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An electronic newsletter of Joy Lutheran Church, Prescott, WI, 54021

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**Relevant + Hopeful + Generous**

**Joyful News September 6th - 13th, 2026**

**Worship is at 9:30AM each Sunday and 6:30PM each Wednesday during the school year. You can also worship with us online with a live stream [Facebook](#) or from Monday on using our [YouTube channel](#).**

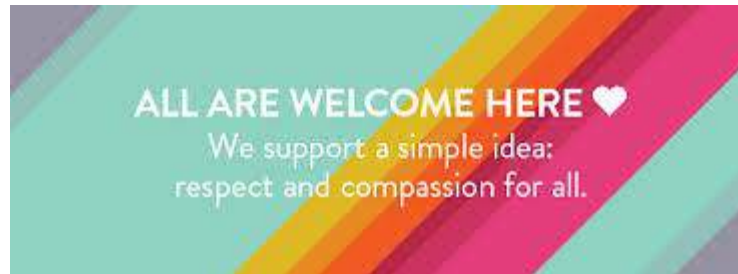
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Happy Prescott Daze Weekend! What a joyful weekend this is indeed! For the last 3 years I have been so amazed at how the community comes together for fun and celebration and community! I have been blown away by the way small towns have a gift for coming together in support and in fun. God calls us to be one in community—to celebrate and mourn together, to serve and be served, so uplift and support each other. I see this every Wednesday at Supper, every Sunday during worship and coffee hour, every Joyful Seniors, every time I visit someone who already has a church member visiting, with every funeral we serve, and every quilt made and so much more. I give thanks to God for the

SALE! Prescott Daze weekend where we celebrate the gift we are to each other!

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#### JOY LUTHERAN CHURCH INCLUSION STATEMENT:

"With open hearts, open minds, and open doors we extend a sincere extravagant welcome to everyone to be a part of our church family. Understanding that all persons are created loved and accepted by God, we embrace all ages, races, cultures, sexual orientations, gender identities, family structures, life situations, economic circumstances, physical, cognitive and emotional abilities, educational, spiritual and religious backgrounds."

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Thank you to all of our building and grounds keeper volunteers for the loving care and beatification that you provide for God's house and ours. If you are interested in helping inside or outside of Joy, please see one of Church Council Members or call the office.

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## **CALENDAR - September 2026**

**13 Sunday**

**Prescott Daze**

9:30 AM Blended Worship Service

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## **1PM line up for Prescott Daze Parade**

### **14 Monday**

### **15 Tuesday**

9:30AM-1PM St Croix Valley Conference

**5PM Exec Council meeting**

**6PM Joy Council meeting**

### **16 Wednesday**

9AM - Noon Joyful Quilters

5:15PM-6:30PM Wed. Night Supper—Chicken Ala King

6:30PM-7:15PM Wed. Night Worship

6:30PM-8PM Confirmation classes

6:30PM-8PM SHIFT67

### **17 Thursday**

9AM-11AM Joy Cleaning Crew

### **18 Friday**

### **19 Saturday**

9-10:30AM Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

### **20 Sunday**

9:30 AM Blended Worship Service

9:30AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Fellowship Time

4PM St. Croix All Stars 4-H Meeting at Joy

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## Fill the Apple Cart!



Our annual Apple Pie fund raiser to benefit our sister church in Malawi is fast approaching! We are looking for volunteers to help pick apples on September 23rd and make the pies on Sunday, October 4th. We're also starting pre-orders for pies now so we know how many to make.

Sign up to help, to donate towards purchasing ingredients, or to order pies in the Narthex. There are envelopes next to the sign up sheets to pre-pay for any pies to minimize the hassle on pickup.

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Joyful Quilters are starting another 10 week program to make quilts for Lutheran World Relief. Meeting Wednesdays from 9AM-Noon starting this Wednesday. No experience needed if you want to help.



# PARADE SIGN UP

Sunday September 13th, 2pm

sign up to walk with us, pass out candy, and share our church with the community!

Don't forget to sign up to walk in the Prescott Daze parade on Sunday, September 13th!

# TAILGATE

# PARTY

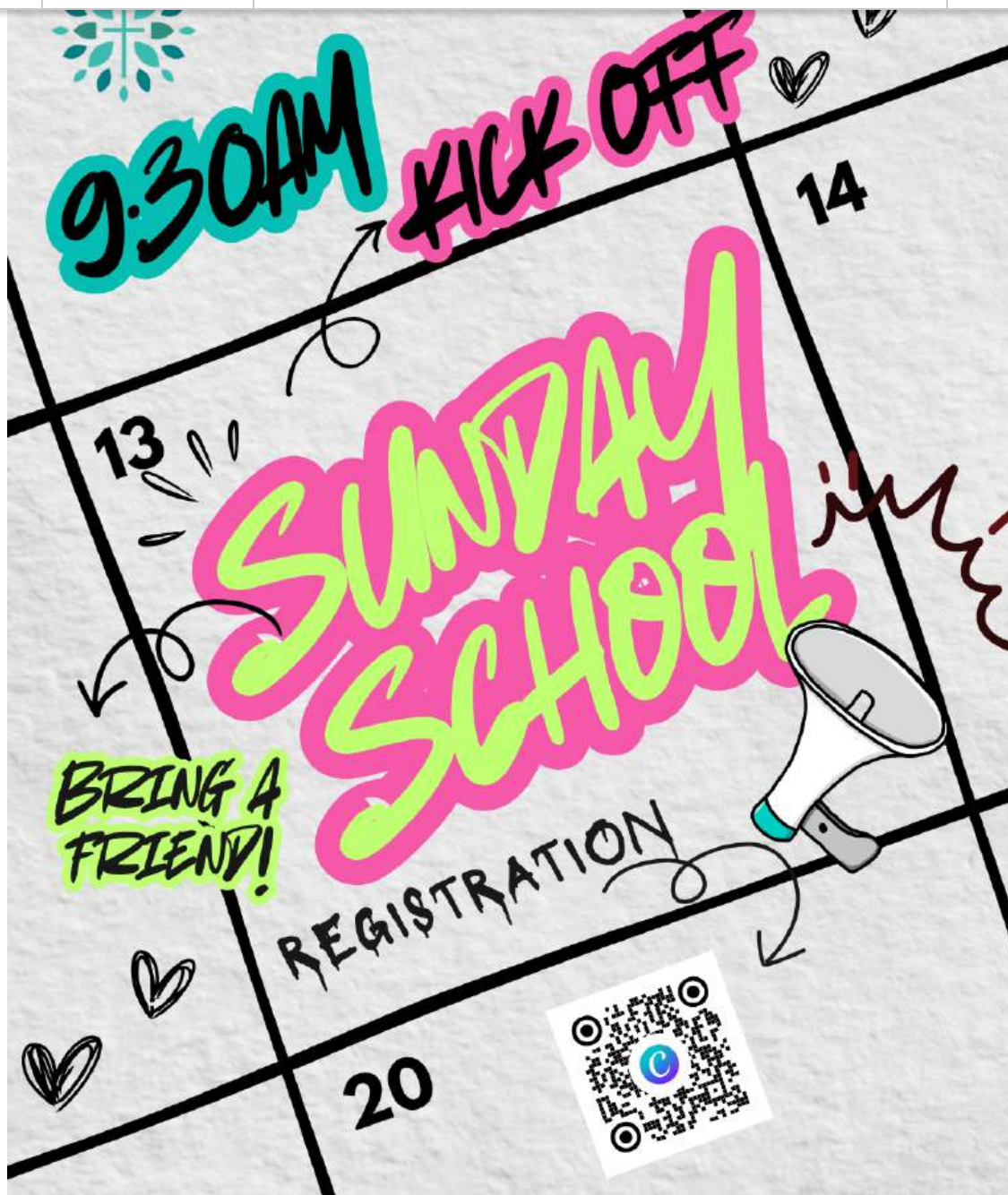
Join us for a tailgate party! Joy  
Church Parking lot, across from  
the middle school.  
FOODTRUCKS  
MUSIC  
BOUNCEHOUSE  
EVERYONE IS WELCOME

September 25<sup>th</sup> 4-7pm

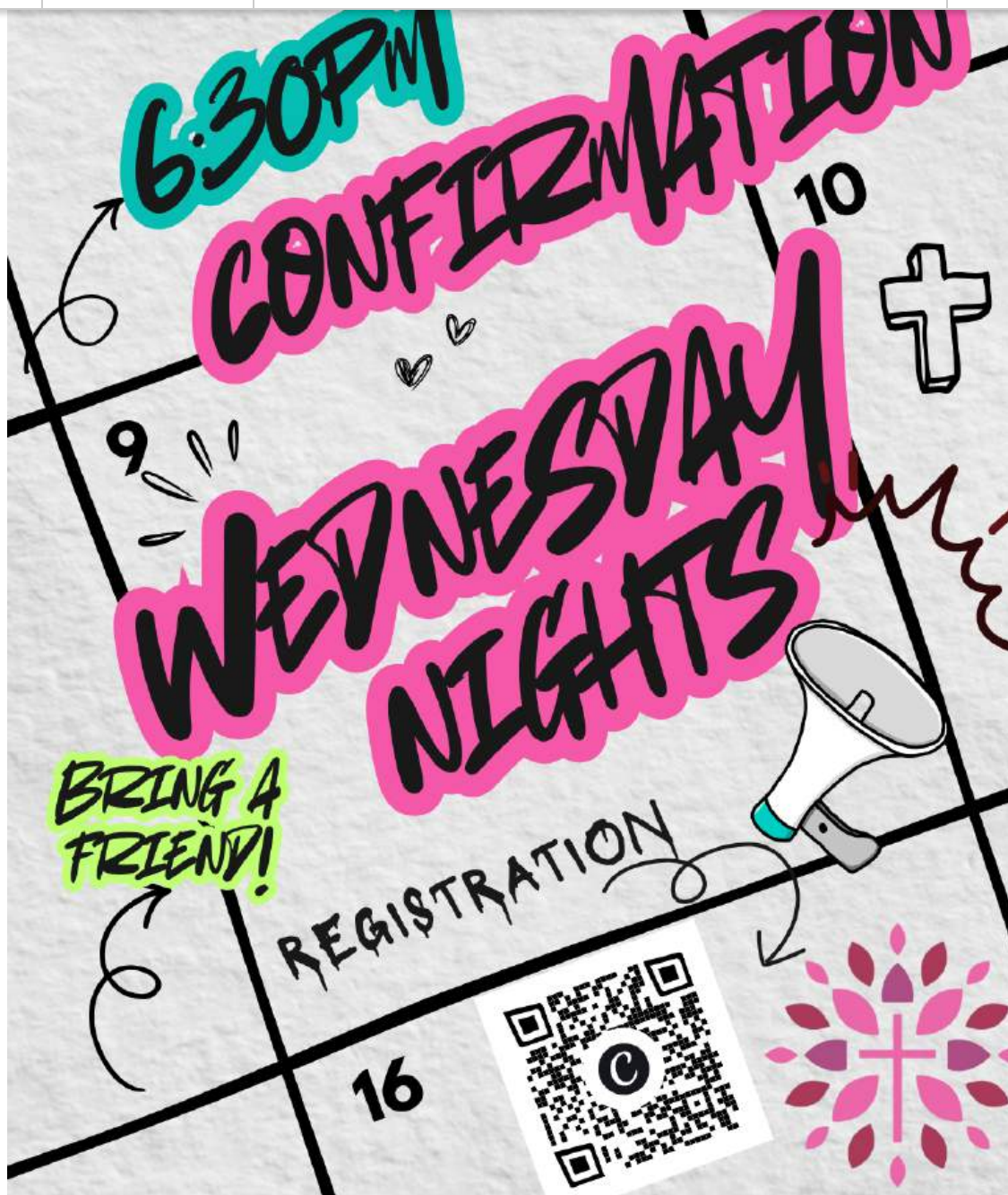
1435 Saint Croix  
Street



Youth activities are starting up again for the year! Please click any of the images below to register for the corresponding Youth activity.







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## SEPTEMBER MENU

Sept 2nd ~ Chow Mein



**ALL ARE  
WELCOME HERE!**

Sept 16th ~ Chicken Ala King



Sept 30th ~ Cheesy Potato Soup



**SUPPER TIME IS  
FROM 5:15 TO**

**6:30 PM**

Sept 9th ~ Spaghetti



**Vegetarian, Gluten-Free,  
Hot Dog & Chips Options  
Available!**

Sept 23rd ~ Stroganoff



**FREE WILL DONATION!**

Wednesday Supper started up again on September 2nd! Bring your appetite and as many friends as you can to our beloved weekly community meal!



Our Bell choir is collecting cans as a fund raiser to fix damage/wear to the bells to keep them sounding right. Bring in any pop cans you have and drop them off in the wooden box in the youth area by the kitchen. Every little bit helps!



The church needs the help of all Thrivent members! If you haven't yet used your seed money for Thrivent Action Teams, we still need people to sign up for events. While we have minimal activities over the summer, you can sign up for events up to 4 months ahead of time so you can register early if you're able to!

It's a free program for all Thrivent members and it's easy to become a Thrivent member if you aren't one yet. Everyone who signs up for seed money for a church event gets the church \$250. That money supports so many events throughout the year that we want to keep doing. Talk to Jim Flatz or David Burleigh if you'd like more information.

### Projects to Receive \$250 Seed Money

Sign-up to be Project Leader anytime.

Apply for project within 14-120 days of project date.

| 2026 Thrivent Action Teams |                               |                 |      |      |              |                        |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|------|------|--------------|------------------------|
| Project                    |                               | Type of Project |      |      | Use of \$250 | Application Approved ↓ |
| Date                       | ↓ Action Team Projects ↓      | Fund            | Serv | Educ | Seed Money   | ↓ Sign-up Below ↓      |
|                            | <b>June</b>                   |                 |      |      |              |                        |
|                            |                               |                 |      |      |              |                        |
|                            |                               |                 |      |      |              |                        |
|                            | <b>July</b>                   |                 |      |      |              |                        |
|                            |                               |                 |      |      |              |                        |
|                            |                               |                 |      |      |              |                        |
|                            | <b>August</b>                 |                 |      |      |              |                        |
|                            | Sharing & Caring Hands        |                 | x    |      | Food         |                        |
|                            |                               |                 |      |      |              |                        |
|                            |                               |                 |      |      |              |                        |
|                            | <b>September</b>              |                 |      |      |              |                        |
| 9/2/2026                   | Community Wednesday Supper    |                 | x    |      | Food         |                        |
| 9/9/2026                   | Community Wednesday Supper    |                 | x    |      | Food         |                        |
| 9/16/2026                  | Community Wednesday Supper    |                 | x    |      | Food         |                        |
|                            | Joyful Quilters               |                 | x    |      | Supplies     |                        |
|                            | Women's Luncheon              | x               |      |      | Supplies     |                        |
| 9/23/2026                  | Community Wednesday Supper    |                 | x    |      | Food         |                        |
| 9/30/2026                  | Community Wednesday Supper    |                 | x    |      | Food         |                        |
|                            |                               |                 |      |      |              |                        |
|                            |                               |                 |      |      |              |                        |
|                            | <b>October</b>                |                 |      |      |              |                        |
| 10/7/2026                  | Community Wednesday Supper    |                 | x    |      | Food         |                        |
|                            | Mission Apple Pies for Malawi | x               |      |      | Supplies     |                        |
| 10/14/2026                 | Community Wednesday Supper    |                 | x    |      | Food         |                        |
|                            | Joyful Quilters               |                 | x    |      | Supplies     |                        |
| 10/21/2026                 | Community Wednesday Supper    |                 | x    |      | Food         |                        |
| 10/28/2026                 | Community Wednesday Supper    |                 | x    |      | Food         |                        |

Joyful Seniors gets together every month for regular get-togethers for movies, fellowship time with games. If you'd like to join them for these or other monthly activities, contact the church office for more details.





**Staffed Nursery  
Sundays @ 9:30am**



## Join our Lending Library!

Have you found yourself in need of a tool that you may only use once in your life and you'd rather not have the expense, knowing you'll only use it once?

night that just sits in a corner the rest of the time? Join our Lending Library and see what other members of the congregation have that they're willing to lend to you!

Or how about those car tools in your garage that you almost never use? Maybe a card table or some crafting supplies that you hardly ever use? Would you like to see the dust cleaned off of them and have them put to good use again? Then join our Lending Library!

All lists are kept confidential in our office and our office staff will direct anyone looking to borrow to someone on our list that has the item(s) to lend. We can provide a form for anyone who would like one. You can call our office at 262-5800 or E-mail at [office@joy-church.org](mailto:office@joy-church.org) to start the process.

We've already got people who have volunteered to give away everyday tools that they want to get rid of so let us know what you're in need of or what you've got to offer.



- Continued prayers for orphanage in Romania
- Renee Braun
- Karen Fleming for healing from health issues
- Loretta Knight's daughter, Pam Kinneman
- Brian Lee
- Jean Setering
- Em Horken
- Tracy Banitt
- John Fewer, Joe's dad, for health

- Lisa Kleinschmidt's dad, Michael Allen
- Sandy Satchell
- Ruth Hall's friends, Elizabeth and Jeff
- Cathy Martin's cousin's grandson, Christopher
- Sue Hood's sister's partner, Don Fedie
- Brad Satchell
- Connie Stevens, friend of Joyce/Fred Booth
- Cathy Martin's aunt Alice
- Pauline Volkman's brother, Tim Schnell
- Loretta Knight
- Sue Davis' brother, Joey
- Ed Glaubitz
- Coach Mike Olson
- Carol Lehman
- Tom LeMay
- Bill Satchell
- Carol Peterson
- Friends and family of Linda Seifert, mother of Linda Stockwell, at her passing
- Friends and family of Shirley Johnson at her passing

**-Please call or email the office if you or someone you know need prayers!**

### Financial Information

## Treasurer's Report July 2026

### **Current Month:**

Revenue for the month.....36,732  
 Expenses for the month.....28,136  
 Profit for the month..... 8,596

### **YTD:**

Revenue YTD.....190,731  
 Expenses YTD.....203,530  
 Deficit YTD ..... (12,798)

### **Cash Position:**

General Fund.....19,476

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Total Cash.....52,860

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## 2026 Joy Council Members

Got a question, an idea, want to help with something? Contact one of our Vision Council members. And remember to pray for them as they do their important work.

*(pictured left to right) Pastor Melissa Hrdlicka (non-voting member), David Burleigh (Parish Administrator, non-voting member), Christy Canfield (Youth Director, non-voting member), Corri Anderson, Donna Boatman (President), Mark Olson (Treasurer), Hope Olson (Vice President), Brian Stoeckel, Greg Reid, Tracy Banitt (Secretary), Mandy Bernick (not pictured)*

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### [Minutes Joy Vision Council June 16, 2026](#)

We have now moved our minutes so the newsletter isn't as cluttered. Click on the link above to view the most recent council minutes.

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Stay after worship on Sundays to enjoy coffee, muffins and fellowship!

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Community is not just about being together; it's about doing life together.

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### **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

If someone you know is sick, hospitalized, hurting emotionally or otherwise, consider picking up a prayer shawl from church.

We have crocheted, knitted, quilted and hand tied fleece scarves, shawls, wraps, and blankets. We also have Prayer Bears, Pocket Crosses, and Palm Prayer Squares. Different styles are available for men, women, children and babies.



provide comfort in a time of need.

It's a great way to share love with  
someone you care about.



**Did you know you can make a gift to Joy electronically (on your own from anywhere)**

There are several ways you can give electronically for both your recurring gifts or one time gifts.

- 1) If you are at Joy, you can use the **giving kiosk** (a tablet at the welcome desk ) and swipe your credit card.
- 2) You can access our **webpage** ([www.joy-church.org](http://www.joy-church.org)) from anywhere you have internet access and click on the [online giving](#) to set up or manage electronic gifts
- 3) **Or you can use the NEW VANCO MOBILE APP which replaces the Giving+ app** we have been using the last few years. The free app is available wherever you download apps

**Smartphone?**

You also now have the ability to set up a **member portal** with our church database. This portal can be made into an app so you can have instant access to your data (with the ability to make changes and give permissions, view the church photo directory, and

## **Joy's Online Member Directory**

If you want to keep in touch with members of the congregation, remember you have an updated directory at your fingertips at all times on line. Just click [here](#). It is password protected (it is the same password we had on our web page, if you forgot it, just contact the office and we will share it with you) We have printed off some new copies if you want a paper copy, just stop by church to pick on up.



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