

Highland Lutheran members work to preserve beloved church's history

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Longtime parishioners of the recently closed Highland Lutheran Church near Cummings are putting together an 80-page book looking back on the history of the historic church.

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Highland Lutheran Church's days of hosting Sunday services near Cummings, N.D., may be over, but the congregation lives on in a new book published this year.

A trio of former church members is producing an 80-page history book detailing the origins of Highland Lutheran, its families, baptisms, confirmation classes, weddings and funerals.

They expect to have it released in time for Christmas.

"I really wanted to capture the information, because it's lost, otherwise," said Teresa Kollasch, the layout specialist of the volunteer group compiling information for the new book.

"In the 40-some years I've been alive, I've seen all the work that my dad and grandpas put into the church. Their memories fade, so getting all of this together was important to me."

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