
Building a community that loves Christ, to influence a community for Christ

NORTHLIFE CHURCH

ST. GERMAIN | RHINELANDER



September 2026



FOLLOWING GOD'S LEAD

— Matthew 28:19 —

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

For more than three decades, God has faithfully been leading Northlife Church one step at a time. The story is the same. **God leads. People respond.** More lives are changed. Every generation has the same invitation – to trust where God is leading by taking the next step of faith.

In 2022, Northlife Church began a second campus in Rhineland with a simple desire to allow more people to encounter Jesus across the Northwoods. What began as a step

of faith has become a vibrant part of our church family, outgrowing their rental space.

We believe God is leading us to establish a permanent home in Rhineland. A larger building is a necessary tool to welcome many more people to encounter Jesus. That's what **"Following God's Lead"** is about. It's an invitation for our entire church, in both locations, to seek God **together** and ask, "Where are You leading us, and what steps of faith are You asking us to take?"

Over the next three months, you will be receiving updates through the church website, emails, video testimonies, social media, bulletin inserts, monthly newsletters, prayer requests, and an information table in each campus lobby. We hope these updates will help you prayerfully discern how God is asking you to take your individual step of faith in **"Following His Lead."**

"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened."
– Matthew 7:7-8

It happened four years ago. In September 2022 Northlife Rhinelander was launched, and ever since it has continued to grow. Our mission as a church is this: "building a community that loves Christ, to influence a community for Christ." We believe this two-campus effort has been an extension and a fulfillment of that mission.

Now, after much prayer and searching, we believe the Lord is leading us to purchase a permanent church facility in Rhinelander that will continue to facilitate our mission. All we ask you to do for now is to listen and pray. Our goal is to continue to ask and to seek and to knock. Over the coming weeks we will share more of the vision God has placed before us. Our hope is to give you time and information so you can pray and plan, and our desire is for this entire congregation to be connected and committed to what God has called us to do.

Through faith in Christ and life together in community, lives are being transformed, and we are grateful to God. Thank you for praying and trusting God as we enter this Fall season and this exciting next chapter that God is writing through the lives of his people.

"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen."
Ephesians 3:20-21

Because He lives,
Pastor Josh and Pastor Justin

Let's be praying together! Trusting God and Following His Lead!

- Thank you, Lord, for the congregation's decision to move forward in purchasing the Pines Event Center.
- Lord, we look to You in faith and trust for how You will provide. Help us to consistently pray.
- Lord, continue to direct our steps. We want the Lord's name to be great in Rhinelander and in the Northwoods of Wisconsin.

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God." Philippians 4:6

Important Dates:

September 28 - November 15: "7 weeks of Prayer"
October 9 - December 6: Responding to God's Lead



This QR code leads to our website where you can find our vision video, frequently asked questions, and newsletters regarding our capital campaign.

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