

October

2022

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Our Mission Statement: Being chosen by God and strengthened by the Holy Spirit, Redeemer Lutheran Church gathers together to worship, serve and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all people, to provide meaning and purpose for daily living.

Our Staff:

Pastor *Vacant*

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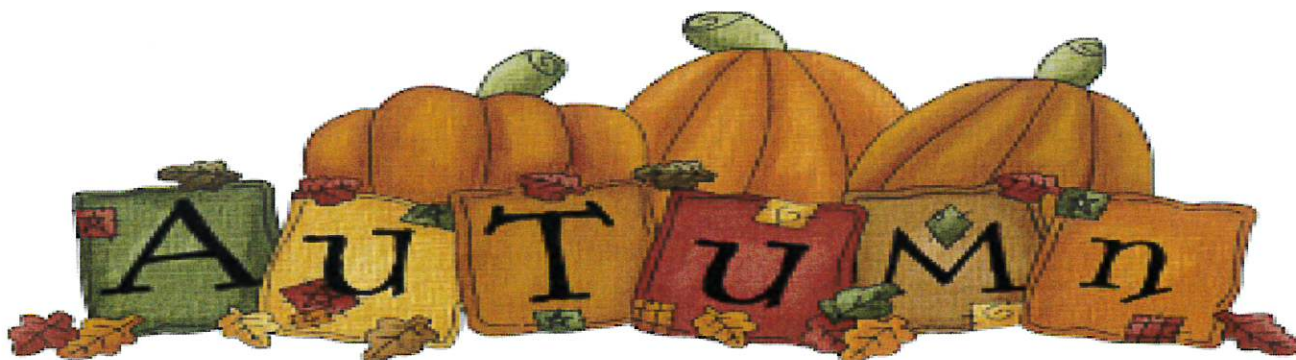
Cantor Chris Cuppett (phone: 218-683-3420; e-mail: sisterchris@mncable.net)

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Custodian Mike Lundgren

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 4:00 pm Eeg/Borg Wedding
2 9:30 am Worship with Holy Communion	3 5:00-7:00pm Hospice Spaghetti Dinner	4 9:30 am Martha Unit Meeting Emmaus Room	5 5:45 pm BLAST & Confirmation 6:30 pm Worship with Holy Communion	6	7	8 11:00 am Donn Eide Memorial Service
9 Pastor App. Day 	10 WIC	11 WIC	12 WIC	13 WIC	14 WIC	15
9:30 am Worship Chris Cuppett Breakfast Benefit	Meals on Wheels	Meals on Wheels	Meals on Wheels 6:30 pm Worship	Meals on Wheels	Meals on Wheels	
16 9:30 am Worship with Holy Communion	17	18 6:00 pm Council Meeting	19 6:30 Worship with Holy Communion	20	21 Newsletter Info Due	22
23 9:30 am Worship	24	25 6:00 pm Altar Guild Meeting	26 6:30 pm Worship	27	28	29
30 9:30 am Worship with Holy Communion	31					

Reverend Stephanie White has Accepted!

This is great news. Rev. Stephanie White has accepted the call to be the next Pastor for our church. In case you missed the informational meeting on September 18th, here is some information about her.

Meet Rev. Stephanie White

Rev. White is currently serving St. Luke's Church in Shelby, Montana. She has ties to our area and knows about life north of Highway 2.



Rev. Stephanie White has a teaching degree from Mayville State University. She also attended Concordia University earning a Bachelor of Arts in Music and Music Performance. She has a Master of Arts degree from the University of Montana and a Master of Divinity from Luther Seminary in St. Paul.

Her areas of expertise are:

1. Music/Worship/Arts
2. Youth and Family Ministry
3. Christian Education
4. Pastoral Care and Visitation
5. Preaching/Worship Leadership

Strengths Include:

- Innovation/Creativity
- Ecumenical Work
- Interpret Theology
- Spiritual Formation/Direction
- Self Care/Family Life

In Her Own Words about Public Ministry...

In my role as a public leader in a larger setting, I tend to be energized and outgoing, leading with self-assurance and poise, providing a sense of confidence and safety for others. I like to be well-prepared and have a sense of direction as I lead but I acknowledge the need for a ministry of interruptions. I am quite capable of changing course in the midst of a class, worship, or meeting as the teachable moments or unexpected occurrences come about.

I am neither dictatorial or controlling as a leader, rather I appreciate input and collaboration. In a smaller group, I solicit thoughts, opinions, and welcome discussion. In most cases I will err on being more pastoral and comforting than confrontational. However, I am able to call out and challenge behaviors when that is needed.

I believe strongly in developing relationships both within and outside of the formal church - engaging in the community, using my skills for the greater good, and working with ecumenical partners.

Much of the information that was shared on Sunday, September 18th has been left out of this notice, but if you would like a copy, please let the office know and we can send one out to you.

Redeemer Council Meeting

September 20,
2022

Meeting Summary

Council members present: Jan Anderson, Terri Cuppett, Penny Harder, Gary Hintz, LeeAnn Lund, Tony McLean, Jan Nordin, Wenda Sumrall, Angie Westling

Council members excused: Leonna Buggee, Mandy Schuster

Council members absent:

Guest: Dianne Stroh

Call to Order: The meeting was call to order by Jan Nordin at 5:32 PM.

Devotions: Jan Nordin

Adoption of Agenda: Motion was made. It was seconded and approved.

Secretary's Report: The secretary's report was reviewed a motion was made to accept the minutes. It was seconded and approved.

Treasurer/Finance Report: Report was reviewed. Giving was down but expenses were also down. Second payments were made to Synod(\$5,500) and Pathways(\$500). Budget time please have budgets in by November 1st to Marit.

Committee reports:

Faith Formation Committee: Report submitted. Christmas Blast program will be December 14 in place of worship service that day. Tentative youth activities planned with Trinity for October, December and February.

Evangelism and Social Ministry Committee: No written report. School supplies delivered.

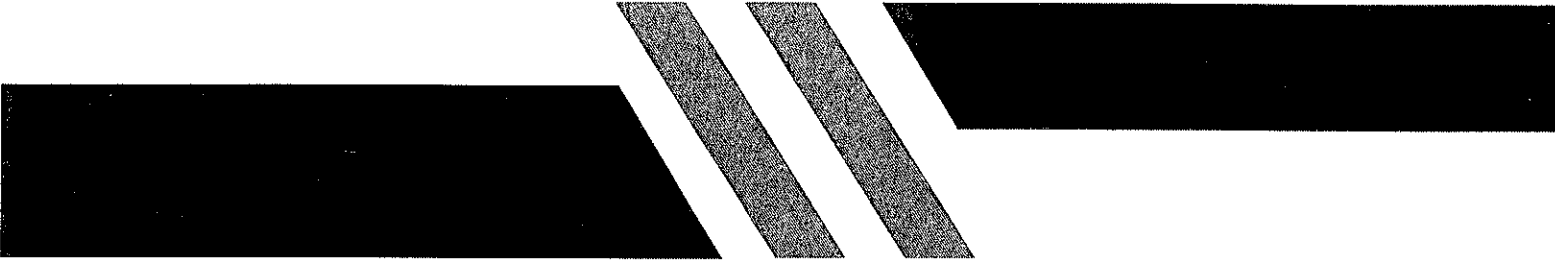
Property Committee: Report submitted. Numerous projects being worked on before winter.

Faith, Family Fellowship = Stewardship Committee: No written report. Did not meet will meet in October.

Worship and Music Committee: Report submitted. Wednesday evening services have resumed. Thanksgiving Eve worship service will be held at Trinity. December 14 Blast will have Christmas program in place of Sunday morning service

Personnel Committee: No written report – did not meet. Will meet in October to set up appointments for staff.

Altar Guild Committee: Report submitted. October cleaning and banner schedule set. Price of flowers have gone up to \$25.



Call Committee: No written report. Jan Nordin and Wenda Sang reported on September 18, 2022 Stephanie White had been extended the pastoral call and accepted.

Youth and Family Director:

Unfinished business:

New business: Bob Breiger needs to be added to the list of new members. Confirmands for September 25, 2022 are as follows: Dawson Beito, Hayden Comstock, Jett Cornelius, McKenzie Hintz, Parker Milender, Casey Nelson, Ike Olson, and Braylee Wienen. Motion was made to accept these confirmands. It was seconded and approved. Angie Westling is going to be in contact with Lacey Simoneau with Outreach Fund donations. Fellowship Hall will be used on September 25, 2022 by LeeAnn Fremling for McKenzie Hintz Confirmation gathering.

Congregational Questions and Concerns:

Pastors Report: (Pulpit Supply – Rev Terri Cuppett): September 18, 2022 was New Member Sunday. September 25, 2022 was Confirmation. Pastor's Conference gathering to be held October 11, 2022 at Redeemer from 9:30 to noon. The three ELCA churches take turns hosting these monthly events.

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday – October 18 at 6:00 pm

Devotions for October: Angie Westling

Offering Security for September: Wednesday - Sunday -

Adjournment: Ended the meeting with the Lord's Prayer

Minutes submitted by: LeeAnn Lund





THE 32nd ANNUAL HOSPICE SPAGHETTI BENEFIT IS BEING HELD AT REDEEMER ON Monday, October 3rd starting at 5:00 pm. All proceeds will go to the Hospice of the Red River Valley. Thrivent will provide matching funds. You will not want to miss the opportunity to help this worthwhile organization while enjoying a great meal!

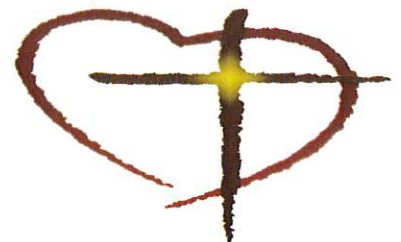
Welcome

On September 18th we welcomed 4 new members to Redeemer Lutheran Church. They are Karen Eeg, Rudy Borg, Greg Hallstrom, and Bob Bregier. We are blessed that they chose to join our church. If you know of any others that are looking to join, please reach out to them or let the office know.

Congratulations



Confirmation Sunday was held on September 25th. Eight young adults made public affirmation of their faith. They are Dawson Beito, Hayden Comstock, Jett Cornelius, McKenzie Hintz, Parker Milender, Casey Nelson, Ike Olson and Braylee Weinen. Wishing them success in life – both in their faith in God and in their life's pursuits.



October is Volunteer Time...

Volunteer to deliver Meals on Wheels...

There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex for the week of October 10th – 14th.

Volunteer to help with the Hospice Spaghetti Dinner on October 3rd. Sign-up board is also in the Narthex.

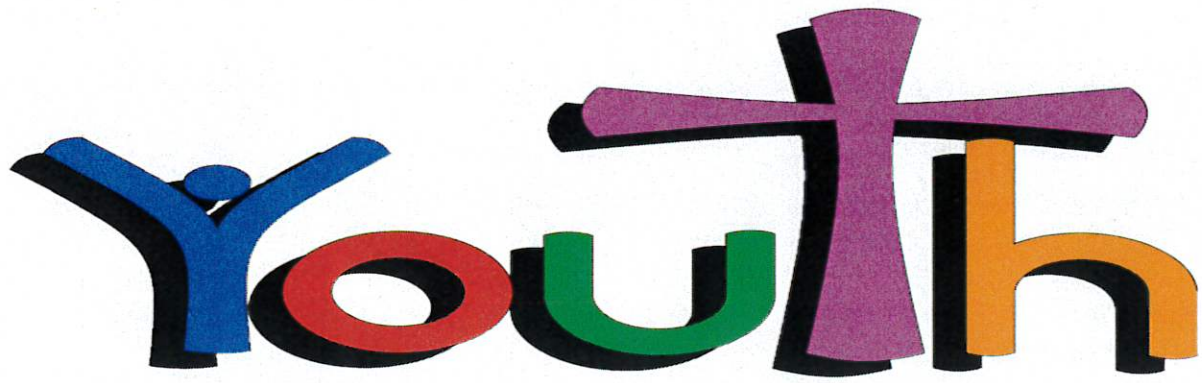
Volunteer to bring treats for Fellowship and coffee after worship on Sunday mornings. Sign-up sheet is – you guessed it – in the Narthex.

Volunteer to help the property committee with needed repairs around the church. See bulletin for contact.

Volunteer to be the next amazing BLAST coordinator! See bulletin for contact.

God's Work...Our Hands





We are joining with Trinity Lutheran Church to offer activities for the young people of Redeemer.

First there is a joint trip to the "*Haunted Woods*" in Red Lake Falls on October 8th. Sign-up information is available on our facebook page or you can stop in the office and register.

December is going to bring a movie night activity. Keeping warm while it is cold outside.

In **February**, a **ski trip** is in the works. Stay tuned for more information on these activities.

Come and join in the fun!

BLAST and Confirmation Classes have begun and we are so happy to see so many young faces!

The annual BLAST Christmas program will be held on Wednesday, December 14th at 6:30 pm in place of a worship service. Bring the family and enjoy this performance!



Our Youth Matter
Demonstrating Love to Youth!



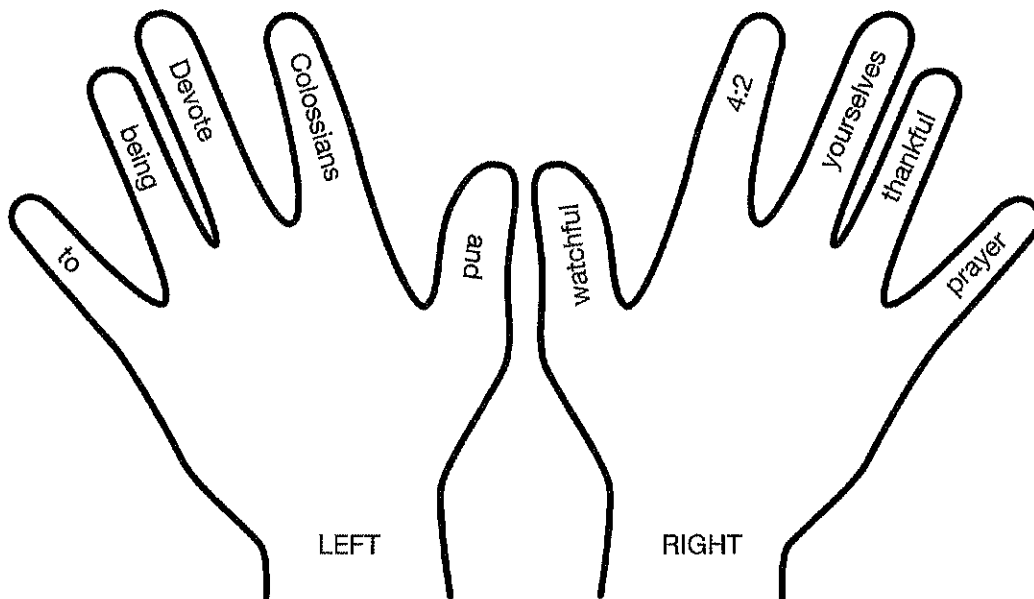
Praying hands



One way to show our thankfulness is to bow our heads, fold our hands and pray to God.



Directions: Complete Colossians 4:2 (NIV) by selecting one word on the left hand, then one on the right and so on. Go back and forth, using the word blanks as a guide.



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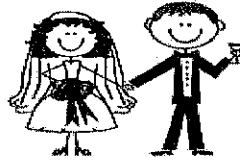
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Answer: Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.
Colossians 4:2, NIV

Weddings



Congratulations to the following families who recently celebrated a marriage:

Zeb Nelson married Madison Poole on September 24th at the home of Dale and Denice Nelson. Congratulations!

Mike Conely married Leah Gruhot in Deadwood, SD on 09/25. Congrats Linda and Dave Ulrich!

Tiffany Stroh married Tyson Panek in Dunvilla, MN on 09/10. Congrats to Nate and Dianne!

Annah Harder married Kyle Haugen in August at the Skjerven Barn. Congrats Penny and Greg!

If you have any announcements wedding, births or otherwise, please contact the office and they will be added to the newsletter.

You Might Be a Lutheran If...

- . . . You're watching Star Wars and when they say, "May the force be with you," you reply, "and also with you."
- . . . you sing "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" while sitting down.
- . . . it takes you ten minutes to say good-bye.
- . . . your church library has three Tell-O cookbooks.
- . . . you have an uncontrollable urge to sit in the back of any room.
- . . . during communion you hum the hymns so you can see who's at church that Sunday.
- . . . a meeting isn't a meeting unless it takes three hours.
- . . . you feel guilty about not feeling guilty.
- . . . the church is on fire, and you rush in to save the coffee pot.
- . . . www.oldlutheran.com is one of your bookmarks.

The Candy Jar

Scripture Reading: John 3:1-17

God loves us the way we are, but too much to leave us that way. —Leighton Ford

In the reading above, we have what Martin Luther called “the gospel in a nutshell.” He was referring to John 3:16.

Love is a word that is used frequently and in many different ways in our culture. Here is a note written to Ann Landers some time ago: “Dear Ann: I’ve got to decide between the new car and getting engaged. I love the girl. But every night when I go to sleep I dream about the car. What should I do?”

The love mentioned in John 3:16 is not anything like the so-called love this young man was talking about. It is more like the love expressed in this story:

A little girl accompanied her mother to the country general store. After the mother had made a large purchase, the proprietor invited the girl to help herself to a handful of candy. The child held back.

“What’s wrong. Don’t you like the candy?” the proprietor asked.

“Yes, I love candy,” the child replied. Whereupon the proprietor put his hand into the jar and dropped a generous portion into the girl’s cupped hands.

Later, the mother asked the girl why she had not taken the candy when it was first offered.

“Because his hand is bigger than mine,” she replied.

God has the biggest hands of all. “God so loved the world,” says the Bible. God’s hands gave the biggest and best gift of all, Jesus Christ, the Savior of the world.

—Timothy Merrill

Prayer: O God, thank you for your big hands! Thank you for pouring out into my little hands all of your blessings. Thank you for sending Jesus to live and die for us. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

Activity Page for "The Candy Jar"

HERD, HORDE AND HUDDLE

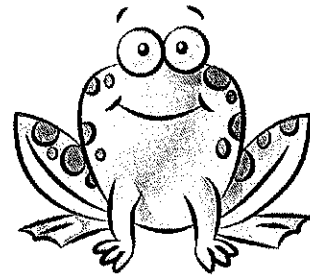
Collective nouns are words that are given to groups of animals. That's why we refer to kittens as a "**litter** of kittens." When speaking of fish, we might say a "**school** of fish." The words in the title above are collective nouns: a **herd** of goats, a **horde** of gnats and a **huddle** of penguins. **Match the GROUP NAMES in Chart B to the ANIMALS in Chart A.** (We did "Flamingoes" for you as an example.) *Answers below.*

CHART A : The Animals

Clams		Flamingoes	A	Raccoons		Turkeys	
Coyotes		Foxes		Prairie dogs		Vultures	
Crows		Geese		Porcupines		Zebras	
Dolphins		Grouse		Owls		Wolves	
Eagles		Hawks (flight)		Hyenas		Whales	

CHART B: The Collective Nouns

A. Stand	I. Bed	Q. Gaze
B. Pack	J. Prickle	R. Murder
C. Rafter	K. Pod	S. Covey
D. Convocation	L. Zeal	T. Gaggle
E. Coterie	M. Skulk	
F. Venue	N. Parliament	
G. Cackle	O. School	
H. Kettle	P. Band	



What do you call a group of frogs?
(an army, colony or knot of frogs)

ANSWERS:

A=Flamingoes
B=Wolves
C=Turkeys
D=Eagles
E=Prairie dogs
F=Vultures
G=Hyenas
H=Hawks
I=Clams
J=Porcupines
K=Dolphins
L=Zebras
M=Foxes
N=Owls
O=Whales
P=Coyotes
Q=Raccoons
R=Crows
S=Grouse
T=Geese



Sun.

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October 2022

							1 Kylea Praska
2 Grace Littlefield Hunter Goulet	3 Imogene Helle Fern Melbye Sara Niemala	4 Wally Sjacheim Melanie Lunsetter Logan Kruchowski	5	6 Cindy Dally Logan Kennedy Grace Gillespie Beckem Johnson	7	8 Becky Beng	
9 Renee Dalen Suzanne Dupree Michelle Kasprick Cierra Olds-Byer Henley Anderson	10 Cameron Carlson Arlette DeFreece John Mattson Scott Huseth Todd Hesse Mya Eidelbes	11	12 Brandi Bjorgard Dave Thompson	13 Barb Gehris Amanda Miller	14 Brandon Ortloff Amanda Colton Austin Odberg	15 Doris Stromberg Tim Bergerson Derrick Newland	
16 Eva Eickman Rolek Anderson	17 Kaithyn Baaken	18 LaVay Hickerson Raymond Peterson Paula Praska Spencer Hempel	19 Heather Bayne	20 Cody Teie	21 Ryan Haugen Seth Anderson Cassandra Reierson Karen Borgh	22	
23 Diedre Nordin Maizey Ziegler Brody Amundson	24 Melissa Johnson Bruce Olson Janet Myers	25 Julie Olson Leah Walker Betty Peterson	26 Steven Milender Kara Jimenez	27 Ben Adamson Tyler Sele	28 Pazleigh Klaven	29	
30 Steven Cullen Holden Nelson	31 Nate Halsa Myles Johnson						



Benefit For:

CHRIS CUPPETT

Pancake Breakfast

*Sponsored by the
St. Hilaire Lions Club*

Pancakes, eggs, sausage, milk, juice, coffee, water

Free will offering

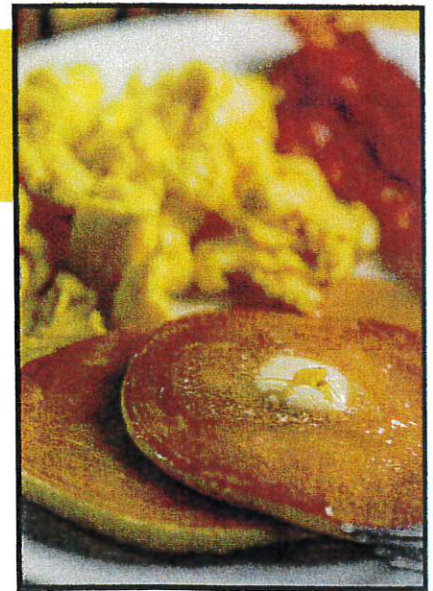
Sunday, October 9th, 2022 • 9 am - 1 pm

St. Hilaire Community Center
217 Broadway Ave., St. Hilaire, MN

Chris Cuppett is in need of new artificial eyes. She has been blind since birth; the artificial eyes she has now are over 20 years old, and causing her problems. An artificial eye acts as a volume replacement to prevent the socket from sinking over time. A sunken socket is painful and can become infected without an artificial eye to fill the socket space. Insurance won't cover the cost, because they deem it as only "cosmetic."

The Lions want to help!!

Please support our Benefit and our Bake Sale



*Donated bake sale items can be dropped off at the St. Hilaire Community Center
on Saturday, October 8th from 7-8:30 pm or Sunday Morning from 8-9 am*



Donations can also be mailed to:
CHRIS CUPPETT BENEFIT
St. Hilaire Lions Club, P.O. Box 142
St. Hilaire, MN 56754

Sponsored in part by Thrivent Financial



St. Pauli Lutheran Church's Annual Fall Event is back!



Sunday, October 9, 2022

3:00 p.m.



"Just Fiddling Around"



An interesting & entertaining program with a blend of old and new style fiddle playing

featuring

Historian, life-long fiddle player, and storyteller Hilary Stoltman
and orchestra director & violinist Derek Druse

Homemade pie & ice cream following the program

Pies for sale while supplies last

Proceeds from this fundraiser support various charities

~Freewill Donation~



Address: 11015 170th Ave. NE, Thief River Falls, MN

Directions from TRF: 3.5 miles SE on Hwy. 59, 3 miles S. on Co. Rd. 20

Grace Lutheran Church of Grygla

Annual Lutefisk Supper

*Lutefisk, Lefsa, Swedish Meatballs w/Gravy
Real Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Cranberries,
Homemade Desserts*

Prices:

13 yrs to Adults: \$17.00 (**Lutefisk**)

13 yrs To Adults: \$12.00 (**Meatballs**)

5-12 yrs.: \$6.00

Preschool: Free

****To Go Boxes Available**

****Also Bake Sale/Handcraft Item Sale**

Where: Grygla Community Center

When: Saturday, October 15th

Time: 4:00 to 7:30 pm





**74th
Annual**



Bethany Smorgasbord

October 16th

11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Adults \$15.00

Children \$5.00 (Under 12)

Homemade Scandinavian Favorites!

Swedish meatballs and gravy over mashed potatoes, Lutefisk casserole, sot suppe, Flat brod, lefse, rommegrot and more!



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