



THE MESSENGER, SEPTEMBER, 2025

*Claimed by Christ, Gathered
for Worship, Sent to Serve*

Pastor's Ponderings

"I can't believe it is already September!"

These words have been a common refrain lately across many conversations. It is unbelievable! School is starting again?! The leaves are changing?!! There's that chill in the morning air???!! The Vikings are beginning another empty, going nowhere season???!!

At Concordia, too, things are getting started up again. There is a little bit of something for everyone. As our congregation ages and interest in belonging to a community of faith dwindles, your participation becomes more important. I invite and encourage you to become involved in an aspect of our life together outside of Sunday worship. We need mutual support to keep our hope, faith, and love alive in this challenging world.

Here is a rundown on the goings on in September at Concordia!

September 8th: Bridges to Christ (women's group) gathers at 6:45 in the Fellowship Hall

September 11th: Daytime Quilters meet from 10-2:30. Eventide Quilters from 6:30-8:30.

September 13th: Concordia Workday finalizing pollinator garden and other projects 8-Noon.

September 14th: Outdoor Worship service with Blessing of Backpacks, followed by Pollinator/Peace Garden dedication and food from Oasis del Norte. We welcome special guest Rev. Brooks Anderson, peace activist, to share remarks.

September 17th and 24th: Sandwich and Scripture gathers from 11:30-1pm for a mid-day Bible Study. We will be reading through the Minor Prophets throughout the year.

September 28th: Sunday School meets during worship. Social Justice Potluck after worship. Continuing our exploration of becoming a Reconciling in Christ congregation that is welcoming and affirming of LGBTQIA+ persons, we will eat together while watching the film 1946: The Mistranslation that Shifted Culture. Bring a dish to share!

October 5th: Family Activity after worship preparing a meal for the St. Francis Apartments.



Worship Schedule

Sunday, September 7 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson: Deuteronomy 30:15-20
 Psalm 1
 Second Lesson: Philemon 1-21
 Holy Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

Sunday, September 14 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson: Exodus 32:7-14
 Psalm 51:1-10
 Second Lesson: 1 Timothy 1:12-17
 Holy Gospel: Luke 15:1-10

Sunday, September 21 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

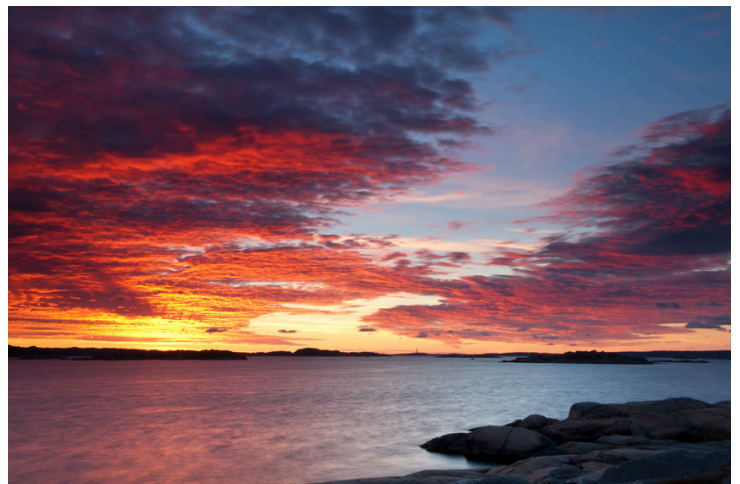
First Lesson: Amos 8:4-7
 Psalm 113
 Second Lesson: 1 Timothy 2:1-7
 Holy Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

Sunday, September 28 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson: Amos 6:1a, 4-7
 Psalm 146
 Second Lesson: 1 Timothy 6:6-19
 Holy Gospel: Luke 16:19-31



Joyful Voices Rehearsals:
 Tuesday, September 2 @ 6 p.m. and
 Tuesday, September 16 @ 6 p.m.



Worship Matters:

Fall Ordinary Time – September

We are slightly past the midpoint of the long season that we call Ordinary Time or Time of the Church (the ‘counted Sundays after Pentecost’) and Jesus’ teachings about discipleship continue to be our focus in this autumn section. Annie Dillard writes, “How we spend our days is, of course, how we spend our lives” (*The Writing Life*). Our September texts with themes of commitment, repentance, values, and abundance will challenge us to look at the way we spend our days, spend our lives, live our faith . . .

September 7 - The ELCA has designated this Sunday as “God’s Work. Our Hands” encouraging service projects in each congregation’s community, and lifting up our call to love and serve our neighbor. Our texts include strong words from Jesus about our call to follow, not blithely or when convenient, but with awareness and commitment. They are words that invite thoughtful reflection on our commitment to Christ and how that commitment impacts our life together as church.

September 14 – We will worship outdoors and dedicate our new pollinator garden. Our Gospel on this Sunday reminds us that God never stops searching for us. Jesus tells two stories of lost things being found and directly connects the owner’s joy at their recovery with God’s joy when a sinner repents. Today we are reminded that we belong to God, we are loved by God, and our various ministries enable us to continue God’s work of seeking and finding, celebrating and rejoicing . . .

September 21 is the **International Day of Peace**. We join people around the world on this day in prayer and recommit to working for peace and justice in the world. “It is an active prayer – a witness to faith, a cry of hope, and a pledge to be disciples for peace together.” *God of life, lead us to justice and peace.*

September 28 – The readings on this day draw our attention to the significance of wealth and poverty, a timely topic as we consider recent reports of the growing gap between the lowest and highest incomes in America. Our parable this day is not about the measure of wealth, rather it raises the question of compassion and the use and sharing of resources.

Interested in making more of a connection? Joyful Voices would welcome your voice on a regular or occasional basis. Can you arrive a little early and welcome worshipers, pass out bulletins, and collect the offering? Consider ushering. Is your gift reading aloud? Lectors proclaim the first and second readings and lead the Prayers of Intercession. Or what about helping with our hospitality ministry and serving coffee? More information on all of these ministries is available from the office or Worship and Music Committee.



**OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE
AND PEACE/POLLINATOR
GARDEN DEDICATION**

**SEPTEMBER 14TH
10 AM**

**BLESSING OF BACKPACKS, GARDEN
DEDICATION, YUMMY LUNCH!**



SANDWICH AND SCRIPTURE

Concordia Narthex

11:30 A.M.

Wednesdays, September 17 and 24

**SOCIAL JUSTICE
POTLUCK
SEPTEMBER 28TH**



**BRING A DISH AND
WATCH A FILM**



SEPTEMBER, 2025 FINANCIAL REPORT

<u>JULY, 2025 FINANCIALS</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGETED</u>	<u>YEAR TO DATE</u>
INCOME	\$11,057.25	\$13,696.17	\$82,733.67
EXPENSES	\$13,919.30	\$14,537.42	\$100,459.09
NET	(\$2,862.05)	(\$841.25)	(\$17,725.42)

Bridges To Christ will be meeting on **Monday, Sept 8th @ 6:45 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring monetary donations for CHUM.

Quilters will meet on **Thursday, Sept 11th** from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Bring your lunch, dessert is provided. **Eventide Quilters will meet on Thursday, Sept 11th** from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Light refreshments provided. Come join us in either group. We have many quilts to donate and several that need work!

Join us September 14, following outdoor worship, for the dedication of our new peace garden. The garden is part of Pastor Jeff's sabbatical. A free, light lunch will be served after the dedication in our fellowship hall.(approximately 11:30 or when the food arrives) It will be partly catered by Oasis Del Norte. Please plan to be part of this special day as we welcome Concordia and the greater community to this respite spot.

Please don't forget that your ongoing donations to the CHUM food shelf are always appreciated. Our requested focus is canned soups and/or single meals. Please be sure that you do NOT include cream soups. And pop-top cans are always appreciated, if you can find them. Simply place them in the boxes in the Narthex. If you would prefer to donate cash, please remember that CHUM's resources can provide food stuffs at a lower price than we can find in the grocery store. Checks made out to CHUM or a cash in an envelope labeled CHUM can be placed in the collection basket on Sunday morning, left in the office or given to Jane Wedin.

Thank you to everyone who has participated in our project in Mexico! To date, we have sent 8 boxes filled with a variety of fabrics and sewing notions to our friends in the Copper Canyon region of Mexico. We hope this has helped them with their work in creating beautiful items for their homes and families as well as for sale in their local markets. The boxes have included a wide variety of fabrics -- from felts to calicos, quilting squares to lengths of fabric ready for the imagination. Also included are dozens of spools of thread, sewing sheers, thimbles, and so many other useful tools. Some brand new, some from retired sewing baskets. I know that everything has been greatly appreciated and put to good use. Sometimes we all ask ourselves "what can I do"? **Again, thank you for all that we do together at Concordia! Best always, Jane**

ELCA Churchwide Assembly 2025
"For the Life of the World"



Dear friends in Christ,

I had the opportunity to join eleven others from the Northeastern Minnesota Synod as voting members of the Churchwide Assembly in Phoenix, AZ from July 27-August 2. It was an honor to be one of the voting members at this Assembly, under the theme *For the Life of the World*.

- We were a part of electing a new presiding bishop, as Bishop Elizabeth Eaton finishes her second term on October 1, 2025. You can read about Bishop-elect Yehiel Curry here [Casting a vision for the church - Living Lutheran](#)
- We also participated in electing a new secretary for our denomination, as Deacon Sue Rothmeyer ends her term of service. You can read about Secretary-elect Ce-Cee Mills here [Lucille "CeCee" Mills Elected Secretary of the ELCA](#)
- We adopted our newest [Social Statement: Faith and Civic Life](#). One of our own synod representatives on the Church Council, Loren Solberg, from Bovey, MN, served on the task force that diligently worked on the social statement for the past several years.
- We approved updates to the Human Sexuality Social Statement.
- We heard the Commission for a [Renewed Lutheran Church's final report along with the ELCA Church Council's response to the report](#). The CRLC's work also found its way into some of our Constitution revisions.
- We adopted a Memorial that has us standing for the End of Occupation of Palestine. This memorial passed after we heard from the Bishop-elect Imad Mousa Dawood Haddad from the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Jordan and the Holy Land (ELCJHL). His compelling address spoke of the horrors and fears that his church has endured since the war in Gaza. Despite the atrocities many Palestinians have endured, the ELCJHL remains hopeful in our God of peace.

We received the Common Statement on the Filioque. 1700 years ago, in 325, the first ecumenical council was convened in Nicaea to discern matters central to the Christian faith, namely: How do we understand Jesus Christ? The council sought to end disputes about the divine nature of Jesus, and his relationship to God in an attempt to unify all of Christendom. The end-result, later expanded in 381, was the Nicene-Constantinopolitan Creed – a clear articulation of the complexity of the faith. (continued on next page)

“This life, therefore, is not righteousness but growth in righteousness, not health but healing, not being but becoming, not rest but exercise; we are not yet what we shall be, but we are growing toward it; the process is not yet finished, but it is going on; this is not the end, but it is the road; all does not yet gleam with glory, but all is being purified.”
— Luther, Defense and Explanation of All the Articles (1521)

Our group returned home fulfilled, exhausted, and full of hope for our church. I encourage you to take a look at the recordings of the plenaries and worship services. You can find them here [Churchwide Assembly 2025 - YouTube](#) You can also check out [Living Lutheran online](#) and watch for the next print edition.

Bishop Amy Odgren

It is the Lord who goes before you. The Lord will be with you; and will not fail you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed.” Deuteronomy 31:8

Pastor Jeff’s Churchwide Assembly 2025 Commentary

Along with eleven others from the Northeastern Minnesota Synod, I had the privilege of being a voting member at the 2025 ELCA Churchwide Assembly in Phoenix, AZ. I invite you to read Bishop Amy Odgren’s synopsis of the assembly which is included in this newsletter. I also wanted to add some commentary.

As you may have seen/heard/read, we elected a new presiding bishop (Bp. Yehiel Curry) and secretary (Rev. Ce-Cee Mills) for the ELCA. There was great energy around these elections, as the assembly called our first people of color into these roles. I am excited to see this fresh leadership at work in our church and hopeful that their unique perspectives and experiences will be a blessing. Part of this experience is that both of them were TEEM candidates, meaning they did not follow the traditional ordination path, but were elevated by their congregations into that role.

The previous Churchwide Assembly authorized a Commission for a Renewed Lutheran Church to explore and offer a variety of institutional changes for the ELCA. The Commission presented a report and we considered a number of the changes they recommended. I was deeply hopeful that their work would be more central to the assembly and was disappointed to see that it wasn’t. Other than our elections, the whole assembly proceeded as if the ELCA was not experiencing decline as a denomination. There were missed opportunities to make substantive change, including a failed amendment to allow the Churchwide council to authorize constitutional changes in the years between Churchwide assemblies. This would have streamlined decisions and made the church more nimble in addressing the changes ahead. To me, this was the most consequential vote of the whole assembly. Earlier, we had heard an emotional greeting from the Presiding Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, who shared through tears that they expect to shutter a few of their Synods in the near future. I hoped this would motivate the assembly into creative action that would make us more flexible in addressing challenges, but it did not.

Another hopeful/frustrating conversation revolved around the recommendation that we increase youth and young adult participation in Churchwide councils and committees from 10% to 20%. Honoring the perspective and passion of our youngest members seemed to be a no-brainer. However, there was significant backlash to this amendment and although it passed, I fear that many of the youngest voting members present heard from the debate that they are not gifted, qualified, and appreciated.

I came away from this assembly experience simultaneously hopeful and disappointed. It was fulfilling to be involved in what is sure to be a particularly consequential gathering. I am excited to see how our new leadership in the ELCA might lead to reframing who we might be for the sake of the world.

Prayer and Visitation Ministry

Let the Prayer Chain members join with you in your prayers and supplications. They are just a phone call away. All prayers are confidential and names or details are not needed. God is aware of all circumstances and waits to hear from you.

Please contact Reba Almquist at 525-6968.

For hospital or other visitations, please contact the office at 728-4229.

Remember in Your Prayers

Please remember the following people who have been hospitalized, under a doctor's care, those recuperating, struggling, or those grieving since our last newsletter: The people of Palestine, Phillip Hedges, Those unlawfully detained, Carrie Birdseye-Erickson, The families, the survivors, and communities where mass shootings have occurred. Patti Pearson, Shawn Jamison, Those marginalized for their sexual or gender identity, race, or ability, Tom Nelson, Max, Wayne Kari, the people of Ukraine, Palestine, Israel, and Russia, Roger Erickson, Tim Bell, and migrant families.

Please remember those in our congregation who are in nursing homes or are homebound. Please pray for them and consider stopping by for a visit. Prayer and visitation is an important ministry of the congregation.

Open Arms: Warren Roberts

Aftenro: Wayne Kari



*Every creature is a glittering,
glistening mirror of Divinity.*

- Hildegard of Bingen



This fall we will take an in-depth look at the Palestine Israel situation along with the world's and the Western Christian church's response to it, and how we can accompany and advocate for justice and healing there.

We will be using Munther Isaac's new book, **Christ in the Rubble: Faith, the Bible, and the Genocide in Gaza** to structure our study as well as relevant videos of major voices for a better understanding of and solutions for ending the catastrophe there. Munther Isaac is a Palestinian theologian who serves as pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Christmas Church of Bethlehem and the Lutheran Church in Beit Sahour. We will be meeting at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church (219 N. 6th Avenue East, Duluth MN) as well as being available virtually at the Zoom link below on the following dates:

- **Sunday, September 21** at 1:30 pm. Chapter 1 – A Genocide in Gaza
- **Sunday, October 19th** at 1:30 pm. Chapter 2 – The War Did Not Start on October 7
- **Sunday November 16th** at 1:30 pm. Chapter 3 - The Relevant Context of Gaza
- **Saturday, December 20th** at 8:45 am to watch the 19th Annual Simulcast of Christmas Lessons and Carols from Philadelphia Episcopal Cathedral and Christmas Lutheran Church in Bethlehem.
- **Sunday, January 18th** at 1:30 pm. Chapter 4 – Coloniality, Racism and Empire Theology

A number of copies of the book are available for purchase at Gloria Dei for \$20. We encourage you to get the book and join us this fall.

We also have this special invitation: **Saturday, September 13 at 6:00 pm. Join SUMUD Northland for the Hope Abounds – Bright Stars of Bethlehem Gala watch party at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church.** Bright Stars mission is to raise awareness and support for the Dar alKalima University, the first and only university of arts, culture and design in all of Palestine.

Zoom Link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86033186918?pwd=N1lzY3ZmWS80eWNnZGdwSzJGck9odz09>

Sumud Northland seeks to raise awareness, encourage advocacy, and provide opportunities for *accompaniment* in grappling with the realities of the Palestine/Israel conflict.

September Birthdays

- 1 Bridget Bohn
- 3 Daniel Grunwald
- 6 Robert Williams
- 9 Pat Isaacson
- 15 Craig Witchall
- 19 Lorraine Brayden
- 26 Charles Bischoff, Jr.
Isaac Bohn
- 27 Jaqueline Hoppe
Matthew Voltzke
- 28 Toni Roberts
- 29 Pat Tessier

If your birthday isn't listed or has the wrong date, please let the office know.



Flower and Sanctuary Candle Sign-up

A nice way to remember a loved one or celebrate a special occasion is to have altar flowers or the sanctuary candle on Sunday morning. The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex for both. Cost for flowers is \$22 and the candle is \$8. Contact the office with any questions.

Please note that when you have altar flowers for worship, you may take them home following worship. The glass vases must stay at church, however.



Equal Exchange Coffee Donations

Equal Exchange coffee donations needed for church coffee supply. Coffee funds are running low. Donation envelopes are available in the narthex information rack. Place an envelope with any donation amount in the offering plate with note "Equal Exchange coffee fund."





MORE WAYS TO HELP SAFE BAY

VOLUNTEER. Volunteer hosts are needed in the evenings and mornings to welcome guests and ensure the space is safe and all guests are welcomed with dignity. Register to volunteer [here](#).

CONNECT us with **MECHANICS** and **AUTO TECHS** who would be willing to assist with minor repairs and oil changes at a reduced rate. This can be a lifesaver for families that are just making ends meet and saving up for housing. For more information, contact [Drew Filkins](#).

Safe Bay Saves Lives

Many Safe Bay residents are experiencing homelessness for the first time. Many are working. Many are families opting to live in their cars rather than take the risk of living in crowded congregate shelters. Homelessness can be a very scary and isolating experience. Safe Bay is a lifeline that allows people to maintain their employment and health goals and work to secure housing. We are a stronger community when we all people have the support they need to survive and thrive.



SAFE BAY

Following a unanimous decision by Duluth City Council, Safe Bay will be officially reopening on Saturday, June 7th at 6pm and will remain open every night until the end of October.

What is Safe Bay?

Safe Bay is a program that offers secure overnight parking for people who are living in their vehicles. It is open nightly from May 1 through October 31 and provides:

- Access to showers, bathrooms and drinking water
- Room to stretch and walk pets
- Wi-Fi
- Peer support
- Help with housing applications and connecting to other services

Safe Bay is operated by Chum, with services provided onsite by other Stepping On Up partners.

Who can use Safe Bay?

Safe Bay is open to anyone who doesn't have a permanent place to live and is relying on their personal vehicle (car, truck, van or camper) for shelter. Families are welcome. Pets are allowed as long as they are leashed when out of their vehicle and owners are sure to clean up after them. For the safety and comfort of all residents, Chum does not allow alcohol, cannabis or illicit drugs at Safe Bay.

How can I help?

DONATE \$. Financial support is desperately needed to help Safe Bay operate in 2025. Donations cover the cost of overnight staff, direct support to program guests, and supplies like coffee and printing. Donate online [here](#), checks can be made out to Chum with "Safe Bay" in the memo and mailed or delivered to 102 W 2nd St, Duluth, MN 55802

DONATE SUPPLIES. The following donations are also needed and can be delivered in person or shipped to the Chum office at 102 W 2nd St, Duluth, MN 55802. Please do not bring donations to our host site.

- Car sunshades (simple, accordion style shades help protect people from streetlights and heat in the summer)
- Coffee
- Coffee creamer
- Granola bars
- Gas cards (\$20, for fuel only)



Our Shared Responsibility To Protect What We Love (condensed due to space constraints)

By Laura Raedeke, Lutheran Church of the Cross, Nisswa, MN

1. Loons once nested in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, and Ohio, but now breed mostly in Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, and southern Canada after wintering along the Atlantic and Pacific coasts. But alarming warnings that the U.S. could lose all breeding populations have been published recently in the journal *Ecology*, which found that while loons can live to be 30 years old, their chick numbers keep dropping, and the weight of the chicks at four to five weeks old has decreased by 11% over the past 25 years. The culprit, according to researchers, is **climate change-induced heavy rains that degrade water quality** by washing fertilizers, pet waste and other substances into lakes, reducing the clarity adult loons need to locate food for their chicks. Heavier rains also **increase the number of black flies** that harass nesting loons and drive them from their nest. One thing people can do, according to senior researchers at Chapman University in Orange, CA, is **"to take better care of their shorelines"** by planting 10-20 foot buffer areas of native plants, grasses, bushes, and trees, and eliminate or cut down on synthetic fertilizers and pesticides.

2. A study released in late 2024 by The Nature Conservancy (TNC) and the National Institutes of Health (NIH) found a **"striking, direct link between air quality and human health,"** where the power of forests to clean our air and protect ecosystems can play an outsized role in fighting climate change (global warming). But forests are also vulnerable to the impacts of warmer temperatures, longer droughts, higher-intensity rainfall, and unchecked development, with a resulting longer growing season and fuel buildup contributing to supersized wildfires burning in Canada and the western U.S. As protections from the **1970s-era Clean Air Act** and the **2009 "endangerment finding"** (greenhouse gases from tailpipes and powerplants, etc.) are being rolled back, increases in heart and lung disease and some cancers can be expected to rise while the **average American experiences over 150 days of wildfire smoke, a seven-fold increase from 2006 to 2020**, according to the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago. You can support regulations that protect us, while also supporting the work of TNC and others who strive to restore and protect the critical natural systems that tackle climate change and biodiversity loss as well as improving our health and well-being.

3. **Fewer of our beloved monarch butterflies are making it back to Minnesota each spring** (nationally an **80% drop in numbers**), a phenomenon that led the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in 2024 to recommend listing the species as "threatened" under the Endangered Species Act of 1974, a crucial status for the monarch's recovery. The biggest threats, according to a 20-year study published in the journal *Science*: **1) roads, homes, and other development cutting up and stamping out meadows; 2) rising temperatures due to human-caused climate change that dry out vegetation in remaining habitat; 3) the huge increase in pesticide use since the 1990s, especially the shift toward neonicotinoids (neonics).** Monarch conservation is in jeopardy with current federal efforts weakening or erasing limits on greenhouse gases and rolling back protections of the Endangered Species Act, so be supportive of programs that give farmers, land managers, and homeowners the tools and information to support monarchs (they need native milkweed to breed and nectar plants as critical habitat).

4. **Nearly 3 billion birds have vanished from North America since 1970**, about 30% of the bird population, while **half of bird species in the U.S. are declining due to habitat loss, pesticide use, and climate change** that have transformed ecosystems that both birds and people rely on. Birds reveal the health of our environment, so you can help them by planting pesticide-free native plants and trees, turning off lights, and applying bird-safe films or decals to your windows (building strikes kill around 1 billion birds every year in the U.S. alone).

5. **Around the world there has been a troubling downturn in the number of bees, fireflies (actually bioluminescent beetles) and other insects that threaten both nature and our human societies.** The loss of insects - **"the little things that run the world,"** as naturalist E.O. Wilson put it, has dire implications for birds and mammals that rely on them for food, and plants that depend on them for pollination. **Shrinking habitat (from development), rising temperatures, and a toxic array of pesticides, especially neonicotinoids,** are the culprits, according to the National Resource Defense Council (NRDC). Neonics are "systemic," meaning they are absorbed into plants' tissues, carried to the bodies of bees, and are showing up in our food and drinking water, with implications for increased risk for birth defects like malformations of the developing heart and brain.

BOOK DRIVE

Big Red Bookshelf

**Donate new or gently used children's books to the Big Red Bookshelf,
a program of Lincoln Park Children and Families Collaborative.**

The mission of the Big Red Bookshelf is to give children of Duluth access to free, age-appropriate books that will encourage a love for reading and learning. Bright red bookshelves stocked with these children's books are located across Duluth in locations available to families and now Big Red Donation Bins are also available!

For more info call 218-464-0588 or email rachel.lpcfc@gmail.com.

Donation Locations:

- Lincoln Park Children and Families Collaborative
 - 2424 W 5th St, Duluth MN 55806 Suite 108
- Whole Foods Co-op Denfeld
 - 4436 Grand Ave, Duluth, MN 55807
- Whole Foods Co-op Hillside
 - 610 E 4th St, Duluth, MN 55805
- Duluth Area Family YMCA
 - 302 W 1st St, Duluth, MN 55802
- Duluth Children's Museum
 - 2125 W Superior St, Duluth, MN 55806
- Lake Superior Community Health Center
 - 4325 Grand Ave, Duluth, MN 55807
- Lake Superior Zoo
 - 7210 Fremont St, Duluth, MN 55807
- St. Louis County Probation Office
 - 100 N 5th Ave W. rm 319, Duluth, MN 55802
- Proctor Area Community Center
 - 100 Plonk Dr, Proctor, MN 55810
- St. Luke's Pediatric Associates
 - 1012 E 2nd St 4th Floor, Duluth, MN 55805



**YOU MAY ALSO BRING GENTLY USED CHILDREN'S
BOOKS TO CHURCH AND PLACE THEM IN THE
BASKET IN THE NARTHEX.**

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