



# *The Messenger*

## *November 2009*

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## **Follow the Light**

I've heard several comments this week that have echoed my own feelings. The comment has been, "O, it's dark at 5 pm now. How awful! I have to drive home from work in pitch blackness. And it'll be that way for months. Aaaaah!"

Okay, that last part was a dramatization. I didn't hear anyone bellow in fright, yet there is anxiety involved with darkness. With daylight savings time over and brisk November here, it's like we're standing at the edge of a polar cave, and we don't want to step in. But we have to! We have to go all the way in, and walk through it!

It could be more difficult. In Iceland, an island country in the north between North America and Europe, they have very dark winters. On average, they have just four hours of daylight through the cold season. At the peak of winter, around Christmas, they have only a half hour of light all day, barely reaching the brightness of twilight.

That doesn't remove the fact that Wisconsin winter nights are long. But when the nights get long and dark and dreary, just remember whom you have on your side. **"I am the light of the world"**, said Jesus in John 8:12. **"Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."**

As you're tempted to be depressed and pessimistic, in dark times, you're truly being blessed. You get to follow Jesus, to bear your cross. Christ calls every believer to, **"take up his cross and follow me."** When you suffer in the faith, rejoice! For you have the privilege to walk in your Savior's footsteps. And Jesus is your light. He guides you through hard times. His Word directs you to stay hopeful in worship and prayer. When darkness seems to conquer you and you fall into sin, know this. Jesus already bore his cross. He died and removed all your sins. Now he is alive to show you nothing but the brightness of his mercy and love, as you turn to him. So take heart. Even when the sun is down, the Light of the World is ever with you!

*Pastor Gregory Pope*



# **Message From The President**

## **OCTOBER VOTERS' MEETING SYNOPSIS**

The following is a short overview of the voters' meeting held on Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup>:

- Twenty- one voting members and 2 women were present.
- Amanda Drake and her children were granted a peaceful transfer to Trinity, Kiel.
- Kenneth, Jean, and Allison Reindl were received into membership by transfer from First German, Manitowoc.
- Andrew Reindl was received into membership by transfer from First German, Manitowoc.
- Bridget Doolittle and children were received into membership by transfer from Grace, Manitowoc.
- The congregation has received a sizeable donation for new carpet for the church, altar area, and stairs going to the balcony. The funds will cover the expense of the carpet and installation. The congregation will be expected to move the pews and remove the old carpet.

The following were elected to various positions:

- Ron Kasten to Board for Building and Grounds, Chairman
- Nick Smith to Board for Building and Grounds, Member
- Larry Teesch to the Board for Evangelism
- Dan Knutson to the Board for Education
- Steve Pleuss as MLHS delegate
- Allen Sieker as Financial Secretary

These men will be installed the first Sunday in January and start their terms as of January 1, 2010.

On behalf of the congregation I would like to thank those who are going off and welcome those coming into the respective positions.

*John Smith*, Trinity Congregational President

## **News from the WELS**

### **New Congregation and Ministry Support Group**

*From the office of President Mark Schroeder*

In its meeting last week, the Conference of Presidents (COP) took action to reconfigure the former Parish Services units into a new Congregation and Ministry Support Group (CMSG). The move comes after representatives of the various units of Parish Services and the COP developed a proposal that was in keeping with the intent of a 2009 synod convention resolution.

The convention spent considerable time discussing the role of the synod in helping to strengthen congregations and their members as they carry out their ministries. The convention recognized that the units of Parish Services provide valuable help to congregations, and it wanted to ensure that those resources are more widely accessible and utilized. Since the district presidents are called to supervise doctrine and practice in congregations, the convention eliminated the Board for Parish Services and the position of BPS administrator and placed the units of Parish Services under the

responsibility of the Conference of Presidents (COP). The intent of this decision was to create a closer and more direct cooperative relationship between the district presidents and the resources available to them and the congregations in their districts.

The new CMSG offers some new and more targeted approaches to helping congregations. It will operate as an arm of the district presidents primarily to provide resources and training to called workers and congregational leaders. Familiar programs of direct ministry to laypeople such as youth rallies and various retreats, publications, and Web sites will continue to be offered and coordinated as possible. The CMSG will be responsible to the COP through the synod president. It will work closely with Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary and Martin Luther College to deliver continuing education to called workers. It will develop networks of district pastors and teachers who will work with the CMSG to deliver assistance to congregations. With its various areas of expertise, it will provide a unified team approach to identifying the needs of congregations and their leaders.

### **CMSG composition**

The units of the former Parish Services, along with their grassroots commissions, remain in place, with the following changes:

The administrators for all of the entities are now called "directors."

Adult and Youth Discipleship retain separate commissions but are served, at least temporarily, by a single director.

The Commission for Parish Schools will now be called the "Commission for Lutheran Schools" to reflect its broader work of serving Lutheran high schools and early childhood education programs. The unit will be headed by a director and an associate director, with the possibility of adding a second associate director in the future to provide assistance to struggling schools and to congregations seeking to begin or improve early childhood programs.

Since the COP has replaced the Board for Parish Services as the calling body and because of some changed responsibilities, the COP issued the following calls: Rev. Mike Hintz (Evangelism), Rev. Bryan Gerlach (Worship), Rev. Carl Ziemer (Special Ministries), Rev. Dave Kehl (Adult and Youth Discipleship), Greg Schmill (interim director of Lutheran Schools), and Jeff Inniger (associate director of Lutheran Schools).

Each unit will be responsible for its own program and budgeting, but all units will also work in close cooperation with each other in areas where cooperation is beneficial.

A new "Congregation and Ministry Support Council," comprised of CMSG directors, COP members, and representatives from WLS and MLC, will coordinate the work within the CMSG and the work of the CMSG with the COP and the synodical schools.

One of the directors of the CMSG will serve as a coordinator of the CMSG units. This position will be filled by COP appointment on an annually rotating basis. Rev. Bryan Gerlach has been asked to serve in this capacity.

In the interest of gaining better and more consistent distribution of CMSG resources, the COP will consider in the coming months whether the commissions should be comprised of the district coordinators of each unit.

### **Parish Assistance program discontinued**

The Parish Assistance program will no longer exist in its current form. The COP eliminated the positions of Rev. Paul Kelm (effective Dec. 31, 2009) and Rev. Elton Stroh (effective June 30, 2010). The Forward with Lutheran Schools program (which had been a part of Parish Assistance) was placed under the responsibility of the Commission for Lutheran Schools. Should Greg Schmill accept the call as the interim director of Lutheran Schools, he will oversee a continuation of the Forward with Lutheran Schools program as time allows.

Parish Assistance is currently working with a number of congregations. In order to avoid a sudden discontinuation of services, congregations may choose to engage directly Kelm or the part-time consultants now serving them. These direct arrangements would be made between congregations and consultants and would not be a part of a synodical program. Stroh will work with other congregations now being served by Parish Assistance to determine how they will best be served.

The COP recognized that some form of consultative services to support congregations and their ministries should continue. It envisioned an entity with its own commission and director (as a part of the CMSG) that would provide short-term assessment of congregational needs and advice as to how those needs could best be met. The COP directed the synod president to appoint a committee to outline the scope and function of this new entity and to bring recommendations to the COP by its April 2010 meeting.

### **The importance of congregational health**

These efforts to reconfigure the ministries of Parish Services underline the importance of congregational health. We have also recognized the valuable role that the ministries of the new Congregation and Ministry Support Group can play in helping congregations and called workers to address the challenges facing them. Please join us in the prayer that God will bless this new entity and that it will receive the full support and encouragement of our entire synod.

Serving in Christ,  
*Mark Schroeder*

### **Synod staffing update**

The governing board of Martin Luther College (MLC), New Ulm, Minn., at its meeting Sept. 24-26, regretfully eliminated the positions of three full-time professors as a result of continuing budget cuts. Because of available transitional funding, the one pastor-trained faculty member and two teacher-trained members will remain in their positions until the end of the current academic year. These latest reductions complete the budget cutting process that began last spring with significant staff reductions and furloughs.

Synodwide, four of six pastor-trained men whose synod-funded positions have been eliminated are currently holding full- or part-time calls. Five teachers and two staff ministers remain without calls. All but 3 seminary graduates and 11 MLC graduates have been assigned.

Meantime, WELS Committee on Relief has provided support for called workers and staff members whose positions were eliminated at Michigan Lutheran Seminary in Saginaw, Mich. The committee provided funding for professional career counseling services for nine workers currently searching for new employment.

Rev. John Seifert, president of the Michigan District, says the displaced workers were encouraged to hear that their experiences in ministry have value in and are transferable to the secular market. Still, they face a difficult struggle finding meaningful employment in the Saginaw area where the unemployment rate hovers between 22 and 25 percent.

Seifert expresses thanks for the support from Committee on Relief for the effort. "The counseling would not have been possible without it," he says.

### **New MLS president called**

On Oct. 15, the governing board at Michigan Lutheran Seminary (MLS), Saginaw, Mich., called Rev. Kenneth Brokmeier, pastor at Our Savior, Brookings, S.D., as the school's new president, after Rev. Michael Jensen returned the call Oct. 11.

"It's a wonderful opportunity to see how God in his grace and mercy would extend to a clay vessel [like me] a chance to think about another place to serve our awesome Savior," says Brokmeier.

Brokmeier has previously served as recruitment director at Luther Prep, Watertown, Wis., and Martin Luther Preparatory School, Prairie Du Chien, Wis. He also served at St. Paul, Lake Mills, Wis., and Northwestern College, Watertown, Wis. He currently is chairman of the governing board of Luther Preparatory School, Watertown, Wis.

"I have spent 11 years serving at our schools, and some guys will never have that opportunity in their ministry. So I have seen that side of it. At the same time, I have a great love of serving in parish ministry," says Brokmeier. "I think we want people at our worker training schools who

have a great love for the teaching and preaching ministry to encourage young people to prepare as candidates."

The position of Michigan Lutheran Seminary president became vacant in April when former MLS president Rev. Paul Prange accepted the call to be administrator of the Board for Ministerial Education.

### **Coordinating WELS humanitarian aid efforts**

For the first time, representatives from five WELS entities that deliver humanitarian aid in some fashion came together to discuss how they can work cooperatively to accomplish even more for God's kingdom. The meeting, held in Milwaukee Oct. 1, was funded by a Thrivent Financial grant and included representatives from WELS Board for Home Missions, Central Africa Medical Mission, Committee on Relief, Humanitarian Aid Committee, and WELS Kingdom Workers.

Each group explained its current organizational structure and individual goals for the future. Then all the groups identified joint priority issues and attainable objectives for the future that relate to WELS humanitarian aid in general. Steps to be taken include creating a new committee, with representatives from each group, to develop an overarching humanitarian assistance philosophy and to tackle other future joint efforts. The groups also resolved to make this meeting an annual event so that they can remain informed about the humanitarian aid work that the other WELS committees are carrying out.

Rev. Dan Koelpin, administrator of WELS Board for World Missions, is enthusiastic about the work that was begun at this meeting. He says that humanitarian work is important for the future of WELS World Missions. "Humanitarian assistance is a great handmaid to the work that World Missions does," Koelpin says. "We don't want it to detract from our primary work of gospel outreach, but often it creates goodwill that enables us to spread the gospel."

## **The Bible-Book of Lamentations**

This month's part of the Bible focus' is on the Book of Lamentations.

### ***THE BOOK OF LAMENTATIONS***

The text of the Bible does not tell us who wrote the Book of Lamentations. But a tradition says that Jeremiah is the author. The old Greek translation, the Septuagint, added this note at the beginning of the book: "And it came to pass, after Jeremiah was taken captive and Jerusalem laid waste, that Jeremiah sat weeping and lamented with this lamentation over Jerusalem and said " Perhaps Jeremiah is the author, but we cannot know for certain. A "lamentation" is an expression of deep sorrow. The Book of Lamentations is made up of five sad poems or songs. The sad event that each of the five poems is concerned with is the destruction of Jerusalem in 587 B.C. In tone the poems are like a dirge that might be heard at a funeral. They are bursting with grief and teardrops. The author of the five Lamentations grieves so deeply not just because the beloved city of Jerusalem has been destroyed; he grieves especially because he knows that the destruction came because of God's judgment on the people's unrepented sins. The reader can almost feel the poems dripping with sorrow even as the first poem begins:

**"How deserted lies the city, once so full of people! How like a widow is she, who once was great among the nations! She who was queen among the provinces has now become a slave." (1:1)**

Still today the Jews sadly chant the words of Lamentations to commemorate the destruction of Jerusalem. If you visit the so-called "wailing wall" near the old temple area in Old Jerusalem, you will hear the sobbing laments from Lamentations. For Christians today, the book serves as a serious reminder of God's attitude toward sin and the need for sincere repentance. Each of the five chapters of Lamentations is a separate poem. The first four are arranged as acrostic poems.



Remember Adults Bible Class on Thursdays nights. We are studying *Hebrews 11-Heroes of Faith*. We meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month, at 6:30 pm, for this session.

Also the Sunday morning class at 8:15 a.m is now beginning a study of *Roman Catholicism Today*. Please join us for this look at modern Roman Catholic doctrine and practice, in comparison to what the Bible teaches.

*\*Please note: both adult Bible classes will be meeting in church until further notice.*

## **Announcements**

### **Sunday School**

Sunday School will be singing Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>, this involves grades 4-8. With the Christmas program coming out soon, parents please remember to help your children with their memorization.

### **Youth Group**

The Trinity Teens had their last Highway Cleanup of the year on Thursday October 29. The October 3 cleanup had been rained out. A big thank you to all who helped. There was a bag of aluminum, a bag of plastic recyclables and two bags of garbage collected. After the cleanup, Pastor Pope had a short devotion on how we all are ministers when we are sharing our faith by word or deed. After the devotion we had a pizza lunch at Pastor's house, and then a meeting. Christmas at Sinawa is December 5 & 6 from 4 - 9 PM. There is a work day planned November 14 at 10:00 AM. Lunch will be provided. The cabin decorating will be Sunday, November 29 starting at noon.

In January, the Trinity Teens will be going to Appleton to play laser tag, and in February they will have an afternoon of ice skating. The March activity will be bowling.

Remember - all youth of the congregation in grades 6 through 12 are members of the Trinity Teens.

### **Trinity Ladies Circle**

The Trinity Ladies' Circle held their last meeting on Tuesday, October 27. Among other things, we discussed the cleaning of the church basement after the addition is completed and the changes that are going to take place with the Thrivent matching funds at the end of 2009. We also discussed having another social night in December, which would take the place of our regular meeting. The date is tentatively set for December 15; please watch future bulletins for more information.

Our next meeting is planned for November 24, 2009, at 6:00 p.m. The topic for our discussion will be "witnessing at work." Election of a new vice-president and treasurer will take place that time, so please contact Cindy Williamson (758-2726) prior to the meeting if you would like to be considered for nomination to one of the positions.

After the business meeting, we will decorate the church for Thanksgiving and make Christmas centerpieces. All ladies of the congregation are invited to join us!

## **Choir**

Remember Choir meets every other Thursday at 6:30 p.m., due to Bible class being on Thursdays. Here is a tentative schedule for the next 2 months. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Pope. So please come and join us!

Nov.5

Dec.3

Nov.19

Dec.13 (1/2 hr. after church)

Nov.22 (1/2 hr. after church)

Dec. 20 (1/2 hr. after church)

## **Shut –ins**

These are the following members that are in nursing homes. Please remember them in your prayers and if you have time give them a visit.

Viola Rusch- River's Bend, Manitowoc

Elaine Sieker & Sylvia Kasten-River Wood Estates, Manitowoc

Ralph Schultz-Fox River Assisted Living, Appleton

Caroline Schwalbe- Felician Village-Manitowoc

## **Altar Flowers and WCUB Radio Broadcast**

Please remember that you can put flowers on the altar for any occasion; just let the church secretary know. Also remember the WCUB Radio Broadcast is \$85.00 to sponsor a Sunday. Just make a check out to church and put it in the secretary's mailbox.

## **Thank You**

The congregation received a Thank you from the East Fork Students in Arizona. They thanked us for the donation of \$570.00.

## **Angel Association**

The Angel Association of the Manitowoc Health & Rehabilitation Center is inviting anyone who would like to be a part of the Caring Tree. The tree is located in front of the building. A white light is in memory of a loved one and a green or red is in honor of someone. The charge is \$3.00 for a single or \$25.00 for a string. If you would like to be a part of this, please make your check out to the Angels Association and send it to the Mtwc. Health Rehabilitation Center. They then have a tree lighting ceremony on Monday, Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>.

## **News from St. John's**

### **Meet Our Student Teachers**

#### **Miss Whiting (7th & 8th Grades)**

Hi, my name is Dawn Whiting. I was born and raised in Watertown, Wisconsin. I am a graduate of Lakeside Lutheran High School. I am currently in my 4th year at MLC. I am studying in a five- year program to teach secondary instrumental music education. In my free time enjoy reading (mostly fantasy, but a little bit of everything), playing the bassoon and piano, singing, exercising, and various other odds and ends. I am so excited to be here at St. John's. It has been a wonderful learning experience and I know that I will continue to grow and learn here. Thank you for your support and prayers as your children and I continue to enjoy learning together.

Hello! I am Mikaela Raddatz and I am student teaching with Mr. Strieter in the 5th and 6th grade classroom. I come from Hastings, MN, but I attended Luther Prep for high school. I am a senior at MLC in the elementary education program with an emphasis in Social Studies/History. I enjoy many things in life such as socializing, reading, traveling, and watching sports (especially baseball!). In high school I was given the opportunity to do mission work in Ukraine, and have since fallen in love with traveling the world and doing mission work in foreign countries. I am still deciding whether or not to spend one year in China teaching English. So, if you have any thoughts on that, I would love to hear them. I am excited to be here, and I am greatly enjoying my time in Newtonburg!

Greetings! My name is Laura Wessel, and I have the privilege of student teaching in Miss Kurtzweg's 3rd grade classroom. I grew up in Grove City, Ohio; but my family now lives in Sparta, Wisconsin. I will be graduating from MLC and be getting married in December, so it is an exciting time for me! My fiancé, Jeremiah Drews, is currently teaching grades 4-8 at St. Mark's Lutheran School in Lincoln, Nebraska. Among my hobbies are traveling, camping hiking, theater, art, reading and writing. Teaching gives me an opportunity to touch on many of my interests. I am having a busy, but wonderful time here in Newtonburg. I learn something new every day!

#### **Wildcat Runners**

Congratulations to the thirteen students in grades 5-8 who participated in this years 3rd Annual Grade School Cross Country Meet at MLHS. Our athletes did well. The girls' team placed first for the second year in a row. Heidi Knutson, and Hannah Schleis finished 5th and 7<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Other School News**

Parent-teacher conferences are November 11, 12 and 13. There will be a Christmas Piano Recital in the church on December 12th, at 6 PM. Please mark your calendars to attend this event and hear the students play for you.

The following are the coaches for Basketball and cheerleading: Boys B - Marty Haupt and Dan Habermann, Boys A - Nathan Brooks and Craig Vogt, Girls B - Lori Schleis and Renee Menges Girls A, - Peter Nass and Jeff Menges, Cheerleading – Michelle Haupt

#### **MLHS Events**

**MLHS Parents, Grandparents, & Friends Day** Tuesday, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>, join your MLHS student for a pancake breakfast from 7:30 – 9:00am. Cost is \$3 per person, and you are invited to visit classes, chapel, and lunch throughout the day. MLHS will treat you to a hot lunch from 12:20 – 12:50 as well. RSVP by calling the school office, 682-0215 x.100.

**“The Canterbury Tales.”** MLHS students will be presenting this classic Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are just \$3 at the door; show times are 7pm Friday & Saturday; 2pm Sunday.

**Fine Arts Work Day** The MLHS Fine Arts Department (Music, Drama, & Art) needs some helping hands to re-locate and organize costumes, stage sets, art equipment, materials, etc. Many hands make light work, and this is a great way to join together in helping MLHS make the best use of the equipment it has been blessed with. Mark the date of Nov 21, 10am – 2pm!

#### **Upcoming Events**

**Tue 11/10** MLHS Parents, Grandparents & Friends Day

**Fri – Sun 11/13-15** MLHS Student Drama Production “The Canterbury Tales”. Fri & Sat  
7pm; Sun 2pm

**Sat 11/14** MLHS Federation Mtg; 9am

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### **Something to think about.....**

#### **Abraham Lincoln's Thanksgiving Proclamation**

(from the collection of Lincoln's papers in the Library of America series; Vol. II, pp. 520-521). The year that is drawing towards its close, has been filled with the blessings of fruitful fields and healthful skies. To these bounties, which are so constantly enjoyed that we are prone to forget the source from which they come, others have been added, which are of so extraordinary a nature, that they cannot fail to penetrate and soften even the heart which is habitually insensible to the ever watchful providence of Almighty God. In the midst of a civil war of unequalled magnitude and severity, which has sometimes seemed to foreign States to invite and to provoke their aggression, peace has been preserved with all nations, order has been maintained, the laws have been respected and obeyed, and harmony has prevailed everywhere except in the theatre of military conflict; while that theatre has been greatly contracted by the advancing armies and navies of the Union. Needful diversions of wealth and of strength from the fields of peaceful industry to the national defence, have not arrested the plough, the shuttle, or the ship; the axe had enlarged the borders of our settlements, and the mines, as well of iron and coal as of the precious metals, have yielded even more abundantly than heretofore. Population has steadily increased, notwithstanding the waste that has been made in the camp, the siege and the battle-field; and the country, rejoicing in the consciousness of augmented strength and vigor, is permitted to expect continuance of years with large increase of freedom. No human counsel hath devised nor hath any mortal hand worked out these great things. They are the gracious gifts of the Most High God, who, while dealing with us in anger for our sins, hath nevertheless remembered mercy. It has seemed to me fit and proper that they should be solemnly, reverently and gratefully acknowledged as with one heart and voice by the whole American People. I do therefore invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November next, as a day of Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens. And I recommend to them that while offering up the ascriptions justly due to Him for such singular deliverances and blessings, they do also, with humble penitence for our national perverseness and disobedience, commend to his tender care all those who have become widows, orphans, mourners or sufferers in the lamentable civil strife in which we are unavoidably engaged, and fervently implore the interposition of the Almighty Hand to heal the wounds of the nation and to restore it as soon as may be consistent with the Divine purposes to the full enjoyment of peace, harmony, tranquillity and Union. It is the duty of nations as well as of men to own their dependence upon the overruling power of God; to confess their sins and transgressions in humble sorrow, yet with assured hope that genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon; and to recognize the sublime truth, announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations are blessed whose God is the Lord.

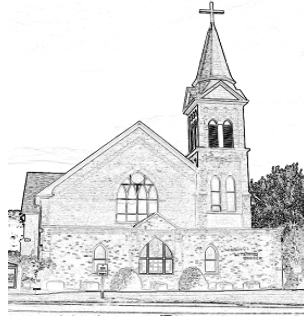
- Abraham Lincoln's Thanksgiving Proclamation October 3, 1863

### **On a lighter note.....**

May your stuffing be tasty  
May your turkey plump,  
May your potatoes and gravy  
have nary a lump.  
May your yams be delicious  
and your pies take the prize,  
and may your Thanksgiving dinner  
stay off your thighs!

-Unknown

# Church Attendance for October



Combined Total for Saturday/Sunday

## October 2006

Week 1: 37/109=146

Week 2: 47/108=155

Week 3: 41/113=154

Week 4: 37/224=261

Week 5: 28/106=134

**Monthly: 850**

## October 2007

Week 1: 45/112=157

Week 2: 40/139=179

Week 3: 44/109=153

Week 4: 24/154=178

**Monthly: 662**

## October 2008

Week 1: 33/106=139

Week 2: 40/111=151

Week 3: 22/99=121

Week 4: 51/139=190

**Monthly: 601**

## October 2009

Week 1: 38/109=147

Week 2: 41/116=157(Sunday  
School sang)

Week 3: 26/91=117

Week 4: 40/84=124

Week 5: 31/135=166

**Monthly: 680**

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***"God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth."***

*John 4:24*

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*A Happy Birthday and God's Blessings to...*

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|---|---------------------------|
| 11/1 James Glaeser                          | 11/16 Brittany Hochkammer |
| 11/1 Jim Krim                               | 11/18 Debbie Fitzgerald   |
| 11/2 Lu Ann Luckow                          | 11/19 Bonnie Wagner       |
| <b>11/7 Lillian Borgwardt-86 yrs. young</b> | 11/20 Linda Wallander     |
| 11/8 Grace Knutson                          | 11/22 Brett Glaeser       |
| 11/8 Kevin Schreiber                        | 11/24 Savannah Luebke     |
| 11/10 Karen Kiesow                          | 11/24 Allison Lutze       |
| 11/11 Alex Kasten                           | 11/24 David Mellstrom     |
| 11/12 David Williamson                      | 11/26 Bridget Doolittle   |
| 11/13 Harold Bratz                          | 11/28 Michael Schreiber   |
| 11/13 Brandon Ratsch                        | 11/30 Robin Knutson       |



*Happy Anniversary To...*

- 11/3 Cory & Kim Krueger— 2 Years!
- 11/6 Jody & Jim Krim – 16 Years!
- 11/8 Chad & Karen Knutson – 6 Years!
- 11/10 Allen & Doris Reichardt – 47 Years!
- 11/11 Gary & Lu Ann Luckow – 20 Years!
- 11/24 David & Cindy Williamson – 30 Years!

If you have a November birthday or anniversary and it is not listed correctly please let us know so we can update your information. Thanks!

Date: Ushers on Schedule:

November 7<sup>th</sup> James Glaeser (Server), Mark Knutson (Server), Derrick Krey

November 8<sup>th</sup> Keith Petersen (Server), Brian Glaeser (Server), Brett Glaeser, Wayne Otto

November 14<sup>th</sup> Dave Williamson, Mike Kiesow

November 15<sup>th</sup> John Smith, Jeff Kasten, Alex Kasten, Len Arnold

November 21<sup>st</sup> David Schultz (Server), Warren Lutze (Server), Steve Pleuss

November 22<sup>nd</sup> James Ott (Server), Mark Knutson (Server), Larry Hochkammer, Joseph Nagel

**Thanksgiving Day**

November 26<sup>th</sup> James Glaeser, Jeff Tuschel, Todd Petersen, Marty Kiesow

November 28<sup>th</sup> Harold Bratz, Mark Kiesow

November 29<sup>th</sup> Gary Vetter, Jeff Kasten, Alex Kasten, Dan Knutson

If you are unable to make your scheduled service, please call Brian Glaeser @ 775-3941.

**Communion Liturgy:** Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for you for the remission of your sins.

May this strengthen and preserve you in the true faith unto life everlasting. Depart in peace; your sins are forgiven. Amen.

**Altar Guild: November – Group 3:**

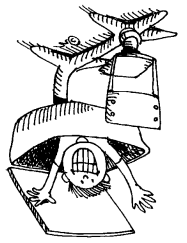
Cindy Williamson, Eunice Barnes, Janice Wehausen, Diane Smith

***Our Greeters for November***



***Because of the church renovation we will not be having greeters until further notice. Thank you for your patience on this matter.***

# Kids Corner



## Bible Quiz – “Parents”

1. Who was the father of Ephraim and Manasseh?
  - a. Jacob
  - b. Joseph
  - c. Isaac
  - d. Judah
  
2. Who was Moses foster mother?
  - a. Elizabeth
  - b. The daughter of Pharaoh
  - c. Miriam
  - d. Jochebed
  
3. Who was Samson’s father?
  - a. Eliezer
  - b. Jonathon
  - c. Manoah
  - d. David
  
4. Who was David son of?
  - a. Jesse
  - b. Obed
  - c. Edom
  - d. Jonah
  
5. Who was Solomon’s mother?
  - a. Abigail
  - b. Miriam
  - c. Sarah
  - d. Bathsheba

**Answers: 1.) b** [Genesis 48:1] **2.) b** [Exodus 2:10] **3.) c** [Judges 13:21-24] **4.) a** [Ruth 4:22] **d** [2 Samuel 12:24]

# My Thanksgiving List



Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. Psalm 100:4 (NIV)

H K S S J H S K E F I A T S L  
 C T T V T D J C O U N T R Y R  
 M E R L N H A P P I N E S S U  
 P L A E R X D S E I W T T L S  
 Q E I I E R F V C O P S E A C  
 H R J M O S O X L H E U A E H  
 F C R A D L F F O O A N C Y O  
 S P C P A R E N T S C S H L O  
 M B R H E K X I H J E H E F L  
 F U I A U R T N E C F I R R S  
 A H S B Y R A M S Y O N S E F  
 M F O I L E C I T P O E G E N  
 I U T U C E R H N C D D Q D L  
 L O I U S A L V A T I O N O F  
 Y X S R J E S U S V N S G M N

|          |         |           |          |           |
|----------|---------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| FOOD     | FRIENDS | FAMILY    | FLOWERS  | HAPPINESS |
| SUNSHINE | PRAYER  | HOUSE     | SCHOOLS  | BIBLE     |
| COUNTRY  | CLOTHES | RAIN      | HEALTH   | LOVE      |
| CHURCH   | PEACE   | FREEDOM   | TEACHERS | PETS      |
| MUSIC    | PARENTS | SALVATION | TREES    | JESUS     |

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Let them give thanks to the LORD for his unfailing  
love and his wonderful deeds for men.  
Psalm 107:8

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