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Hear God's Word this week in church.

...in His word I hope.

Psalm 130

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Romans 8:6-11

John 11:1-45

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Rothsay, Minnesota
Pastor Jason Ritz
Church: 218 867-2268
website: rothsaybaptist.com
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Worship, 10:00 a.m.

NORTH IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMC)
Pastor Isaiah Bai
12713 County Road 30,
Pelican Rapids, MN
Office: 218 863-5447

Wednesday, March 15 - Bible Study, 9:30 a.m. Soup & Bread, 5:30 p.m. Lenten Service, 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 19 - Worship with Holy Communion, 9:00 a.m. Sunday School and Coffee Fellowship, 10:00 a.m.

Monday, March 20 - Deadline for April S&F and Calendar.

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Church: 218 342-2620

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Wednesdays - Midweek services, 7 p.m.

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SOUTH IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
Mailing Address: PO Box 93
Pelican Rapids, MN 56572
Location Address:
38041 Cty Hwy 21
Rothsay, MN
Pastor Phil Tobin
Telephone: 218 731-4353
Church Secretary: 218 863-4085
Sunday, March 19 - Worship, 9:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship and Sunday School.



NEW LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH
Parish Office 218 867-6557
Pastor Randy Whitehead
Wednesday, March 15 - Lenten Supper, 5:30 p.m. Worship with Pastor Ale Tulu, 6:45 p.m.

Thursday, March 16 - Tai Ji Quan, 9:00 a.m. Bible Study, 12:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 19 - Coffee and Sunday School, 9:00 a.m. Worship, 10:00 a.m. Lions Club Meeting, 12:30 p.m.

Monday, March 20 - Tai Ji Quan, 9:00 a.m.

LITTLE BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH
Parish Office 218 867-6557
8 Miles SE of Barnesville
Sunday, March 19 - Worship, 8:45 a.m.

Second Round Grants For OTC Child Care Providers



Child care providers in Otter Tail County can apply to the second round of the Child Care Capacity Grant Program. The program, launched in September 2022, is intended to support child care program needs for existing providers and increase child care slots for new or expanding providers in Otter Tail County.

The second round of the program is possible thanks to a Child Care Economic Development Grant from the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) awarded to the County.

Otter Tail County knows that access to quality and affordable child care is needed for people to live and work in our region. In addition to keeping children safe and providing quality early childhood experiences,

child care is a workforce need. According to a 2022 report from First Children's Finance, there is a shortage of 1,035 child care slots in Otter Tail County. The Child Care Capacity Grant Program will help address this need by providing financial support to new providers who will add child care slots and existing providers who will retain the current supply of child care slots.

General program guidelines:

Eligibility: Child care centers, family providers, and multiple-provider pod models are eligible to apply for the Child Care Capacity Grant Program if they are located in Otter Tail County, provide full-time child care, and have a current active license in good standing or be in the process of completing licensure. Priority will be given to first time applicants to Otter Tail County's grant program. Visit ottertailcountymn.us/childcare-grant for the complete eligibility list.

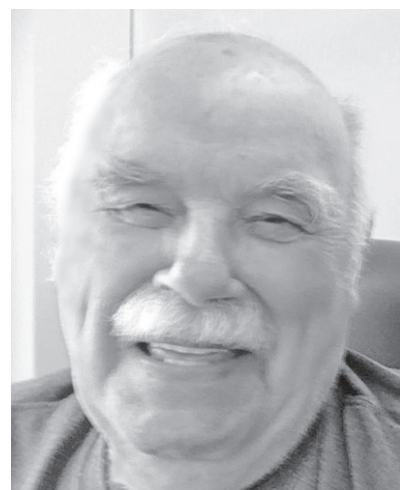
Use of funds: Grant funds can be used to reimburse costs associated with equipment purchases, program needs, and facility improvements required by licensing and/or fire safety requirements.

Application process: Access full program guidelines and the application form at ottertailcountymn.us/childcare-grant. Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis subject to the availability of funds.

Otter Tail County Commissioner, Dan Bucholz, shared, "The County awarded more than \$21,000 to child care providers in the first round of the grant program. We're continuing the program because we know providers need support to do what they do and offer this critical service for families in our communities."

More information about the Child Care Capacity Grant Program and other child care efforts can be found at ottertailcountymn.us/childcare.

Service Held for Jon Reber



JON O. REBER

Jon Reber, 81, Foxhome, Minnesota, passed away peacefully surrounded by family in the early morning of March 1, 2023.

Jon's funeral service, officiated by Pastor Randy Whitehead, was held on Sunday, March 5, 2023 at New Life Lutheran Church in Rothsay, Minnesota.

Jon Otto Reber was born June 14, 1941, to Fred and Lonie (Albrecht) Reber in Nielson Township, Wilkin County, Minnesota. He attended Wilkin County School District #40. In 1954, his family moved to Breckenridge, Minnesota, where he graduated from Breckenridge High School.

After graduation, Jon enlisted in the U.S. Army where he proudly served at Fort Riley, Kansas for three years

before being honorably discharged.

Following his discharge, Jon began driving truck full time. A career which he would continue for over 50 years before retiring in 2017 to his farm near Foxhome.

On June 3, 1967, Jon married Gail Alice Van Tassel at Breckenridge Lutheran Church. They shared 55 years of marriage and nine children.

Jon enjoyed seeing the country through the windshield of his truck, and he especially loved it when his family could join him on the road. His favorite destinations were Montana and California.

After his retirement, he filled his days with more leisurely hobbies that included model trains, woodworking, talking with strangers, laughing at a good joke and tinkering with anything that was broken. He especially loved spending time with his grandchildren.

Jon is survived by his bride Gail; children, Susan (Martin) McCormack, Redmond, OR, Ann (Aaron) Millis, Alicia (Cort) Jensen, all of Helena, MT, John (Heather) Reber, Rothsay, MN, Brianna (Marcus) Erickson, Moorhead, MN, Maria (Matt) May, Ashley (Eric Geisner) Reber, all of Custer, SD, Elizabeth Ringquist and Alexandra (Chris) Friese, all of Moorhead, MN; 16 grandchildren; sisters, Janice Grannes, Des Moines, IA, Judy (Stan) Fure, Bella Vista, AR and Karen Halvorson, Weslaco, TX.

Preceding him in death were his parents, Fred and Lonie, and his younger brother Daniel "Mike" Reber.

Otter Tail Cty. Shares New Child Care Locator App

Families with young children seeking child care in Otter Tail County can use the new Child Care Locator web app. The Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and Human Services departments of Otter Tail County released the web app to help families find information about child care providers in their area.

Families can use the interactive Child Care Locator web app to view a map of family child care providers and search for providers within a distance from home or work. The list of results includes contact and licensing information for the providers. Families can use this contact information to do their own outreach when looking for a child care spot. The web app does not include licensed child care centers, school-based preschools, or community-based preschools in Otter Tail County.

Lisa Spangler, Otter Tail County Family Child Care Licensor, explained why the app was created. "As the licensor for Otter Tail County, I know and work closely with all the family child care providers in the County. With the new web app, I'll be able to share that tool with families and hopefully make it easier to find child care for their children."

Otter Tail County understands that access to quality and affordable child care is needed for people to live and

work in our region. The Child Care Locator web app is one project that is part of the County's broader child care strategy. The strategy identifies three action areas for the County to play a key role:

- Promote the availability of licensing and financial resources for new and existing child care providers in the county
- Help recruit, retain, and develop child care providers and workers to support the growth of child care capacity
- Create partnerships between providers, employers, agency partners, and communities to improve access and availability to quality child care

Additional efforts that are part of the County's child care strategy include the Child Care Capacity Grant for new and existing providers and upcoming mentorship and technical assistance support for providers.

The Child Care Locator web app can be found at www.ottertailcountymn.us/childcare. The web app is not currently available in a downloadable form, so users will need to visit the webpage to access the application. More information about the support available to Otter Tail County families and child care providers can also be found at ottertailcountymn.us/childcare.

Come Honor His Sacrifice.

Join us on Easter Sunday, April 9th for Breakfast at 9 a.m and Sunday Morning Service at 10 a.m.



Rothsay Baptist Church
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PARTNERS
PEOPLE AROUND ROTHSAY THAT NEED EXTRA ROUTINE SERVICES
By: Pamela Iverson, Program Director

April showers bring May flowers . . .

What a lovely idea after this winter of snowstorms, cancellations, bad roads, snow, and ice. I think a trip to a greenhouse would be just what everyone needs, to look at the plants and flowers. To think about the garden you will plant, or the right flower for the pot that sits on your doorstep. So many possibilities.

While it might be a little early to plant a garden, and most greenhouses aren't open just yet, there is an alternative for the winter huddle. PARTNERS' annual fundraiser the Tour of Tables! Our theme is Back Roads. We will cruise the back roads on Saturday, April 15 starting at 11:00 a.m. at the New Life Church in Rothsay. For the low price of \$20.00 per person, you will be able to cruise the various tables put together by our wonderful hostesses each displaying a favorite back road destination. We have a quilt designed and pieced by Renae Frosie and machine quilted by Kathy Bilden, that illustrates some of our favorite places or things that represent Minnesota as a raffle item. The second raffle item will be a Rothsay basket made up of various items from local businesses. Tickets for the raffle will be on sale at PARTNERS or the day of the event for \$1 or 12 for \$10.00. There is also a silent auction, a short program with the musical talent of Rick Fiedler and a luncheon to follow. Come join us and take the back roads for a short cruise to our favorite places down memory lane.

Tai Ji Quan moving for better balance will continue Mondays and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., New Life Church in Rothsay. Tai Ji Quan offers low impact exercises to help improve strength, balance, and mobility in older adults. This exercise also helps to prevent falls in older adults and individuals with balance disorders. This course is open to anyone male/female over 60 years of age. Give us a call 218-867-1234 if you are interested. Thank you to New Life Church for allowing us to gather in their fellowship area to conduct Tai Ji Quan.

- Upcoming items:
- Mondays from 2:30-5:30 p.m. Coffee & Cards at Westrom Apartments
 - Monday, April 3 Tai Ji Quan at 9:00 a.m. New Life Church, every Monday/Thursday
 - Tuesday, April 4 Foot Clinic at 9:00 a.m. in Elizabeth
 - Saturday, April 15 "Back Roads" fundraiser 11:00 a.m., New Life Church
 - Tuesday, April 18 Foot Clinic at 8:15 a.m. in Rothsay
 - Thursday, April 27 Book Club at 10:00 a.m., PARTNERS Think Spring!



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