status with Pleasant Valley.

~A request was made to purchase a new vacuum cleaner for the church. The Kirby is great for major cleaning, but too heavy for weekly cleaning. A motion by Roxie with a second from Rhonda was made to approve up to $250 for a new vacuum cleaner. Motion carried. Stephanie found one at Sam's Club and will pick it up. The current vacuum cleaner(s) will be offered to anyone at church. If no one wants it, then it will be taken to First Choice to be recycled.

Mission Offering

February - Jill Anderson and family (Baby Allison born at 24 weeks).
March - Dave Gray, diagnosed with CNS lymphoma
April - Sojourner House
May - Luther Park Bible Camp/Scholarships

The next council meeting is set for Thursday, March 12 at 6:30 P.M.

A motion to adjourn was made by Roxie with a second from Rhonda. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:06 P.M. and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by,
Kay Sands

Members present: Dwight Sands, Roxie Ulness, Stephanie Kuehl, Rhonda Hoverson, Cortney Sands and Kay Sands

Treasurer's Report:

Summary of Offering and Expenses

	YTD	January	February
Offering /Misc	$4,882.00	$4,202.27	$3,288.49
Expenses	$8856.13	$3,537.99	$3,671.53

Offering Under Expenses - Jan - $399.61
Offering Under Expenses - Feb- $3,388.71
Offering Over Expenses – Y-T-D: $3,787.87

Mission Offerings:

Jan- Natalie Evenson- $345.00
Feb- Jill Anderson - $229.00

Memorials:

Building Fund:
In memory of Lenny Odegard from Dale & Sharon Anderson

Lift Fund:
In memory of Jim Anderson from Larry & Crystal Sands

Interested in online giving - go to the church website and click on **"Give Online Now".

Respectfully submitted:
Roxie Ulness, Treasurer

Praise Team News

The Praise Team will play in worship at Pleasant Valley at 9 am on March 22 and 29, and will lead worship at the Chippewa Valley Correctional Treatment Facility (CVCTF) those evenings at 6:30 pm. During Lent, practices will be held on Wednesdays at following worship.

H3 (Holy, Happy and Healthy)

H3 will continue meeting every Tuesday at 9:30 am at Immanuel Lutheran in Eau Claire and on Zoom. The group is studying "A Beautiful Year" by Diana Butler Bass. Everyone is welcome to participate. Contact Kim Vlcek for more information.

RUTH (Rural Unity Through Hope) -

(Highlights from the January and February 2026 meetings)

Research is being done for a site to relocate a house for use by individuals leaving incarceration. Preliminary meetings are being held with Trempealeau county staff to discuss the need for day care centers and affordable housing. "Braver Angels" is a group that teaches strategies on how to have a discussion with people who hold different opinions. It was suggested we reach out to them to conduct a session in our area. Travis Mossman has been engaged to create a website for RUTH. A subscription for Zoom will also be purchased to use at the church. Seventy IV Hoodies have been distributed since the project began in March, 2024. RUTH will donate fruit trees and blueberry bushes for the Independence Community Garden planned at the new library. Clothing was purchased for a woman who recently left incarceration. More women's clothing needs to be purchased for the RUTH Clothing Closet. Lumber has been purchased to create raised beds on the Blair Community Garden site. Assistance is needed for building the beds. Eleva Lutheran is donating four portable raised beds--two for the Blair Community Garden and two for the Independence Community Garden. The next meeting is Monday, March 23, 2026 at 6:30 pm at Peace Lutheran, Pigeon Falls and on Zoom. Contact Kim Vlcek for more information about RUTH.

WELCA News

The NW Synod of Wisconsin Women's Retreat will be held on June 29-30, 2026 at Luther Park in Chetek. Note it will be held on Monday and Tuesday, a change from previous years. The retreat flyer and registration form are included in this newsletter. The next W/ELCA Triennial Gathering is scheduled for July 16-19, 2026 in Des Moines, Iowa. Make plans to attend. More information is available at https://www.womenoftheelca.org/new-triennial-event-page

IV Hoodie for You

Are you receiving IV treatments, or do you know of someone who is? Then you or that person can receive an IV Hoodie …free of charge! An IV Hoodie has a zipper in the sleeve or in the chest for a port to help make treatments more comfortable. Monetary donations are welcome. If you'd like more information please call or text Ellen Hauser at 715-797-4354.

Palm Sunday Path

The Palm Sunday Path is a community gathering in solidarity for peaceful witness of faith, building community with our neighbors, uplifting core Christian values to care for the hungry, the thirsty, the strangers, the sick, the prisoners (Matt 25:31-47). This Synod-wide event is scheduled for Palm Sunday, March 29th from 3-4 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church in Eau Claire. Speakers, music, dancers and other activities are planned. A flyer is included in this newsletter. Please attend and show your love and support for your neighbors!

Thanks to our visiting Pastors and members this month who helped with worship

Bonnie Isaacson

Marty Johnson

Announcements:

- ★ .Sign up for opportunities to serve in the fellowship room
- ★ March 4, 11, 18, 25 : 5:30 Lent soup supper, Lenten service 6:15.
- ★ Confirmation students will be taking part in Lent services in place of class.
- ★ The next council meeting is set for Thursday, March 12 at 6:30 P.M.
- ★ 6:30am Easter sunrise service with communion
- ★ 9:00am Easter worship service led by the Praise Team
- ★ Easter breakfast will be served between the two services from 7:00 - 8:30 A.M.

★ Let Teresa know if there are any announcements you would like included in the bulletin; Friday before Sunday Worship.

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Mission offerings:

★ March - Dave Gray, diagnosed with Primary CNS
★ April - Sojourner House
★ May - Luther Park Bible Camp/Scholarships

TEXTS FOR MARCH

March 1:

- Genesis 12:1-4a
- Romans 4:1-5, 13-17
- John 3:1-17
- Psalm 121

March 8:

- Exodus 17:1-7
- Romans 5:1-11
- John 4:5-42
- Psalm 95

March 15

- 1 Samuel 16:1-13
- Ephesians 5:8-14
- John 9:1-41
- Psalm 23

March 22:

- Ezekiel 37:1-14
- Romans 8:6-11
- John 11:1-45
- Psalm 130

March 29:

The Liturgy of the Palms

- Matthew 21:1-11
- Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

The Liturgy of the Word

- Isaiah 50:4-9a
- Philippians 2:5-11
- Matthew 26:14- 27:66
- ***or*** Matthew 27:11-54
- Psalm 31:9-16

From our Mailbox

Salem Lutheran Office Manager, Shell Lake, WI
We are seeking a part-time Office Manager to oversee the daily operations of our office environment. This pivotal role involves coordinating items and information for Sunday worship and managing daily tasks of a church. The ideal candidate will bring a proactive attitude, exceptional communication skills, and a passion for creating an efficient, welcoming workplace.
Please stop in or email resume to: salemlutheran012@gmail.com or call 715-468-7718.

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You're invited to the next Leadership Circle fireside chat!

On Thursday, March 19, join us as we learn how ELCA World Hunger makes a difference in communities in the United States, the Caribbean and U.S. Virgin Islands. In our own neighborhoods and through many of our congregations, ELCA World Hunger works to raise awareness and address hunger and poverty in the key areas of community development, networking, education and advocacy.
During this virtual event, you will hear stories from churchwide staff as well as domestic partners who are addressing the root causes of hunger with the help of grants funded by your generous support. Our speakers will give you a glimpse into our collective work to make sure that all are fed. You can submit questions in advance when you register at the link below. We hope you can join us — we're looking forward to a lively conversation about the work of our church!

Register Now

Note: The registration page will close at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, March 17.

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Joy Lutheran in Centuria has a Grief Group (new within 6 months) on the 2nd Monday of each month. One at 11:00am and one at 6:00pm.

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Visit livinglutheran.org and sign up for your free digital membership today. You'll get perks like access to exclusive online content, plus the ability to save your favorite articles and subscribe to our weekly email newsletter.

Volunteer Opportunity: Ride Across Wisconsin Rest Stop – July 11, 2026

Our church will be serving as a rest stop utilizing Olsen Park for Ride Across Wisconsin (RAW) on Saturday, July 11, 2026, and volunteers are needed to help welcome and support the cyclists passing through. This rest stop plays an important role in keeping riders **fueled, encouraged, and energized** throughout their journey. Volunteers assist with handing out snacks and water, cheering riders on, and creating a warm, positive atmosphere for everyone who stops by. It's a fun, high-energy way to serve our wider community, and even a short shift makes a meaningful impact.

Individuals, families, and groups are all welcome to participate. If you are unable to join in person an option would be to provide baked goods for the riders.

If you're interested or would like more details about timing and roles, please reach out. We'd love to have you be part of this special day of service and hospitality. If you're interested or would like more details, please contact Heather at **(262) 210-0162** or **heather@wisconsinbikefed.org**.

Dear friends,

The Theological Discernment team of the ELCA churchwide organization is excited to share with you three key pieces of social teaching adopted by the ELCA Church Council and 2025 Churchwide Assembly. We hope that information about these recent documents of the church will be helpful in your ministry. Please share these with others in your congregation and community. Spanish translations and large-print versions of each document are already posted on the ELCA website or will be available soon.Find these and other social teaching resources at resources.elca.org. Select "Faith and Society" from the "Topics" menu to get started.

NEW Social Statement—*Faith and Civic Life: Seeking the Well-being of All*

Faith and Civic Life: Seeking the Well-being of All sets forth broad insights that address questions and challenges to the flourishing of civic life in the United States today. The social statement draws on the Scriptures and Lutheran Confessions to examine God's call to civic participation as well as key issues, including church and state, Christian nationalism and the appropriate use of power in government. It calls for robust civic education and offers criteria relevant to questions of political violence, voter suppression, systemic racism and the use of religion to justify domination. Read the full social statement at ELCA.org/civicsandfaith.

UPDATED Social Statement—*Human Sexuality: Gift and Trust*

The 2025 Churchwide Assembly adopted the edited text of *Human Sexuality: Gift and Trust*. The edits, authorized by the 2022 Churchwide Assembly, update language while maintaining the statement's theological vision of trust, responsibility, pastoral care and well-being. A diverse task force led the ELCA in discernment on these edits. This same task force has begun work on a second, substantive reconsideration of the social statement's description of the coexistence of four different but valid convictions that Lutherans faithfully hold about same-gender relationships. To learn more and to read the 2025 social statement, visit ELCA.org/reconsiderations.

NEW Social Message on "Child Protection"

This new social message draws on the Scriptures, Lutheran traditions, research and the experiences of ELCA Lutherans to deepen our understanding of child maltreatment and to offer a theological vision of childhood and the church's commitment to the dignity and well-being of children. It includes robust sections on forgiveness, confidentiality in pastoral care, trauma-informed ministry and specific policy recommendations for protecting children. Order or download "Child Protection" at ELCA.org/ChildProtection.

In Christ,
Ryan P. Cumming, Ph.D.
Director, Theological Ethics
Office of the Presiding Bishop

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Ruby's Pantry Pop-Up Pantry

Location: Mondovi County Shop
360 South Eau Claire St. Mondovi, WI
Held every 3rd Thursday of the month
Time: 4:30 PM – 5:30 PM
$25 Cash Donation
All are welcome to attend!

Ruby's Pantry is a community food pop-up pantry where guests receive an abundance of food for a small donation. This ministry helps individuals and families stretch their grocery budget while serving our community with dignity and care.

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A RETREAT FOR GRANDPARENTS!
Here is a new opportunity for grandparents to take time together to discover how God sees our role as a calling. We will share together ways we can build stronger relationships, be equipped to better love and protect those precious grandkids and consider all it means to be the best grandparents we can be. Don't miss this unique opportunity to apply your faith to make a difference in the lives of your grandchildren.
When: March 6-8, 2026(Opening session 7pm March 6)
Where: Camp Wapo, 1204 74th Ave., Amery, WI 54001
Cost: $210 Includes Saturday Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Sunday brunch.
To Register: Fill out form found on www.adultssavingkids.org or call 612-708-1875
Write check to: Adults Saving Kids and send to Adults Saving Kids, 816 Millwood Ave., Roseville, MN 55113
What to Bring: Notebook, Bible, pillow, sleeping bag or bedding, towel, soap, and personal items.
Leaders: Pastor Al Erickson, Patricia Malloy and musicians
Casual dress – we are at a camp
www.adultssavingkids.org
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2026 Council Members	Position	Years left to serve
Dwight Sands	President	2
Steph Kuehl	Vice President	3
Kay Sands	Secretary	
Roxie Ulness	Treasurer	
Rhonda Hoverson	Education	1
Dave Vlcek	Property	1
Cortney Sands	Worship	3

Installation of council took place February 15:

Installation of Pastor David Sands took Place February 15:

If you have any photos you would like to submit to the newsletter email them to: *pleasantvalleylutheranchurch@gmail.com* "Subject newsletter photos"

WE INVITE PRAYERS FOR:

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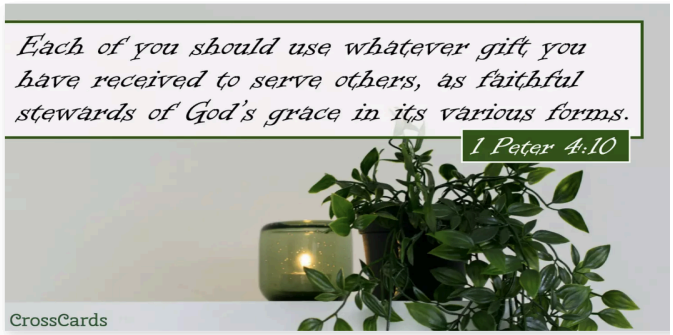
Calling of a new Pastor for our church
Eric Anderson
Beth Stoddard- hospital
Maureen (Preeny) Kuhn-Kay Sands sister-in-law
David (Red) McElwanie
Kari-Healing
Sadie Hoverson Odegard- healing at home
Sandy Schuh-healing
Barb Anderson (Chad's wife)- Cancer
Karen Voss
Katie (Lammers) Household
Maria
Lyle
Sharon Anderson- Healing
Alice-Art's mother-in-law-healing
Barb-Steph's friend
Joy -Kathy T. daughter
Tanner- Hodgkins
Tony- waiting for kidney transplant
Randy Walker- fighting cancer
Joan Timm- healing
Guy Patrow – Tested positive for ALS
Karl Bahr – continued healing
Lisa & Glen-Fostering children
All our service men and women:
Alex Bauer- now stationed in Virginia
Middle East
Guatemala
Ukraine
Shelby Cole and family - missionaries living in France
Keyla & Heber - the Sharing the Dream recipients, students in Guatemala
Men incarcerated at CVCTF and **Chaplain Hull**
All those who are missing a loved one: The Family of Sharon Hazen
Those on our visiting list: Gary Hazen, Sandy Schuch, Sadie Hoverson Odegard



Opportunities to Serve

Feel free to sign up for a single week or a full month. Expectations of opportunities have been developed. The expectations are placed near the area to be served.

2026	MARCH	APRIL	MAY
Communion Set-up	3/1 Kathy T 3/8 3/15 Kathy T 3/22 3/29	4/5 Easter -Monica 4/12 4/19 Monica 4/26	5/3 5/10 5/17 5/24 5/31
Communion Server	3/1 Kim 3/8 3/15 Kim 3/22 3/29 Kim	4/5 Easter -Monica 4/12 4/19 Monica 4/26	5/3 5/10 5/17 5/24 5/31
Usher	3/1 3/8 3/15 3/22 3/29	4/5 Easter 4/12 4/19 4/26	5/3 5/10 5/17 5/24 5/31
Reader	3/1 Kim 3/8 Kim 3/15 Kim 3/22 Kim 3/29 Kim	4/5 Easter-Monica 4/12 4/19 Monica 4/26	5/3 5/10 5/17 5/24 5/31
Church Cleaning	3/1-/29 Rhonda	4/5 Easter -4/26 Sharon	5/3 5/10 5/17 5/24 5/31
Serve refreshments	3/1 Crystal 3/8 Crystal 3/15 Crystal 3/22 Crystal 3/29 Crystal	4/5 Easter -none 4/12 4/19 Monica 4/26Julie Rykal	5/3 5/10 5/17 5/24 5/31

Opportunities to Serve our Community

There are many ways to stay connected in our community and extended rural areas: Many organizations need volunteers. Please sign up ONLINE; many will not take drop in help. If you have any interest to help out or ask questions, you can call Marianna at 715-828-2185 (cell), email: Marianna.gilbertson@gmail.com or go online to view the websites.

Agency	Activity/Program	Contact
The Community Table(TCT)	The Community Table has been nourishing hungry bodies and spirits in the Eau Claire Community by serving one meal each day, 365 days a year on a no-questions asked basis. Anyone can join our table during meal time.	TJ Atkins director email at marketing@thecommunitytable.org OR https://communitytable.org/
Feed My People Food Bank (FMPFB) Our volunteers make our mission possible. Because of their dedication, grit, and passion, they're connecting folks to much-needed food through thick and thin	Feed My People rescues nationally and regionally donated food from manufacturers, wholesalers, retailers, and growers that might otherwise be thrown away. We welcome individuals and groups to come volunteer at the food bank. Opportunities include packing emergency food bags, repacking bulk products, and picking orders for our food pantry partners.	Learn more and sign up through our volunteer portal. **Did you know we have regular group volunteer opportunities on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays?** Your group of 6-15 people can help us pack food from 9-11 am and 1-3 pm. Email Ken at ken@fmpfoodbank.org to get started.
Inclusive Ministry Church	A church experience where you are welcomed with abilities and disabilities, just as you	See their facebook page for more information.
Beacon House	A group of congregations in Eau Claire County collaborated together to support families in our community who were homeless.	https://www.familypromisecv.org/?utm _source=beacon-house.org
Sleep In Heavenly Peace	A group of volunteers dedicated to building, assembling and delivering single beds or bunk beds to children and families in need.	https://shpbeds.org/chapter/wi-chippewa-valley/
Respite for All	Provides training for congregations to launch this outreach ministry and it offers ongoing support and mentoring.	www.respiteforall.org
Chippewa Valley Habitat For Humanity (CVHFH)	Christian non-denominational organization whose mission is “to put God's love into action by bringing people together to build homes, communities and hope.”	Habitat Affiliate Manager, Elizabeth, elizabeth@cvh4h.org or 715-833-8993 Or Use this ***link*** ***today*** and take a look at the volunteer opportunities!
Neighbor to Neighbor	Is organized by Deacon Lidixe Montoya. church about N2N and how we can help or understand our Latin Speaking neighbors.	https://nwswi.org/neighbor-to-neighbor
American Red Cross	Volunteers Urgently Needed	www.redcross.org/volunteer. Contact: volunteerwisconsin@redcross.org for any questions regarding opportunities.
Volunteer Wisconsin	One-stop site connecting nonprofits in need of help with people who can are interested in volunteering	Click here for a full list of every organization currently looking for volunteers. Then, click on “Filters” at the top to sort the openings by city, interest, agency, age range, or about 20 different factors. After doing so, you’ll be left with a list of opportunities.
Agnes' Table	Monday, Wednesday or Friday from 8am to 12pm. Up to 3-4 volunteers at 1 time, preferably 1 shift. The tasks range from: serving breakfast, helping unload food rescue, restocking our pantry, cleaning jobs or meal prep for the next day.	https://www.agnestable.org/

2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00 am Worship 10:00am Coffee & Fellowship *PASTOR: Dave Sands	**2**	**3** H3 meets 9:30 am at Immanuel Lutheran in Eau Claire and on Zoom	**4** 5:30 pm Lent Soup Supper 6:15 Lent Service 	**5**	**6**	**7**
8 9:00 am Worship 10:00am Coffee & Fellowship *PASTOR/Leader: Dave Whelan	**9**	**10** H3 meets 9:30 am at Immanuel Lutheran in Eau Claire and on Zoom	**11** 5:30 pm Lent Soup Supper 6:15 Lent Service 	**12**	**13**	**14**
15 9:00 am Worship 10:00am Coffee & Fellowship *PASTOR: Dave Sands	**16**	**17** H3 meets 9:30 am at Immanuel Lutheran in Eau Claire and on Zoom	**18** 5:30 pm Lent Soup Supper 6:15 Lent Service 	**19**	**20**	**21**
22 9:00 am Praise Team Worship Service in Church 10:00am Coffee, Fellowship 6:30pm Praise Team leads worship at CVCTF LEADER: Jeremiah Segerstrom	**23**	**24** H3 meets 9:30 am at Immanuel Lutheran in Eau Claire and on Zoom	**25** 5:30 pm Lent Soup Supper 6:15 Lent Service 	**26**	**27**	**28**
29 9:00 am Praise Team Worship Service in Church 10:00am Coffee, Fellowship 6:30pm Praise Team leads worship at CVCTF *PASTOR: Dave Sands	**30**	**31** H3 meets 9:30 am at Immanuel Lutheran in Eau Claire and on Zoom	**1**	**2**	**3**	**4**

*3 to 4 pm Palm Sunday Path, Trinity Lutheran, Eau Claire

2026

WELCA WOMEN'S RETREAT

INFORMATION SHEET

Mon. June 29 & Tue. June 30

Presenter: Pati Kachel

God Is Writing Your Story

Music: Sue Saarem

Hosted by: Women of the ELCA

Northwest Synod of Wisconsin
Jacki Johnson – coordinator 715-864-1489

Held at: Luther Park Bible Camp
944 24 ¼ Street Chetek, WI

Full 2 day - Retreat - Early Bird Registration **$95 postmarked by 6/5/26**. **$120 postmarked after 6/5/26** *This includes 4 meals, overnight lodging in a handicap accessible cabin, cabins sleep 6 women (per side – 2 sides), Speaker, camp activities, and costs to host the retreat.*

Needed items for overnight stay: Bible and pen along with personal items, towels, pillows, bedding or sleeping bag, flashlight, swimsuit (if you want to swim), snacks, camera, and spending money.

Monday only, Early Bird Registration **$65 postmarked by 6/5/26**. **$90.00 postmarked after 6/5/26** *This includes 2 meals, Speaker, camp activities, and costs to host the retreat.*

Needed items for one day retreat: Bible and pen along with swimsuit (if you want to swim), towel, camera, and spending money. ***NO ONSITE Registration* and *No early check-ins for Cabins***

No refunds, but registration can transfer to another woman

Registration: Monday – 9:00 A.M. – 10:15 A.M. in the Ministry Center

First time participant orientation begins at 9:15 a.m. and 9:40 a.m.

A free will offering will be taken with proceeds going to *(Church Women's Group and Personal offerings are encouraged)*

½ WELCA for Synod use
¼ Luther Park
¼ Feed My People

TO BE ECO FRIENDLY – PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN RE-FILLABLE WATER BOTTLE WATER JUGS WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE CAMP - PLASTIC BOTTLES OF WATER WILL NOT BE PROVIDED

REGISTRATION FORM

Early bird rates apply if postmarked by

6/5/2026 2026

WELCA WOMEN'S RETREAT

Mon. June 29 & Tue. June 30

Meet our Presenter: Pati Kachel

Pati loves God, His people, and His Holy Word….and she loves to tell stories about all of these!
Pati's stories are humorous, heartwarming and above all, Christ-centered. Drawing on her Norwegian and German heritage, Pati weaves family stories and colorful characters into her homespun tales.
Check out The Parable Fund to learn more about Pati.

https://www.theparablefund.org/bio

PLEASE DUPLICATE THIS FORM AS NEEDED **Registration required by June 22nd**

Make Checks Payable to **WELCA** (not your church or Luther Park)

Send to: Barb Krug @ 883 Brucker Street Medford, WI 54451
Questions: call or text 715-965-5696 email: barbkrug@charter.net

Name: First & Last (as you would like it on your name tag) _____

Is this your 1st retreat? _____ **Would you like an orientation at the camp?**_____

Address: _____

Email_____

Telephone: _____

Church Name and City_____

Attending only on Monday _____

Do you have any special dietary requirements? _____