

Northland Lutheran Church LCMC

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Sunday, December 28, 2025

Purpose Statement: "To worship God, spread His Word, witness for Christ, welcome all, serve them and grow the community of believers through the power of the Holy Spirit."

TODAY AT WORSHIP

Sunday, December 28th, 2025

Projector: Craig Anderson

10:00 AM Worship

NO Sunday School

Saturday January 3, 2026

Take down Christmas decorations!

@ 9:00 AM

NEXT SUNDAY, January 4th, 2026

Projector: Bruce Mitchell

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Worship

Communion at the Rail

**Annual meeting reports due to the office
by January 5th, 2026
Please email your reports**

**Wednesday, January 7, 2025
Confirmation @ 6:30-7:45 PM**

Sunday January 18, 2026

Annual Meeting after Worship

**We need at least 22 members to make a
Quorum. Chili luncheon.**



**Poinsettias in memory of Loved Ones
from**

Sally Van Epern

Bill & Christy Hahn

Daniele Oligney

Pat Melum

Russ & Elaine Wojciechowski

Fischer Family

**So far, the Elevator is still not working.
We are waiting on an estimate.**

**The Church has an opening for a new
Custodian position. If interested, please
get an application in the office.**

CONTACT THE OFFICE

For Information regarding church rental, weddings, baptisms, membership or to have an announcement put in the newsletter or bulletin please contact the office at 715-445-2956 or northlandchurch@hotmail.com. You can contact Pastor William Stukenberg @ 262-441-0513

Parish Secretary Dianne E. at 715-677-4683 or Pam D. at 715-412-0136 CCLI #2403946

Opening Hymn

Just a closer Walk with Thee

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Children's Sermon with Miss Sally

Call to Worship: Taken from Psalm 18

Pastor: I love you, O LORD, my strength.

People: The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

Pastor: I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised, and I am saved from my enemies.

People: The LORD lives, and blessed be my rock, and exalted be the God of my salvation—

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Hymn of Praise

Glory (let there be Peace)

Scripture Readings

Deuteronomy 26: 16-19

“This day the LORD your God commands you to do these statutes and rules. You shall therefore be careful to do them with all your heart and with all your soul.¹⁷ You have declared today that the LORD is your God, and that you will walk in his ways, and keep his statutes and his commandments and his rules and will obey his voice.¹⁸ And the LORD has declared today that you are a people for his treasured possession, as he

has promised you, and that you are to keep all his commandments,¹⁹ and that he will set you in praise and in fame and in honor high above all nations that he has made, and that you shall be a people holy to the LORD your God, as he promised.”

James 4: 4-10

Therefore, whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, “He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us”? But he gives more grace. Therefore, it says, “God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.” Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

Gospel

Matthew 2:7-18

Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared.⁸ And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him.”⁹ After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was.¹⁰ When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly

with great joy.¹¹ And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh.¹² And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

¹³ Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, “Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you, for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.”¹⁴ And he rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed to Egypt¹⁵ and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, “Out of Egypt I called my son.”

¹⁶ Then Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, became furious, and he sent and killed all the male children in Bethlehem and in all that region who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had ascertained from the wise men.¹⁷ Then was fulfilled what was spoken by the prophet Jeremiah:

¹⁸ “A voice was heard in Ramah, weeping and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be comforted, because they are no more.”

Hymn

Wonderful Merciful Savior

MESSAGE

Prayer

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting, Amen

Offering Offertory

Prayers of the Church

Please respond with: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For fortitude in the face of martyrdom, that God would strengthen all who suffer trials and danger because of their faith in Christ, preserve them from evil, and comfort the families of all who die in His name, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, hear our prayer.** For the Church, that the Lord would raise up faithful pastors to serve in His name and speak boldly the message of the cross; and that God would call many to service in the Church here and throughout the world, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, hear our prayer.** For the families of God's people, that our homes may be blessed and our life together sanctified by the life of Jesus, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For the protection of life from its natural beginning to its natural end; for the special protection of the unborn, mothers with child, and the safekeeping of mother and child during childbirth; and for the comfort of God's grace to those who suffer miscarriage or the death of a child, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For our nation, that its rulers would be good and faithful, governing after God's good pleasure; and for its citizens, that having a right understanding of God's rule in this world, they would not be deceived to think earthly powers will last forever, but have confidence in Him alone, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For the sick, suffering, mourning and dying, that they would be restored by God's abundant grace and delivered from all their troubles, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

O Lord, grant that we may remain steadfast and immovable in faith, and that we may endure to the day of Christ's coming.

Reunite us with those who have gone before us and now rest from their labors, and grant that we may live in Your eternal presence and sing Your praise without end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

Pastor: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

People: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us and

lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. AMEN

BENEDICTION

Closing Hymn

God Rest ye Merry Gentlemen