



Report of the Northwest Conference

If you're hungry, come to the Northwest Conference!

We are grateful to God that the Spirit has moved many of our congregations to regularly host our neighbors to a free meal! Inspired by First Lutheran in Mount Carroll and the Bridges program in Savannah, Lord of Love in Galena, Christ Lutheran in Stockton, Shepherd of Hills in Schapville have started, or will soon start, serving meals open to the public. The epidemic of hunger for social connection is apparent in our communities. We pray we can provide hospitality, friendship, and good food to our neighbors in the name of Christ!

Other congregations have begun new ministries as well. St. John's in Pearl City has a thriving backpack program. Christ in Stockton is partnering with LSSI Anderson House, an apartment community for adults with disabilities. Lord of Love now shares space with The Mop Shop which offers cleaning supplies to residents of Jo Daviess County.

As well as ministries in our own conference, many of our congregations are active supporters of LOMC Camp, Bridges in Savannah, and LSSI. Prince of Peace in Freeport supports the local homeless shelter. This is just a small list of ways in which our people are proclaiming God's love in service.

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