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FaithBytes

November 2025



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Thank you!

To the Faithbridge Family:
Thank you so much for the outpouring of appreciation you showed to us in October. The cards, gifts and notes meant a lot to us. We thank the Lord that we can serve Him together with you at Faithbridge.

Pastor Jeff and Jessica
Pastor Mike and Sabina, JAH and Whitney

There will be no Awana on Wednesday, November 26th, Thanksgiving Eve.

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FaithBytes

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Submission Deadline for the December 2025 issue is:
Monday, November 24

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Feedback is always welcome.



The weekly bulletin and monthly FaithBytes can be viewed online at www.faithbridgepr.org/resources

Worship Schedule

8:00 AM Worship Service
9:15 AM Fellowship Time in the Gym
9:30 AM Faith Classes
10:30 AM Faith Kids JR
10:30 AM Worship Service and Livestream

A staffed nursery is available in the West Wing for infants though 2 years.

Sundays @ 10:30
LIVESTREAM
www.faithbridgepr.org



Faith Kids JR (3 Yr-1st grade) will meet in the Cubbies Room during the 10:30 AM Service. Be sure to sign-in your children at the West Check-In Desk and pick up your children at the Cubbies Room immediately after the second service.

Sunday, Nov. 16, 6 PM—Annual Election & Stewardship Plan Mtg.

FAITH FORCE SENIORS

Seniors **will not** be meeting on the 4th Monday for potluck in November. You are encouraged to attend the Faith Mission Circle Pie Auction on the 18th. On December 8th, we will have a special Christmas Potluck. Meat, rolls and dessert will be provided. You are invited to bring side dishes such as potatoes, vegetables, rice and/or salad.

FAITH MISSION CIRCLE

There will be **no** regular meeting of the Faith Mission Circle in November. We will be preparing for the Pie Auction on Tuesday, November 18. See the bulletin insert about the Pie Auction and how you can be involved. See you there on the 18th.



Thank you for your ongoing support of
Summit Ministries Scholarships.

When you purchase the following items, the monies go into the Scholarship Fund. You may also donate by designating on the offering envelope to "Summit Scholarships". Scholarships help send a young person to the Summer Summit Ministry Conference, held in Colorado each year.

Available during the week in the East Foyer: Cards & Calendars (\$10) Notepad (\$3)

Nov.	Welcome Desk	Greeters	Welcome Desk	Greeters
	7:45 AM	7:45 AM	10:15 AM	10:15 AM
2	Haroldson	Jim & Julie T.	Becker	Youth Steve & Debbie A.
9	Trottier	Doug & Mary B. Ray & Barb K.	Amber L.	Lynda S. Sandra L.
16	Folkestad	Drew & Sarah M.	Diane J.	Don & Sue G.
23	Lundstrom	Charlie & Judy P. Brian & Wendy K.	Kriens	Sandy C. Dan & Pat McG.
30	Henderson	Byron & Judy D. Mike and Dee R.	Vredenburg	Pam K. Tracee L.

Nov.	7:45 Door Openers				
	N1	N2	E1	W1	S1
2	Becky M.	Help Needed		Help Needed	Steve M.
9	Dave V.	Help Needed		Help Needed	Ken & Evie O.
16	Frank S.	Help Needed		Help Needed	Diane S.
23	Becky M.	Help Needed		Help Needed	Steve M.
30	Dave V.				
Nov.	10:15 Door Openers				
	N1	N2	E1	W1	S1
2	Youth	Youth		Youth	Youth
9	Bev S.	Help Needed		Help Needed	Denny S.
16		Help Needed		Help Needed	Sue P.
23	Munson Family	Help Needed		Help Needed	Munson Family
30					

HUG Volunteers: See message on Page 20 regarding December needs.

	Nov. Library
2	Judy Abby
9	Diane
16	Debbie
23	Kerry
30	Joyce

NURSERY

Nov.	7:45	9:15	10:15	FaithKids Jr
2	Liz A.	Lahana L.	Lahana L. Karen L.	Kelly Y. Kristen B.
9	Bev S.	Liz A. Amber L.	Lydia G. Jennifer O.	Sabina T. Kelly Y.
16	Sarah M.	Lahana L.	Lahana L. Rita B.	Sabina Charlie/Cathy
23	Sue P.	Ava & Phillip R.	Lahana L. Tammy P.	Jennifer O. Laura B.
30				

Dear Faithbridge Family,

Happy Fall, y'all! The leaves have changed and fallen to the ground. The grass is turning from green to brown, preparing for its winter dormancy. The light of day shines shorter as the oncoming winter nights are getting longer. Smoke is beginning to fill the air as people light fires in the fireplaces as much for comfort as for warmth. Though far too soon, there are the occasional, rogue Christmas commercials on TV and songs on the radio.

As we enter into the holiday season we may be tempted to want to retreat and hibernate to recover, especially after such a busy and fast-paced summer where we pack six months into twelve weeks. We may also want to retreat and hibernate for other reasons, such as sadness and loss. If that is you, then may I offer some encouragement from God's Word?

Psalm 55:22 reads, *"Cast your cares on the Lord and He will sustain you; He will never let the righteous be shaken."* Paul takes this thought and builds on it in Romans 15:13 where he writes, *"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."*

Here are four takeaways for this season if you are tempted to suffer rather than rejoice. **First**, *cast your cares on the Lord*. Let Him know just exactly how you are feeling and why you are feeling it. He is big enough and secure enough to not be offended by your cares and concerns. But most importantly, He cares for you and invites you to dump your emotional wreckage upon Him. He will even strengthen you and guide you through it if you would trust Him. He won't let you be shaken.

Second, *God wants to replace your sorrow and dejection with joy and peace*. Paul refers to God as the "God of hope". God is not distant or removed to the point that you can't trust Him or pour yourself out to Him. Quite the opposite, actually. He is near to the broken hearted. He is closer than any friend or brother. This leads us to the **third** takeaway—*trust in Him*. Yep, we need to trust Him. We need to take Him at His Word and trust that He will never leave you nor forsake you. He will guard your heart and your

mind with peace “that surpasses all understanding” in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:7).

And, **finally**, as you cast your cares upon Him, trusting in Him and the hope, joy, and peace that is yours in Christ, *He will fill your hope to overflowing by the power of the Holy Spirit*. That is such a beautiful, comforting reminder that the Holy Spirit dwells inside every believer in Christ Jesus. No matter what you are going through, what grief or sadness grips your heart, what joy or elation you may be experiencing, in the highs and the lows, the presence of the Living God is with you always through the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit!

With those truths before you, may you embrace and enjoy this fall season with a hope and a joy that comes from the very hand of God! Thank you, Lord, for your hope and your mercy and your kindness toward us. All praise to His name!

Grace and peace,
Pastor Jeff

Faith Mission Circle Pie Auction

30th Annual Faith Mission Circle Pie Auction
Tuesday, November 18 ~ Pie at 6 PM
Silent Auction from 6-6:50 PM
Auction will follow



What Happens at the auction?

- We eat and have fun!
- Bid on homemade items (pies, baked/canned goods and crafts)!
- All money raised goes to our supported missionary women for extra money for Christmas.

You may also donate by designated giving to “FMC Christmas”

You may sign up to bring a pie to be served.

You can donate a food item or a homemade craft for the Auction.

Forms are available in the bulletin, in the office or at the welcome desk.



FSM - students 7th-12th

Upper Room

Sunday's - 9:30 AM

Wednesday's - 7:00 PM



November 26th 6:30 – 9 PM at Faithbridge
Bring a favorite side dish or dessert to share (if you can).
Please tell us if you're coming @ faithbridge.org

Community Thank Meal



PARK RAPIDS COMMUNITY THANK MEAL

THANKSGIVING DAY - NOVEMBER 27TH

**HOSTED BY COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS
AT RIVERSIDE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

3 options will be offered for our Community Thank Meal:

- 1. Full Sit down Meal:** at Riverside Fellowship Hall: **11:30am-2:00pm**
There is **NO Charge** for Dining In
- 2. Home Delivery:** within a mile of Park Rapids City Limits: **10:00am-11:30am**
(call 218-237-TRKY [8759] by noon, Wednesday, November 26, 2025)
- 3. Curbside Pick-up:** Look for signage directing to pick up on **North Side**
(there will be signage) of building: **10:00am-11:30am**
(call 218-237-TRKY [8759] by noon, Wednesday, November 26, 2025)

(The hotline donated by Arvig CS)

Hotline will be available Monday, November 24 through Wednesday, November 26
This hotline will close at Noon on November 26th.
After: call Riverside's Office: 218-732-5205 until 2:30pm

Free Will Offerings are gratefully accepted

A Grateful Gathering

Celebrate Thanksgiving with us

FaithMoms Thanksgiving!

Join us Tues. Nov. 25th @ 9:15am

Share a Thanksgiving brunch, activities for the kids, a fall craft for ladies, and a lively conversation about how to establish your families identity through family traditions.

Your presence means the world to us!

DEACON OF THE MONTH

Ken Osterberg



Ken and Evie Osterberg have been attending Faithbridge since 2007. God moved them up from the Twin Cities to the Nevis area full-time in 2017. They have been married for 46 years. Ken came to know Jesus through the witness of a close friend, and finally understanding that salvation came through faith alone in Jesus Christ, he embraced Jesus as his Savior when he was 19. By God's grace, he met Evie a few months later when she wanted to attend a bible study for young adults and knocked on the apartment door of the bible study Ken was attending.

They are blessed with two children Daniel (Heidi) and Candace, and three grandchildren Caleb, Noah, and Grace. They make many trips to the Twin Cities area to visit their family and friends and vise-versa. God has been "rewiring" Ken since he left his life in Corporate America, and they are both involved in various ministries at Faithbridge.

A verse that Ken is currently working to memorize is 1 Corinthians 16:13-14 "Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love."

Board of Deacons	Ken Osterberg - Chr	Denny Sleen	David Lindquist
	Bud Kading	Drew Maninga	Charlie Schmidgall
	Mike Ritter	David Wolff	

Faith Financial Corner		
3rd Quarter 2025		
	<u>July-Sept</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
Income	\$201,343	\$658,224
Expenses	\$236,034	\$656,733
Net Loss/Gain	(\$34,691)	\$1,491

What would Christmas be without music? Get your tickets now and look forward to an enjoyable evening of being blessed as you enter into the Christmas Season.

ORDER TICKETS AT: THRIVEPRODUCTIONSGROUP.COM/EVENTS/

CHRISTMAS IN THE ROUND

AN INTIMATE EVENING OF SONGS AND STORIES



MARK SCHULTZ AARON SHUST

LIMITED NUMBER OF GENERAL ADMISSION TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM THE OFFICE DURING THE WEEK (MON-THURS 8:30-5 PM)

WITH SPECIAL GUESTS



TODD TILGHMAN
Season 18 Winner of The Voice

PRESENCE MUSIC



DEC 11

FAITHBRIDGE CHURCH
7:00 PM
(DOORS OPEN: 6:15 PM)

TICKETS:



WorldHelp

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We are looking forward to Mike Borstad, missionary to Argentina, who will be attending and speaking at the November Pie Auction and will be preaching at our services on November 16th.



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We praise the Lord for the \$3000 that was given for the matching gift enabling a full \$6000 to be sent to IBM Global for the kitchen project!! Praising God for enabling people to donate towards this.

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An **Adult Mission Trip** with Tapestries of Life Ministries, in Mexico is being planned for January 10-17, 2026! More details at the East Welcome Desk. Check your calendar, pray and ask God if He wants you to be one of those to go!

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"Please pray for God's direction for the Missions Ministry Team as we make specific 2026 mission budget decisions on November 17th. Also, please pray for the two new members who will be coming onto the team after the November 16th election. Thank You."

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We grieve/rejoice together at the homegoing of one of our longtime missionaries, Larry Parks (Spain) on October 14. This photo was taken a few days before his death with his wife, Jane, daughter Sara with Jhamir and children, Abby and Mark.



The following is a link (in Spanish) to the funeral livestream.
<https://youtu.be/4tPgN-5exRw?si=KueskQ6oLjGcLxSt>

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God has given us more opportunities to be the hands and feet of Jesus. Let's answer the call.

Be sure to read the latest news from our missionaries - letters are located in the East and West foyer kiosks.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 2025   						
1 2 Communion Sunday 8 AM Worship Service 9:30 AM Faith Classes 10:30 AM Worship Service 10:30 AM Livestream 4 PM Harvest Festival 4:30 PM Hispanic Svc-Chapel	3 Homeschool use 6 PM Volleyball	4 8:30 AM Nursery Cleaning 9 AM Gym use 10 AM FaithMoms Gym 3:30 PM Heritage Comm 5 PM Pickleball	5 7:30 AM Men's Study-Menahga 1 PM Release Time 5 PM Conference Room use 5:30 PM Chapel use 6:55 PM AWANA 7 PM Room to Breathe 7 PM FSM	6 9 AM Gym use 10 AM BSF 10:30 AM Pickleball 1 PM Gym use 6 PM Praise Team	7 Office Closed FSM Reality Conference	1 10 AM GriefShare 
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16 Missionary Speaker 8 AM Worship Service 9:30 AM Faith Classes 10:30 AM Worship Service 10:30 AM Livestream 1 PM Surviving the Holidays 4:30 PM Hispanic Svc-Chapel 6 PM Annual Election & Stewardship Plan Mtg	17 Homeschool use OCC SHOEBOX COLLECTION WEEK 6 PM Volleyball 6:30 PM Missions Team	18 9 AM Gym use 10 AM FaithMoms Gym 5 PM Pickleball 7 PM Faith Mission Circle Pie Auction (Pie Starts @ 6 PM, Silent Auction 6:00-6:50 PM)	19 7:30 AM Men's Study-Menahga 9:30 AM Staff Meeting 1 PM Release Time 5 PM Conference Room use 5:30 PM Chapel use 6:55 PM AWANA 7 PM Room to Breathe 7 PM FSM	20 9 AM Gym use 10 AM BSF 10:30 AM Pickleball 1 PM Gym use 6 PM Praise Team	21 Office Closed	22 10 AM GriefShare
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*Don't forget to look in your Church
Directory for the November
Birthdays and Anniversaries*

The **Host—Usher—Greeter Team** is looking for volunteers willing to welcome our visitors by becoming Door Greeters, Ushers and Welcome Desk Hosts. Contact Tracee in the Office.

A SEASON TO BE THANKFUL

Gratitude is acknowledging and appreciating your blessings, even during difficult and trying times. Your health depends on it. Having grateful thoughts on a daily basis can positively influence your physical health and your spiritual well being by lifting your mood and giving you more energy to fully live your day. Make gratitude a habit by moving your mind from thinking about gratitude occasionally to making it second nature.

When we lose sight of the things we have to be thankful for, stress sets in and can easily take over in many ways. Our immune system can become suppressed making us prone to bacterial and viral infections—colds and flu, etc. Negative thinking patterns can affect blood pressure and heart rate. If we don't pay attention early on in the process, we could be headed down the road to depression if we're not careful.

Plant and cultivate a tree of gratitude in the garden of your life and watch it grow fruits of joy for you and everyone around you for generations to come. As Philippians 4:6,7 says, "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, **with thanksgiving**, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

Have a wonderful and healthy Thanksgiving holiday!

Classic Chorale Christmas Concert on Friday, December 5th and Sunday, December 7th at Calvary Lutheran Church.

PRAHSA Concert on Sunday, December 7th at Faithbridge.

Talk Now and Later

(11/2-12/7) Upper Room
Facilitator: Pastor Mike

Hey Parents! We will be hosting a Faith Class for families. The topic is difficult conversations to have in your home. This gathering will be 6 weeks long, starting 11/2 - 12/7, and include topics like relationships, death, money, forgiveness, etc. Don't wait until something big happens to talk to your kids. "Talk Now and Later" is a resource that will kick off some difficult conversations.

I encourage you to come as the topics are started for you, with a goal for you to continue them with your family. These sessions will be held in conjunction with FSM, so your students should be present. Parents of elementary students are also encouraged to come but keep your students in the appropriate classes as some topics might not be age appropriate just yet.

Diversity—Unity

South Room
Facilitator: David Blake

In this class, we will explore what God's word says about unity and diversity in the Body of Christ, locally and globally. We'll be using a curriculum developed at Capitol Hill Baptist Church in Wash., D.C.

"Believe in Miracles, but Trust in Jesus"

Man Cave
Facilitators: Dave Lindquist & Matt Munson

Scripture says the seven miracles that the apostle John highlighted were intended as signs. The message they carried is proof that Jesus was who He said, the Son of God!

These seven miracles hold great relevance in our lives today. As Dr. Rogers said, "Their purpose is to deepen our trust in Him, not in the miracles themselves." They serve as signposts pointing to Jesus, showing that He was and is God's answer to your deepest need – to your disappointments, doubts, disabilities, desires, despair, darkness, and death.

Prayer Warriors

Lower Room
Facilitator: John Parks

Please join this group if you believe God hears and answers prayers! Spend time praising God, thanking Him, confessing sin, asking for His blessings, and praying for His changing work in our own and other's lives. We will be praying together and encourage prayer requests. "Be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints." Ephesians 6:18



Donations Needed for the Store by Nov. 30th!!

Clubbers in the 3rd - 6th grade club can earn points that will allow them to make purchases at the "Store"

We need your donations of small items that they can purchase. Note-books, jewelry, small toys, dolls, body care sets, barbies, nerf-gun items, nick-nacks, hats, small tools, small puzzles or games, flashlight, glow stix, hair accessories, yoyos, small wallet or coin purse, pop, candy...use your imagination.

Please bring your items to church by Nov. 30th!

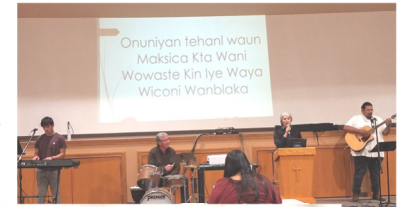
Contact: Bethany Holte 218.686.9464 or Amber Larson 218.255.2722.

Mokahum Banquet and Faith Mission Circle



Director Paul Mitchell

Mokahum Praise Team



Great Fellowship



Tacos/Fry Bread



Delicious Pies

THANK YOU!



Operation Christmas Child

Shoebox Collection Sunday is November 16th



Check out the box changes and updates below. Shoeboxes for packing and brochures are available at both Welcome Desks.

GIFT SUGGESTIONS

For gift suggestions and more - (www.samaritanpurse.org/occ). Nice list of suggestions are available for boy and girl boxes.

“WOW” TOY

Start with a quality “wow” toy such as a doll, soccer ball with pump, or a stuffed animal.

OTHER GIFTS

Fill with other fun toys, hygiene items, and school supplies

Please Note:

- Shipping is now \$10/box. No cash in the boxes. Make checks payable to Samaritan's Purse and mail them in the envelope provided or go online to donate.
- Remove tags and plastic wrapping (recycling is rare in foreign countries)
- Boxes should not be bulging or taped. Try to use the boxes provided - available at the welcome desks.
- Shoeboxes can be decorated (like with stickers/markers/crayons)
PLEASE DO NOT USE WRAPPING PAPER.
- The 10-14 age group gets the least amount of boxes. Boys enjoy tools (*yes, hammers are allowed*) and fishing gear. Girls enjoy sewing kits (*yes, scissors are allowed*)



Do Not Include

Soap is no longer allowed in shoebox gifts because of the complications it causes in customs in some nations.

SOAP; candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; scary or war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; seeds; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.



Grief Share



Grief Share is a grief support group for help and healing after the death of a family member or friend.

Sessions thru December 13th. Meeting in the Chapel 10 AM -12 PM
Sign Up at www.faithbridgepr.org/events

For information, contact Becky A. directly or by email
Grambecky1023@gmail.com or phone 218-252-3500
<https://www.griefshare.org/>

Surviving the Holidays seminar, Sunday, November 16 in the Faithbridge Chapel. 12:30-1 pm (Light Lunch) and 1-3 pm session. Sign-up online (www.griefshare.org) or on the Faithbridge Events page.



Faith Prayer Ministry

- Requests can be phoned/emailed to the Church Office or to the Compassion Coordinator, Jan Henderson (732-4522), who will forward them to the Prayer Group or Prayer Chain, as you direct.
- **Prayer Warriors: A weekly prayer list, can be delivered to your FBC mailbox or emailed upon request.**

Psalm 7:17

“I will give thanks to the Lord for His righteousness and will sing praise to the name of the Lord Most High.”



Faith Military Connections

Josie Carter	Chase Lodl	Hunter Schommer
Maggie Kay Carter	Malachi Martin	Jim Slesman
Chasity Bohman	Sean McGaffey	Davita Taylor
Brian Evink	Patricia Pfeifer	Owen Van Batavia
Jared Lange		

Thanks for praying for our servicemen; for their safety and for their families.

We need your help: If the status of any of the following military personnel has changed, please inform the office so we can update this list. Thank you!

**Library is open on Sunday mornings:
9:15-10:30 and 11:45-Noon**



Access to the library is also available during the week when the church office is open. Someone from the office will let you into the library and check out instructions are available.

Canyon of Deceit by DiAnn Mills - When a girl vanishes, survival expert Therese Palmer joins a Texas Ranger on an off-the-books rescue mission. When investigation reveals high-stakes global conspiracy, can they succeed in time?

Double Take and Target Acquired— Lake City Heroes #1 & #2 by Lynette Eason - Detective, Physician Assistant, SWAT team medic - as you've come to expect from bestselling author Lynette Eason's stories, these characters and tightly wound plots unfurl at breakneck speed and will leave you breathless.

An Unexpected Grace — Jewels of Kalispell #3 - Tracie Peterson and Kimberley Woodhouse present another journey to the American Frontier with themes of second chances and the enduring power of grace despite life's trials. Actor Parker Bennett returns home to perform at the Kalispell Opera House. When he encounters Johanna St. John, his first love, will long-buried emotions awaken?

Vanished — by Dr. David Jeremiah with Sam O'Neal - As a military leader charged with stopping potential pandemics, Haggerty has witnessed natural disasters increasing. Meanwhile, his personal problems are escalating. At the crossroads, can he find redemption? Left Behind for a new generation--apocalyptic action and emotion.

Women of Oak Ridge —In the hills of Tennessee, two women work at a Manhattan Project site during World War II and uncover truths that irrevocably change their lives in this captivating new story from award-winning Southern fiction author Michelle Shocklee.

The Codebreaker's Daughter — Amy Lynn Green - A compelling World War I and World War II home front novel inspired by true stories of codebreakers and OSS agents. Courage, danger, and a mother-daughter bond interweave in this compelling historical tale.

A Song in the Dark by Kimberley Woodhouse - While blind pianist Chaisley Frappier tours a tense, rapidly changing Europe, she secretly helps disabled people escape Hitler's growing threat. But her rising fame draws the dictator's attention, endangering her mission. Assigned as her driver, British spy Rick Zimmerman discovers Chaisley is hiding secrets. Together, they must outwit evil---and survive a world spiraling toward war.

If the Boot Fits by Karen Witemeyer - Spunky and independent, Samantha Dearing balks when she learns the ball her father is hosting in her honor is nothing more than a matrimonial ambush. Taking a break from her unwanted suitors, Samantha spots a thief fleeing her home. When the stranger ends up saving her brother's life, she hides the only clue to his identity left behind--his boot--and resolves to find him herself. But when Samantha encounters the older brother of a student she tutors, all thoughts of the bootless mystery man vanish.

Check out the Library Bulletin Board for more story details!

Decorating for Christmas will be Tuesday, November 25th, starting at 10 AM. Snacks and coffee will be provided, but volunteers should pack a lunch.



Summit Ministries Christmas Cards will be available Nov. 9 & 23 on the fellowship time tables and after November 7th, in the East kiosk.



We need volunteers to be a door opener at our Christmas Eve Service. If you can help, please contact Tracee in the office.

Judy and Kevin Haroldson have **6 Ark Encounter** passes good through Dec 31. If you are interested, please contact them. 218-699-3044



The music books that were stored in the organ bench are missing. If you know their whereabouts, please contact Jan Henderson. 218-732-4522.

We are filled with gratitude for everyone who attended, sponsored, and supported our **29th Annual Fall Banquet** on October 2nd at St. Peter's Church.

Because of your generosity — and God's faithfulness — we raised **over \$34,000** to support moms, dads, and babies in our community!

A special thank-you to our wonderful **Advocates** -- **Autocraft, BCI Rentals, Isaacson Veterinary Hospital, Itasca Region Insurance Agency, Loon's Nest, Grace Community Church, Assemblies of God, Dick Nunn, Diane George, Knights of Columbus** -- whose generosity made this event possible. Your partnership helps us share Christ's love in a tangible way every day. Every dollar helps us continue sharing hope, offering life-affirming support, and reminding families they are never alone.

Thank you for standing with us to celebrate **life, love, and God's goodness!**

LISTINGS BELOW ARE COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS - NOT NECESSARILY FBC ENDORSED

LIVING AT HOME

218 Industrial Park Rd.



The following events are held there.

Caregiving support group - Monthly, 1st Wednesday from 1:30 - 3:00 PM

An Afternoon Out is for those experiencing memory loss and their caretakers. Thursdays, 1-2:30 PM

SOLOS - 1st Monday of month 10:30-Noon

Parkinson's Caregiver Group meeting every 2nd Wednesday of the month at 1:00 PM in the Caregiver Activity Room.

Caregiver Closet - Tues./Wed. 1-3pm / Thurs. 10-noon



Pregnancy Resource Center

Holiday Cookie Giveaway!

Help us share the love of Jesus this Christmas!

We're giving each client family **2 dozen homemade cookies** on **Dec. 16** — and we need your help baking!

25 containers of 2 doz. needed
Drop off by Dec. 15, 3 PM

at Pregnancy Resource Center, 200 Sixth Street W, Park Rapids MN



Menahga High School
November 15th, 8-10 AM
\$25 cash donation
Open to everyone.

Park Rapids Food Shelf!

308 Pleasant Ave. S, Park Rapids.
Food and monetary donations are welcomed, now more than ever.



Eastside Church on Thursdays, 6:30 pm. No advance sign-up necessary.

Celebrate Recovery is a group open for anyone dealing with hurts, hang-ups or habits.



Fall Bazaar



St. Peter's Church
Saturday, Nov. 22 ~ 9 AM-3 PM
Coffee and Rolls 9 AM
Lunch 11AM-1:30 PM
Free Admission
Door Prizes, Area Crafters, Kid's Dollar Store, Bake Sale

Hoglund, Karen *Uganda with WorldVenture*

Coordinating short-term teams and mentoring mid-term missionaries in Uganda.

- Pray that her financial supporters base would increase.
- Pray that more youth would attend Urbana Conference in December.
- Pray as she hosts the Africa Directors and a women's group from the US.
- Praise for the support and encouragement received while in the States.



Hoppe, Bill and Cindy *AWANA*

Missionaries to E, N Central & NE Minnesota & NW WI.

- Praising the Lord for the 200 leaders that have attended the Connect and Basic training meetings we have held.
- Pray for safe travel while visiting clubs in Northern Minnesota, North & East Wisconsin, & North Dakota.
- Pray that the Clubbers will take to heart the scripture and lessons they learn



Latham, Shane and Erin

Brazil with DNA Global Network

Serving in south Brazil by using God's gifts to make disciples, plant churches, and send missionaries to the world.

- Pray for these preparing for baptism: Jairo, Bruno, Nelson.
- Pray for the following Evangelica priorities: Robson and Camilla, Artur, Iuri, Gelson, Aurelise and Felipe.
- We hosted a partnership building meeting with the Secretary of Education to discuss the situation in the 99 city schools with disruptive children and uninterested parents. Pray as we follow-up and seek opportunities to serve and partner with the school system, trying to understanding how to move forward.
- We praise the Lord that we will be grandparents again, making it three!



Mitchell, Paul and Gloria *Oak Hills Christian College*

Director of the Mokahum Ministry Center.

- Pray for the four students, for spiritual growth and understanding, for good health and steady jobs.
- That we would be protected from spiritual attacks in all their forms (schemes).
- That the financial resources needed for this ministry would be provided.
- Praise for all those who attended the Banquet in October and for the offering that was taken.
- Pray for the December outreach trip to Rosebud and Pine Ridge Reservations.

