



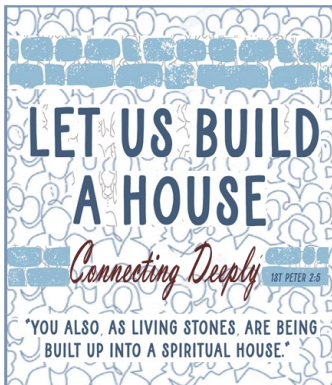
Worship

- In-person worship—**9:30 AM Sundays**
- Online worship continues, and is live-streamed to our [YouTube](#) and [Facebook](#) pages



Church Council 2025

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Billie Chock (pres.)
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Help Pastor Tim learn your name

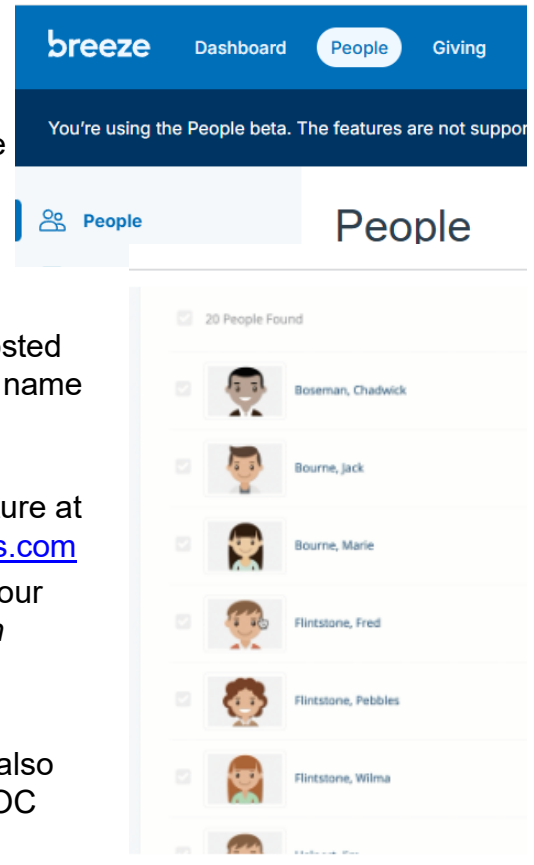
Every week, Pastor Tim learns more members' names. But where does he go when he can't remember if the person he talked to was *Denise* or *Delores*? He opens Light of Christ's [online photo directory](#) in **Breeze** (our church membership software).

But if you are *Denise* and you haven't posted your photo, it won't help him lock in your name and face.

So please:

1. Create your Breeze profile and picture at <https://lightofchristdelano.breezechms.com>
2. Post a photo for each member of your family—see *instructions for adding an individual or family photo below*.
3. Update photos as the kids grow.

And then remember that the directory is also *your* best tool to learn who your fellow LOC members are!



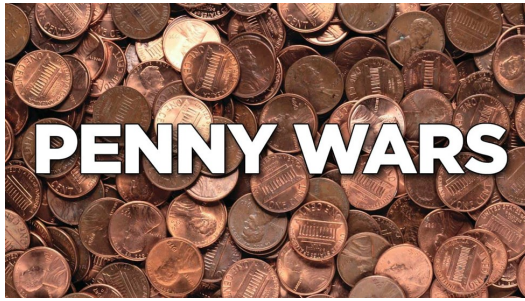
To upload a photo of an *individual*:

1. Navigate to that person's profile.
2. Click on the image box at the top.
3. Click "Upload Image" and select the image you want to upload.
4. Crop the image to the appropriate size and save the change.

To upload a photo of a *family*:

1. Navigate to the profile of someone in the family.
2. Click the gray header over the family section and then click "Add Family Picture."
3. Click "Upload Image" and select the image you want to upload.¹
4. Crop the image to the appropriate size and save the change.

Images must be in jpeg, png, gif, or bmp format.



Confirmation Penny Wars Fundraiser for a Gaga Pit in Belize!

Confirmation Youth (7th-9th grade) are competing to earn the most money to fund the supplies for a gaga ball pit that will be built during the LOC Adult Belize Trip over spring break (March 1-8).

- Jugs for 7th, 8th, and 9th grades can be found in the Narthex.
- Checks, bills, and SILVER coins will GAIN points for your grade (EX: \$20 bill = 2,000 pts)
- Pennies = **NEGATIVE points!** **Make sure you put the pennies in the jugs that you **DON'T** want to win**
- Help your friends in Confirmation earn the most points by filling up their jugs!
- Any additional money will go to help fund other Belize projects, such as the picnic table supplies.
- Coordinated by Avery and Emery Klaphake, two Delano Juniors, who put this together for their NHS Independent Service Project!

Thanks for your support!

Serve A Meal - Love INC Heartland

Build community by serving a meal at our Fresh Start Program! Fresh Start is a series of life skills courses we offer to our neighbors in need. We have five nights left to fill, sign up today: bit.ly/fsmealtrain



Love INC Heartland Annual Meeting - Feb. 18

Join us at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, February 18 at Peace Lutheran Church in Watertown, MN. We'll review 2024 and look ahead to 2025. Please RSVP so we can prepare enough Annual Reports: bit.ly/24mtg

EXTRA SHOES?



Be a part of a good cause
and donate them!



Recycle



Re-use



Raise money

Drop your lightly used sneakers here!

600 million
people don't
even own a
pair of shoes

200 million
pairs of shoes
end up in the
landfill each
year

30-40 years
for shoes to
decompose

Shoe Collection/Recycling!

As we've done in past, the youth are collecting old sneakers to be recycled and to raise funds for their summer trips. A minimal amount of money is raised, but more importantly, the shoes dropped off are recycled and then don't sit in a landfill! The shoe collection bin will be in the Narthex from **Sunday, February 23rd – Sunday, March 23rd** and then be moved to the Fellowship Hall area... where it'll be located year-round for collection now.

Thanks for supporting our youth and for helping our environment at the same time! This project is being done through [Got Sneakers](#). (Note: this project is being coordinated by Anneka Zaun for her National Honor Society project. Anneka went to Chicago last summer and is attending the N. Shore mission trip this summer!)

Mini-Chocolate Gift Bags

Make Great Gifts!



20 mini chocolates for \$5.00—
see Equal Exchange sales in
the narthex. Thanks for
supporting our LOC Youth!



THE HOOT NEWS for February from Sue Fink

Well, the groundhog saw his shadow on February 2nd, the days are getting noticeably longer, and we're hearing owls hooting at night to find a mate. Spring is just around the corner! But, we're still tucked in for another 6 weeks, so let's have a PIZZA PARTY!!



On **Thursday, February 20th at 12 noon**, we are gathering our flock in the Living Room for Papa Murphy's pizza. Laurie Grimm is bringing a 7-layer salad and Sue Fink is providing Caesar salad. We will need volunteers for beverages and desserts. We had so much fun playing table games in January that we are asking folks to bring games again for this month. We'll also do some trivia!

Our OWLS had such a great time for our January soup and bread cook-off! Jewel Ekern's ham/bean soup and Jinnelle Weis' cornbread with honey butter took first place, but all recipes were delicious. If you would like copies of the recipes, ask Sue.

For the next couple of months, our planning committee is thinking of visiting the Delano Senior Center for lunch with a tour and calendar of activities presented. Next, organizing a "lunch-and-learn" with Subway sandwiches and various speakers to teach us about funeral planning, endowments and financial planning, and our Columbarium process. In May we will once again venture out for field trips and tours. If you have ideas to share, contact Sue/Bill Fink, Jewel Ekern, Lona Jose, or Laurie Grimm.

Emails are sent out to folks on our OWLS roster about our upcoming events, but all retirees are welcome and encouraged to join us. If you are interested in joining this fun group of 30+ friends, please contact Sue Fink at billand-sue2931@gmail.com.

Sign Up to Serve a Lenten Supper!

Lenten suppers will be served prior to each Wednesday Lenten service from March 12 through April 9 (*no supper on March 5/Ash Wednesday due to it being spring break*). **Groups and/or individuals are invited to serve a Lenten supper.** A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the office area; or you can contact Terri in the church office. A free-will offering taken at each meal may be used for a cause designated by the meal's hosts.



Sunday Announcements



If you would like to share any church-related announcements on Sunday morning, please let Katie know by the Wednesday prior to the service. We will do our best to accommodate, but there may be Sundays where we cannot fit it in, and another Sunday may work better. Thank you!

Women's Bible Study

The women's Bible study **meets the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month, 6:30 – 8:00 PM at LOC through April 7**. If you are interested in participating, please respond to Lindsay Lindall at lindsay.lindall@gmail.com. We hope to see you there!



Planning to move?

Phone # or email address changed? Have you cancelled your landline? Please help us keep our records up-to-date by notifying Terri in the church office of any changes. Thank you!



Please Support the Youth with an Auction Donation!

Our youth are currently looking for donations for our online auction taking place on **Sunday, March 16th**! New and gently used items will be accepted through Monday, March 10th. Here is a list of donation ideas:

- Gift cards
- Toys
- Unwanted Christmas gifts
- Event tickets
- Cabin rentals
- Personally hosted events, such as dinners/boating
- Handmade items
- Jewelry
- Sports equipment
- Books
- *No used clothing, please!*

Our auction will be online again this year from **7:00 AM–5:00 PM on March 16th**, with items on display at church from 3:00-5:00 PM. Thanks for your support of our summer 2025 trips!



SAVE THE DATE! Join us on 3/16/25 for the youth fundraiser supporting our 7th-12th grade youth going on the Summer 2025 trips!

Spaghetti Dinner Tickets On Sale NOW!



Get your tickets for the 2025 Youth Spaghetti Dinner (and LIVE Dessert Auction) before they sell out! This fun, annual event is taking place on **Sunday, March 16th**. Here is the schedule of events:

- 7:00 AM Auction opens online (**view auction items at the QR code below**)
- 3:00 PM Auction in-person viewing at church (until 5 PM)
- 4:00 PM Entertainment and Wine/Beer Sampling
- 5:00 PM Auction closes and Spaghetti Dinner Begins
- 6:30 PM Live Dessert Auction
- 7:00 PM Auction Item Pick-Up

Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for youth, ages 4-12. Ages 3 and under are free! Tickets can be purchased from the church office (during regular business hours) or any time before/after worship – until they are sold out!

Thank you for attending and supporting our youth!





Confirmation Calendar

(All events are 6:15-8:00 PM unless noted otherwise. See more details included on [this page](#).)



- **2/19** — Confirmation teaching night
- **2/26** — Confirmation teaching night
- **3/5** — Ash Wednesday (no “regular” Confirmation; worship as a family at 7PM)
- **NOTE:** We’ll have SLICE from 5:45-6:15 each Wednesday night that we have Confirmation.

First Communion—April 13

Preparing for First Communion sessions will be offered on March 30 and April 6 from 6 – 7 PM. Please sign up at this link if you are interested: <https://lightofchristdelano.breezechms.com/form/3dbef5>



It's Time to Sign Up for Summer Bible Camp!

Registration for our reserved spaces at Lake Wapogasset Lutheran Bible Camp (in Amery, WI) is now open! Below are the dates that we have spaces reserved, but all spaces are now open to the public. Scholarships will be provided again this year! Invite a friend and join us for a life-changing week at camp this summer!

- **Seeds (Grades 1-3): June 20-22**
- **Wapo Youth (Grades 4-8): June 22-27 and July 27-August 1**
- **Wapo One-Day (Grades 1 & up): June 25**

LOC Specific Registration Link: <https://lwlbc.com/loc-delano>

