

### Cambridge Lutheran Church ELCA 319 W. Court St. Cambridge, IL 61238

### **SEPTEMBER**

### Volume 61 No. 9 Making Christ Known for 150 years 1875-2025

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

#### WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### Worship at 11:00 am or watch virtually on Facebook

Ministers The whole congregation!

Pastor Pr. Stacy Christianson

Council Vice President Jason Gustafson

Council Secretary Heather Usrey

Parish Secretary Emily Galle

Director of Music Susie VanWynsberghe

### **CAMBRIDGE LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT**

We are ordinary people who come together to share our joys and burdens, grow in faith, serve our world and have fun as a community, by **making Christ known**.

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Online Giving Link: https://tithe.ly/give?c=1689254

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Labor Day	2	3 9:30 am Morning Marthas	4	5	6
7 150th Celebration 10 am Sun. Sch. 11 am Worship Rally Day and Celebratory Lunch	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 10 am Sun. Sch. 11 am Worship	15	16	17	18	19	20 Ice Cream Social 11:00am until Sold out
21 10 am Sun. Sch. 11 am Worship	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 10 am Sun. Sch.	29	30				NWA.

11 am Worship



## Happy are they who dwell in your house!

Happy are they who dwell in your house! They will always be praising you. Happy are the people whose strength is in you, whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way. ~Psalm 84:4-5

These words from Psalm 84 will be read in just a few days during the worship service for the 150th anniversary. Seems appropriate on this day that we focus on the response of God's people to the privilege to be included as the ones who dwell in God's house and are strengthened by God.

What a privilege to have 150 years of sharing God's love in the community and being Christ's hands a feet in the world. We are the ones who get to proclaim our praise for God's continues presence throughout these years. We are the ones who get to offer our thanksgiving for the people who have sat in these pews, lifting their voices in song and led us to this place today.

An anniversary celebration in a church is always special. A celebration of 150 years is extraordinary. To think about the people who have passed through these doors, listened to the Word of God proclaimed, been washed in the waters of baptism and had their hands filled with the bread of life- is extraordinary.

Please join us on Sunday, September 7th as we worship our God of strength and hope. Join in singing as we praise our God of many generations. Come and share the peace of Christ with on another as we recall the great cloud of witnesses who have graced with place with love and compassion.

As we prepare for this day, I am sharing the prayer of the day for the anniversary worship with you. May you find hope and thanksgiving for all the God has done.

O God, you have promised through your Son to be with your church forever. We give you thanks for those who founded this community of believers and for the signs of your presence in our congregation. Increase in us the spirit of faith and love, and make our fellowship an example to all believers and to all nations. We pray through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Pr. Stacy



Summer has flown by with graduation, wedding, our grandson was here for summer, and a visit to Dixie's. Luckily, we missed big storms but we sure were hot for most of July. We will be meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup> in fireside room with Diane Hasson and Linda Lievens serving. I will do the lesson. Please bring school supplies that we can deliver to Cambridge Elementary School. Lesson will be on relationships.

We will serve first meal to youth at community center on August 27<sup>th</sup>. I have cookie donations and will make sandwiches with chips and fruit. I am going to do the bulletin board for 150th celebration and might need more pictures. I will also do flowers for tables but not sure if I'll use mums or arrangements for Sept 7<sup>th</sup>. Exciting month with meetings and 150<sup>th</sup> celebration on Sept 7<sup>th</sup> and ice cream social on Sept. 20.

On the last Wednesday we will feed the youth and will do hot dogs and mac and cheese. We hope that board members will be feeling better. Linda is recovering from knee surgery, Charlene fell and she sprained her wrists, elbow, and jaw where she had stitches. Colleen is following up on tests, and Diane is resting up from moving her mom to Allure so, gals have had rough summer. God does try our patience sometimes.

God does not intend for us to walk through this world alone. We need relationships. We need each other. We will explore the power of faithful relationships in bible sessions this fall which will help God's people flourish.

From "Our Backup" Elizabeth Hunter from Gather summer issue.

Feed student at the community Youth Center Aug.27/Sept 24
Meeting Wednesday, Sept 3 fireside room- Diane and Linda L. serving
150th Celebration Sunday Sept 7
Ice Cream Social Sat. Sept 20
Busy month! Let's all celebrate 150 years of Cambridge Lutheran Church

Linda Roehrs, convener



# 150th Celebration



You are cordially invited to the 150th anniversary of the Cambridge Lutheran Church We are honored to commemorate 150 years of faithful ministry and warmly invite you to join us for worship in this momentous celebration. A time of fellowship and a celebratory meal will follow the service



## Rally Day 2025

Attention all Sunday school students and parents, join us for a Rally Day celebration!!! On September 7<sup>th</sup> we will begin our Sunday School



year with a bounce house and along with our 150<sup>th</sup> Celebration meal. We are looking forward to seeing you once again, as well as hopeful of seeing new faces! Sunday School begins at 10:00 a.m. and ends at 10:50a.m.

## **Confirmation Students**

Plans are being made for this falls/winters Confirmation Class. If you would like your child to be part of this class and your child is entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade, please contact Pastor Stacy at pastorstacy1217@gmail.com or the church office at cambluth@gmail.com.



### Can't get enough ice cream?

We will be at the
Cambridge Backyard BBQ Event
at College Square Park
September 20<sup>th</sup> beginning 11:00am
Free will donation
(to go to the restoration of our Altar Painting)
If you would like to volunteer to serve ice cream,
please contact the office.



## **Quilt Raffle**

Enter for your chance to win one of four beautiful hand-stitched quilts.

Raffle tickets are: \$5.00 each
Tickets are available through
Heather Usrey or the church office.
The drawing will take place at the
Ice Cream Social on September 20<sup>th</sup>.

The proceeds from this raffle will help restore our cherished hand-painted altarpiece at the
Cambridge Lutheran Church

## **Call Committee**

With Pastor Matt leaving our congregation, the congregation council will be putting together a Call Committee soon to support selecting our new pastor. If you have interest in this process and being part of the Call Committee, reach out to a council member to share your interest, or contact the church office.



Kiersten McKie	Sept.2 <sup>nd</sup>	David Peterson	Sept.20 <sup>th</sup>
Steve Gustafson	Sept.5 <sup>th</sup>	Bonnie Hanson	Sept.24 <sup>th</sup>
Emily Galle	Sept.8 <sup>th</sup>	Darrel Lievens	Sept.25 <sup>th</sup>
Ruby Sue Beam	Sept.16 <sup>th</sup>	Andrew Ruhnow	Sept.26 <sup>th</sup>
Lucas Gustafson	Sept.19 <sup>th</sup>	Dawn McKie	Sept.29 <sup>th</sup>

Happy Anniversary

Kevin & Lynn Johnson Sept 2<sup>nd</sup>
Jake & Breana Olson Sept 3<sup>rd</sup>
Jeff & Danielle Little Sept 6<sup>th</sup>

Jacob & Ashley Fulle
Bryan & Tammy Horberg Sept 8<sup>th</sup>
Gene & Pam Kuehlthau Sept 14<sup>th</sup>

Kyle and Nikole Cooper Sept 15<sup>th</sup>

Thanks ... to the newsletter ladies for helping with the Newsletter: Charlene Wells & Diane Hasson