

Lord of the Lakes

We are a family of faith, celebrating Jesus Christ at work in our lives and actively inviting others to do the same.

6090 Harbour South, Winneconne, WI 54986



SUNDAY SERVICE

Worship Services
8:00am & 10:00am

Coffee Fellowship
9:00am

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Sunday School
Between Services -
9:00am
resumes in September

SWAG - YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Leader Ryan Otto
Wednesdays 6pm-8pm

Team Reach Code
60900

MUSIC MINISTRY

Wednesday Practices
Guitar Band 4pm

ONE DAY IT WILL LOOK DIFFERENT

Summer is finally here, can you believe it?? If you're like me and don't particularly relish -40 degree days, you may hold onto the hope that warmer weather is on its way.

I really do enjoy the change of seasons in our part of the country. It's a reminder that change is always right around the corner. That even when a rainy day comes our way, a sunny one is sure to follow.

The Scriptures have a lot to say about change, and one of my favorite passages is in Revelation 21, which describes the new world that is coming.

It tells us that there will be a new heaven and a new earth. There will be no more tears, no more death, or mourning or crying or pain because the old order has passed away. These promises aren't here yet. But they are coming. Not yet but one day.

Jesus also talks about what is coming in His own teachings. It will

be wonderful. Sometimes it's hard to fathom the promises of Jesus. Will there really be a perfect world with people who care and love and are fulfilled with their lives and enjoy each other? That's what I read, it's coming, where love is the rule not the exception.

But Jesus is also quick to point out that you can start living this way right now. He says that the new way of living began with Him when He lived, died and rose again.

You can bring love to the forefront today, in your life. You can start to live today with fulfillment, caring, love, and maybe most importantly hope.

One day our world will look different. It's coming. Until then, enjoy summer and know that life with God is good now and one day it will be perfect.

Pastor Kevin



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PASTOR'S CORNER

by the numbers

Numbers for June are as follows:

Advising- 7
Home/Hospital visits- 6
Meetings- 1
Synod Assembly- 1
Funeral-2
Bible Study-4



ICE CREAM SOCIAL

August 16th

Everybody loves Ice Cream! What can possibly be better on a hot summer day? Mark your calendars now so you don't miss out! Join us on Sunday, August 16 for an Ice Cream Social under the new pavilion! We will offer scoops of ice cream in a bowl along with your favorite toppings. On the same day during the 10 a.m. service, students who attended Vacation Bible School will put on a special program of entertainment featuring songs they learned that week.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please reach out to Deb Ruedinger, 863-634-9794 if you will be willing to help scoop and serve ice cream during our Ice Cream Social on Sunday, August 16. We are looking for men, women or responsible teens with a cheerful attitude and a love for the activity.

SENIOR FUN DAY

July 31st Noon - 3pm

Here we go again! It doesn't matter if you are 50 or 105 or someone even younger who enjoys being around people who like a good time! Please join us on Friday, July 31, from Noon until 3 p.m. We start gathering at Noon and a potluck lunch is served at 12:30pm. You may bring your favorite snack, appetizer, salad, entrée or dessert! The theme in July is "Foods I would Eat if I were at EAA Today!" A sign-up sheet will be on the kiosk so you can see what foods others plan to bring. If you have a favorite game or activity, bring it along with you to share. We like learning new things! Otherwise, there will always be a table of cribbage and sheephead, as well as other activities. Some just enjoy having good conversations!



News from

LIFE & GROWTH TEAM

A Life & Growth Team meeting is planned for Monday, July 13, at 5:30 p.m. to continue our discussion and plan for Fall Fest. Tentatively we plan to meet in the Youth Room unless you are notified otherwise.



GUIDED NATURE WALK

July 18th 7:30am

The initial information for my walk was included in the June newsletter, but I thought I'd send you an update that has additional information:

Join us for a guided nature walk at the Bohn Farms Glacial Habitat Restoration area on Saturday, July 18, 2026, at 7:30 a.m. led by Dana Hartel. Recent prescribed burns have been conducted on the site, and these types of burns mimic patterns of nature. We will talk about benefits of burns and see some results. We will venture into the prairies where there is uneven ground and no real trails. Also, the ground may be wet, so waterproof footwear is recommended, along with long pants and insect repellent. This is a family-friendly activity, and all are welcome!

Site address: 9500 County Road B, Winneconne. There is a small parking lot, and additional vehicles may be parked on Welsch Road across the road from the lot.

If you cannot come to the walk but want to socialize with the group afterward, join us at Jackie's Parkside around 9:30 a.m.

WAYS TO HELP OUR CHURCH AND COMMUNITY

DAY BY DAY SHELTER

Some of the staff at the Day by Day Warming Shelter were wearing T-shirts that said, "Find Your Way, Day by Day." This theme is a good reminder to the guests at the shelter and to us as well.

Week after week, month after month, Lord of the Lakes members have been donating, cooking, baking, serving, cleaning up the kitchen, and praying for people most of us do not even know. The guests thank you for your compassion and understanding.

Our next opportunity to provide an evening meal at Day by Day is July 16. Please sign up at the kiosk, and you will be contacted.

For more information, contact Sally Patterson at 920-279-2388.

— The Day by Day Team

SCRIP/RAISE RIGHT

Lord of the Lakes participates in the RaiseRight fundraising program, which helps support our ministry through your everyday purchases. When you buy gift cards, shop online, dine out, or book travel through RaiseRight, a percentage of your purchase is donated back to Lord of the Lakes.

Consider using RaiseRight gift cards for your regular shopping instead of cash or a debit card.

Gift cards are available Sundays at the Scrip table or online. To credit your purchases to Lord of the Lakes, use enrollment code 37D492B534575 when registering.

BUSY HANDS

BUSY HANDS will meet on Tuesday mornings, July 14 and July 28. We will be assembling and tying quilt layers and sewing borders. We invite anyone interested to join us at 9:00 am. No sewing experience needed. We break for devotional and refreshments around 11:00 am.

THRIFT & GIFT

On the first Saturday of each month, Lord of the Lakes volunteers at the Winneconne Thrift & Gift through its profit-sharing program, receiving half of that day's profits.

Interested in helping? Contact Becky Jahnke at beckyjahnke920@gmail.com.

Next volunteer date: August 1. (There is no July date because July 4 falls on the first Saturday of the month.)

PRAYER SHAWLS

When the prayer shawls arrived at the cancer center, the staff immediately shared their gratitude: "These are so needed" and "They are so appreciated."

Thank you to our Prayer Shawl Ministry team. Your time, talent, and caring hands provide comfort, hope, and encouragement to those facing difficult days.

If you knit or crochet and would like to join this ministry, please contact Sally Patterson. We welcome your help in sharing comfort, care, and prayer with others.

BACK 2 SCHOOL FAIR 2026

Lord of the Lakes Christmas in July team, Kate Fuller, Jackie Neumann, Lani Stanek, Nancy Hereford, and Jill Templin

ABOUT

The Back 2 School Fair gives Lord of the Lakes an opportunity to support children in our community by donating supplies for the 2026–2027 school year. The fair serves students in Winneconne and Oshkosh.

Our church will collect items from June 28 through August 2.

This year, Lord of the Lakes and other organizations will support more than 1,480 students with the supplies they need to start the school year with confidence.

Students are referred through local agencies and school staff who work with families to identify those with the greatest need. Together, we can remove barriers and help students feel prepared for school.



KIDS RECEIVE

The kids receive school supplies, backpacks, a shirt, pants, shoes, socks, hygiene products, in addition to other services (dental, haircuts, etc).

TO PARTICIPATE:

There will be a Christmas tree by the church office windows with tags starting June 28. Please select a tag(s), purchase the item, and return it to the church in the donation box by August 2. Note that the tags include a “little Jesus”—this is for you to keep or to give away as a reminder that Jesus loves you. Some tags also include an optional cash donation, which helps fill gaps and ensures every student receives what they need. Checks can be made payable to Lord of the Lakes with “Back 2 School” in the memo line.

We hope to positively impact the kids and encourage them to continue pursuing an education that will serve them throughout their lives. Thank you for your kindness and generous support.

Questions: Kate 608-239-4293 or Jill 920-427-0055

QUESTIONS

Call or text Kate 608-239-4293 or Jill 920-427-0055
If you would like to assist with this project, let us know.
Thank you for your kindness; we can make a difference!

Vacation Bible School

August 10-13, 8:45-12:00 each day
for ages 4k-5th grade (grade as of fall)



Join us for an unforgettable adventure in faith!

As we explore exciting Bible stories, kids will set out on a journey to discover the nature of God — who He is and how He cares for us.

From the beginning of Creation to the promise of heaven, kids will discover that God made us, knows us, loves us, protects us, and will be with us always — yesterday, today, and forever.

Bible
Stories

Catchy
Songs

Tasty
Snacks

Cool
Crafts

Lively
Games

Four Days of Adventure

Monday, August 10 –
Thursday, August 13

8:45 – 12:00 each day

Church Program

Sunday, August 16
11:00 am

SCAN
ME!



To learn more and register

Lord of the Lakes Church



Mission Trip 2026



The week was filled with worship, fellowship, service, and new experiences. The team attended a Southern Baptist church service, shared a potluck meal with members of the UUMC congregation, enjoyed time fishing and swimming, and toured their first mission site, FriendShip. Throughout the week, they served in a variety of ways, including yard work, mowing, weed whacking, sorting food and recyclables, and assisting with projects around the FriendShip compound. At Sleep In Heavenly Peace, the team helped build 22 beds and prepared several for delivery, providing children in need with safe and comfortable places to sleep. Additional service opportunities included volunteering at a local thrift store, sorting clothing and cleaning shelves, and assisting at Reins of Hope, where team members helped care for horses and observe therapeutic riding sessions. The week provided countless opportunities to serve others, grow in faith, build relationships, and witness the impact of compassionate ministry in the community.



BUILDINGS & GROUNDS



Spring Cleaning - Thank You

A huge THANK YOU to all who helped with our Spring Cleaning event on April 19th. Much was accomplished both inside and outside. Thank you to Betts and Rick for organizing it and being there to give direction. The extra help is sooooo appreciated. If anyone else could not make it, but wishes to help us with clean-up when you're able to, let Betts, Rick or Jan know and we will let you know how you can help.

A message from Buildings & Grounds

Submitted by Jan Olson

As I am writing this in mid-June for the July newsletter the Team has been juggling multiple projects. But we have many exciting things to look forward to in July and throughout the summer.

Pavilion Update

The pavilion is done and is beautiful -- thank you to the donator and this will be used for many years to come!

Zillges Landscaping has started working on the grounds around the pavilion footprint: leveling ground, installing mow strips (4), and putting finishing touches on the driveway that runs from our parking lot and along the south border. Ultimately there will be new grass seed put in. I'm expecting this to all be done by the time you are reading this. We already have the equipment to water the new seed to get it growing quickly. **YOUR PART (Adults and Kids) TO HELP US -- STAY OFF IT UNTILL FURTHER NOTICE.**

Mark your calendars in advance: The Pavilion will be dedicated on August 16th during Fellowship hour. This is the same day as the VBS program so we hope to have many families participate. Life and Growth Team is planning an Ice Cream Social in the new pavilion see page 2 for details!

Cleaning

We have arranged to have the floors of the church be deeped cleaned by a professional cleaning service. We are doing this project in phases to minimize program disruptions. In June the Sunday school rooms, youth room and offices were cleaned. To Teachers, kids, and parents -- please be cautious of food and beverages in these carpeted areas.

In July, Accurate Cleaning Service will be doing the Sanctuary in two phases. In August, and after there is grass growing in our South yard, he will be deep cleaning the tile and grout of the Narthex, large bathrooms, and kitchen. We will be asking for help to move furnishings as well as return furnishings after carpets are dry. Please watch for notices and help when possible. This is a big project and help outside our B&G Team is much appreciated.



Lord of the Lakes member Melanie Zillges is serving as the project manager for our pavilion landscaping project. In addition to overseeing the project, Melanie has been actively involved in preparing the site, even operating the front loader to help get the work done.

Thank you, Melanie, for your dedication, hard work, and hands-on commitment to making this project a success!

Playground Update

Zillges will have prepared the area in advance as they are doing their other landscaping. We have an all new Playset being delivered and installed on July 13 and 14. The climbing dome will also be reinstalled at this time. In addition, there will be mulch brought in to be placed under all equipment -- we may need volunteers to help spread the mulch. Kids will be very excited to see this unfold and start to use the new playset. A huge thank you to Sarah Walsh and her Children's Ministry Team for researching and working with Lee Recreation to choose a set that looks like it will be great fun and within the funds we had to work with.

Speaking of funds, we have decided to wait for a swing set until we can afford a set with a smaller footprint. So that will be done at a later date. Also later and likely next year we will be looking to relocate and rebuild the Fire Pit. Anyone with experience with that, please contact Ben Manning.

Faith in Action



A Special Thank You - With grateful hearts, we would like to extend a special thank you to Ella Stewart, Eleanor Kabat, and Sydney Ostroth of the 7th Grade Winneconne Leadership Class for their generous donation of \$80 to the Alcoholics Anonymous Group. Through their hard work and dedication, they collected more than 120 pounds of aluminum to raise funds for this gift.

Their kindness, servant-hearted spirit, and willingness to help others are a wonderful reflection of faith in action. We are truly blessed by their generosity and initiative, and we pray that their example inspires others to share their gifts and talents in service to those in need.

May God bless them for their compassion and commitment to making a positive difference in our community. Thank you for this meaningful gift.

Join us
FAMILY FAITH FUN
NIGHTS

- Family devotions June 17 6:00-8:00
- Yard games July 15 6:00-8:00
- Smores August 12 6:00-8:00
- Potluck of snacks ** watch emails and newsletter for more information to come
- Fun for all ages!

Happy Birthday

Celebrating July Birthdays
(kids 1-17 & adults 70+)

- 7/2 - Karree Koneman & Mary Mueller
- 7/5 - Asher & Marin McVeigh
- 7/6 - Ilah King
- 7/11 - Demarcus McDaniel
- 7/12 - JoAnn Kuenzi
- 7/13 - Max Fischer
- 7/15 - Waylon Pruetz
- 7/19 - Bette Lee
- 7/22 - Jan Faust & Tom Lettau
- 7/23 - Peggy Nigl
- 7/30 - Eva Grewe
- 7/31 - Rick Pierre



July



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 4:00pm - Buildings & Grounds Meeting	2 8:30am Bible Study	2	4 
5 8am & 10am Worship Services 9am Coffee Fellowship Blood Pressure Clinic between services	6 5:00pm Narcotics Anonymous	7	8 4:00pm - Guitar Band 6:00pm SWAG	9 8:30am Bible Study	10	11
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July Worship Assistants

*indicates chairperson for coffee fellowship

July 5th 8:00am

Greeters: JoAnn Gehler & Ron Zehner
Reader: Betts Nikolai
Communion: Betts Nikolai & Pam Ulness
Usher: John Ulness & Judy Riese
Coffee Fellowship: Bob & Judy Felberg*, Bev Raatjes, Dana Hartel, Mary Alice Klemp

July 5th 10:00am

Greeters: Sherry & Bill Gardner
Reader: Jody Kell
Communion: Barb & Mark Joma
Usher: Janine Brantley & Barry Christianson

July 12th 8:00am

Greeters: Todd & Nancy Hereford
Reader: Dana Hartel
Communion: Todd Hereford & Sally Patterson
Usher: Jeff Jansen & Paula Thurber
Coffee Fellowship: Barb Wachtendonk*, John Macho & Jamie Bliske, Deb Ruedinger

July 12th 10:00am

Greeters: Jon & Sarah Walsh Family
Reader: Andrea Peterson
Communion: Jenni Groholski & Ken Mueller
Usher: Barb & Mark Jorna

July 19th 8:00am

Greeters: Marie Lesnick & Greg Pasch
Reader: Tennille Peterson
Communion: Deb Ruedinger & Kim Zehner
Usher: Tom & Brianna Carter
Coffee Fellowship: Marsha Phillips*, Sally Patterson, Laurie Behm & Dorothy Bain

July 19th 10:00am

Greeters: Mimi Peterson & Greta Wortman
Reader: Ray Zegers
Communion: Janine Brantley & Barry Christianson
Usher: Ken & Mary Mueller

July 26th 8:00am

Greeters: Mark & Teri Henry
Reader: Ariel Haemmerle
Communion: Marsha Phillips & Chris Rescheske
Usher: JoAnn Gehler & Mel Koneman
Coffee Fellowship: Jan Olson*, Victoria Waters, Trudy Strand, Sherry Gardner, Kimberly Radtke

July 26th 10:00am

Greeters: Barb & Mark Joma
Reader: Cheryl Prosek
Communion: Gail Gardner & Wayne Ludkey
Usher: Ginny & Joe Potter



July Counters: Pam Billman & Lani Stanek
August Counters: Deb Ruedinger & Kim Zehner

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Neenah: 722-7707
Don't let stigma stand in your way



Prayer List

Please contact the church office or Pastor Kevin to add your request to our prayer chain. All concerns are kept confidential.