



Announcements 09/07/2025



This week's calendar 09/07/2025 thru 09/14/2025

Sunday 9:30 AM Indoor Worship Service No Communion– Michelle Watne
Pastor Jaime at Synod Conference thru Sept 10th
WELCA Meeting after Worship

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
5:30 PM Church Council Meeting

Worship Assistants	September 7 th	September 14 th	September 21 st	September 28 th
Reader:	Kirstin Kempel	Michelle Ciesynski	Nancy Wrage	Val Bjork

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 Zac & Kyla Temple Duane & Betty Johnson Scott & Jan Melroe

Weekly Giving	August 31 st , 2025
Total:	\$ 377.00
Attendance:	35

Weekly Amount Needed To Meet Budget: \$4,472.12

**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: \$119,815.07

Giving Needed: \$112,734.93

Mowing Schedule: Sept 07-13: Mike Larson, Sept 14-20: Adam Wrage, Sept 21-27: Brian Gilje

This week we lift in prayer to God:

+ Those in our congregation celebrating their **birthday**: Courtney Steichen, Adam Wrage, Sofya Herman, Eugene Hajek Elisha Otonichar, Donna Anderson, Bryer Crandall, Mara Edman, David Hansen

+ Those in our congregation celebrating their **anniversary**: Ashley & Gage Hansen, Karla & Randy Waloch, Megan & Walter Wrage

+ Those in our community: Bryan Christensen, Tim Christensen, Ginger Utecht, Clarmon 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.

+ Those who mourn the loss of a loved one:

→ **Weekly bulletin Announcement Deadline: Mondays by Noon.** **October Newsletter Deadline: Monday, Sept 22nd**

***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!
- **Live Stream:** We will resume live-streaming services on October 5th.
- **Attention Kitchen Workers:** There is a list posted on the refrigerator at church that details where kitchen supplies (and a few other things) are located. So, please consult that list if you cannot find certain items or if certain items are running low. There is a person to contact, if you feel those items need replenishing. Thanks Val!
- **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. The donations will be picked up weekly, which will reduce accumulation at church. If you have a large item you'd like to donate, call Brenda Schreiner at (701)678-4469 or let Carrili know, and an arrangement will be made to have the donation picked up.
- **No-Bake Sale:** Summer is ending and our fall programs are ramping up at GA Church. This is just a reminder that WELCA (Women of the ELCA) collects a \$10 "No Bake, Bake Sale" due from each woman. With these dues, we are able to support programs at GA and donate to our selected charities. WELCA co-chairs will be contacting members throughout the year to collect these dues. Thank you for your participation in this, as it allows us to fulfill our mission of serving our community and the world.
- **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. 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.
- **Car Show:** The YOGA Car Show and Burger/Hotdog Feed will be Sept 24th at 6pm at GA. Spread the word!
- **Spread the word!:** The fall Sunday School Session will begin on 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. We will be offering workshops again this year led by our high school students. Registration will open soon. We look forward to experiencing the energy and joy that children add to our congregation's life!
- **Thank You:** Thank you to all who donated at the blood drive on September 2nd. We were able to collect 13 units of blood product which will potentially be able to help up to 26 people. Thank you also to Becky Salberg for helping at the check-in desk! ~Carrili L.~