

July

2026 Newsletter Articles

Worship Times for May through August are, unless communicated differently:



- 9:00 a.m. at First Presbyterian in Ashby
- 10:30 a.m. at Our Savior's-Ten Mile Lake Lutheran in Dalton
- Facebook Live service continues to be at 9:00 a.m.

Pulpit Supply

- **July 5 – John Waller**
- **July 12 – Video Sermon**
- **July 19 – Ashby Appreciation Days Community Service**
- **July 26 – Jerry Peterson** (*Communion will be served*)



- **Council** will meet on Monday, July 6th at 6:00 p.m.
- **Shared Ministry, Council, Session** meets Monday, July 27th at 6:30pm in Ashby

Threshing Meeting- Mark your calendars for an important meeting on Wednesday, July 15th at 6:00pm at Our Savior's-Ten Mile Lake Lutheran Church. We will be discussing and deciding on if we hold the threshing food stand for 2026. All members of the church are welcome to attend as we need your input to make a these decisions.

Ashby Appreciation Days Community Service will be in the City Park at 10:30 a.m. on July 19th and this will be the only worship service. OS-TML will not worship in Dalton this Sunday, but everybody is invited to join us in the City Park in Ashby. First Presbyterian is in charge of the service this year, and Pastor Julie will be preaching.

Communion will be celebrated on July 26th with Jerry Peterson in the pulpit at both churches and on Facebook Live. We will serve by continuous Communion and those watching online are encouraged to prepare the elements in their homes. Please join us as we celebrate the Lord's Supper together.

Coffee House Worship there will be no coffeehouse worship in July or August due to Ashby Appreciation Days Community Service and 4 Church Joint Service.

Galaxy Community VBS will be held at First Presbyterian on Monday July 20th to Wednesday, July 22nd with supper at 5:15 p.m. and activities from 6-8 p.m. The program will be in the city park on Wednesday evening. Registration is now open on Facebook. Come join in the fun!



Here's the [registration link](#), please complete one registration per child attending. We are still looking for volunteers to help decorate and assist with the activities. Please feel free to contact Jaime Sorenson or Kelli Weinandt.

Ten Mile Lake Cemetery Service is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, August 9th. The OS-TML worship service will be held at Ten Mile Lake Cemetery. Please join us for this special service!

4 Church Joint Summer Picnic Service will be held at Eagle Lake County Park on Sunday, August 16th. There will be a potluck to be shared together with Peace, Grue, First Presbyterian and Our Savior's-Ten Mile Lake. More details to come.

Prayer Concerns: Cari Ripley, Karen Hansel, Eileen Rubish, Ron Breuer, family of Don Williams, Steve Alvsted.

Please let Jaime know if individuals need to be added or removed.

Our Saviors Ten Mile Lake Church Council Meeting—June 8, 2026

DEVOTIONS led by: *Sonja*

Devotion Schedule

<i>July – Jerry</i>	<i>October – Debbie</i>
<i>August – Open</i>	<i>November – Sonja</i>
<i>September – Julie</i>	<i>December – Christy</i>

PRESENT: ☒ *Jerry* ☒ *Christy*
 ☒ *Debbie* ☒ *Scott*
 ☒ *Julie* ☒ *Sonja*

COUNCIL MISSION STATEMENT

SECRETARY'S REPORT REVIEW:

Motion to Approve by: Julie. Seconded by: Christy. Motion carried: ☒

TREASURER'S REPORT REVIEW:

General Checking Beginning Balance (5/4/2026): \$14,841
Income: \$8,360 (5 Sundays)
Expenses: \$5,856
Balance (6/8/2025): \$17,255

Motion to Approve by: Sonja. Seconded by: Julie. Motion carried: ☒

PASTOR'S REPORT: *No report this month*

TRUSTEE'S REPORT:

- *Electrical repairs – Jerry to call Josh*
 - *Outlet in Sanctuary*
 - *Add outlet for electric eternity candle*
 - *Emergency Exit signs for SE Exit & bottom of basement stairs*
 - *Ballast in council office*
- *Storm broken on basement window (midway down south side)*
- *Windows need scraping and painting*
- *Bell Tower louvers need painting*
- *Bell Tower water leakage*
- *Jerry to update the elevator emergency contact list*
 - *Add Julie & Scott*

DEACON'S REPORT:

- *June 28 – Sonja*
- *July 5 – Jerry*

OLD BUSINESS

- *Pianist (3rd Sunday & or fill-in)*
- *AED Monthly Check – Jerry completed*
 - *Julie to talk with FD about supply order needs*
- *Pastoral Services – Jaime working on schedule*
- *Electronic Deposits – continue to hold this discussion while in Shared Ministry pause*
- *Add council members (1 or 2 year term)*
- *Congregational survey – Sonja has created a draft postpone review until July meeting*

NEW BUSINESS:

- *Potential partnership with a Fergus Falls ELCA congregation: Executive team representatives joined us tonight. Members of both churches shared respective ideas and needs of a pastoral share partnership. After a very positive conversation, a follow-up meeting was scheduled for 6/17 (6:30 pm) at the Fergus Falls church with additional leadership members and Pastor to be present.*
- *Parsonage inspection and maintenance*
 - *Softener salt needed*
 - *Furnace filter (16x25x1)*
 - *Garage door (missing a seal)*
 - *Water heater leaks*
 - *Mattress/box spring/etc to be removed*
 - *Lawn mower*
 - *2 fridges*
- *Congregation member suggestion – return of passing offering plate – start in July*
 - *Talk with worship team leaders*
 - *Sonja to alert Jaime & Ruth about adding offering back to service*
- *Outdoor service at Ten Mile Lake Cemetery*
 - *10:30 – August 9th (Possible)*

CALENDAR ITEMS:

- *June 14 – Jerry Brandt*
- *June 21 – John Waller, III (Coffee House)*
- *June 28 – John Waller, III*
- *July 6 – 6 pm – OSTML Council Meeting*
- *July 27 – 6:30 pm (First Presbyterian) – Shared ministry meeting with council & session*

MEETING CLOSED WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

Sonja Lien
Secretary

Our Savior's-Ten Mile Lake Financial Review

Year to Date as of June 24, 2026

Income

Offerings	\$ 36,981.00	
Lenten Offering/Meals	627.00	
Easter Breakfast	96.00	
Coffee Money	536.98	
Transfer from Savings	8,670.00	
Donations	893.00	
Total Income		\$ 47,803.98

Expenses

Staff Ministry	\$ 15,116.88	
Missions	2,524.99	
Worship and Service	499.80	
Church Home	15,826.90	
Parsonage	1,759.41	
Maintenance	389.98	
Miscellaneous	915.40	
Total Expenses		\$ 37,033.36

Account Balances:	June 24, 2026
Checking	\$ 19,281.26
General Savings	146,240.02
Memorial Savings	1,748.75
Ellen & Pat Welch Scholarship Fund	544.61
Our Savior's Cemetery	69,468.96

Regular Session Meeting June 22, 2026

The regular Session meeting of the 1st Presbyterian Church of Ashby met June 22, 2026 at 6:30 PM at the church. Those present: Moderator Rev. Dr. Doug Dent, Ruling Elders: Troy Johnson, Donna Fae Grover, Janet Larson, Jim Risbrudt, Jill Amundson and Gwyn Risbrudt, Clerk Barb Dewey and Presbyterian COL liaison Budd McCulloch. The meeting was opened in prayer by Rev. Dr. Dent. Budd McCulloch then led the discussion for Rev. Dr. Paul Snyder's exit interview. He will be writing a summary of this and then presenting to us before filing with Presbytery. He led us in prayer and then left the meeting to travel home.

A quorum was present and docket was amended and voted approved. **Treasurer's Report:** Checking: \$28,562.42; Savings: \$15,509.49; Memorial: \$5,443.04; Music: \$8,537.63; Dishwasher: \$2,040.99; L&L Camp: \$1,485.50; Grover Bible: \$479.10; Build/Maint: \$7,678.88; Insurance: \$17,060.80; Starnes: \$1,346.98. Per capita bill: \$4,324.00 May Session and Shared Ministry meetings were read and voted approved.

Pastor's Report: Communion celebrated May 31, 2026 10:30 AM service at Our Savior's Ten Mile Lake Lutheran Church in Dalton with El. J. Arntson, SAM, 120 communicants and those on Facebook live. It was the Shared Ministry Confirmation of Students: Brynn Jensen and Nora Weinandt to 1st Presbyterian and Chase Hansel and Aubrey Walvatne to OSTML. Funeral for Donald Williams was held 11 AM June 7, 2026 with Rev. Dr. Doug Dent at our church.

Communications: Thank you note from Kris Williams for use of facilities. Thank you from Pakistan student we sponsor will be posted on bulletin board.

Committee Reports:

- **Shared Ministry:** looking for pastoral supply for July and August.
- **Buildings and Grounds:** sign project on hold.
- **Christian Education:** Voted to hire Rev. Dr. Doug Dent to teach confirmation class this next 2026-27 season. 15 sessions, there will be a Christmas vacation and also no classes during Lent. Looking for people to assist with class.
- **Worship:** We host July 19 Appreciation Day services-readers, music, usher. Pastor Julie Carlson doing sermon. Session voted no Communion on the first Sunday in July but will Celebrate on July 28 when Jerry Peterson, SAM is leading worship. Pastor Doug will refer more names to contact for August pastoral supply.

Old Business: Session members present June 7 service approved request from Andrea Ness for baby shower in our Fellowship room as Peace Church is remodeling and a request from Kathleen McNeely for backup plan use of Fellowship room for Class Reunion gathering in case of bad weather on July 18. **New Business:** The session voted for approval for baptism of Zayne Christopher Rylander, son of Christopher and Fae Rylander on August 9, 2026 with Rev. Dr. Doug Dent leading service.

The Sunday, June 21 Town Hall meeting was discussed where the congregation was informed of what happened to get to this point, status of Shared Ministry and what is being done to move forward. The OSTML position of dissolving Shared Ministry is standing-no new vote. Barb Dewey reported a local Presbyterian congregation is inviting our church to a discussion in working together.

The Session voted to have a conversation with Maine Presbyterian church. Discussion on a call committee to start looking for interim pastoral leadership. By common consent the Session voted to hold a special congregational meeting on August 9, 2026 after the 9 AM Sunday worship service to vote to accept the dissolving of Shared Ministry as requested by the Our Savior's Ten Mile Lake Lutheran Church of Dalton.

The next meeting will be August 10, 2026 at 6:30 PM. The meeting was voted adjourned and closed in prayer by Rev. Dr. Dent. Moderator: Rev. Dr. Douglas Dent Clerk of Session: Barbara Dewey

OS-TML Worship Leaders

July

Eric & Kathy Mounts
Danielle Schroeder

First Disciple Team

July

Janet & Al Larson
Kim Bailey

Altar Guild

Myrna Hanosn

July Birthdays

1 Marion Rude
4 Larry Sonmor
5 Preston Schwartz
5 Ron Bowman
11 Daryl Ecker
13 Joyce Samuelson
15 Scott Boe
18 Joan Helgeson
20 Aubrey Walvatne
20 Maddie Bailey
23 Rudy Fitzsimmons
26 Judy Helle
31 Eileen Rubish
31 Pat Boe
31 Roger Simonson





First Presbyterian Session Members

Barb Dewey – *Clerk of Session*
Jim Risbrudt – *Treasurer*
Donna Fay Grover
Jill Amundson
Troy Johnson
Gwyn Risbrudt
Janet Larson

Shared Ministry Council

Troy Johnson- *President*
Kyle Frigaard- *Vice President*
Jim Risbrudt- *Treasurer*
Jill Amundson- *Secretary*
Joan Helgelson
Debbie Wilke



OS-TML Church Council Members

Jerry Thormodson - *President*
Julie Walvatne- *Vice President*
Debbie Wilke - *Treasurer*
Scott Boe
Sonja Lien
Christy Frigaard

Women of the ELCA President

Peggy Lien

Board of Education

Ashley Lee

Endowment Fund Board

Deb Thormodson
Julie Olson

Our Savior's Cemetery Board

David Schroeder, *Sexton*
Kyle Frigaard
Dean Thorsen
Gaylan Thormodson
Larry Sonmor

July 2026

9:00AM
FIRST
10:30AM
OSTMC

FACEBOOK LIVE AT 9:00AM

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
						
5 6th Sunday after Pentecost (Green) Pulpit Supply: John Waller	6 Council Meeting 6:00pm	7	8	9	10	11
12 7th Sunday after Pentecost (Green) Video Sermon	13	14	15 Threshing Planning 6:00pm @ OSTML	16	17	18 Ashby Appreciation Days
19 8th Sunday after Pentecost (Green) Community Service Ashby City Park Hosted by First Presbyterian 10-30am No Service in Dalton	20 	22 Community VBS @ FIRST July 20th-22nd 5:15pm Supper 5:45-8pm Activities Watch Facebook for more Information!	23	24	25	
26 9th Sunday after Pentecost (Green) Pulpit Supply: Jerry Petersen Communion	27 Shared Ministry, Council, Session Meeting 6:30pm in Ashby	29	30	31		

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SHARED MINISTRY STAFF

Supplemented by Local Pulpit Supply

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SCHEDULE May–August 2026

9:00am – First Presbyterian Worship- Ashby, MN

Holy Communion the 1st & 4th Sunday

3rd Sunday Coffeehouse Worship

10:30am – Our Savior's-Ten Mile Lake Worship- Dalton, MN

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ONLINE SERVICES live at 9:00am on Facebook