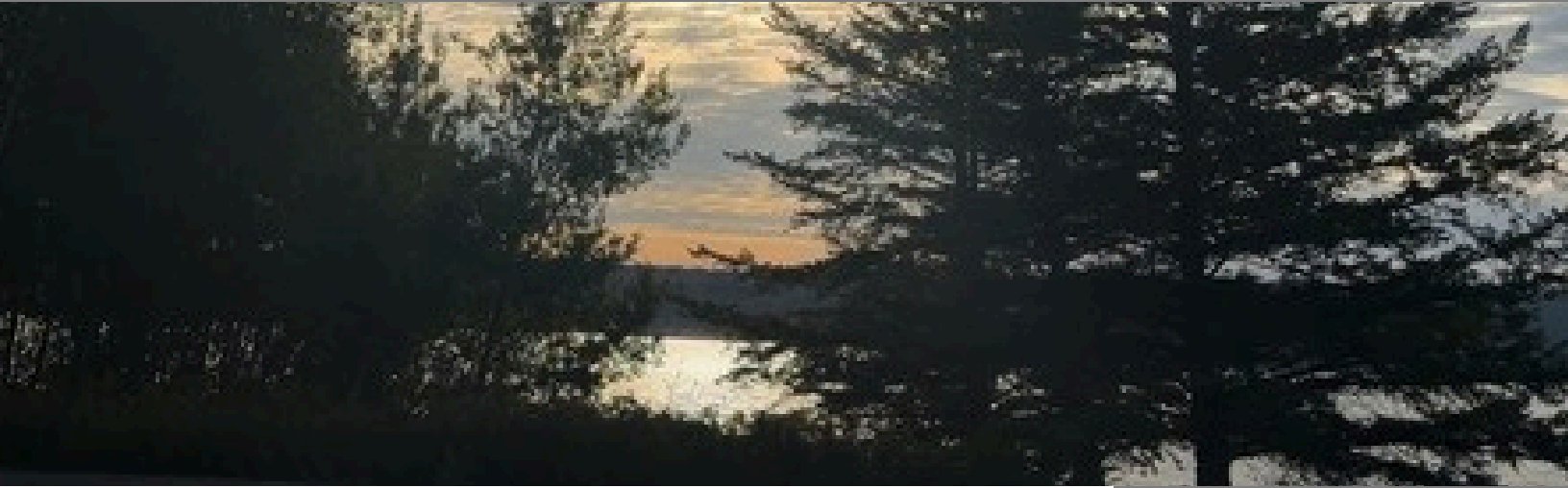


LIFE IN EDEN



A Letter From The Vicar

Hello Church Family,

I love the fall! The colors, the cool nights, the town moving at a slower pace, and the preparation for the holiday season. Summer flew by so quickly; I hope fall passes slowly and we have time to enjoy it before the snow comes.

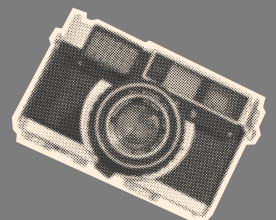
With the changing of the seasons, I always find myself wanting to make a change in my own life. This season, I am focusing on my prayer life. My prayer practices are where I feel I have a lot of room for growth. I pray often, usually spontaneously, and want to add discipline and reverence to my prayer practice. I am trying new ways to pray. I have started lighting a candle, praying

before working on a sermon, and ending my work with a prayer and extinguishing the candle. I have also found a prayer to recite each morning. My favorite words of this prayer are that I long to “know Christ, love Christ, and live Christ-my truest self.” That resonates with me, especially after writing a recent sermon about the authority that we have through Christ. I have also been mindful to pray the Lord’s Prayer often. Honestly, these practices are still forming, and as they form, there is room for change. I will never stop praying to God in my own voice, with my own words, or singing to God. This is how I come to God with joy and hope for the day, and in sadness or fear. I think God longs for our authenticity, vulnerability, and joy.

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In my sing-song prayers, I am reminded that I am exactly as God created me to be. This helps me let go of insecurities and comparison and find comfort in who I am.

As we begin fall, I encourage you to explore where you can become closer to God. This might come through prayer, scripture, worship, serving others, or simply thanking God for the beauty of creation.

However you seek to center your life on God, do so with wonder and curiosity, knowing that God meets you where you are. God does not need your efforts to be perfect.

May we each find joy in the ways we connect with God, trusting that we are loved exactly as we are.

Grace and peace,

Vicar Elaine Robbins



Scripture **Readings for** **October 2026**

October 4

Isaiah 5:1-7

Psalms 80:7-15

Philippians 3:4b-14

Matthew 21:33-46

October 11

Isaiah 25:1-9

Psalms 23

Philippians 4:1-9

Matthew 22:1-14

October 18

Isaiah 45:1-7

Psalms 96:1-9[10-13]

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Matthew 22:15-22

October 25

Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18

Psalms 1

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

Matthew 22:34-46

To help conserve paper and resources,
we're shortening our newsletter and
streamlining the information included each
month. We'll continue to share the
important news, updates, and highlights
you need—just in a more concise format.

Thank you for helping us make a small
change that makes a difference!



ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL



October 10
at
Eden Lutheran
Church
THRIFT FINDS
PLANT SALE
& FRIENDS!



October's birthstone is
Opal and the flower is
Marigold.

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10/06 - Norma Dick

10/07 - Dylan Cromell

10/07 - Claudia

VanLandSchoot

10/16 - Stacey Masters

10/16 - Arlene Posont

10/17 - DeeJay Paquette

10/18 - Heidi Paquette

10/19 - Lori Mattson

10/20 - Cheri Lare

10/26 - Christine

Jefferson

10/27 - Tessa Salo

10/30 - Daniel Hinsä

10/30 - Gerald Tahtinen

10/31 - Marguerite Davis



A letter from the quilters...



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QUILTS FOR
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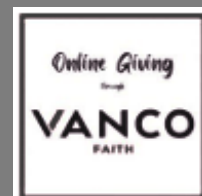
**WE HAD A BLESSING
OF THE QUILTS ON
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER
27TH.**



Scan to give!

Through your gifts,
we are able to
continue the work
God has called us to—
welcoming all,
growing in faith, and
caring for those in
need.

Thank you for being
part of what God is
doing through Eden.



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*Reach out to Stephanie by
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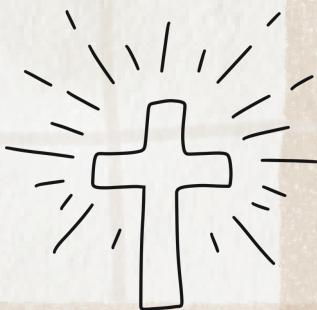
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10:30 a.m. ¹¹ Worship Council meeting	12	13	Office open 9-1 Vicar Elaine in office 10-2	15 1-3 p.m. & 4-6 p.m. Free Store	16 Office open 9-1	17 4 p.m. Worship
10:30 a.m. ¹⁸ Worship	19	20	Office open 9-1 Vicar Elaine in office 10-2	22	23 Office open 9-1	24 No worship service
10:30 a.m. ²⁵ Worship	26	27	Office open 9-1 Vicar Elaine in office 10-2	29	30 Office open 9-1	31 4 p.m. Worship

Free Store (third Thursday):

Open 1-3 p.m. and 4-6 p.m. Volunteers are needed.

Please note: Office hours are Wednesdays and Fridays from 9 to 1.

Vicar Elaine is in on Wednesdays from 10 to 2.



Please note: No worship service on 10/24.

Eden Evangelical Lutheran Church

Worship Services:

4 p.m. Saturday

10:30 a.m. Sunday

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Vice President: Norma Dick

Secretary: Jean Hayes

Treasurer: Brandalyn Decet

Council members:

Kaye Methot

Bruce Dausey

Donna LeRoy

Lynn DeRoche

The Congregational Council generally meets on the second Sunday of each month, after worship. All Eden members are welcome to attend.



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 **“He has made everything
beautiful in its time.” —
Ecclesiastes 3:11**

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