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JOYful NEWS

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

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Joyful News October 18th - 25th, 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.

What are things you are grateful for? What are some big things? What are some small things? And genuinely take a moment to reflect on those.
That's how we started one Bible study I was a part of this week and as I answered I didn't even notice how my smile had creeped across my face. Without intention, it is easy to take what we are things for granted. It is easy to overlook the blessings in our lives and easy to forget that there are so many. When we take a moment to reflect on what we are grateful for, Joy takes a bigger presence in our lives that we thought possible! Thank you God for all the good things in our lives!

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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."

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.

CALENDAR - October 2026

18 Sunday
9:30 AM Blended Worship Service
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM-11:30AM Fellowship time

19 Monday
10AM-1PM Joyful Seniors
6PM Joyful Bells

20 Tuesday
6PM Joy Vision Council meeting

21 Wednesday
9AM - Noon Joyful Quilters
5:15PM-6:30PM Wed. Night Supper—Hungarian Hotdish

6:30PM-7:30PM SHIFT67

22 Thursday

23 Friday

24 Saturday
9:30AM Girl Scouts

25 Sunday
9:30 AM Blended Worship Service
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weren't pre-ordered so time is running out to buy more to make for the holidays!
Also, it's not too late to donate towards purchasing ingredients to make sure the most money goes to our sister church in Malawi. There are envelopes next to the sign up sheets to pre-pay for any pies to minimize the hassle on pickup.

take them a meal®

PLEASE HELP

Please note that this email is only intended for people in our community.
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SHANNON HOIKA AND HER FAMILY NEEDS YOUR HELP.
Please consider making a meal for her family.
Please note these meals are just for Shannon's family. Shannon herself has many food restrictions and allergies. If you're interested and also adding a meal for Shannon, please contact Christy and she can give you specific details of Shannons' food restrictions.

Shannon was recently diagnosed with Breast Cancer.
On Sept. 17, Shannon completed her first week of a clinical trial research study at Mayo in Rochester, MN. She will be traveling there for treatment once a week for 12 weeks of chemotherapy with immunotherapy. The result of the first 12 weeks of chemotherapy will determine if she moves to surgery at that time or if additional chemo will be needed.

Sign up to by clicking the link below.

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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.

Joy Endowment Fund

We are now accepting applications for $500 grants from the Joy Endowment Fund.

Apply now! Application Link

Target grantees could include:

- Activities that support the mission of Joy of generosity, worship, service, education or community.
- Educational scholarships or books.
- Bible camp scholarships.
- Ministry projects at Joy.
- Prescott community projects to gain involvement with Joy.

Application Deadline: 12/31/2026

Joy Lutheran Church
Prescott, WI

Leave a Legacy of Light

OCTOBER MENU

October 7 ~ Fajita Chicken

SUPPER TIME IS FROM 5:15 TO 6:30 PM

October 14 ~ Lasagna Hotdish

ALL ARE WELCOME HERE!

October 21 ~ Hungarian Hotdish

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

October 28 ~ Chili & Cornbread

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FREE WILL DONATION!

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 ⇩	
9/30/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food	Tyler Dunlop	
	October						
10/7/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food	Wayne Lundgaard	
	Mission Apple Pies for Malawi	x			Supplies	Melissa Miller	
10/14/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food	Ben Miller	
	Joyful Quilters		x		Supplies	Myah Miller	
10/21/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food	Eyan Miller	
10/28/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food	Noah Miller	
	November						
11/4/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food	Marv Lindseth	
11/11/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food		
11/18/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food	Barb Turner	
	December						
12/2/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food		
12/9/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food		
12/16/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food		
12/30/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food		

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!

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.

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 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
-Tracy Banitt
-John Fewer, Joe’s dad, for health
-Norm Johnson

-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
-Coach Mike Olson
-CL Lehman
-Tom LeMay
-Bill Satchell
-Carol Peterson
-Claire Salay
-Shannon Holkka
-Sue Davis' brother, Joey
-Bill and Sandy Satchell's grandson, David Koehler
-Friends and family of Jane St. Onge at her passing
-Friends and family of Ed Glaubitz at his passing

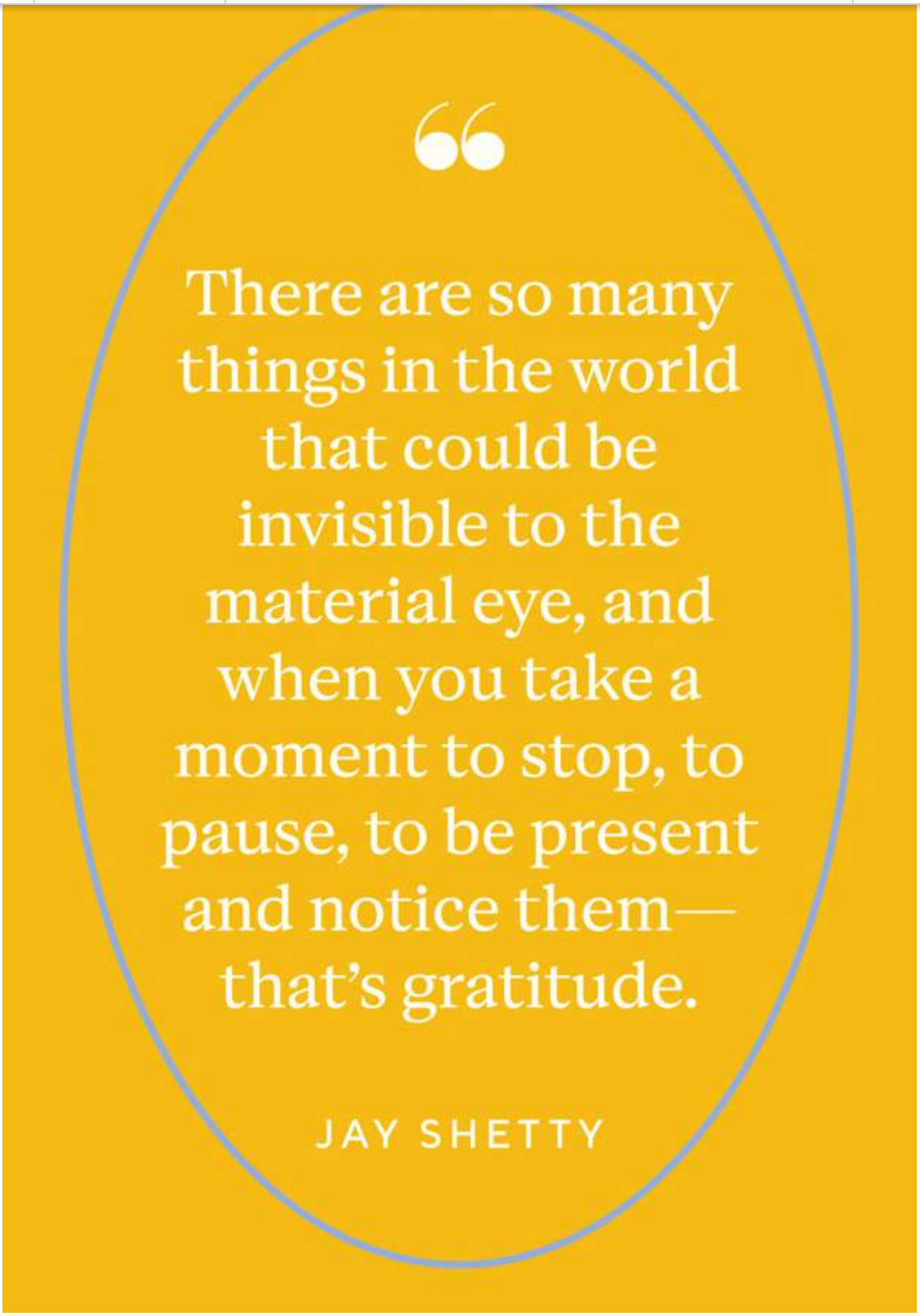
-Please call or email the office if you or someone you know need prayers!

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)

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


There are so many things in the world that could be invisible to the material eye, and when you take a moment to stop, to pause, to be present and notice them—that's gratitude.
JAY SHETTY

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.

These were all lovingly and prayerfully created by hand to 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

desk) and swipe your credit card.

2) You can access our **webpage** (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

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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
see and print your giving statement whenever you want). To create a portal, click here. If you want to make your login into an app just check with the office.

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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