Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church – ELCA

Pastor Matt Hausken

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Summer Worship

- •Thursday Evening, Aug 30, Worship 7:00pm
- •Sunday, Sept 2, Worship 9:00am

Fall Worship—beginning September 8

- •Saturday Vespers 5:30 pm
- •Sunday Worship 8:30am &10:30am
- Sunday School and Coffee Hour 9:30am

Office Hours—beginning Sept 8

Mon - Tues	8:30 - 4:30	Wednesday	8:30 - 7:00
Thursday	8:30 - 4:30	Friday	8:30-2:00

Facility Hour	Need access?	
Mon - Thurs	8:30-7:00	Craig 522-0266
Fri-Sun	8:30-2:00	Laurie 522-1199

Radio Broadcast of Service: Sundays, 7:30am -K100FM

Communion

SEPT 2, 16 OCT 7, 21 NOV 4, 18 DEC 2, 16, 24

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Matt Hausken,

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Parsonage: 523-1282, Cell: 320-579-0839

Minister of Faith Formation: Chelsey Plumley,

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Music: Kathy Reese Sextons: The Boens

Sunday School Superintendent: Jill Hanson

Council: Todd Gay, President

Dave Altmann Gordy Blem Brian Boen
Jennifer Grund Cindy Johnson Sandra Whited
Keith Larson Greg Mertens Marie Rauenhorst

Nanette Serbus David Torgelson

Treasurer: Curt Sather

FALL VOLUNTEERS

SEPT Altar Guild— M Klinghagen, B Wertish
OCT Altar Guild— E Ziesmer, E Vogt
NOVAltar Guild—B Miller, J Schultes, S Erickson

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Communion Sept - B Boen, D Altmann

Ushers

SEPT 2, 9:00 - C Sather, D Steffel, D Senger, D Wallert

SEPT 8:30 - B Slagter, K Slagter, T Slagter, S Slagter

10:30 - C Sather, D Steffel, D Senger, D Wallert

OCT 8:30 – M Grund, J Grund, A Thompson, D Gross

10:30 - G Johnson, D Johnson, M Johnson, G Beltz, D Altmann

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Altar Flowers

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SEPT 23 SEPT 30

Committee Meetings

Committee meetings are usually held on the 3rd Wed. of each month, beginning at 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. This includes the following committees: Parish Life, Missions, Parish Ed., Property, Technology, Worship & Music, Youth Ministry, Evangelism

- Committee Meetings—September 19
- Council Meeting—August 6 @ 7pm (Monday)

PRAYERS

HEALING & STRENGTH

Jeff Holmer [K. Erickson]
Diana Adkins [B Hennen]
Nikki Gleasner [M Hanson]
Chet Boen [Boen family]
Christie Engelmann [S Grasmon]
Chuck & Connie Grewe [V Mittlestadt]
Madison Travers [K Barta]
Joann Hawkinson [Hawkinson family]

Berverly Tesch [G Tesch]
James Pomplun [B Johnson]
Greg Bunke [C Mallak]

PRAISE

• Gina Wog has completed her chemotherapy.

Adding loved ones to the Prayer & Praise Lists:

- Please gain permission.
- Fill out a request form: found in the pews & office, or use the Prayer Page at crossofcalvary.net
- Names will remain on the list as indicated on the request form and then removed (max of one month).
- If you feel someone should remain on the list, please resubmit the name to the office.

CHURCH NEWS

October FOLLOWER deadline is Sept.17 Assemble the Follower at 1pm on Sept 25

Weekly Bulletin Deadline is Thursday by noon.

The COMMUNITY BOARD is available for all event notices. Please do not post notices to walls, wood or windows. Thanks.

July/Aug Food Shelf Donations – 60 pounds to the Renville County Food Shelf. *Thank you, donors!*

Reservations: Thank you for taking the time to make your reservations when needing to use the church facility. Simply call the office to guarantee there are no conflicts. 523-1574

When using the Fellowship Hall: Please refrain from serving beverages with red and blue dyes – Kool-Aids, sodas, Powerades, etc. Lemonade is preferred. When serving punch, please ask for our "house" recipe.

NEW CARPET cleaning supplies & directions can be found in the kitchen!

A Shower for Safe Avenues by Cross of Calvary Thrivent Financial for Lutherans will again take place in September. As you are out and about, please keep the following needs in mind—school supplies, backpacks, diapers, new underwear and socks for women and children, used cell phones, mace spray, pajamas and toiletries. A box will be available in the Narthex from Sept 9-16 for donation drop-off.

NEW DISCIPLE SUNDAY September 16

8:30 worship and blessing 9:30 reception at coffee hour

If you are interested in joining or you know of someone who would like to join Cross of Calvary, give Laurie a call at 320-523-1574

Support Ministry – Comfort Foods: The Parish Life Committee offers blessings of food to those in need of some extra "comfort" in their lives. They bring up to 5 nights worth of meals to new moms, families suffering from loss or struggling with illness, etc. If you would like to assist with this ministry, it simply means that a few times per year you may be asked to provide one meal - feel free to share the responsibility with a friend! Please contact Laurie in the church office if you are willing to serve in this ministry.

NOTE: We depend on members of the congregation to contact the office when you are aware of a need for this service.

LWR Coffee Project: The LWR Fair Trade Coffee Project ensures that more of the money you spend on coffee reaches the farmers who actually grow it. Fair trade coffee is a simple solution that means the difference, quite literally, between surviving and not surviving for small-scale coffee farmers. We support the LWR Coffee Project by selling many flavors of coffee and organic tea in the Fellowship Hall. Visit their website at equalexchange.com or see Laurie in the office for more information. You may order directly from the website or feel free to suggest different items/flavors you would like to see offered here. Comments/suggestions may also be left in the "coffee pot" on the display.

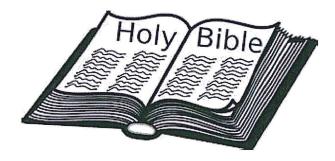


BLESSING OF THE SCHOOL BAGS!

Remember to bring your school bag to church on Sunday, Sept. 9th. Place it up at the Altar to be blessed during Children's Message on Rally Sunday. Blessings take place at both services.

BIBLES TO BE PRESENTED TO 3RD AND 8TH GRADERS

Youth in grades 3 and 8, along with their parents, will be receiving the gift of their Bibles at the 10:30 worship service on Rally Sunday, Sept. 9.



The Narrative Lectionary is here!

Beginning September 9th, Rally Sunday, we will begin utilizing the Narrative Lectionary. This four-year cycle of sharing and studying the Bible as an on-going story will help us better understand the Word.

Be ready to dive in! Make it, once again, a habit of bringing your Bible to church. Pastor will be leading the congregation through the text. Taking notes in your Bible makes it easy for later study.

Pastor will be using the Lutheran Study Bible (NRSV). This version is available for \$20. However, it is not necessary to have this particular copy. Any Bible will do. The disciples spoke in tongues, so can we!

The 2012 altar flower list is on the BOARD and ready for names. Simply sign up for a Sunday, and someone will call to assist you.

Congratulations:

Kellen and Erika Hennen; married on August 18th.

Attendance:

June 24—144	July 1 —122
July 8—125	July 15—163
July 22—87	July 29—80
Aug 5—124	Aug 12—120



Pastor's Corner September 2012

God's grace and peace to you as we enter into another exciting year here at Cross of Calvary. There are many familiar ministries returning--Sunday School, Confirmation, Bible studies, committees, and youth group! But there are some new and exciting things happening as well. The biggest of which is the Narrative Lectionary.

The Narrative Lectionary provides a wonderful way for all of us to engage in the larger Biblical story. So, what is the new part? Worship will look very much the same, but instead of having four scripture options shaping the worship and sermon, there will be one. This provides us with a chance, as we worship, to reflect on one reading that will be told in chronological order throughout the year. In addition, each week you will be provided with the reading for the following week along with devotional questions to guide you. We hope that this will provide a wonderful faith experience as you dig deeper into scripture. If you miss a few weeks or aren't able to do the devotional reading or the questions, don't worry! The Narrative Lectionary is designed for everyone to take home something!

As we go through the year and embark on this new adventure, your comments and suggestions on the Narrative Lectionary will be very much appreciated. It will help us better reach you and others with the gift of the message of Scripture.

We hope that as you enter into September that it is a great beginning to the unofficial new year for all of you! God's grace and peace as we go forward in making Christ known to the whole world!

In Christ,

Pastor Matt

The meeting was called to order at 7:05p.m. by Council President Todd Gay.

Members present: Dave Altmann, Gordy Blem, Cindy Johnson, Sandy Whited, Jennifer Grund, Todd Gay, David Torgelson, Brian Boen, Keith Larson, Greg Mertens, Nanette Serbus

Staff members present: Matt Hausken, Laurie Schultze, Chelsey Plumley

Devotions were led by Dave T.

The minutes of the June meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Greg, seconded by Jen, motion carried.

Financial Secretary / Treasurer Report -

A motion to approve the Fin. Sec. / Treasurer Report was made by Brian, seconded by Sandy, motion carried.

Pastor's Report-

July has been busy, but all went well - National, Bible study at Family Camp. Readying for the Narrative Lectionary. Confirmation youth and National youth have been amazing – some are interested in peer ministry and teaching Sunday school. Please keep Ashley Dahl in your prayers, as she leaves for Malaysia on Aug 15.

Minister of Faith Formation's Report-

Summer was busy with getting through National – went more smoothly than imagined, as there were no injuries or discipline issues. Highlights were shared.

HS volunteers are interested in peer ministry and teaching Sunday School. They are calling and texting Chelsey for info on what is going on this year.

A Synod wide 30 Hour Famine is being planned. FUEL and HS Clock are to continue this year.

Spark Sunday School Curriculum will be used this year.

VBS was fun and went smoothly. The volunteers were amazing.

Lots of kids attended Bible camp this summer and have had good experiences.

National gathering is to host a thank you breakfast on Rally Sunday.

Youth Ministry- Brian Boen	Worship & Music- Cindy	Parish Education- Jennifer/Sandy
No report	No report	No report

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Parish Life- Nanette	Stewardship/Finance- Greg	Technology- Todd	Evangalism – David
See financial report	No report	No report	No report

Property- Gordy, Dave, Keith

It was noted that the downspouts may need extensions to move water away from the foundation.

The landscaping around the stone sign will begin after street repairs are completed.

A thank you to Marlin for completing the "honey-do" list - installing the new signage, hanging the key caddy and the hooks for the ironing board.

The stained glass windows in the balcony are scheduled to be repaired before Rally Sunday.

Todd shared that Betsy has requested the purchase of the sign for the Prayer Garden. There needs to be approximately \$250 more in the Prayer Garden account before the sign can be ordered. The council is in support of additional fundraising to finish the project.

Stewardship/Finance - Greg

A short video, *Stewardship 101*, was shown. Laurie and Pastor shared details about this Synod sponsored event. An opportunity for the Congregation to learn more about promoting faith-based stewardship will take place on Wednesday, August 22, at 6:15 in the Sanctuary. All are invited. Duration, about an hour.

Technology- Todd

Laurie reported that the overall response to videotaping Pastor's sermons is positive now that the audio has been addressed. She is currently working to improve lighting for better picture quality.

Pastor Matt stated that he likes the option of video recording sermons.

Laurie made several recommendations of which the Council approved:

- No technical equipment is be loaned out. This includes members of the congregation and the staff. Technical items include, but are not limited to microphones, projectors, screens, etc.
- In-house use of technical equipment is to be done by trained persons.

Additional Business-

Laurie was asked to complete the following tasks:

- order the balcony carpet
- add the Communion assistant training to the bulletin Aug 19 at 10:30am

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- add Blue Jeans Sunday to the bulletin Aug 26th at 10:30am
- register Cross of Calvary for Stewarship 101 and send a mass email to members of the congregation

Council completed the Committee Call Process.

A working draft of the 2012-2013 calendar was shared with the council.

The meeting was closed in prayer

Respectfully submitted by Laurie Schultze, Council Secretary

September duties

Communion - 8:30am Brian 10:30am Dave A.

Devotions - Greg

Next Council meeting Sept 19 @ 7pm Committees @



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09/02	Van Vleet, Madison	09/20	Lingl, Jacob
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09/04	Mittelstadt, Veva	09/21	Fliflet, Bob
09/04	Sagedahl, Daren	09/21	Dietrich, Ella
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09/03	Hausken, Bjorn	09/23	Plowman, Ione
09/06	Maurice, Elaine	09/23	Buhr, Carole
09/06	Balderston, Tom	09/23	Helmer, Steve
09/06	Hanson, Chris	09/24	Franzen, Gloria
09/07	Gluesing, Devin	09/24	Mertz, June
09/07	Shafer, Nancy	09/24	Wick, Cal
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09/07	Visser, Charlie	09/25	Bratsch, Jennifer
09/08	Reese, Kathy	09/25	Bratsch, Holly
09/08	Greenwell, Dale	09/25	Fennern, Kaylee
09/08	Linde, Ruth	09/26	Lothert Sr, Craig
09/08	Johnson, Lynn	09/26	Meyer, Kelli
09/09	Klinghagen, Marlys	09/26	Trongard, Ashley
09/09	Elbert, Rich	09/28	Amberg, Jordan
	Mittelstadt, Brian	09/29	Larson, Larry
09/09	Cole, Angela	09/29	Schultes, Dean
09/09	Cole, Madelyn	09/29	Triplett, Dave
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Congratulations to **Deloris Abraham!**

Deloris donated two beautiful quilts to the Green Lake Lutheran Ministries' Quilt Auction this summer. Her quilt, Diamonds in the Sky, was awarded "Best in Show!" This quilt now resides in Lake Crystal, MN.

Green Lake's Quilt Auction and the activities of the day brought in just over of \$42,000.00. What a fantastic, fun event. Put it on your "to-do" list for next summer!

Cross of Calvary has multiple connections to Green Lake. Our kids LOVE their camp experiences each summer. Our congregation is a corporate member and both Pastor and Sarah are involved in the ministry. Sarah served as Family Camp Coordinator this summer and Pastor Matt served as the Bible study leader.

Rally Sunday Faith event for our

Entire Faith Family!

8:30 Worship

Blessing of your child's School Bags

Sept 9

9:30 Sunday School begins!

Parents, join your child! New Orleans breakfast hosted by NOG

10:30 Worship

Blessing of your child's School bags Presentation of bibles to both 3rd and 8th grade.



New Orleans-style breakfast

Fresh Fruit

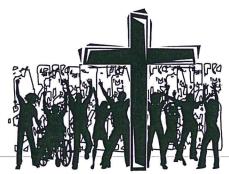
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Café Au Lait

As a BIG thank you to you all for supporting this mission, we invite you to join our National Gathering attendees,

Sunday, September 9th during coffee hour for a fun, delicious breakfast.

❖ If you are going into 7th-10th grade this September, come and hear about this. You will be eligible for our National Gathering in Detroit in 2015



2012 ELCA Youth Gathering citizens with the saints

23 participants represented Cross of Calvary in New Orleans, Louisiana this past July.

Hear about our experiences, our joys, concerns, and how this trip has changed us all for the better.

We saw God in a multitude of ways, we felt the Holy Spirit wash over us, and we broke down walls that divide us to become Citizens with the Saints and share Christ's love will all.

Youth and Family Ministry

September 2012

Greetings and God's Blessings!

I pray that you all had a WONDERFUL summer filled with fun and family. Be on the lookout for various fun and exciting ways to grow in your faith this year!

- Chelsey Plumley, Minister of Faith Formation cofcyouth@gmail.com Facebook: Chels Plumley

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

- 5 Confirmation begins 5:30 pm
- 9 Rally Sunday!
- 12 First Communion class First WOW
- 26 No Confirmation or First Communion
- 30 CLOCK 6:10 at Our Saviors

OCTOBER

- 4 Breakfast Club begins 7:07 AM
- 13-14 30 hour Famine Noon-Noon
- 21 Bridge Builders 9:30 AM
- 17 No Confirmation or WOW MEA
- 24 Confirmation Banquet 6:00
- 28 Confirmation service 10:30 AM

COFFEE HOUR

We are asking families with children in grades 2.12 to help host coffee hours to raise funds for your youth accounts.

- *Four families have been assigned for each coffee date.
- *You are asked to bring 3 dozen treats (bars, cookies, muffins).
- *Kids still in Sunday School can help set up before church.
- *Parents will be needed to host the coffee hour.
- *Directions are posted in the kitchen.
- *Money collected will be divided between the families,
- *Post cards will be sent out a week before you serve.
- *Contact Chelsey if you would like to serve more than one coffee, or if you would like to be removed from the list.

COFFEE SCHEDULE

Sept 23 - B. Boen, C. Gluesing, T. Weber, J.Mikosch

Sept 30 - N.Bahl, C.Hanson, J. Lingl, S. Helmer

Oct 14 - E. Skeie, D. Altmann, K. Kubesh, T. Johnson/Prokosch

Nov 18 - S. Altman, P. Amberg, T Wertish C. Mages

Dec 2 - A. Thompson, M. Hausken, R. Ridler, R. Jensen

Fall Faith Formation

Who	When	Where	What
CLOCK GR. 10-12	Sept 30 th 6:10 PM	Our Saviors Lutheran Church	Senior High youth group gather to talk, serve, grow and support one another in their faith.
30 Hour Famine GR. 8-12 (Synod wide)	Oct 12-13 noon-noon	OLIVIA place TBD	This overnight opportunity will give you a chance to learn about extreme hunger & poverty; and how you can fight against it. Camp, learn, worship, serve and be the hands and feet of Jesus!
BridgeBuilders Birth - K and parents	Oct 21 9:30 AM	Cross of Calvary pre-k classroom	Pastor and Chelsey give you the tools; you teach and learn together with your child about Christ in church, and in the home.
Gustavus Lock In GR. 6-8	Date TBD 8 PM Fri-7:30 AM Sat	Cross of Calvary	An overnight of games, snacks, worship, and FUN! Led by Gustavus Adolphus college students.
Jr. High Gathering GR. 6-9	November 16-17 4:30 PM Fri – 1PM Sat	Willmar Holiday Inn	Meet with area churches for an evening of music, worship, nightlife, prayer, friends and FUN!

More information will be sent out per specific event.

All events will need additional adult supervision. If you have chaperoned in the past or are interested in helping out please contact Chelsey. Average ratio of youth to chaperone is 1 adult for every 7 youth.

Please consider walking along side your child, or someone who is close to you through one of these faith building opportunities.

Serap/Eraft/Quilt Sweeter than Chocolate Fall Retreat

November 1 thru 3, 2012
Thurs - Doors open at 5:30pm
Fri - 8AM to 10pm (or later)
Sat - 8AM to 8PM

What to bring:

- Personal Crafting Supplies
- Task light, extension cord (recommended)
- Comfortable task chair (optional)
- Snacks to share—participants will contribute to the coffee shop snack supply (munchies, sweets, fruit, etc.)
- Friends and family!

Location: Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church

1103 W Chestnut Ave. Olivia, MN

Contact: Laurie Schultze-church office

Phone: 320-523-1574

Email: crossofcalvary@gmail.com

Website: crossofcalvary.net

- Come and Go atmosphere (according to your needs)
- Meals Included Breakfast and Lunch on Friday and Saturday (Suppers are on your own)
- "Solid Ground Coffee Shop" coffee, tea, soda, water (sweets and snacks shared among participants)
- Prayer and Praise time
- Child care option. Ask Laurie for details need two week notice.

Registration and payment of \$20 is due by October 10

"When your words came, I ate them; they were my joy and my heart's delight, for I bear your name, LORD God Almighty." - Jeremiah 15:16

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Emaii:	I can help set up at 4pm Thurs.
Please check the meals for which you will be joining us: Friday 10:00 Breakfast 3:30 Lunch	I can help tidy up on Sat. night
Friday	I am interested in card making
Note: Even if you think you may be here at meal time, check it. What to do if you didn't check a meal, and you will be around at mealtimeeat with us! There's plenty! Really!!!	and have included the \$10 fee

Please make checks payable to "Cross of Calvary." Registration can be dropped off or mailed to the address above. Registration confirmation and follow-up information will be sent to you after your form and fees are received.



Ministry Update!

August 2012

Great Year for Kids

It's been fun to see what God has been doing through the After School Program! Throughout the school year kids Kindergarten through 12th grade came to the CCOC Mondays and Thursdays to receive a snack provided by area congregations, hear a Bible story, meet in small groups, do their homework, hang out and participate in enriching activities.

It's been wonderful watching the kids grow in their faith, feel more confidant about school and improve their social skills in a Christian Community.

Thank you for continuing to pray for and support this ministry of our community!

Girl Scout Gold Award

BOLD 10th grader, Andrea Saucedo Ramirez spent the school year volunteering at the CCOC After School Program and working on earning her Girl Scout Gold Award. Andrea planned Hang Time activities on the subjects of Art, Service and Hispanic Culture. She opened kid's minds to a wider world.

BOLD Schools and CCOC Team Up

In April, BOLD Schools and the CCOC began a partnership to provide after school educational

enrichment for kids. The CCOC receives additional resources from the school, including use of the Olivia Pool, and the CCOC is able to provide a service the school needs. Together, we are able to keep the school's Alternative Learning Center open and making a difference.

For more information on anything, or to make a donation of time, talent or treasure to this ministry please contact Sarah Hausken sarah@ccocmn.org or 320-523-6318.

Is God Calling You?

Do you enjoy helping kids succeed? Do you have a desire to encourage and nurture faith in young people? Volunteer during the After School Program starting September 10! Whether you come once a week, once a month or serve as a back up, you can make a difference! There are many ways to serve. Visit our new website for more ideas.



We're starting a monthly e-newsletter!
To sign up, visit www.ccocmn.org

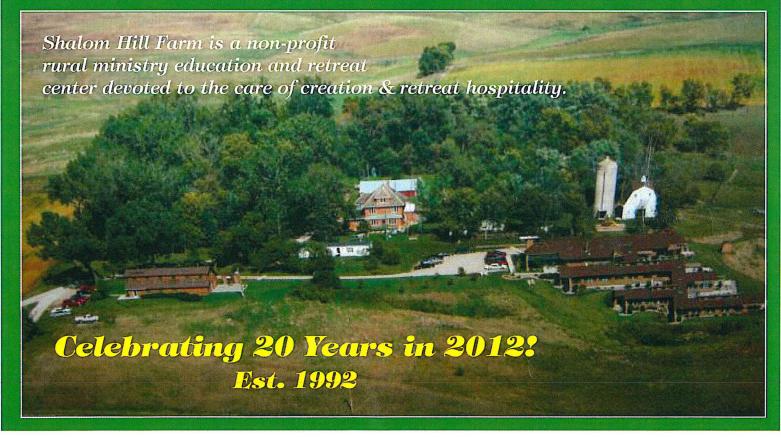


Shalom Hill Farm's Full Festivul Sunday, September 9, 2012

Activities on-going from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Self-guided Tours
General Store/Bake Sale/ Produce
Pork Loin Sandwich Meal
Ivan Harris performs at 6:30
Folk & Bluegrass Singer - Bring Lawn Chairs

We would graciously accept any donations of... Crafts, Produce, & Baked Goods for our "General Store" and for our Silent Auction Themed Baskets



Located 12 miles NW of Windom or 5 miles SW of Jeffers (42194 County Road 3, Windom, MN)

For more information call us at 507-831-2232 or email shf@rconnect.com