

WEEKLY UPDATE

KOST CHURCH



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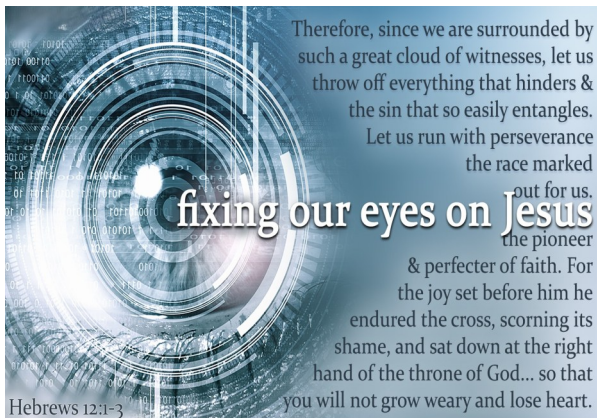
LOVE GOD | LOVE PEOPLE | MAKE DISCIPLES

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

If this is your first time worshipping with us, thanks for visiting! Please fill out a contact card (in the pew rack or online) and let us know a little about yourself.

We have nursery service available for your little one if you are interested. Our nursery is down the hall from the sanctuary.

Did you miss a service? Past sermons are available to watch or re-watch on Kost's YouTube page (youtube.com/@kostchurch/streams), at kostchurch.org, and on Facebook as well.



Thank you to Moriah Jensen and Aidan Jensen for helping us with our worship this morning! Aidan is on loan to us from Gracepoint Church where he serves alongside his brother Liam as their technical director. The Hinderman and Erickson families (who constitute most of our worship and tech teams) are in Alexandria for the weekend.

Sunday School for all ages resumes next Sunday. Please plan on sticking around for this important time of teaching, designed to help you move forward on your pathway of following Jesus.

Do you have an elementary aged grandchild or neighbor in the area? How about inviting them to come and attend our elementary Sunday School class? The more, the merrier!



Ladies, be sure to pick up the Women's Ministry handout if you didn't last week!



A handout with prayer points for Jen Jensen's upcoming retreats for pastor's wives is available in the lobby.

THIS WEEK AT KOST

Sunday 9:30 am Worship Service
10:45 am Fellowship Time
Tuesday 6:00 pm Troop Ministries
Wednesday 7:00 am Men's Bible Study
9:30 am Women's Bible Study
6:30 pm Youth Group
Thursday 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study
Friday 5:00 pm Respawn
Sunday 9:30 am Worship Service
10:45 am Fellowship Time
11:10 am Sunday School
4:00 pm Rooted Women's Gathering

Thank you for your faithful financial support of Kost Church.

Gifts can be dropped off in the offering plate or through direct payment from your bank.

YOU ARE LOVED!

To contact our pastor:

Pastor Josh Jensen
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(715) 681-1208

Thank you to those of you who have contributed memorial gifts in the last couple of years! A portion of those funds have just been used to replace the furnace and air conditioner that serves our adult classroom (the "Africa room"), the kitchen, office area, and the loft classroom currently used by Timber Bay.

Our elders are currently working on the 2027 budget. If you have any suggestions or concerns, please speak with one of them.



YOU'RE INVITED TO

Anna Mae Berglund's

100th

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BIRTHDAY PARTY

Sunday, September 27th
1:00 – 3:00 pm

Kost Evangelical Free Church
37405 Kost Trail
North Branch



Cake & Coffee
will be served



No gifts
please



Wear her
favorite color
purple



YOUTH GROUP

STUDENTS 6-12TH GRADE

Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00pm @ Kost Church

HEAD TO THE GYM UPON ARRIVAL

RESPAWN

GAMING MINISTRY

1ST AND 3RD FRIDAYS

GUYS 6-12TH GRADE . 5PM-9PM

KOST CHURCH

Restarting

Recreate

For Teen Girls

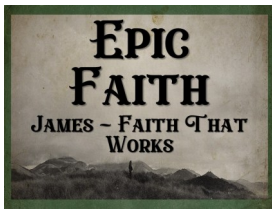
September 25th

2nd and 4th Friday's

5pm - 9pm @ Kost Church

 **Need to talk? Need prayer?** Our Stephen Ministers provide free confidential emotional and spiritual support. Just speak with an individual with a blue and white nametag.

FINANCES	Yearly Income as of 9/1: \$116,336	LAST WEEK'S OFFERING: \$2,154	KOST CHURCH EXISTS TO GLORIFY GOD BY REACHING OTHERS, SO ALL CAN GROW TO MATURITY IN FAITH AND BEAR FRUIT IN CHRIST'S LOVE
	Yearly Spending as of 9/1: \$121,034	Weekly need to cover budget: \$3,458	
PLEASE PRAY	✚ Liam Jensen recovering from knee surgery ✚ William Gullick, Louis James, Ron Bowman, & Kevin Anton ✚ For Kost's new ministry year ✚ Our teens who will be participating in the State Fair in various ways	✚ For those struggling with the various things that come with aging ✚ For us as a church—that we intentionally and boldly live out gospel truth in our families, our communities, our workplaces/schools, and our church	BECAUSE SCRIPTURE TEACHES US TO LOVE GOD, LOVE OTHERS, AND MAKE DISCIPLES



An Epic Reversal

James 4:11-12

• If a Christian speaks evil against or judges his or her Christian brother or sister, it's not just _____
_____ - he or she is indirectly _____

_____ to love God with all of their heart, soul, mind, and strength as well as to love others as they love themselves, and by extension _____

_____ the God Who authored the law, the Son Who gave His life to free us from the condemnation that comes from disobeying the law, and the Holy Spirit Who seals him or her for the day of redemption and willingly empowers them to live according to the law.

- What to do:
 - _____ what's true about God's precepts
 - Celebrate and _____ for the redemption Christ has accomplished
 - _____ of known sin
 - Ask the Holy Spirit for _____ when tempted and when sin has been committed

2026 Operation Community Connect All Season Coat Drive

"Connecting People to Services They Need"



HELP KEEP YOUR COMMUNITY WARM!

September 15th - October 9th

We are collecting coats for all seasons, in all sizes, to support local families and Chisago County Residents in need. **New or gently used** items are welcome. Donations will be available for families at **Operation Community Connect**, a free annual event on **October 15th**.



DROP OFF LOCATIONS

- Chisago County Sheriff's Office: 15230 Per Rd, Center City
- Chisago County Government Center: 313 N Main St, Center City
- Chisago County Health and Human Services Building: 6133 402nd St, North Branch
- North Branch Area Library: 6355 379th St, North Branch
- Rush City Public Library: 240 W. Fourth St, Rush City
- Wyoming Area Giese Memorial Library: 26855 Forest Blvd, Wyoming
- Chisago Lakes Area Library: 11754 302nd Street, Chisago City

*For any questions, please contact 651-213-5221.

rooted

Thanks to Joan DeMunk, an idea was sparked at a dinner celebrating Jodi Brask: What if we took a break from hosting a large, community-wide Women's Conference and instead started gathering more often, on a much smaller scale, with the ladies of Kost Church (and friends)?

The purpose would be simple: to spend time together, hear one another's stories, form new friendships, deepen current ones, and re-establish old ones—all centered around a simple meal and a desire to root ourselves deeper as we grow in friendship.

Ephesians 3: ¹⁴ For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, ¹⁶ that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷ so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being **rooted** and grounded in love, ¹⁸ may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹ and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. ²⁰ Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

As iron sharpens iron,
so a friend sharpens a friend. Proverbs 27:17

Sunday, September 20th 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm Soup & Sourdough "Blind Date with a Book"!



Check out the display table in the lobby to SIGN UP and see what you can bring if you'd like to: a *favorite* book wrapped up that someone will receive as a surprise book to read.

Dinner is provided. Activity optional.

Feel free to sign up a friend. Ask Jodi any questions!

- Be profoundly _____ and when tempted to speak evil or be judgmental, remember how worthy of criticism I am personally, yet God does not condemn me
- Get _____ who will help and who's open to being helped in the same way
- When it's appropriate to speak the truth, speak it directly to _____ (_____) and speak it _____ from a _____ heart

Next week's passage: **JAMES 4:13-17**

September 13, 2026 | **JOSHUA JENSEN**