

FAITH & NORTH NEW HOPE PURPOSE STATEMENT:

Adopted at the Purpose & Values workshop-“Gathered in Christ to Serve, Love, and Welcome All.”

NORTH NEW HOPE SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS: Preschool through 6th grade. Sunday School on Summer Hiatus. Noisy Offering last Sunday of every month. Please be generous, this funds our Sunday School. September 20th, Sunday School starts with packing School Kits for LWR. Sunday School accepting donations of school items until 9/13/2026. Items needed listed on bulletin board. Sunday School provides drawstring backpacks.

FAITH LUTHERAN SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS: Faith Sunday School is held during worship, inform ushers your child is attending & Josh/Chelsea will lead them to the Fireside room for lessons, crafts, treats, & fun!

GREETING CARDS AT FAITH: Greeting cards at Faith-Free Will donation

PRAYERS FOR CONGREGATIONS IN TOMORROW RIVER CONFERENCE: We pray for our siblings at Peace Lutheran Church of Amherst & Nelsonville Lutheran Church of Nelsonville and Pastors Dwight & Gretchen Anderson.

JOINT WORSHIP SEPTEMBER 20, 2026: There will be a Joint service on 9/20/2026 10:30am at North New Hope Faith Sunday School invited to help pack Lutheran World Relief School Kits at 9:30am. *No worship at Faith on the 20th, 2026*

NORTH NEW HOPE CEMETERY PRODUCE-BAKERY-FRESH CANNED FRUIT SALE: October 20, 2026 NNH Cemetery will have a bakery, produce, canned fruit sale with all proceeds for the NNH cemetery fund.

FAITH WELCA M.O.M. JAR FOR THE FAMILY OF ADDISON CIESIELSKI: Scott & Becky Ciesieski welcomed their daughter Addison on 5/15/2026, 12 hours later Addy was transferred to NICU then learned that Addy has a gene mutation which causes seizures. Grandparents Lenore & David Peterson. There will be a benefit for Addy on October 18th 1pm to 5pm at Springville Sports Barn in Plover. See poster on bulletin board for more detailed information.

OLD FASHION SUNDAY DINNER OCTOBER 18th 11am-1pm: Sign-up sheets in Narthex for prep help, serving help, and desserts.

ROSHOLT PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED: Soup, Jelly, Juice, Rice, Toilet paper, and brown paper bags with handles. Drop off donations on Sundays & office hours. Pantry now has freezers/fridges and can now accept fresh or frozen meats & dairy. There is a tub in the kitchen fridge to store donations. Rosholt Food Pantry open 1st & 3rd Mondays of every month 3-5pm. If you have a need or know of families in need, *Call Dawn Cherek 715-570-3045.*

AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER OF PORTAGE COUNTY: ADRC Nutrition Program for seniors aged 60 and older. Rosholt ADRC dining site Nelson/Kaminski American Legion Hall. Meals are served on the *2nd & 4th Thursdays* every month. Noon lunch. Suggested donation of \$5. *RSVP Lisa, 715-347-4856.*

BETHANY HOME EVENTS: *Drive thru Brat Fry* Wednesday September 16, 2026 11am to 4pm 1226 Berlin Street, Waupaca, WI 2nd Annual Drive Thru Brat Fry \$5 for Brat, Chips, & Popsicle. Will take pre-orders – Call 715-942-1441 by 11am on the day of the event. Proceeds to upgrade Bethany’s CBRF-Heartwood. *Colors of Memory Walk* Thursday September 17, 2026 Starting and Ending at Bethany Home 1226 Berlin St, Waupaca.

Bethany Annual Golf Outing Saturday October 3, 2026 at Glacier Wood Golf Club 604 Water St, Iola, WI. Register by September 18, 2026 by QR code on Bethany newsletter (see bulletin board) Registration at 9am Shotgun starts 10am. \$100 per player - includes Dinner, raffle prizes, hole games, photo ops, and so much fun! See Bethany Newsletter on bulletin boards for more information and all other events.

PASTOR HEINTZ OFFICE HOURS: Pastor Joyce will usually be in the office on Wednesdays noon to 3pm.

DEADLINE OCTOBER NEWSLETTER September 22, 2026 2 pm DEADLINE BULLETINS – WEDNESDAYS 2 pm

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Prayers for Healing

Please remember those who are ill or otherwise in need of prayer, especially:

Our Members: Jackie, Dawn & Paul, Betsy & Al, Rose, and Heidi.

Our Friends: John, Robert, Ed, Roger, Alice, Bob, Kathy, Patty, Jake, Laura, Mallory, and Kathy.

NORTH NEW HOPE:

Our Members: Alyce, Berniece, and Addison.

Our Friends: Ron, Margaret, and Bernice.

Please call or email the Church Office to add to or remove someone on the prayer list.

FAITH LUTHERAN & NORTH NEW HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCHES

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Sunday September 13th, 2026

16th Sunday after Pentecost

Service of the Word



Preparation for Worship – With eagerness we approach you, O God. We join with all who love and serve you. We offer ourselves to be your people, ready to let your light shine upon us and through us. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Words of Welcome – It is a genuine joy to welcome all who have come to praise our Lord. Let us begin this service as we should begin every day: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

WELCOME/PURPOSE STATEMENT:

Pastor: Why are we here?
All: We are Gathered in Christ to Serve, Love, and Welcome All.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. Amen.
Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Gracious God, have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. Amen.

GATHERING SONG Our Father, We Have Wandered (Red Hymnal #606)

GREETING:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O Lord God, merciful judge, you are the inexhaustible fountain of forgiveness. Replace our hearts of stone with hearts that love and adore you, that we may delight in doing your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 50:15-21

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 103:1-13

- ¹ Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God’s holy name.
- ² Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all God’s benefits—
- ³ who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases;
- ⁴ who redeems your life from the grave and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy;
- ⁵ who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like an eagle’s.
- ⁶ O LORD, you provide vindication and justice for all who are oppressed.
- ⁷ You made known your ways to Moses and your works to the children of Israel.
- ⁸ LORD, you are full of compassion and mercy, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love;
- ⁹ you will not always accuse us, nor will you keep your anger forever.
- ¹⁰ You have not dealt with us according to our sins, nor repaid us according to our iniquities.
- ¹¹ For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is your steadfast love for those who fear you.
- ¹² As far as the east is from the west, so far have you removed our transgressions from us.
- ¹³ As a father has compassion for his children, so you have compassion for those who fear you, O LORD

SECOND READING: Romans 14:1-12

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Halle, Halle, Hallelujah (Red Hymnal #172)

GOSPEL: Matthew 18:21-35

The holy gospel according to Matthew Glory to you, O Lord.
The gospel of the Lord Praise to you, O Christ

SERMON

REV JOYCE HEINTZ

HYMN OF THE DAY Change My Heart, O God - sing multiple times (Red Hymnal #801)

APOSTLES’ CREED (Red Hymnal p105)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Reminded of God’s gracious and abundant love, we offer our prayers, confident that God hears us...
...Hear us O God. Your mercy is great.

... Grant the prayers we have offered, what we have forgotten to ask, and whatever else you see that we need. We ask this in Jesus’ name. Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

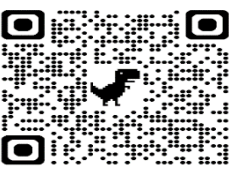
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CANTICLE OF THANKSGIVING: Salvation Belongs to Our God (Red Hymnal p219)

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD: (Red Hymnal p220)

Let us pray. Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things:...
...For your Word of life, O God, we give you thanks and praise.
... our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever. Amen.

LORD’S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord’s face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
Amen.

SENDING SONG There is a Balm in Gilead (Red Hymnal #614)

DISMISSAL

Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness. Be of good courage. Hold fast to that which is good. Render to no one evil for evil. Strengthen the fainthearted. Support the weak. Help the afflicted. Honor all people. Love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
Thanks be to God.