

This week's calendar 10/05/2025 thru 10/12/2025

Sunday 9:30 AM Worship Service with Communion—Pastor Jaime

Sunday School After Worship WELCA Meeting after Worship

5:30 PM Church Council Meeting

Thursday 9:00 AM Bits N' Stitches Quilting

2:30 PM Ruth Circle

Friday Pastor Jaime Sabath Saturday Pastor Jaime Sabath

Sunday 9:30 AM Worship Service with Communion—Pastor Jaime, Make-A-Change Sunday

Sunday School After Worship

Congregational Meeting After Worship

Worship Assistants	October 5 th	October 12 th	October 19th	October 26th
Reader:	Michelle Ciesynski	Karla Waloch	Barb Melroe	Becky Salberg

Holy Communion: If you feel called to help offer God's gift of Holy Communion to God's people, please let Pastor Jaime or the

ushers know before worship service or come forward when Pastor Jaime asks for communion assistants. All

ages are welcome to assist with Holy Communion.

Sound System: Kris Beck is running it at this time. **If anyone wants to learn let her know!** Thank You

Ushers: October Ushers

Captain: Jeff & Donna Anderson

Duane & Betty Johnson Scott & Jan Melroe

Weekly Giving September 28th, 2025

Total: \$418.00 Weekly Amount Needed To Meet Budget: \$4,472.12
Attendance: 21

*Because you give...we worship, fellowship, learn, serve and grow. Thank you for your generosity!

GA 2025 Budget: \$232,550.00

2025 Giving to Date: \$126,914.89

Giving Needed: \$105,635.11

Mowing Schedule: Oct 05-11: Mike Larson, Oct 12-18: Kent Johnson, Oct 19-25: Dennis Dahl

This week we lift in prayer to God:

- + Those in our congregation celebrating their **birthday:** Courtney Koepke, Dewey Johnson, Chance Noonan, Izabelle Beck
- + Those in our congregation celebrating their anniversary: Courtney & Alex Koepke
- + Those in our community: Bryan Christensen, Tim Christensen, Ginger Utecht, Clarmont Ulven, Betty Johnson, Louise Strahm, Connie Kracht, John Crandall, Joyce Even, Joan Peterson, Rachel Nelson, Donna Hansen, Dan Johnson, Diane Odegard, Curt Tufty, Betty Melroe, Steve Bopp, Marissa Lyter-Hanson, David Hansen, Kacia Enge, Britian Pfaff, Stephanie McFarland, Kay Swanson, Kandyce Sandstrom, Kenwood Peterson, Ty and Katelyn Michels, Delores Bohnenkamp, Jo Gamache.
- + Those who mourn the loss of a loved one:

→ Weekly bulletin Announcement Deadline: Mondays by Noon. November Newsletter Deadline: Monday, Oct 20th

*<u>If you have announcements</u> for G.A. please call 678-2552 or send them to <u>galutheranchurch@outlook.com</u> or leave a note on the secretary's door. Announcements and Newsletters are on the website <u>www.galutheranchurch.org</u>

**Contact Info: To reach Pastor Jaime, feel free to call/text her 701-680-2637 or email her at jaimedecker4@gmail.com

➤ <u>Venmo:</u> GA Church has Venmo! If you would like to use Venmo to place your Weekly, Monthly, and Annual Offerings or any other donations please do so!! Just scan the QR Code. Thank you!



- Congregational Meeting: Attention: Congregational Meeting on October 12th, 2025 to discuss replacing the roof. The GA Church roof has been leaking water for a few years in various areas of the church. Along with the Sunday School rooms and the kitchen, we are now experiencing leaks in the Fellowship Hall and above the southeast sanctuary door. After checking with various roofing companies, the GA Church council invites all members to a congregational meeting following the church service on October 12th. At this meeting, we will discuss the possibility of replacing the church roof and the necessary funding to pay for it. This is a substantial, but necessary undertaking if we want to prevent further damage to the church building. For over 100 years, GA has served as an integral place in Gwinner for people to gather to worship, fellowship, learn, serve, and grow. We will also have the 2nd vote to move the annual meeting to the second Sunday in February with the reports due on the last Sunday in January. It is our hope that you will join us on October 12th to help us decide how we can best serve our church and our community.
- ➤ <u>Sunday School</u>: Begins TODAY! It will run for six Sundays. We will not hold Sunday School on long weekends when there is no school on Fridays. Our last day of Sunday School will be November 23rd. The theme is: On the Go With God, and we will be offering workshops again this year: Board Games, Bingo and Art led by our high school students. <u>Registration is now open</u> online <u>www.galutheranchurch.org</u> We look forward to experiencing the energy and joy that children add to our congregation's life!
- **Book Study:** Have you ever wondered about the mental health and development of our youth and how it is affected by the world of cell phones and social media? Join us this October as we read and discuss the book, "The Anxious Generation How the Great Rewiring of Childhood Is Causing an Epidemic of Mental Illness," by Jonathan Haidt. Grab a copy of this book and read Parts 1 & 2 for our first meeting Monday, October 13th at 6:30 pm at GA Church. Contact Pastor Jaime for more information.
- ➤ <u>WELCA</u>: will have a short meeting after the church service TODAY. We will be discussing the November and December bake sales. We will decide on the dates for making pies and lefse. We will also discuss the Christian Women's Exchange, which we are hosting this year, and the speaker we have selected.
- Food Pantry Blitz: We are inviting Sargent County residents to participate in the "Fill the Pantry Blitz". Please bring donations to any of the drop-off locations (GA is a drop-off), starting October 1st. All donations will be picked up and delivered to the food pantry locations on November 2, 2025. Items especially needed: Flour and Sugar, Baked Beans, Pasta, Soups, Boxed Meals, Canned Meals, Household & Toiletry Items. Please see the flier on sanctuary door for more information.
- Thank You: On behalf of YOGA, we want to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone who came out to our car show. Your presence and support made the day such a success. We were blessed with an incredible turnout and served over 110 hamburgers to friends, family, and community members who joined in the fun. The laughter, fellowship, and beautiful display of cars created memories we won't soon forget. Events like this remind us how special our church family and community truly are. Thank you for showing up, bringing your energy, and helping us make this event meaningful for our youth. We look forward to seeing you at future gatherings, and we are deeply grateful for your continued encouragement and support.
- Fall Festival: Gwinner Park Board is hosting a Fall Festival and Soup Contest on October 12th at 12:30pm in Hegle Park. Open to all to attend come and have lunch (free-will) and enjoy some great fall family fun with hayrides, pumpkin painting, bingo and more! See the flier by the unisex restroom for more information.
- ➤ <u>Lutefisk:</u> A committee was formed of Steve & Barb Melroe, Dennis Dahl, Betty & Duane Johnson, Joleen Hardy, Walter Wrage, Kris Beck, Sharon Beckstrom and Mike Larson to discuss the future of our annual Lutefisk Supper. It was decided to table the supper this year. Due to attendance has gone down, price of fish up and lack of workers. Our main issue is workers and someone to be willing to head up this event. This also affects the WELCA bake sale. We need to get creative and find a way to raise funds. We welcome any ideas. If many come forward and request we have the lutefisk supper and would be willing to commit, the committee would revisit this decision. Our sincere thank you to everyone who has worked and provided for this supper which is over 86 years old. ~Sharon B.