



Love INC

Love In the Name of Christ

SOUTH
WOOD
COUNTY

DECEMBER 2017

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and first commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." – Jesus, Matthew 22:36-40

Opportunities to Help Support Love INC

Love INC of South Wood County has come a long way in a year but we have a long way to go. We need a lot of help to get to where we need to be. Our plan is to open the Connection Center this summer. In preparation, we have our needs listed below. Please examine your God given talents and pray about the potential calling to help Love INC in any of the following needs:

- Financial/Bookkeeping: Records all financial transactions for programs within Love INC of South Wood County. The Bookkeeper verifies, allocates, and posts details of business transactions, working closely with the Board of Directors and the Executive Director to ensure transparency.
- Communications: Participates on the communications committee, talents sought are graphic design, social media management, and creative writing.
- Fund Development: Participates in the efforts to reach out to our partner churches, friends, community and national sources to supply the resources needed to operate the ministry.
- Prayer Team: Form a network of those willing to pray daily for specific and general needs leveraging our combined power or prayer in the community.

- Financial: Look for a year-end giving opportunity with our coming financial appeal.

You can serve God, use your talents, and be part of transforming our community. Now that is a great New Year's resolution!

Thanks for the Offering!

Out thanks go out to Lakes Area Christian Fellowship for taking up a free-will offering for Love INC at their recent "Living River Concert" on December 1st.



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New Phone #:
715-424-LOVE (5683)

Love INC of South Wood County Board of Directors

Chuck Bradbury, President
Rick Merdan, Vice-President
Paul Liebherr, Treasurer
Lottie McDermott, Secretary
Dave Mickelson, member
Becky Winter, member
Donna Dewitt, member
Jonna Kronholm, member

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Thank you for the opportunity to speak with your group.

- Bethlehem Lutheran
- Catholic Deanery
- **Christian Life Fellowship**
- Church at Wazeecha
- Cranberry Clergy
- Crossview Church
- **Faith Reformed**
- **First Baptist**
- First English Lutheran
- Grace Lutheran
- Lakes Area Christian Fellowship
- Lutheran Circuit
- Nekoosa United Church of Christ
- New Hope Christian Reformed
- **Port Edwards United Methodist**
- River Cities Church
- St. Lawrence Catholic
- St. Luke's Lutheran
- St. John Lutheran
- Sunrise Rotary
- Trinity Lutheran
- United Way of Inner Wisconsin
- **Victory Christian Outreach Center**
- Wis. Rapids United Church of Christ

Bolded churches have signed the Statement of Understanding

Meet Board Member, Jonna Kronholm



Jonna Kronholm attends St. Luke's Lutheran in Wisconsin Rapids. She started on the Love INC Board in September 2017. Jonna is drawn to Love INC's mission "Mobilizing Christian Churches to transform lives and communities in the name of Christ." Jonna thinks the concept of uniting the efforts of churches to make a difference in other's lives is so wise. She is excited to think that through these efforts people will be encouraged to make positive changes in their lives.

Learning Opportunity

What if you knew where your money was going each month? What if you were debt-free? With Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University, you CAN take control of your money and start planning for your future. St. Luke's Church will be offering this class on Tuesdays at 6:30pm starting January 9, 2018. If you're interested, the class link is www.fpu.com/1051547 You can register on this website or call the church at (715)423-5990.



Board Members Donna and Lottie at the Living River Concert at Rome Town Hall.

Volunteer Opportunity

Looking for a volunteer opportunity to brighten somebody's holiday (and your own too)?! Organizers of Toys for Tots / Holiday Food Baskets are needing some extra volunteers to help with sorting, loading/unloading the semi and assisting with distribution on the following dates and times:

- Tuesday December 12th starting at 9:30am at the Grand Rapids Lions Club.
- Wednesday December 13th starting at 9:30am at the Grand Rapids Lions Club.
- Friday evening December 15th to unload toys from the semi at SWEPS to prepare for Saturday.
- Saturday December 16th for distribution at SWEPS at 9:00am - (Distribution starts at 9:30, but come 30 minutes early for instructions).

Additional help is needed in other areas. For more information go to <http://www.volunteerinnerwisc.org/event/>

What are your prayer needs?

Let us know so that we can pray for you as well.

Churches Serving

- St. Luke's Lutheran Thanksgiving community meal served 437!



- Faith Reformed Church, as the drop site for Operation Christmas Child shoebox Christmas gifts, gathered 1,158 boxes for needy children, up from 993 last year!



Mission: To mobilize local Christian Churches to transform lives and communities in the name of Christ.

Values:

- Prayer
- Unity of the Body of Christ
- People in need
- Transformation in the lives of people and communities
- Churches living out the two great commandments to love God and love their neighbors
- Building Christ-like relationships
- Connectedness of the Love INC movement
- Excellence
- Continued growth in our capacity to meet people's needs



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Prayer:

"The Lord is gracious and righteous; our God is full of compassion." – Psalm 116:5

O Lord, may those in our community who are hurting and without hope experience Your love and compassion through the Body of Christ and Love INC. Amen.