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

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Relevant + Hopeful + Generous

Joyful News May 3rd - 10th, 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](#).



If you had to summarize your faith in one word what would it be? If you had to summarize God in one word what would it be? Probably a hard and difficult task! As the confirmation students were picking their readings and songs for this Sunday I realized they had a really obvious theme: love. God is love! God is love for us, God is love for the world, God is love for others, God is the love that encourages us to serve, God is the love that makes us sing, God is the love that energizes us and gives us hope for a new day. Their faith journey and God in one word is simply LOVE. And honestly, I think they're right! Congratulations to our 2026 Confirmation Students!

ALL ARE WELCOME HERE ♥

We support a simple idea:
respect and compassion for all.

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 - May 2026

3 Sunday

9:30 AM Blended Worship Service

9:30 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM-11:30AM Fellowship time

4 Monday

5 Tuesday

Cinco De Mayo

1:30PM Women's Bible Study

6 Wednesday

5:15PM-6:30PM Wed. Night Supper—Ham Balls

7:15PM-8:15PM Women's Bible Study

8 Friday

9 Saturday

9AM-1PM Plant Market

9:30AM Girl Scouts

10 Sunday

Mother's Day

9:30 AM Blended Worship Service

9:30 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM-11:30AM Fellowship time

10:30AM-Noon Plant Market





Joy Plant Market
Sat., May 9, 9:00a - 1:00p
Sun., May 10, 10:30a - 12:00p



Annuals
Perennials
Vegetables, Fruit & Herbs
Hanging Baskets

Joy Lutheran Church 1435 St. Croix Street Prescott, WI

Open to the whole community!

Visit Joy online @ www.joy-church.org



2026

This is a community fundraiser supporting worthy local and international charities.

Start planning on planting as the 18th Annual Plant Market is approaching! Stop by the church on May 9th (9AM-1PM) and 10th (10:30AM-12:30PM) to get your pick of plants.

Perfect gifts for Mother's Day, your own garden, or a potted plant to spruce up your office or house!



Wednesday Night Suppers at Joy Lutheran Church

MAY MENU

May 6 ~ Ham Balls



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

May 13 ~ Spaghetti



**ALL ARE
WELCOME HERE!**

May 20 ~ Pulled Chicken/Brats



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

FREE WILL DONATION!



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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!



Joy is looking for new pianists!

Our pianists have retired so we are still looking for potentially 2 pianists to alternate services and/or play with the band. Please let us know if you are interested in playing piano or forward this to anyone who might be interested.

The full description is at <http://joy-church.org/joy-is-looking-for-new-pianists/>



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

covered through the end of the year, but 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.

Thrivent Members Sign-up for "Action Team" Projects to Receive \$250 Seed Money
 Sign-up to be Project Leader [anytime.](#)
 Apply for project within 14-120 days of project date.

3/6/2026

2026 Thrivent Action Teams						
Date	↓ Action Team Projects ↓	Type of Project			Use of \$250	Application Approved ↓
		Fund	Serv	Educ	Seed Money	↓ Sign-up Below ↓
March						
3/4/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food	Ed Glaubitz
3/11/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food	Kevin Sommer
3/18/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food	Georgia Freidel
3/25/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food	Kevin Sommer
April						
		Fred Booth				
4/1/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food	Georgia Freidel
4/5/2026	Easter Breakfast		x		Food	Paster Melissa
4/8/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food	
4/15/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food	
4/15/2026	Joy Plant Market	x			Birdhouses/Pots	Craig Orf
4/20/2026	Joy Plant Market	x			Promotional	Ernie Schultz
4/22/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food	
4/29/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food	
4/29/2026	Senior Sunday		x		Supplies	Paster Melissa
May						
5/1/2026	Joy Plant Market	x			Supplies	Joan Northouse
5/6/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food	
5/9/2026	Joy Plant Market	x			Plants/Food	Bobbie Flatz
5/13/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food	Joyce Booth
5/20/2026	Community Wednesday Supper		x		Food	Fred Booth

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 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.



- Laurie Sanftner, Sandy Satchell's cousin's wife
- Continued prayers for orphanage in Romania
- Jamie O'Reilly
- Diana McCoy
- Renee Braun
- Karen Fleming for healing from health issues
- Loretta Knight's daughter, Pam Kinneman
- Brian Lee
- Marcia Lindseth's sister, Patsy Ann Johnson

- Em Horken
- Sue Davis' brother, Joey Kears
- Brad Satchell
- Christy Canfield's friend, Shannon
- Tracy Banitt
- Alexis Droher
- Betsy Benaszkeski, Bill and Sandy Satchell's daughter
- Kelly Poff's friend's son, Carter
- Kelly Johnson's daughter, Kristina Perricelli
- Brooke Glaus, friend of Joyce and Fred Booth
- Bobbie Flatz in recovery from surgery
- John Fewer, Joe's dad, for health
- Krista, Em Horken's grandson's wife's sister
- Craig Heitkamp
- Anessa Simon for healing
- Norm Johnson
- Joe Glaubitz
- Jude Sakschek
- CL Lehman for health concerns
- Baby Ellie, the Lehman's great granddaughter
- Lisa Kleinschmidt's dad, Michael Allen
- Sandy Satchell
- Tina Stenroos
- Eyan Miller, son of Melissa and Ben Miller
- Friends and family of Diana McCoy at her passing

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



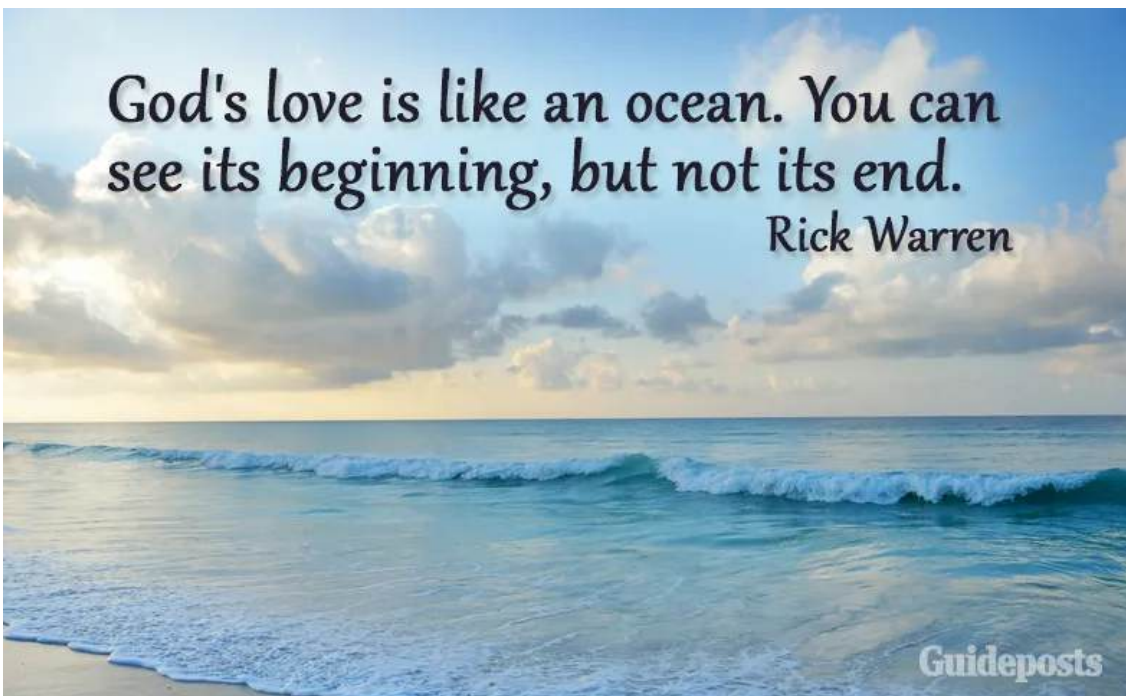
2026 Joy Council Members

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!



God's love is like an ocean. You can see its beginning, but not its end.

Rick Warren

Guideposts

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.



New
VANCO Mobile
Giving App!



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

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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