



Saturday, August 1, 2026
Heart for Luther Park

Dear friends of Luther Park,

In just over a decade, Heart for Luther Park has quickly become a much-loved annual tradition and an important fundraiser for Luther Park Bible Camp. We're excited to begin preparations for the 2026 event! Over the past years, hundreds of quilts and other items have been generously donated to Heart for Luther Park. Thanks to your overwhelming support, hundreds of thousands of dollars have been raised to help us invite people of all ages to explore and experience the life-changing love of God through our ministries. Every quilt, donation, and bid helps create a place where faith is nurtured through Holy Play.

Heart for Luther Park wouldn't be possible without you. **Your involvement makes a real difference, and we hope you'll consider being part of this year's event - and inviting others to join you in supporting Luther Park.**

Enclosed you will find a packet of information detailing how to get involved in 2026, including donation ideas and guidelines, volunteer opportunities, and how to promote the event.

We hope you'll join us in Chetek on August 1 for Heart for Luther Park!

We'd love to have you be part of this special day. Seeing the joy your generosity brings to our guests is incredibly meaningful—and we can't wait to share that experience with you.

Exciting things are happening at Luther Park Bible Camp and YOU are a vital part of that! We'll see you this summer!

God's Peace,

Heather Day

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2026 Donation Form

Heart for Luther Park

All items donated to Heart for Luther Park must have this information sheet attached to them.

Please drop off your items no later than July 20. Items can be dropped off at or mailed to
Luther Park Bible Camp, 944 24 1/4 St., Chetek, Wisconsin 54728.

This item is given by Individual Congregation/Group/Business/Organization

Donor Name _____

Contact Person Information

Contact Person Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Church Name & City _____

Heart for Luther Park Event

Quilt Auction (may be live or online)
 Silent Auction (artisan items, gift baskets, event tickets, vacation opportunities, baked goods, etc)
 Common Thread Market (unpriced market of making/building/crafting items)

By donating an item to Luther Park, you are giving us permission to determine the perfect fit for the event.

Your piece may be put in the Live/Online Auction, Silent Auction, or Common Thread Market.

Luther Park reserves the right for final decisions to be left to the event staff.

Item Information - not necessary for Common Thread Market items

Type of Item Quilt Other _____

Item Name/Title _____

Size (measured in inches) _____

Description _____

If your item is a quilt, please check all that apply:

tied
 machine quilted
 hand quilted
 other _____

Suggested Care:

hand wash
 machine wash
 dry clean

Please share any special stories or information that goes along with your donation on the back side of this sheet or attach a separate piece of paper.

Auction Item Donation Guidelines

There are so many ways to donate to Heart for Luther Park!

Please consider one of the following:

Quilts

- Bidders enjoy a variety of handmade, machine quilted or hand quilted pieces. It is nice to have quilts of all sizes; however, queen size quilts seem to be the most sought after.
- Many of our bidders are quilt-lovers but not necessarily quilt-makers. They are looking for "quilts with a story." We encourage you to share your inspiration for your quilt, details about its design and who made it, etc. Any information you share will be appreciated and certainly cherished along with the quilt. Please include this information on your donation's completed form.

Silent Auction Items

- Bidders enjoy having a wide variety of items in the Silent Auction. Items that are most popular: gift or themed baskets, event tickets, vacation rental opportunities, fine crafted items (such as embroidered dish towels or wood carvings), baked goods, and more.
- Consider donating a quilt for the silent auction! Smaller quilts or other handmade items are a delightful addition to the silent auction. Each item will include a minimum bid to honor the value of each donated item.
- Please note that we will need to display silent auction items. If you are offering an experience, please consider sharing any photos you have that can help show it off!

Common Thread Market – New this year!

- **What is the Common Thread Market?** – The Common Thread Market is a maker's market where you can find supplies for your next creative project. Market items will be available for a free-will donation benefiting Luther Park. With no set prices, guests can give what they feel led to give while finding inspiration for their next project.
- **Donate items to the Common Thread Market!** We welcome donations of materials used in hobbies focused on making and building including (but not limited to) quilting, needlework, knitting, general crafting, specialty or heritage baking/cooking, soap making, woodworking, candle making, weaving, scrapbooking, painting, drawing, pottery, jewelry making, etc.
- Donated items must be **new or very, very gently used**. For example, a new or barely used bottle of glue is welcome; a half-empty bottle is not. Any items not claimed during the market will be donated to a local thrift store.

Please note:

We are so grateful for every donation and take great care in how each item is used. By donating an item to Luther Park, you are giving us permission to determine the perfect fit for the event, depending on the total number of items donated and the makeup of donations. Your piece may be put in the Live/Online Auction, Silent Auction, or Common Thread Market.

Luther Park reserves the right for final decisions to be left to the event leadership.

If you have any questions about the donating process or what can be donated, please contact Heather Day for guidance at heather@lutherpark.org or 715-859-2215.

Delivering Your Donation Items

- **Please complete the donation information form enclosed and attach to each donated item as best you can.** It is very important that the information is shared to keep accurate records and to give proper credit to those donating items.
- Donations of quilts and other items will be accepted **until Monday, July 20**. This allows adequate time to process your items. Any items received after July 20 may not be included in all publications, or could possibly be saved for the 2027 event.
- If you are donating an item that needs to be delivered after July 20 (for example: baked goods that need to be fresh), please notify Heather Day.
- Donations can be dropped off at Luther Park Bible Camp or mailed to Luther Park at 944 24 1/4 Street, Chetek, WI 54728. The best time to donate items is during office hours, Monday to Friday from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM. If you need to deliver items at a different time, please contact Heather to make other arrangements.

Other Ways to Donate to Heart for Luther Park

- **Cash donations:** Consider donating funds to help offset event expenses. Checks may be mailed to: Luther Park, 944 24 1/4 Street, Chetek, WI 54728. Please include a note or memo that the gift is for Heart for Luther Park.
- **Thrivent Action Team Grants:** If you are a Thrivent member, this is an easy way to put a Thrivent Action Team to work! Contact Heather Day about ways to use your Action Team grant at camp!
- **Event sponsorships:** Do you own a business? Consider sponsoring this family-friendly event to gain exposure for your business and support a great cause! Sponsorship packages come in several sizes and include a variety of benefits, including naming your business in our marketing, on-site advertising, and more. Contact Heather Day for more information.

Volunteering at Heart for Luther Park

Volunteers are an integral part in making this event go smoothly, and we have so much fun! Please consider volunteering - we have a variety of roles available including:

- Selling concessions/clearing tables
- Hosting in the Common Thread Market and the Silent Auction
- Greeting and directing guests
- Leading craft activities

and so much more! This could be a great opportunity for a group to serve together as well! For information and to sign up, please contact Heather Day at heather@lutherpark.org.

Promoting Heart for Luther Park

- Sell tickets for the raffle! Set up a table in your church's narthex and sell tickets for this year's raffle. Encourage your community members to support Luther Park by purchasing raffle tickets.
- Share the information with your congregation's quilting group or outreach groups. We would love to help dream up a new way for your congregation to serve together!
- Share the Quilt Auction information in your church's bulletin or newsletter. In late spring, we will have posters and postcards available. Let us know if you need a few posters to hang at your local congregation, quilt shops, art centers, or other public spaces!
- As the event draws closer, there will be plenty of social media posts on our Facebook and Instagram pages. Share and like our posts!
- **Attend Heart for Luther Park on Saturday, August 1 and bring your friends!**