



2026

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2026 Council Officers, Board/Committee Chairs

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OFFICERS

President: Nina Miller

Vice President: Martha Krop

Treasurer: JoEllen Pilipow

Bookkeeper: Sue Tomes

Financial Secretary: Annette Johanson

Recording Secretary: Shirley Comer

BOARD / COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Music & Worship Committee: ~ Open ~

Mutual Ministry Committee: Martha Krop

Altar Guild: Carol Boyle

Christian Ed/Sunday School: Dennis Robbins

Evangelism: Karen Slager

Fellowship: JoEllen Pilipow

GLCW: Gail Shimala

Missions: Sandra Ruban

Social Ministry: ~ Open ~

Stephen Ministry: Loretta Muffett

Stewardship: ~ Open ~

Trustees: ~ Open ~

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Prime Timers

The Prime Timers will meet again on Wednesday, February 18 at Noon. It's so important for us to stay connected with each other. We are a very informal group. We will have a light lunch and play a fun, easy game. We really hope you come and try us out. You are welcome to bring a friend with you. There is always room.

Please sign the sheet on the white board across from the office or call the church and let Loretta know you would like to come. If you need transportation, let us know and we will try to arrange to have someone pick you up.

We hope to see you on the 18th!!!

BLESSING BOX UPDATE

Thank you to all who are helping to keep our Blessing Box stocked!

Due to the colder weather, we can no longer put out canned goods or any items that have liquid in them.

We can use dry items that only need water added to them such as: Mac and cheese, Ramen, other pasta, rice or dried bean products, cereal, instant oatmeal, granola bars, crackers, dried fruit, coffee, etc.

When the weather stays above freezing, we will go back to canned goods.

Thank you.

PRAYER REQUESTS



We Pray for Worshippers:

Paul, cancer – brother-in-law of Scott and Loretta ~ Bob Pahl ~ Geri Larson, cancer / Hospice ~ Don & Suzanne Schmidt ~ Nicole Kettwig ~ Janet Malone ~ Dawn Fleming ~ Denny & Cheri Robbins ~ Linda Anderson, prayers for healing and comfort ~ Frank Spear, health concerns ~ Mark Stutler ~ Roy Runyan – health issues ~ Maradele Koehler ~ Rich Shimala ~ Sylvia Hedges ~ John Kettwig ~ Bernice Morris ~ Fred & Margie Steinke ~ Sandra Ruban ~ Elaine Kearney ~ Louise Oman ~ John & Linda Aldrin ~ Nancy Carrell ~ George Boulles ~ JoAnne Villa; Christian Village, Crown Point ~

Our Loved ones in the Armed Forces:

Lt. Marissa Darnell, granddaughter of Phyllis Darnell – stationed at Naval Base Port Hueneme, CA.

Friends & Family:

Mike, recovering from stroke – friend of Nina Miller ~ Eloise, health issues – friend of Karen Slager ~ Dick, health issues – uncle of Karen Slager ~ Reuben, lung cancer – co-worker of Nina Miller ~ Francesca, health concerns – family friend of Nina Miller ~ Evey, Breast Cancer – family friend of Stutler's ~ Bob Fentress, knee surgery – brother of Sandra Ruban ~ Denise Stribbling, health issues – friend of Roy Runyan ~ Marie Cox – sister of Louise Oman ~ Lois White – friend of Louise Oman ~ Scott Carey, cancer – son of Marilyn Carey ~ Chris Shropshire – daughter of Marilyn Carey ~ Brian Wagner, cancer – grandson of Geri Larson ~ Jack Berry – Cancer, friend of Annette Johanson ~ Greg Coddington, Chemo - son of Elaine Kearney ~ Melinda Pepik, cancer – daughter of Janet Malone ~ Kenny, health issues – brother of Annette Johanson ~ Velma Thiel - Cedar Creek nursing home, Lowell ~ Beth Wagner – grand-daughter of Geri Larson ~ Chad Aldrin, son of John & Linda Aldrin ~ Ray & Lisa Guyse – cousins of Cheri Robbins

CELEBRATE!

Happy Anniversary!!!

February 8: Kari & Jeff Hartog Celebrating 6 years.

February 27: Eugene & Hildegard Hochstetler Celebrating 61 years.

Happy Birthday!!!

February 2: Janet Malone

Christopher Linders

February 4: Jackson Stablein

February 10: Maradele Koehler

February 14: Anna Reyome

February 20: Karen Anderson

February 21: Kathy Morris

February 23: Fred Steinke

February 24: Gayle Pahl

February 27: Jenny Bias

February 28: Lauren Fullgraf

February 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
1 9:30am Worship Service	2	3 10am-3pm Bound with Love Quilters	4	5 7pm Boy Scouts	6 11am Serving lunch @ Hammond Shelter	7
8 9:30am Worship Service Boy Scout Sunday	9 6:30p Council Meeting	10 10am-3pm Bound with Love Quilters	11 Noon Prime Timers	12 7pm Boy Scouts	13	14 Happy Valentine's Day 
15 9:30am Worship Service	16	17 10am-3pm Bound with Love Quilters	18 10am Priscilla Circle 7p Ash Wednesday Worship Service	19 5p – 5:30p Pick up Lenten “To Go” Meals 7pm Boy Scouts	20	21 11am Serving lunch @ Hammond Shelter
22 9:30am Worship Service	23	24 10am-3pm Bound with Love Quilters	25 7p Holden Evening Prayer Worship Service	26 5p – 5:30p Pick up Lenten “To Go” Meals 7pm Boy Scouts	27 5p – 5:30p Pick up Lenten “To Go” Meals	28
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The Griffith Lutheran Church Mission Of The Month:



Love INC is a local outreach ministry that helps individuals in the communities of Hammond, Highland, Munster, and Griffith, IN.

When a request is made, the individual is matched to the appropriate source of help from local churches and volunteers.

Love INC provides assistance with food insecurity, furniture, kitchenware, personal hygiene, cleaning products, linens, diapers, school supplies, and winter coats.

Love INC is donor-funded and relies on the generosity of donations, churches and fundraising.

If you would like additional information about volunteering or donations, please call 219-923-2775.

In Christ,
Sandra Ruban
Mission Board Chairperson

GLC Service Suggestions

Galatians 6:10 ~ "So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith."

You can find more opportunities to serve throughout the newsletter, weekly bulletin, or by calling the church office.



Hammond City Rescue Mission

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Lunch Program at the Hammond City Rescue Mission Shelter 527 State Street, Hammond, IN

The GLC provides a homecooked meal prepared by the Fellowship Committee twice a month for the Hammond City Rescue Mission. Meals include; entrée, sides, beverage and dessert.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO HELP SERVE MEALS!

Serving Friday, February 6:

Serving Saturday, February 21:

Please meet at GLC by 11a.m.

If you would like to volunteer your time to deliver and / or serve the meals, a volunteer sign up sheet is posted on the white board outside of the church office.

Please call or email the church office if you have any questions.

Lector / Tech / Light Bearer/ Worship Assit. Schedule Jan - Apr 2026

DATE	LECTOR	TECH	LIGHT BEARER	Worship Assist
2/1/2026	Christine Wroblewski	Dean Johanson	Scott Muffett	Christine Wroblewski
2/8/2026	Dean Johanson	Janet Csonka	Lauren Fullgraf	Dean Johanson
2/15/2026	Chris Pilipow	Mark Stutler	Sarah Buck	Pam Przybylowski
2/22/2026	Dawn Fleming	Nina Miller	Sarah Buck	Dawn Fleming
3/1/2026	Garrett Wright	Dean Johanson	Pam Przybylowski	Shirley Comer
3/8/2026	Jeff Csonka	Janet Csonka	Lauren Fullgraf	Dawn Fleming
3/15/2026	Matt Csonka	Scott Muffett	Pam Przybylowski	Matt Csonka
3/22/2026	Sarah Buck	Mark Stutler	Nina Miller	Sarah Buck
3/29/2026	Shirley Comer	Janet Csonka	Lauren Fulgraf	Shirley Comer
4/2/2026	Pam Przybylowski		Sarah Buck	Pam Przybylowski
4/3/2026	(Nina or Scott)	Dennis Robbins	None needed	No Assistant
4/3/2026	Chris Pilipow	Dennis Robbins		No Assistant
4/5/2026	Dean Johanson	Janet Csonka	Shirley Comer	Dean Johanson



Lenten Dinners – Thursdays

The Fellowship Committee will be preparing Lenten **To-Go Dinners** this year on **THURSDAY** evenings. We will be having Lenten services on Wednesdays and don't want to conflict with those. These meals have become a wonderful ministry for the fellowship committee as many people are being reached, that wouldn't be able to come in person for the dinners. They will be prepared for takeout only, beginning Thursday, February 19th and on the following Thursdays, February 26th, March 5th, March 12th, March 19th, and March 26th.

Please review our menu and place your orders with the church office as soon as possible. **Please remember your family and friends that could use an extra dinner when you are ordering for yourself.**

If you order dinners, please come to the church between 5:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. to pick up your meals. Please drive up to the north side entrance under the canopy and we will bring your meal(s) out to you. You will not need to get out of your vehicle.

If you need to cancel your meal or if you wish to order additional meals, please call the church office by noon on Monday of each week.

There is no charge for the meal, but if you are able, we would ask for a donation to help defray the cost of the groceries. We will not be making enough extra for walk-ins, only pre-orders. If you would like to order and are not able to pick up, we have volunteers to deliver to the Griffith-Highland areas.

See *tentative menu on next page.*

Our tentative Lenten To Go menu will be:

February 19 Italian Sausage Soup, Bread, Tossed Salad

February 26 Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Veg, 7 Layer Salad

March 5 Cream Potato Soup, Chicken Salad Sand., Tossed Salad

March 12 Lasagna, Bread/Roll, Tossed Salad

March 19 Stuffed Pepper Soup, Chicken Salad Sandwich, 7 layer

March 26 Pork Chops, Cheesy Potatoes, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw

Ash Wednesday Worship Service At GLC

Wednesday, February 18 at 7:00p.m.

Holden Evening Prayer Lenten Wednesdays Worship Services at GLC
Ecumenical Worship Services led by Pastor Dale Zylstra
Of Christ Lutheran, Hammond.

Beginning Wednesday, February 25 at 7:00p.m.

A Holden Prayer Service is a meditative and reflective service designed to bring a sense of peace and community.

Holden Evening Prayer is a vespers service written by Marty Haugen.

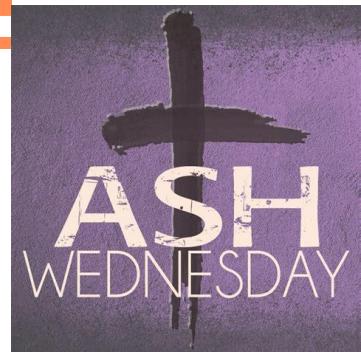




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