

Feed My Starving Children April 24-25, 2026 - Grand Forks, ND

The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor.
Proverbs 22:9

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN MISSION

As a Christian nonprofit organization, Feed My Starving Children is called to feed God's starving children hungry in body and spirit.

You will hear us say this again and again: "We want to reach everyone, until ALL are fed." We truly mean this.

This means reaching the hard-to-reach people and places, the "least of these."

They will be found, and they will be fed.

With God's help we will work together with organizations and ministries across the globe to end hunger.

THE APPROACH

Our process is simple. Donations given by people just like you fund the meal ingredients. Volunteers hand-pack the meals. Meals are donated to FMSC food partners around the world, where kids are fed and lives are saved!

Goal: Pack 404,352 meals which will feed 1,107 children for a year!

Greater Grand Forks FMSC has raised \$60,781 of their goal of \$117,500 for their 2026 campaign.

If you would like to donate, please make a check out to Fisher Lutheran Church and make a notation on the memo line. Donations accepted until the end of April.

Fisher Lutheran Church will secure a 2 hr. and 15 minute time slot April 24th or 25th for 20 volunteers.

Exact details to follow:

Place: Minnkota Power Cooperative, Grand Forks, ND

If you wish to sign up please text or call Jami @ 701-741-7503 or Kelli @ 701-740-0272

If attending, please consider bringing a non-perishable food item to the support the hungry at home program.

The minimum age for volunteering is 5 years old.

We recommend that groups of youth be third grade or older.

We require the following adult to child ratios for school and church groups:

Grades K-2: 1 student to 1 adult

Grades 3-6: 3 students to 1 adult

Grades 7-12: 4 students to 1 adult



A HEART FOR SERVICE

The Fisher/Bygland Parish is hiring an Administrator to oversee the Parish office. The primary function is to provide a consistent presence within the Parish office in addition to creating and coordinating timely communications for our faith community. The ideal candidate would provide a welcoming, confidential and positive environment for all visitors and members. The hours are approximately 15-20 a week with the printing of the Sunday bulletins on Thursday. If you know an individual who may have an interest including strong computer skills and a heart for service, please encourage them to contact Pastor Gretchen for additional information. This truly is an amazing opportunity for an individual who works well independently, overseeing the workings within the Parish church office.

Lent Schedule

Sun., March 1 – Lent Week 2

9:00 AM Worship at Bygland/Coffee Fellowship

10:00 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship at Fisher

Wed., March 4 Lenten Worship

6:00 PM Confirmation

Lenten Meal at Bygland

7:00 PM Lenten Worship at Bygland

Sun., March 8 – Lent Week 3

9:00 AM Worship at Fisher/Coffee Fellowship

10:00 AM Sunday School at Fisher

No Sunday School at Bygland

11:00 AM Worship at Bygland

1:00 -3:00 PM 1st Communion Class at Fisher

Wed., March 11 – Lent

6:00 PM Confirmation

7:00 PM Lenten Worship at Fisher

Sun., March 15 - Lent Week 4

9:00 AM Worship at Bygland/Coffee Fellowship

10:00 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship at Fisher

1:30- 3:00 PM 1st Communion Class at

Joyce Bruness's Pottery Shop

Wed., March 18 – Lent

6:00 PM Confirmation

Lenten Meal at Bygland

7:00 PM Lenten Worship at Bygland

Sun., March 22 – Lent Week 5

9:00 AM Worship at Fisher/Coffee Fellowship

10:00 AM Sunday School at Fisher

11:00 AM Worship at Bygland

Wed., March 25 – Lent

6:00 PM Confirmation

7:00 PM Lenten Worship at Fisher

Sun., March 29 – Palm Sunday

9:00 AM Worship at Bygland/Coffee Fellowship

10:00 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship at Fisher

Lent at Fisher/Bygland Parish

This Lenten season, the Fisher/Bygland Parish will be focusing on the theme, ***Tell Me Something Good: Grounding Ourselves in the Good News this Lent.*** Created by [A Sanctified Art](#), this series asks the questions: “what are the core, foundational concepts of Jesus’ life and ministry? What makes each of these good news? Can we trust that the good news is truly good, even when it challenges us?”

As we travel through the Lenten season, it seems as if we need to be told something good now more than ever. As the news seems to constantly be filled with bad news, our minds are filled with chaos, our hearts are filled with grief and anger...we cry out to God, please, just tell us something good. We need good news especially now in these moments of division, violence, and fear.

So this Lenten season, we will find moments to pause, to gather together, to focus on the good news of Jesus. Good news that is good, yet not always comfortable. Good news, that seems radical or upside down from the status quo. Good news that grounds us back to our roots of “loving our neighbor, caring for the vulnerable, pursuing justice and mercy, and resting in God’s unending grace.”

Join us in this season as we ground ourselves and “let the good news inspire us to take action in a world desperate to hear, see, and taste what is good.”

Lenten Devotional

Beginning with Ash Wednesday, this weekly devotional follows the scriptures of the *Tell Me Something Good* series through Easter Sunday. Each week offers: commentary, poetry, visual art, written reflections, hymns, and reflection prompts.

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Grounding ourselves
in the good news this Lent

THE GREAT NWMN SYNOD GET TOGETHER

MARCH 21 | 10AM-3:30PM

Calvary Lutheran Church, Bemidji MN



JOIN US MARCH 21!

This one-day event is all about reconnecting, learning, and sharing ministry. Registration opens at 9:00am, with opening worship beginning at 10:00am as we gather to center ourselves in God's presence. Throughout the day, we'll enjoy fellowship, conference time, and worship—plus a preview of our 2026 Synod Assembly theme, *Grace in a Digital Space*. Together, we'll begin exploring what it means to live our faith in an increasingly virtual world while strengthening our connections with one another and our shared ministry.

REGISTER BY MARCH 13



WORSHIP

We will begin and end our day grounded in worship, centering ourselves in God's presence and grace. Together, we will remember that all our work is rooted in the Gospel and sustained by God's grace.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Our keynote speaker, Pastor Ian McConnell, will guide us in exploring this year's theme, *Grace in the Digital Space*. Pastor Ian will help us reflect on how we remain rooted in the Gospel while engaging authentically in today's digital world. Through honest conversation and practical insight, he will invite us to consider how we speak plainly about faith, navigate differing viewpoints, and lead with grace, clarity, and integrity—both online and in our congregations. Together, we will explore how church leaders can faithfully embody the Gospel in a rapidly changing and deeply connected world.

CONFERENCE GATHERINGS

Each of the eight conferences will have dedicated time to gather, connect, and prepare for the upcoming Synod Assembly on May 30. These conference meetings will provide space to share important information, ask questions, and strengthen relationships with others serving in your region.

1st Communion 2026

Congratulations Parents of a 5th grader! It is time for your young person to begin preparations to receive Holy Communion on Maundy Thursday Worship on April 2nd at 7p.m. at Bygland Lutheran Church.

Attendance with a parent, or another family member at all 3 class sessions is required:

*Sunday March 8th 1:30-3:00 p.m. - Meet at FLC for instruction.

*Please bring Baptismal memories.

~May I ask for a volunteer to bring drinks/snacks?

*Sunday March 15th 1:30-3:00 p.m.

Meet at Joyce Brune's home at: 211 N 4th St., Fisher
For chalice pottery making and a short lesson review.

~May I ask for a volunteer to bring snacks/drinks?

*Wednesday April 1st at 6:00 p.m. FLC

Bread baking. Skit & worship rehearsal.

*Communion recipe & ingredient supply list to follow...

Individual, family and class pictures will be taken prior to Maundy Thursday Worship at BLC at 6:15 p.m. Please have your 5th grader dress according to their role in the reenactment of the Gospel of John 13.

In preparation for class on March 8th, please prepare with your 5th grader by sharing the story of their Baptism. Each 5th grader is encouraged to bring their Baptismal gown, candle, certificate, pictures, or other memories of their Baptismal day.

In addition, help your 5th grader to make contact with their Baptismal Sponsors. Have your 5th grader ask their Sponsors what memories they recall of their Baptismal Day. Be sure to invite Sponsors to the Maundy Thursday Worship service on April 2nd at 7 p.m. at Bygland Lutheran Church.

Thank you for walking beside your blessed 5th grader, as they prepare to receive the bread and the wine, in remembrance of what Christ did for us. Sacrifice.

Let's do this! Pastor Gretchen Questions: Just ask. 812-639-7816



Women of the ELCA

OUR MISSION

Mobilizing women to act boldly on their faith in Jesus Christ.

OUR PURPOSE

"As a community of women created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society, and the world."

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BIBLE STUDY

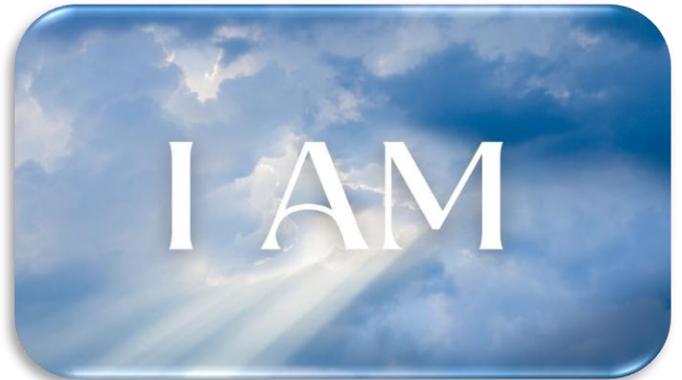
"I AM: God's Holy Name and Promise"

A three-part Bible study by the Rev. Hannah Hawkinson

Session One

Bread, vine and light: Abiding with us (John 6, 8 and 15)

March 18, 2026 @ 9:00 AM



We begin this session by rooting and grounding ourselves in the story of Moses at the Burning Bush, learning about God's holy name, I AM—a name that holds all of time and space, all that was and all that is and all that will be, past, present and future.

From there, we will explore three of Jesus's "I AM" statements: "I am the bread of life;" "I am the true vine," and "I am the light of the world." Each of these declarations bring to the fore the ways that God, whose name is "I AM," abides with God's people, providing, nurturing and sustaining us in day-to-day life.



Café (<http://boldcafe.org>), an on-line magazine, shares stories written by bold young adult women & friends who write about faith, relationships, advocacy and more.

Join us for community via Zoom at our next Boldcafé Monthly Dinner. Our host, Saint Browder will lead our discussion about fascism and faith. Granddaughters, daughters, nieces, etc. are encouraged to join! [Download a special coloring sheet](#) to color during the event. Participants are all encouraged to bring a favorite stuffy or doll. Join us for the next **Boldcafé Monthly Dinner**, March 19th at 7 pm. Register at: <https://www.boldcafe.org/dinner/>

FISHER LUTHERAN QUILTING

Volunteer to Quilt for Kids and Families in Need



Often, when natural disasters strike or war drives families from their homes, our hearts ache with compassion but we don't know how to help. If you've wondered how to volunteer to quilt for charity, look no further. Making Lutheran World Relief Mission Quilts is a tangible way to express love to our neighbors in need. Quilts can be used as warm bedding, simple tents or floor coverings. Each one reflects God's loving presence in a world rife with suffering.

Join us March 9th & 10th and again March 23rd & 24th 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Easter Lily Order Form For Fisher Lutheran

If you are interested in providing a Lily for Easter, please fill out this form and place in the **altar** mailbox along with cash or check. Please make checks out to FISHER LUTHERAN with "lily" in the memo line
OR
Text Sheryl at 701-740-8481 with your order and she will collect money from you later.

All orders need to be in by Sunday March 15th.

Plants are \$15 each.

NAME _____

IN HONOR OF _____

IN MEMORY OF _____



Fisher Bygland Parish

We are affiliated with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and a member of the Northwestern Minnesota Synod. We are a two-point parish, served by Pastor Gretchen Enoch.

Bygland Lutheran Church

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Fisher, MN 56723
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Mission

"We are God's work in progress, with hearts lifted to God in trust and praise and with hands extended to serve in Jesus' name."

Fisher Lutheran Church

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Fisher, MN 56723
218-891-4632

Mission

As children of God, we invite all people to journey with us as we worship, grow in faith and serve in Jesus' name.

Location

Email

office@fisherbygland.org

pastor@fisherbygland.org

Worship Services

9:00 AM and 11:00 AM

Fisher and Bygland have alternating times each week.

Please view the calendar for worship times.

**Services streamed online via
Facebook**

