



Northland Church Parish Messenger
December 2025

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From the Desk of Pastor Bill

Each month, I like to write about something unique about that month. Of Course, December is all about Christmas. One of the things I always look forward to during the Christmas season is the kids' program at church. I love the sets. I love the costumes. I love the songs, and I love, once again, hearing the old, old story of the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

There's one character who usually does not make it into the kid's program that I especially like. It's the old man Simeon. In the second chapter of the gospel of Luke we read,

"At that time there was a man in Jerusalem named Simeon. He was righteous and devout and was eagerly waiting for the Messiah to come and rescue Israel. The Holy Spirit was upon him and had revealed to him that he would not die until he had seen the Lord's Messiah. That day the Spirit led him to the Temple. So when Mary and Joseph came to present the baby Jesus to the Lord as the law required, Simeon was there. He took the child in his arms and praised God, saying,
"Sovereign Lord, now let your servant die in peace, as you have promised. I have seen your salvation, which you have prepared for all people."

Simeon's life and words sum up the Gospel message so well. He was waiting for God's salvation and now that he had seen the promised Savior, Jesus, He was ready to die in peace.

The true message of the Christmas story is not about Mary or Joseph. It's not about shepherds or angels. It's not about wise men or a bright star. It's not about an Inn with no room or even a manger. It's about God's promised Messiah (Savior) coming to earth and the importance of us looking to Him for our Salvation. Like Simeon, we too can face eternity in peace if, in faith, we look to Jesus, the Savior born on that day.



1 st Jack Kraemer, Natalie Oligney

6 th Pamela Dahle

9 th Tina Moen, Hayden Vomberg, McKenna Vomberg,

William Honick

10th Joyce Whitaker

14th Teresa Fischer, Lynel Lehman, Dan Glodowski

16th Sandra Reinert

17th Madeline Honick

19th Eli Shaw

22nd McKenna Hahn

23rd Elizabeth Holz,

25th Christa Reiner

28th Gregory Krogwold



Advent Reading Starting November 30, December 7, 14, 21, each Sunday

DECEMBER 2025 AT A GLANCE

ALTAR GUILD: Pam Dahle

AA MEETING: Every Thursday at 7:00 PM in the church basement.

MEN'S MINISTRY: Sunday, December 7th following Worship.

COUNCIL MEETING: Sunday, December 7th following Worship.

Piano Recital December 12th 7:00 PM Congregation invited. Coffee and Cookies after in Fellowship Hall

Town of Harrison meeting December 15, 6:30 pm

Sunday School Christmas Program December 14, 10:00 AM

TUESDAY QUILTER'S: Tuesday, December 16th from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

No Sunday School December 21 or 28, 2025

No Confirmation December 24 or December 31, 2025

December 24th Christmas Eve service 4:00 PM

December 25th Christmas Day Service 10:00 AM

December Ushers Dale T. & Carl T.

PROJECTOR OPERATORS:

December 2nd Craig A.

December 14 Bruce M.

December 21 Carl T.

December 24th Dale T.

December 25th Kevin D.

December 28 Craig A.

CORRECTED MINUTES (to say Treasurer Daniele, not Secretary)

Council Members Present: Robbie L, Jessie G, Danielle O, Pastor Bill S, Larry B, Pam D, Tom K.

Council Members Absent: Bill H, Shelly E

Guests : Keith Reagles, Lori Barikmo

Meeting called to order at 11:25am, Jessie G opened with a prayer.

Secretary's Report was accepted with no changes.

Treasurer's Report was accepted.

9/30/25 Checking \$48,886.81

9/30/25 Memorial Fund \$150,467.32

September Cash Flow \$1264.59

Pastor's Report- 3 young ladies attending Confirmation class, they are engaging well. Confirmation class continues for one adult. Pastor also conducted a wedding in Fort Atkinson. Pastor expressed interest in forming a youth group that would have activities. Members briefly recalled a "Luther League" style group in neighboring churches.

Nitrate Issue was addressed at a October 2, 2025, Enforcement Conference held at Northland Church at 2pm. Lynna Martin, EE Specialist sent a summary letter of that conference. We will continue to investigate replacing Orangeburg septic pipe that is suspected to be a source of contamination. Another possible contamination source could be a neighboring retired landfill.

The Abel Grand Piano move is in progress. Platform is being assembled.

Janitor has requested a salary increase to \$3,300.00. Jessie G made a motion to keep the budget at current amount until annual paid employee's performance reviews are completed. Larry B second. Motion carried.

Council moved into 2026 Budget discussion. Treasurer Daniele will send updated budget to council to present at the annual meeting.

Richard K made a motion to adjourn. Lana reagues second. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned 12:15 pm and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

These minutes have not been approved. Council Secretary, Jessie Glodowski

Members Present Larry B, Pam. D., Daniele O., Tom K., Lana R. Pastor Bill, Shelly E., Richard K., and Robbie L. Dianne Erickson acting secretary.

Northland Council Meeting
November 9, 2025

Vice President Robbie Lashua called meeting to order.

Pastor opened with Prayer.

Secretary report accepted as read.

Treasure report accepted as read.

Pastor reported he will be doing a service at Living Oaks and The Willows. Also is doing Premarriage Counseling for a couple at Northland.

Old Business

Discussion on well, septic, and parking lot as a line item on budget report.

We have received Grant for Source tracking for septic. This month we should find out if we will receive a grant for a new septic system.

A Big Thank You to the Able Family for the Baby Grand Piano.

Larry Barikmo will take care of fencing for septic drain field , so no plowing or parking will take place this year.

New Business

Annual Meeting will be Sunday, January 18th 2026.

Discussion on church maintenance.

Motion for adjournment by Richard K. 2nd by Lana R. motion carried.

Closed with Lords Prayer

These minutes have not been approved. Dianne Erickson, acting Secretary .

Piano Recital

Please join us for a Piano Recital to dedicate our new Baby Grand Piano donated by the Able Family.

December 12th, 2025 At 7:00 PM



*Coffee and Cookies to follow in the
Fellowship Hall*

