

**WELCOME!** We are pleased to have you worship with us today! Please join us in the Fellowship Hall for coffee and snacks immediately following the service. **In Need of volunteers for weekly Sunday Fellowship and Monthly Funday Sunday (typically last Sunday of the month).** Please contact Jamie Treinen at 989-255-0297 to volunteer or to get more information.

**CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING:** The next council meeting will be held on Tuesday December 12, 2023, at 5:30 pm. Council approved October tithing to Alpena Baby Pantry- \$423.80, Lutheran Military Veterans and Families Ministries-\$317.85, Wycliffe Associates-\$317.85 and LCMC-250.00.

**STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION:**

**RLCA Secretary - Sherry Anderson – [secretary@rlca.us](mailto:secretary@rlca.us) - 989-354-7522**  
**Council Chair–Rodney Lang –[rodlang@yahoo.com](mailto:rodlang@yahoo.com)-989-657-1278**

**RLCA –November/December Service Activity – Salvation Army -** To end the year of RLCA Monthly Service Activities we will be collecting gifts of warm clothing and toys for our neighbors. The Salvation Army is always in need of these items. For outerwear and toys, any size and age are welcome. Although emergency shelter and 24-hour crisis intervention service remain a major focus of the Salvation Army they provide much more - and we can help! Please place your donated items in the basket in the Church Narthex. We will be collecting items until mid-December. For additional information contact Dalair Dones or Cathy Moe.

**Feeding Kids Ministry –** Volunteers needed for the RLCA pack the first Monday of each month. Volunteers are also needed for unloading food trucks (dates to be determined) and delivery of packs to Ella White and Hillman Public Schools. Also, in need of a delivery driver to Hinks School on Tuesdays, this is a sub position for the months of January-March and occasionally when our driver takes vacation. We are also looking for a grant writer. Do you have a few keyboard skills and ability and time to research? Do you know someone who does? We are looking for you. Please call Jamie Treinen at 989-590-4724 to volunteer or for more information.



## First Sunday of Advent

*“Yet you, Lord, are our Father. We are the clay, you are the potter; we are all the work of your hand.”*

### Welcome and Announcements

Praise Singing	“Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying” Prayer “Fling Wide the Door”
Scripture Lessons	Isaiah 64: 1-9 Psalm 80: 1-7 1 Corinthians 1: 3-9 “Thanks We Give and Adoration” Mark 13: 24-37
Sermon/Message	Pastor Doug Lopez
Hymn of the Day	“The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns”
Apostles Creed	
Prayers of the Church	
Confession and forgiveness	
Words of Institution	
Lord’s Prayer	
Communion	“Break Thou the Bread of Life”
Benediction	“Lord Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing”
Closing Hymn	“I’ll Fly Away”

## This Week at RLCA

Sunday, December 3.....9:00 am Sunday Worship Service  
Monday, December 4.....11:30 am – 3:30 pm Church Office Open  
5:30 Feeding Kids Packing  
Wednesday, December 6.....11:30 am – 2:30 pm Church Office Open  
Friday, December 8.....11:30 am – 2:30 pm Church Office Open  
Sunday, December 10.....9:00 am Sunday Worship Service

**PASTORAL MESSAGES:** Pastor Doug’s weekly message can be found on the RLCA website under “Pastoral Messages”.

**GENERAL FUND OFFERINGS November 20 – November 26:** \$2,620.30

**FEEDING KIDS MINISTRY November 20 – November 26:** \$210.00

**ATTENDANCE November 26 - 50 Church – 2 Streaming**

**Offering Plate** – For your convenience the Offering Plate is located in the back of the Sanctuary. Thank you for all you give.

**PRAYERS:** We remember in prayer Steve and Penny Abend, Arlie Prevost, Bill Sansom, Brian Neiman, Carol Smart, Cathy Moe, Helen Johnson, Jeff Kendziorski, Jenny Spigelmyer, Lori Muszynski, Marlene Bartz, Mary Erickson, Rachael Sansom Rick Demarr, Ron Zitlau, Sandi Skaluba, Steve Benedict, Tom and Joan Lavoie. Pray for the following: all those who serve in the military, the children who are receiving food from FKM, incarcerated individuals, and individuals who are dealing with addictions and emotional health problems. May our Lord Jesus Christ be with all these people today and always.

**PRAYER CHAIN:** Prayer is powerful and can be a tremendous help for those in need. If you have a prayer request, or if you are interested in being a member of our prayer chain, please contact Linda Sansom at 989-657-5060 or email at [Linda199698@yahoo.com](mailto:Linda199698@yahoo.com). All your prayer requests will be kept in confidence among those in the prayer chain.

**BIRTHDAYS** Happy Birthday to you! May God continue to shower you with the blessings you truly deserve. Happy birthday Patti MacNeill!

**FOR STUDY AT HOME:** The scripture readings for next Sunday are Isaiah 40: 1-11, Psalm 85, 2 Peter 3: 8-14 and Mark 1: 1-8.

**FLOWERS:** Celebrate life, recognize a birthday or anniversary, memorialize a loved one or give to the glory of God with a bouquet for the altar on Sunday. Contact the Church Secretary at 989-354-7522 or email [secretary@rlca.us](mailto:secretary@rlca.us) to get details on ordering and to reserve your Sunday.



## Mission Statement

***Help people discover God, grow faith, and find their purpose to make a difference.***

Doug Lopez – Pastor  
Dalair Dones - Assisting Minister  
Annette Kindt - Reader  
Linda and Sam Sansom- Greeters  
Jim Frary and Dennis Kindt - Security  
Sueelyn Bartz, John Knapp, Jeremy Smith– Music  
Kevin Prevost, Jay Walterreit - Audio/Visual  
Larry and Barb Elowsky - Fellowship

## Vision Statement

**Know** – where people encounter God in a deep and personal way.

**Grow** – Where people grow into Christians who reflect Jesus.

**Go** – where we reach out beyond our walls to connect people with Jesus Christ locally and beyond.

**December 3, 2023**

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