



Announcements 09/28/2025



This week's calendar 09/28/2025 thru 10/05/2025

Sunday 9:30 AM Worship Service with No Communion– Jim Wilson
Pastor Jaime at Castaway

Thursday 9:00 AM Bits N' Stitches Quilting

Friday Pastor Jaime Sabath

Saturday Pastor Jaime Sabath

Sunday 9:30 AM Worship Service with Communion– Pastor Jaime
Sunday School After Worship
WELCA Meeting after Worship
5:30 PM Church Council Meeting

Worship Assistants	September 28 th	October 5 th	October 12 th	October 19 th
Reader:	Val Bjork	Michelle Ciesynski	Karla Waloch	Barb Melroe

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:	September Ushers	October Ushers
	Captain: Rodney & Ginger Utecht Kaleb & Jericho Brockman Jackie Meyer Gage & Ashley Hansen Ashlee Lien	Captain: Jeff & Donna Anderson Duane & Betty Johnson Scott & Jan Melroe

Weekly Giving	September 21 st , 2025
Total:	\$ ----- <u>Weekly Amount Needed To Meet Budget: \$4,472.12</u>
Attendance:	46

**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: Sept 28-Oct 04: Walter Wrage, Oct 05-11: Mike Larson, Oct12-18: Kent Johnson

This week we lift in prayer to God:

+ **Those in our congregation celebrating their birthday:** Carolyn J. Jacobson, Larry Johnson, Amy McGuire, Jack Mairs Heidi Gleason, Paetyn Hamann, Sarah Bleecker, Mason Nicholson, Robbin Witkowski, Timothy Peterson, Amber Kempel, Teagan Beck, Jaime Decker, Ellie Schroeder, Shane Johnson, Larry Swanson, Sasha Jensen

+ **Those in our congregation celebrating their anniversary:** Brandi & Sam French, Barb & Steve Melroe

+ **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**

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

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

- **Venmo:** 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!



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- **Lutefisk:** 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. After much discussion it was decided to table the supper this year. Attendance has gone down, price of fish and lack of workers. Our main issue is workers and someone to be willing to head up this event. This also effects 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.
- **Thrift Items:** Grace and Goods Thrift Store in Forman has asked GA Church if we'd be willing to be a drop off location for donations. Proceeds from their store fund services with the Kedish House and the Abuse Resource Network. Council voted on and approved this request, so if anyone has small items that you would like to donate to the thrift store, you may drop the items off at church during the secretary's hours, which are Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9:30-11:30 and Fridays from 11:00-3:00. Carrili will let you know where the items are stored. If you have a large item you'd like to donate, call Brenda Schreiner at (701)678-4469, and an arrangement will be made to have the donation picked up.
- **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.
- **Spread the word!:** The fall Sunday School Session will begin October 5th and will run for six Sundays. We will not hold Sunday School on the 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. **Registration is now open** online www.galutheranchurch.org 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.
- **WELCA:** will have a short meeting after the church service on October 5th. We will be discussing the November and December bake sales. We will decide on the dates for making pies and lefse. If you have apples, we'd appreciate donations of seasoned and frozen apples for the pies, which will be made. 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.
- **Chili & Pie Supper:** Wednesday Oct 8th, 5-7pm, St. Arnolds in Milnor. See flier by lady's bathroom for more info.