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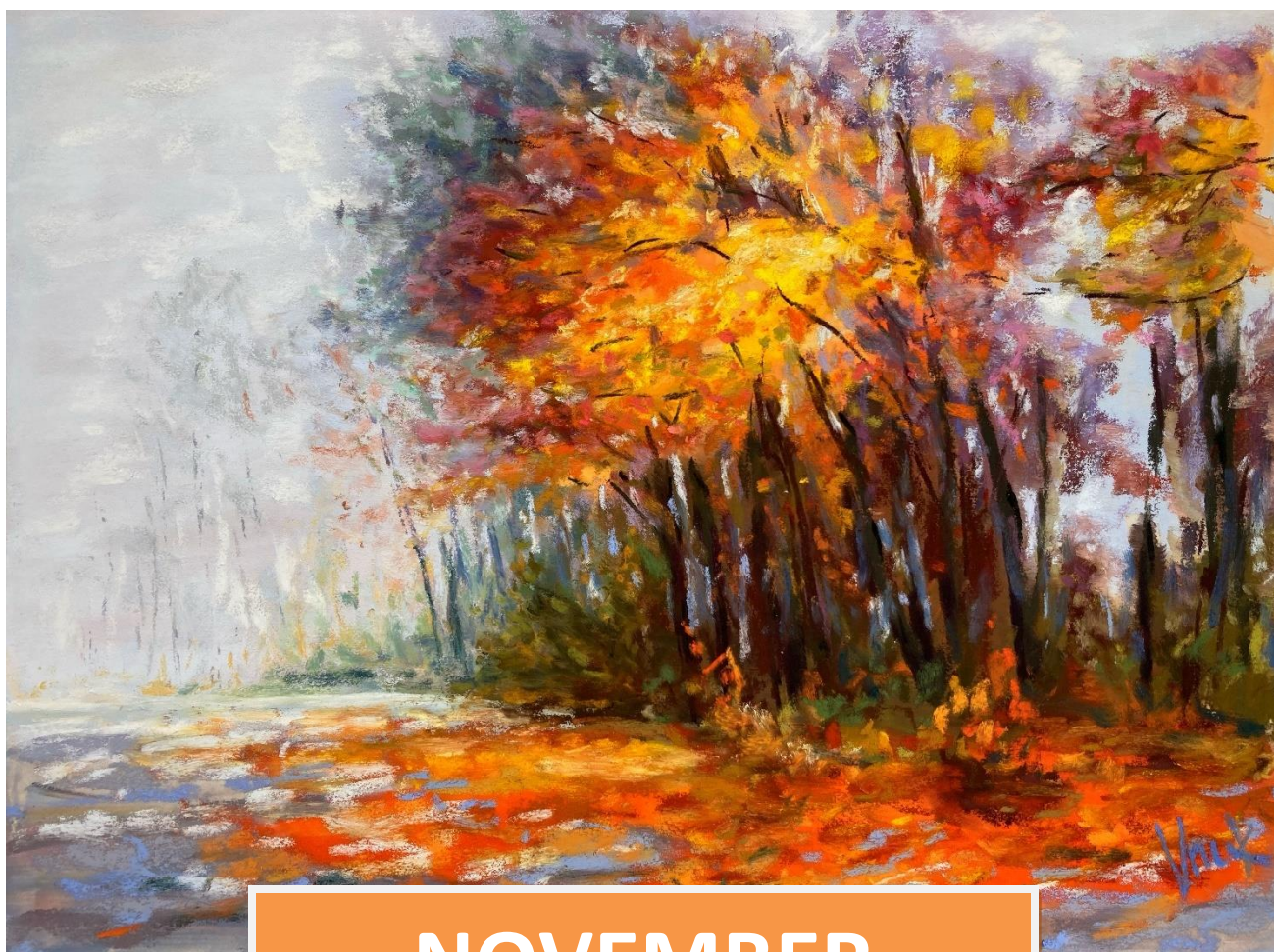
ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH – ELCA

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We, a diverse Christian family, faithful in word and sacrament strive to share in God's unconditional love through prayer, worship, and outreach.



NOVEMBER

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY – FRIDAY

9:00am – 5:00pm

SATURDAY

11:00 – 7:00

Saturday: 5:00 pm Liturgy I

Sunday: 9:00 am Pericope
10:00 am ELW

Wednesday: 7:00 pm Liturgy II



- 11-1 Marge Sageser, Bodhi Wettengel
- 11-2 Kinga Vnuk
- 11-5 Phensiri Schneider
- 11-6 Kathy Mack
- 11-8 Karl Kleppek, Wendy Ruhl
- 11-9 Sandy Thom
- 11-11 Bonnie Windschanz
- 11-17 Debbie Dahm
- 11-20 Bonnie Dailey, Nancy Mason,
Lori Patrick, Dave Stecker
- 11-21 Karin Franklin
- 11-22 Nina Slowik
- 11-24 Stacy Kingston, Reese Jastrow
- 11-25 Sandy Montague
- 11-26 Joan Koenig
- 11-29 Jackson LaFond
- 11-30 Mary Zahn

- 11-04 Kerry and Mark Howard
- 11-12 Monica and Chris Zapata
- 11-19 Bill and Chris Boyce
- 11-21 Cyndi and Steve Uyhely
- 11-29 Dale and John Hochevar



COVER ART

**"November" –
Original pastel painting
by Kinga E. Vnuk**



Do you have an address, email, phone number or status change?
Please contact the church office to report any changes to the records.
This helps ensure our files stay current. **THANK YOU**

Comment Article – “Gratitude”

According to recent research ... “gratitude” can be helpful and actually lift one’s spirits!

“Each holiday” season comes with “high expectations for a cozy and festive time of year.”

But not everyone experiences a cozy and festive time!

For many this time of year is tinged with sadness, anxiety, or depression.

My heart includes all of those who will find this year to be traumatic or troubling.

But what about those who just feel lost or overwhelmed or down at this time of year?

Not everyone skates through the holidays, many take for granted.

Research (and common sense) suggests that one aspect of “the Thanksgiving season” can actually lift the spirits, and it's built right into the holiday — being grateful.

The word gratitude is derived from the Latin word GRATIA, which means grace, graciousness, or gratefulness (depending on the context). Again, the context is everything!

In some ways, gratitude encompasses all of these meanings. Gratitude is a thankful appreciation for what an individual receives, whether tangible or intangible.

With gratitude, people acknowledge the goodness in their lives. And there is goodness. It is there to be found if we just look, think, and reflect.

In the process, people usually recognize that the source of that goodness lies at least partially outside themselves.

As a result, being grateful also helps people connect to something larger than themselves as individuals — whether to other people, nature, or “a higher power,” or to God himself.

In psychology research, gratitude is strongly and consistently associated with “greater happiness.”

Gratitude helps individuals feel more positive emotions, relish good experiences, improve their health, deal with adversity, and build strong relationships.

People feel and express gratitude in multiple ways.

They can apply it to the past (retrieving positive memories and being thankful for elements of childhood or past blessings), the present (not taking good fortune for granted as it comes), and the future (maintaining a hopeful and optimistic attitude).

Regardless of the inherent or current level of someone's gratitude, it's a quality that individuals can successfully cultivate further if they should choose.

You might even say that even just a little gratitude creates further gratitude or more gratitude.

Gratitude grows!

I would just pray that during the upcoming holiday celebrations we might take the time to consider areas of graciousness in our lives...isn't that what the season is all about anyway?

See you in worship!

Pr. Mortenson



DON'T FORGET!!!!!

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME
ENDS ON**

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5th

**YOU CAN SLEEP IN
AN EXTRA HOUR...
BUT DON'T BE LATE
FOR CHURCH!**

Calling all Cookie Bakers and Chili Makers!

The **Cookie Sale** and **Christmas Bazaar** are coming up on December 9th from 9-3. We need **cookie bakers** and **chili makers** to bring **cookies and chili** to church by 6 p.m. Friday, December 8th. Look for the sign-up on November 5th in the Narthex. **Cookie packing** will be on Friday, December 8th at 6 p.m. Everyone is welcome. **Christmas crafters** are welcome to sign up for a booth. Space is limited **so sign up early**. There will be sign-ups for **cashiers, raffles, kitchen sellers, set-up, and clean-up**. Please consider helping in any of these areas. You can contact **Sara Jolitz** with any questions at **414-380-4189**.

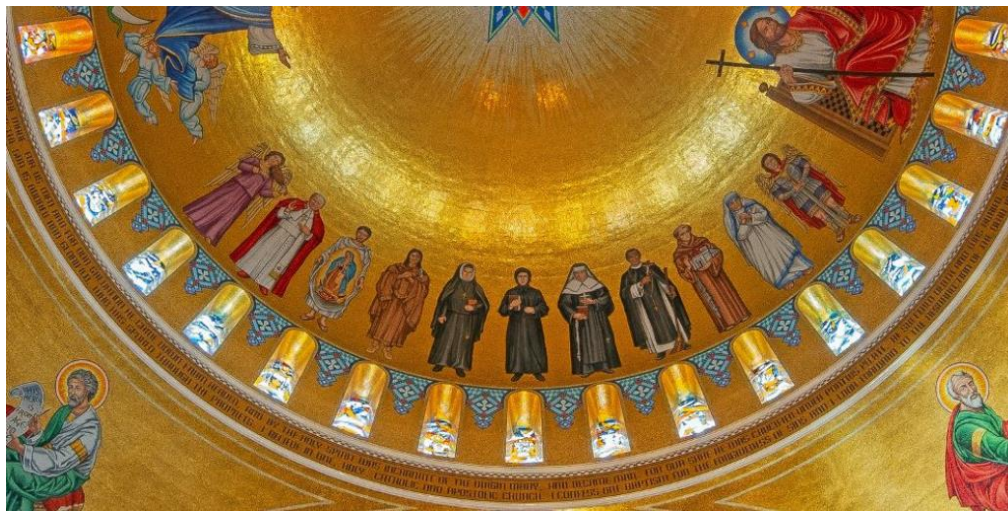


Congratulations

*to Elaina Emery Meier
on Her Baptism.*

*May she grow in wisdom
and stature*

and in favor with God and all humankind.



The Saints since last year on November 1st:

Karen Ann Salewski

Dawn Artis Case

Eva Lotter Brown

Geraldine Lee Pie

Bill Eugene Ford

Rebecca Lynn Guenette

Brian Lee Bishop

John Harry Montague

Jeri Lynn Koss

Joseph Michael Cassinelli

Jean Claire Gillich

Allen Carl Kuehn

“Blessed are they, that die in the Lord!”

Christmas Bazaar and Cookie Sale



**Chili Dump
Raffles
Crafters
Cookies**

(“Our “First and Oldest” Fundraiser!”)



The Rite
Of
Reaffirmation of Baptismal Promises
(Confirmation)
Will be bestowed
On
Rorrie Leslie Lang
And
Samara Lynn Lang
On
Reformation Sunday,
October 28th, 2023
At
10:00
Coffee and Cake to follow
In the Fellowship Hall
All Are Welcome!

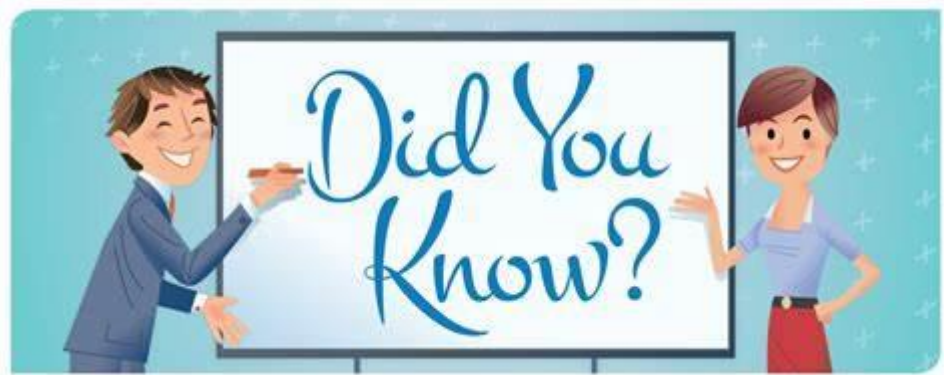


THE BLESSED SAINTS IN LIGHT!

During the year, the Church celebrates many individual saint's days. However, on November 1st, the Church celebrates all saints: canonized or beatified, along with the multitude of holy men and women who are in heaven. The feast of All Saints should inspire us with tremendous hope. Among the saints in heaven are some, if not many, whom we have known. They walked this earthly life – just like us. They were baptized and marked with the sign of faith. They were faithful to Christ's teaching, and they have gone before us to the heavenly home where they inspire us to follow them...and more importantly, HIM.

This year is different. This year we will have three opportunities to celebrate and to remember the Blessed Saints in light.

We start out on All Saints Day itself, November 1st. But then the church at large will be celebrating All Saints Sunday on November 5th. That means we will also be celebrating the blessed saints who have gone on before us, on Saturday, November 4th, as well. Three liturgies to celebrate loved ones and to remember them. White roses on the altar will represent but a few of them. We will also be remembering all those who have died since last year on All Saints Day.



Did You Know?

- Thanksgiving is one of America's **oldest** and **most beloved** holidays.
- The annual celebration has a storied and somewhat dark history of overcoming extreme hardship to thrive in a new life, often at the expense of others—in this case, European settlers, and Native Americans.
- The holiday has become a cultural touchstone for most Americans and is one of the **biggest travel days of the year** and the official start of the fall and winter holiday season.
- **Question:** What meats were served at the first Thanksgiving celebration?
Answer: Venison, swan, duck, and goose were likely—not turkey!
- **Question:** What seafood was served at the first Thanksgiving feast?
Answer: Lobster, oysters, fish, and possibly eel (yuck!)
- **Question:** Who was the first President to pardon a turkey?
Answer: John F. Kennedy
- **Question:** Which President made turkey pardoning an annual event?
Answer: George H.W. Bush
- **Question:** How many calories on average are consumed, per person, at Thanksgiving dinner?
Answer: 4,500
- **Question:** When was the first Thanksgiving football game?
Answer: 1876
- **Question:** When was the first Thanksgiving NFL game?
Answer: 1920



Chili Makers Are Needed!

For the December 9th Christmas Bazaar and Cookie Sale, we need 4-6 people willing to make a pot of chili. We then do a “Chili-dump” and the flavor, and the taste are truly wonderful. It is so good! A lot of people freeze it! You know it is going to come in handy!

People love our chili.

They ask about our chili all the time.

Making chili helps out YOUR church!

There’s nothing better on a cold Wisconsin day than a nice hot cup of chili!

Do you add sour cream? Do you like cheese added?

What about extra onions?

What about “hot sauce?”

So many options...so many different varieties and kinds...

LOOK for the sign-up sheets soon to be posted and help us out!



Council Capsules

Council approved the following matters at the September council meeting:

- Council approved a motion to allow the Christian Education Committee to run their Good Gifts mission project from November 26th to December 10th.
- Council approved a motion to allow the Christian Education Committee to plan a Christmas skit for the older kids and a song for the younger kids to be performed on December 17th.
- Council approved a motion to allow the Evangelism committee to hold the Pet Blessing on January 17th.
- The council approved a motion to welcome new member Jerome Dittmann.
- Council approved a motion to allow the church to seek a pianist for Saturdays for the next 6 months.
- Council approved a motion to allow the Youth group to have an offsite activity in December or January.
- Council approved a motion to allow the Youth group to hold a Caroling outing on December 14th.
- The council approved a motion to have a Harley Tree collecting donations and pet items for local shelters and a Winter Giving Tree collecting hats, scarves, and mittens to go to the local schools. Any toys collected will be given to the Santa in a Shoebox project.
- The council approved a motion to allow the Council Treasurer to move \$10,000 in the memorial account to a 1-year CD to earn up to 5% interest.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Wytrykus Kleppek
All Saints Lutheran Church Council Secretary



Council Meeting – Monday, November 20th at 6:30 pm
Check the Calendar for the dates and times
of the various Committee Meetings



At the end of November, we say “Au Dieu” to Year One of our three-year lectionary. We leave the Gospel of Matthew behind and switch to the Gospel according to Mark, the first of the gospels to be written!

“Pericope”

Is the study of the proper lessons for the day.

We double-dog dare you, to give it a try!

We meet on Sunday mornings at 9:00 A.M.

The coffee pot is always on!



THE NEXT SEASON OF THE CHURCH YEAR

IS COMING!

PREPARE!



Christian Education

The next Chris Ed Committee Meeting will be on Sunday, November 12th at 11:10 a.m.
All are welcome!

Sunday School:

The Sunday School kids are busy studying the New Testament. We've learned how the twelve disciples were chosen, how Jesus healed a paralyzed man, as well as how Jesus calmed a storm. Additionally, the kids have learned about the word "parable" and its meaning. In November we'll be studying more parables including the Good Samaritan and the Prodigal Son, among others. If you know of a child who would be interested in joining us, please encourage them to do so. We will welcome new students at any time.

The Fall Mission project will begin on **Sunday, November 26th** and will continue through **Sunday, December 10th**. The kids will be supporting the ELCA's Good Gifts program – specifically God's Global Barnyard - once again. In honor of the Christmas Holiday, we will be providing the congregation with the opportunity to gift animals/insects to those in need with gifts starting at \$10. Please stop by and talk with the Sunday School kids before or after service to learn more about the program.

Confirmation:

All Saints celebrated the Confirmation of two of our youth on Sunday, October 29th and will be celebrating Confirmation again on Sunday, November 5th for another three of our youth. Please stop by the Fellowship Hall after service to enjoy Cake and Coffee. Congratulations to Rorrie, Samara, Addison, Clare, and Kobi!

First Communion:

We also celebrated the First Communion of two of our youth on Sunday, October 29th. Congratulations to Cora and Theo! Our next first communion class will be held in Spring for those ages 7 or older.

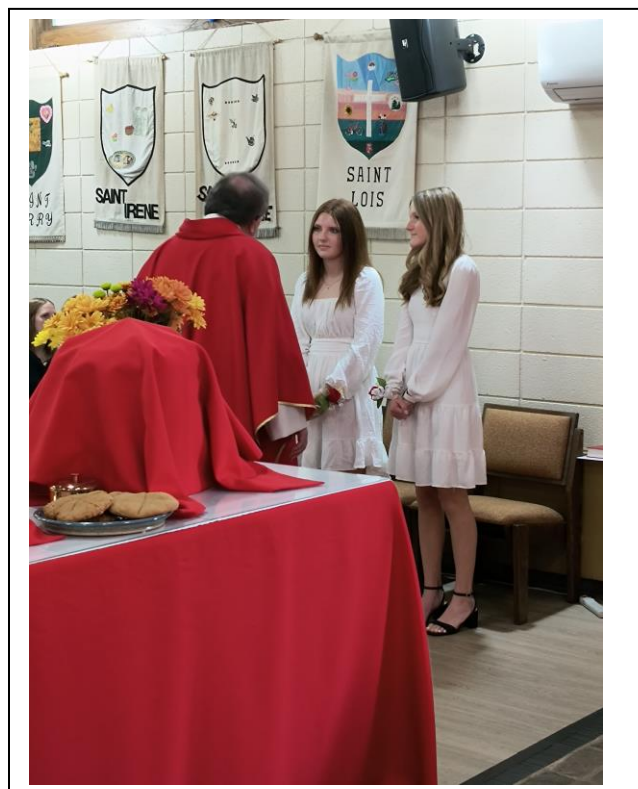
Preview ... The Christian Education committee is partnering with the Evangelism Committee to collect Hats, Gloves, and other items to help keep Elementary School Children (ages Kindergarten – 5th grade) warm this winter. The collection will begin after Thanksgiving and run through mid-December. Please listen to the announcements in mid-November for exact details

Respectfully submitted,

Sue LaFond moremail4sue@yahoo.com

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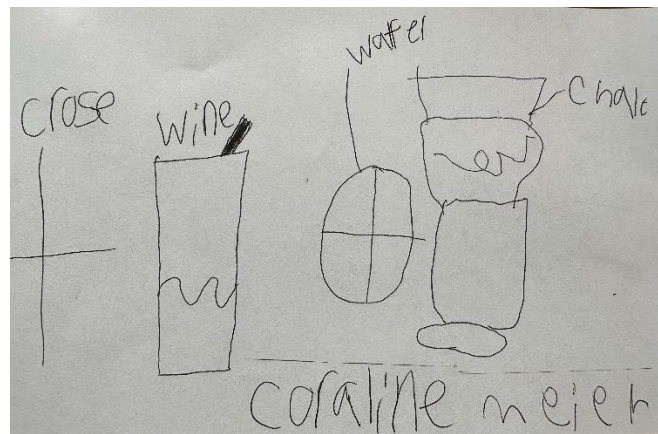
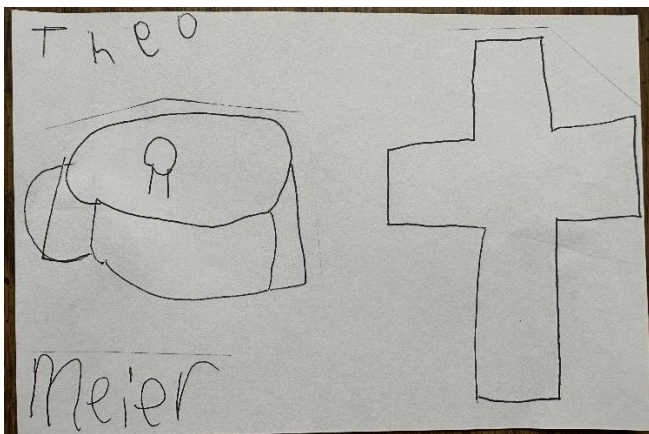
Reformation Sunday celebrations photo memories.







First Communion Class of Fall 2023



Congratulations



To our Fall Class of 2023
on receiving their First Communion

Coraline Rose Meier

Theodore Kylar Meier



Holy Harley Of All Saints...

Only at All Saints would you find a Black Labrador Retriever bounding up and down the rows of worshipers. Harley was named by the children in Sunday Church School. Harley (by the way) was a "she." At "her" largest, Harley weighed in at about #138 pounds. She also had brothers and sisters who were also members of All Saints. Her mother and father were also known to pop in on occasion...especially for family portraits around the Christmas tree.

Harley loved Christmas. She loved other dogs, cats, and other animal companions. She liked humans, too! (She was a friend to many!)

It was totally Harley's idea to set up a "special tree" in the narthex area to remember all those animals still in shelters...and to try and bring them a little joy at Christmas time.

Cats, dogs, birds, snakes, rabbits, lizards, turtles, fish, ferrets...they all need a little attention during the holidays. Toys, treats, food, litter, leashes, collars, (you know) the normal stuff. Shelters also are always in need of paper towels and cleaning supplies. Towels can always be utilized...

We will also take checks or monetary donations and see to it that they are distributed evenly between places that support various kinds of animal companions. Envelopes will be provided on the HARLEY tree.

You bring it. We deliver it. We make sure it goes to good places...to NO-KILL SHELTERS ONLY!

After all these years, we think HOLY HARLEY would approve and be proud that her name carries on aiding and helping other animals to this very day.

Evangelism



Evangelism Committee

We're looking for
members!



Meetings held the 2nd Sunday
of every month at 11:10am.

The Evangelism Committee is looking for “fun and engaging ideas” to increase our attendance and increase our membership. If you have any ideas, please consider joining our committee or reaching out to Brittany Czarny (Brittany.czarny@outlook.com) directly. All are welcome!

Welcome our newest member – **Mr. Jerome (Jerry) Dittmann!** Jerry is the husband of Julie, and we are blessed to have both of them in our church family! Welcome Jerry!



*Our deepest and most heartfelt sympathy is extended
to Elaine Kuehn and family
on the death of Her Husband, Allen Kuehn of Our Church Family.
Blessed are those who die in the Lord*



wish list

Sara says, it sure would be
“helpful” if she had:

- 13 Gallon White Kitchen Bags
 - Toilet Bowl Cleaner
 - Fantastic Spray Cleaner
- 33 Gallon Black Garbage Bags

As always,

A-N-Y-T-H-I-N-G

You can do...helps out a lot!

Bless you!



Financial:

Gift Card Update:

Through September we've made over \$2,600 in gift card profit for your church. Sounds like a lot (and it is), but it could be more. EVERYONE should be using the gift card program *here* at All Saints. We ALL go out to eat, buy groceries, put fuel in our vehicles, etc. We have gift cards available for all those purchases. Gift cards are not just for giving someone a gift. You can use gift cards for ALL of your every—day purchases. If you shop at Woodman's, buy a Woodman's gift card. If you go to Speedway, buy a Speedway gift card to fill it up. Going out to eat at McDonald's, Burger King, Panera, Starbucks, Texas Roadhouse, Culver's? Make sure you have your gift cards for all those restaurants.

And if you have any questions on how the gift card program works here at All Saints, stop by the gift card table either before or after each liturgy. We're always happy to answer any questions you might have. Check us out...



Swap & Helping Hands Board

Are you looking for a used item of some kind or have something that is too good to toss and would like to pass on to someone else? Or do you have a need for some helping hands or would like to offer your services if needed??? Give me your “Needs” and/or “Give aways” and it will be listed in the “Revealer” every month. Do not call the church office.

I, Margaret Coonan, will be organizing these services. No monies will be exchanged. I can be reached at 414-764-3197.

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All Saints Day 2023 Sunday, November 5th, 2023

The Altar has been decorated
with White Roses that have been
generously donated by

Kay, Dan, and Clare Thein

- In Memory of Gil Grzegorzcyk, Kay's Father
- In Memory of Barbara Rozenberg, Dan's Aunt
- In Memory of Carrie Rozenberg, Dan's Cousin
- In Memory of Mark Wagner,
friend of the Thein Family

Tom and Margaret Coonan

- In Memory of Helen Barak,
Mother of Margaret Coonan
- In Memory of Doris Hozenke,
Mother of Tom Coonan

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Jayne Murnane

- In Memory of Betty and Bob Wittke
- In Memory of Harold Sr and Kathleen Murnane
- In Memory of Marvin and Lillian Wosrud
- In Memory of Emil, Clare, and Gertrude Wittke

Mary Jo and Randy Meier

- In Memory of Verna Meier
- In Memory of Armin Meier
- In Memory of Joseph Hartnett
- In Memory of Dorothy Hartnett
- In Memory of Alicia Hartnett

Donna Woods

- In Memory of Angela Gutierrez
- In Memory of Patty Woods

Karl and Lisa Kleppok

- In Memory of Henry Kleppok
- In Memory of Ruth Kleppok

Patti Holzman

- In Memory of My Mom, Lois Arsand
- In Memory of My Dad, Marvin Arsand
- In Memory of Sister, Gail Arsand-Voss
- In Memory of Grandma and Grandpa:
Marie and Godfrey Nelson



Elaine Kleinhans

- In Memory of Mother, Mary
- In Memory of Grandson, Scott
- In Memory of Nephew, JJ
- In Memory of Nephew, CJ
- In Memory of Brother, Steve

The LaFond Family

- In Memory of Brian Bishop
- In Memory of Bob LaFond

Helga Haworth

- In Memory of Joseph Haworth, Husband
- In Memory of Irene Feuerstein, Mother
- In Memory of John Feuerstein, Father

PJ

- In Memory of Ruth Mortenson
- In Memory of Wally Mortenson
- In Memory of Bonnie Cline

PJ

- In Memory of William Cling
- In Memory of Clifford Pie
- In Memory of Jeanne Pie
- In Memory of Buss Pie
- In Memory of Geraldine Pie
- In Memory of Emil Pie
- In Memory of Marie Pie
- In Memory of Mamie Mortenson
- In Memory of Carl Mortenson
- In Memory of Jeff Pie
- In Memory of Scott Pie
- In Memory of Randy Pie
- In Memory of Irene Nelson
- In Memory of Emmert Nelson
- In Memory of Peggy Mortenson
- In Memory of Stan Gerz
- In Memory of Dagmar Gerz
- In Memory of Romayne Mortenson
- In Memory of Dorez Mortenson
- In Memory of Thomas Mortenson
- In Memory of Lillian DeGarmo
- In Memory of Anna Kerbs
- In Memory of All Blessed Saints in Light
- In Memory of Karen Ann Salzwski
- In Memory of Dawn Artis Casz
- In Memory of Eva Lotter Brown
- In Memory of Geraldine Lee Pie
- In Memory of Bill Eugene Ford
- In Memory of Rebecca Lynn Guenzette
- In Memory of Brian Lee Bishop
- In Memory of John Harry Montague
- In Memory of Jeri Lynn Ross
- In Memory of Joseph Michael Cassinelli
- In Memory of Jean Claire Gillich
- In Memory of Allen Carl Ruzhn





Liturgy Committee –

Thank you to everyone who attended our Joint Team meeting on September 24! It was great to see you there!

Harvest Altar

If you would like to donate gourds, pumpkins etc. for the Harvest Altar, you **may bring items in and place them in the Sacristy**. The Liturgy Team will be sure to use them when the time is right!

Christmas Poinsettias

This year we will be offering red and white poinsettias for purchase in honor or memory of a loved one. The plants will be used to decorate the altar for Christmas and can be picked up after the December 25th liturgy or left as decoration for the 12-day season! The cost is **\$16 per plant (red or white)**. **The final day to order is November 19**. Please see the order form attached or in your bulletin and return it to the office with payment.

Mark your Calendars!!

- Thursday, November 30th @ 6pm Help to bring in Christmas tree and set it up (will take about 30 minutes)
- Sunday, December 3 @ 11:15 Christmas Tree Decorating!! Join us!

Christmas liturgies were discussed, and dates/times approved at the September council meeting.

- Saturday, December 23 – NO Saturday liturgy
- Sunday, December 24 - 10:00 AM – Celebration of the 4th Sunday in Advent
 - December 24 – 11:00 PM – Christmas Eve Candlelight liturgy
- Monday, December 25 – 10:00 AM – Christmas Liturgy

The following dates are when the Liturgy Team is meeting. Feel free to come to any of the meetings! We can always use your help!

- November 1 (Wednesday) @ 3:30 pm – Working Meeting
- November 8 (Wednesday) @ 3:30 pm – Combined Working & Planning Meeting
- November 21 (Tuesday) @ 3:30 pm – Working Meeting

With Thanks,

Jayne Murnane, Liturgy Committee Chair

Poinsettias Order Form



*We are now taking orders for poinsettias
to decorate the sanctuary
for the Christmas season.*

Last day to order is November 19th.

*Plants are available in **RED** and **WHITE**
and can be taken home after the Liturgy on Christmas Day.*

*Please **PRINT** while filling out your order form.*

Thank you!

RED _____

WHITE _____

in Honor or Memory Of: (Please specify)

Total Ordered@ \$ 16.00 Each

Purchased By:

Envelope# _____



CHRIST THE KING

Christ's kingship is rooted in the Church's teaching on the Incarnation. Jesus is fully God and fully man. He is both the divine Lord and the man who suffered and died on the Cross. One person of the Trinity unites himself to human nature and reigns over all creation as the Incarnate Son of God. On the last Sunday of each liturgical year, the Church celebrates Christ the King. It is actually a very late addition to our liturgical calendar. Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925 with his encyclical *Quas primas* ("In the first") to respond to growing secularism and atheism in our world, after WORLD WAR I. He recognized that attempting to "thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law" out of public life would result in continuing discord among people and nations. This celebration reminds us that while governments and governmental leadership come and go, Christ reigns as King forever. Prayerfully as King over our hearts and minds!



Moriah Writes...

I am not the jealous type at all.
So, Harley gets a “cute little picture” of a Labrador Retriever...and everybody goes “Aww” and makes
“GOO-GOO eyes” over the cute little Harley dog!

Well just so you know, us Airedale Terrier pups are as cute as they come...too!

All sorts of people “make” over us, as well!”

So, I wanted equal time, that doesn’t make me the jealous sort, does it?

Has anyone ever tried to take away one of my “chewies?”

I don’t have a jealous bone in my body...

I really do not ...

I am not territorial at all...

I am a church dog and used to sharing with anyone...anytime...

I would share my toys with any of you guys! Honest I would.

Well, maybe not my hamburger...

Or my Chewies...

But the rest, I could care less...about...

Well, don’t touch my tennis balls...they are mine...especially the ones with the squeakers in them...

I am not the jealous type, honest!



For me, thanksgiving has never been about family gatherings and turkey and stuffing. Thanksgiving is and always has been tied to the “GREAT THANKSGIVING” ...the Eucharist.

It has always been about worship and the family of God coming together to “give thanks.”

The Lord is with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us GIVE THANKS to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him THANKS and praise.

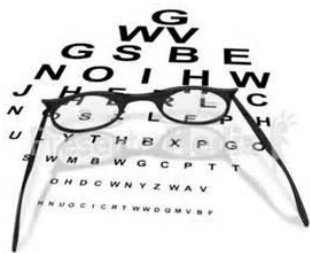
We ALL have so much to be THANKFUL FOR...God has truly blessed each and every one of us. I know of hundreds and hundreds of reasons to come and give thanks...

Like the “Thankful Leper” will you return and give thanks?

Information for your reference.....

Note on Hospitalizations...

Federal Law restricts the disclosure of patient information by hospitals. Therefore, if you are hospitalized and want the Pastor to know, it is important for you or the family to give us a call, as soon as possible. Church Office at 762-5111, P.J.'s private line at 762-6101 or his cell at 414-276-2788.



Eyeglasses and Hearing Aids Wanted

All Saints is collaborating with the Lion's Club to collect eyeglasses and hearing aids, which can be recycled for those in need. Pass the word to friends and relatives, too. A drop box is located in the entryway.

Lions Club of Oak Creek extends a Thank You to all who have been contributing to their cause. The response has been great and much appreciated.

Can I or A Family Member Have a Church Funeral?

This is a question that arises quite frequently by non-members or Members with non-member family. The answer is not always an easy one but, the only people eligible for a funeral held at All Saints are Members of All Saints. P.J. will only do immediate family funerals for Members of All Saints at his discretion and only at the Funeral Home and not the Church.



Wine or Grape Juice, Gluten free wafers?

Are you aware that both wine and grape juice is available on each communion tray? The grape juice are always in the center glasses.

If you wish to have grape juice all you need to do is, ask the communion assistant and it will be given.



Special Prayers are asked for:

Pam Kahle
 Katie Ruka
 Marlene Anderson
 Peggy Rudolph-Lisle
 John Gruber
 Diane Salewski
 Heike Warner
 Rob Kawczynski
 Carolyn Hughes
 Charles Kocourek
 Joel Raison
 Barb Grobschmidt
 Rita Cieszynski
 Nina Slowik
 Tom Coonan
 Jeff LaFond
 Benny Brown

Lynn Speaks
 Howard MacMillan
 Ana Rivas
 Debbie Maley
 Dena Olsen
 Julie Wishall
 Jerry Pavlik
 Elsie Ellenbecker
 Joni McDonald
 Randy Meier
 Diane Hogan
 Pat Loso
 Elaine Kuehn
 Sandy Montague
 Mary Zahn
 Jeanne Cassinelli
 Joe Kotarak

We also remember:

Kenadee, granddaughter of Rob & Pam
 The Pastor of St. John's on Howell
 The Pastor of Jackson Park, Milwaukee
 Corby & Mike Erickson
 Debbie & John Krajnak
 The sister of Val Fogarty
 The sister of Joni McDonald
 The brother of Howard MacMillan
 The aunt of Jodi Heine
 The fathers of Pam Kawczynski, Pam Kahle, Suz Pitts, Jodi Heine
 The parents of Lisa Kleppek
 The niece of Mike and Sue McIntosh

Our Police Officers, Military Members, Firefighters, Paramedics, All First Responders, and all Medical Personnel...and all those addicted and still suffering...



Mutual Ministry Special Report

The Year was 1976

- Apple computer was founded
 - Viking 2 landed on Mars
- Band U2 was formed (Kinga's favorite!)
- First "Rockie" movie was released as well as
 - "One Flew Over Cuckoo's Nest"
 - "Interview with a Vampire (Vlad)"

The Day was the Second of November –

Kinga Was Born





It is hard to believe...

The year is slipping away so fast. Didn't 2023 just begin? And soon, 2024 will be here to greet us with a new and exciting year, and no doubt, challenges galore.

That means...the season of Advent...the first season of the new liturgical year is right around the corner. There still may be leftovers hanging around from Thanksgiving...and Christ the King will be but a celebration of past memory...and Advent will be here.

The tree will be up, the wreath will appear and the countdown to Christmas will begin.

Four weeks of preparation. Four weeks to get ready. Four weeks to shop till you drop! Four weeks until the celebration of the Nativity of Our Lord takes place.

Advent is the season of anticipation...of waiting...of watching...of getting ready.

Come and join us, as we prepare to receive the Babe of Bethlehem!



Again, we want to go out of our way to thank those who LIVE STREAM for us on FACEBOOK LIVE, you guys, are awesome!

In November there will be five opportunities to join us in worship, the four Sundays, plus our Thanksgiving Eve worship!

Sunday, November 5th – Daniel Payne

Sunday, November 12th – Dale Hochevar

Sunday, November 19th – Dennis Schneider

Wednesday, November 22nd – Lynn Friedman

Sunday, November 26th – Judy Wolter

Blessings guys!

We appreciate all that you do for us!

Confirmation corner...



**“The Rite of Confirmation” or “The Reaffirmation of Baptismal Promises”
will take place on Sunday morning
– November 5th at 10:00 am Liturgy.**

Get Excited! Get Very Excited!



Congratulations



to The Confirmation Class of 2023

Addyson Marie Borchardt

Clare Margaret Thein

Kobi Matthew Philip Maley



Just a few words to thank you so much for the many kind words, the calls, the messages, and the remembrances for yet another birthday, I truly am blessed, and my heart is filled with gratitude! Pj

We do wish to say thank you, to all those who keep our food pantry stocked and functioning...

And especially to Pat and Ken for all their hard work, packing, sorting, and taking expired food goods to other pantries to be shared there...

Thanks too, to Sue LaFond for arranging the cakes for First Communion and for Confirmation.

Thanks to Julie Dittmann for making the corsages and boutonnieres for First Communion and for Confirmation.

Thanks to our First Communion class for the awesome bread, they made for use at our Eucharistic celebrations!



FALL CRAFT FAIR
November 4th, 2023, from 9 AM- 1:30 PM

Come to the All Saints Fall Craft Fair on November 4th between 9 AM – 1:30 PM. Bring a friend, neighbor, or family member and shop for unique one of a kind Christmas gift for yourself or others!

Many hands are needed to have a successful event!!!

RAFFLE DONATIONS NEEDED:

- We are looking for Scrip cards – any amount, any type for raffle prizes.
- Complete the bulletin insert, or Revealer insert and purchase the scrip card of your choice. The church receives all the profits from the craft fair. Your donation will be added to your church statement. All Saints Church gets donations for scrip and for the raffle tickets! Double donations! Give scrip gifts to PJ.

Contact Lynn Speaks at 262-930-0772, if you have any questions.





BAKERS NEEDED! We need pies, pies, and more pies! Many flavors needed: Apple, cherry, blueberry, peach, strawberry, rhubarb, raspberry, pumpkin, or mixed berry!

- Sign-up Sheet will be on church doors soon or call church to get on the Bake Sale sign-up sheet.
- Do you want to learn how to bake pies? Come join are church baking team for 1 hour or 5 hours (or anything you are able to do).
- Bake days at church kitchen are Thursday, Nov 2 from noon to 5 PM.
- Bake days at church are Friday, November 3rd from 9 AM to 2 PM.
- If we had 8-10 volunteer bakers, we could finish in 4 hours!

We also need cakes (especially pineapple upside down cake), cupcakes, cookies, breads, fudge, muffins, Rice Krispy bars, candy, and **SET-UP:**

The table and chair set-up will be Thursday, November 2 from 5:30-6:15 PM.

- **If we have 12 strong people, we can move all the chairs and tables in about 30 minutes! Please help if you can! We really need abled body people for this! Great youth service project!**

Friday, Nov 3rd

- **Bring in baked goods between 2 pm – 6:30 PM.** We will price the baked goods for you. **Plastic containers will be available after October 18th in Fellowship Hall.**



- ❖ Clean and Set-up up kitchen for luncheon starts at 2 pm.
- ❖ **NEED FOOD DONATIONS BY NOON on Friday! It's okay to drop off a day early!**

Saturday, Nov 4th

- ❖ **Help needed in many areas.** Please sign up on the church door sign-up sheets.
- ❖ **Come to the Craft Fair! We have 35 crafters!**
- ❖ **We have a great lunch:**
 - Hot dogs, Hot turkey sandwiches, or the best BBQ sandwiches in town
 - PJ's famous beans all for very reasonable prices
- ❖ **Amazing baked goods, and a fabulous Raffle too!**
- ❖ **Come to the craft fair, and shop for unique Christmas gifts, birthday gifts, for others or for yourself! Better yet, bring a friend, sister, husband, or neighbor with you!**
- ❖ **CLEAN UP - Saturday, Nov 4th from 2:00-3:30 PM - Many hands and strong bodies needed** to put the Sanctuary back together in time for our 5:00 pm Liturgy.

Committee Meeting times:

Thursday, Nov 2nd at 5:30 – 6:15 (set-up tables for Craft Fair)

Friday Nov 3rd Bake Sale pricing and Kitchen set-up 2 pm – 6 pm

Wed Nov 8th from 6-7 pm (Post craft fair meeting)

The craft fair proceeds are a good part of our annual budget, so we need all the help you are able to give. THANK YOU and God Bless!

Mary Jo Meier, Craft Fair Coordinator

**Please help the Craft Fair Raffle
by donating a scrip card.**

The church receives all the profits from the craft fair raffle
(and luncheon, bake sale, and crafter table rentals).

Your donation will be added to your church statement.

Church gets donation for scrip and for raffle tickets!

Double donations!

**Purchase Scrip of your choice and give this form
and the scrip gift cards to PJ.**

He will ensure the Craft Fair committee receives it.



Print your name _____

Address _____

SCRIP CARD	AMOUNT	RETURN	QUANTITY	TOTAL \$
Marcus Theaters	\$25	9%		
TJ Maxx	\$25	7%		
Pick and Save	\$25	4%		
Menards	\$25	4%		
Sendik's	\$50	5%		
Restaurant Scrip	Any amount			
Starbucks	\$10	7%		
Kwik Trip	\$50	10%		
Barnes and Noble	\$10	8%		
Any card	Any amount			

How can I donate?

- 1. Complete this form.**
- 2. Buy the Scrip card of your choice (from church).**
- 3. Put this form and your purchased scrip card in the office (or give it to PJ).**
- 4. Thank you for supporting the Craft Fair and Your Church!**



Stewardship Committee

Without a chairperson for the Stewardship Committee, I offered to do this month's newsletter article, so please bear with me...

I sure wish I could come to church and not have to worry about doing anything. I wouldn't have to sign up to lector, be communion assistant, do CPIC chores, sell gift cards, bake when there's a bake sale, wash the used/dirty dish towels from the kitchen, count money on

Sundays, NOTHING. I could just come to church, get a good seat, worship, and go home. DONE...

But I choose to help whenever I can because I love my church and my church "family." Without people doing all these "chores," there would be NO ALL SAINTS. And I'm sure I'm not alone with helping out whenever possible. There are a lot of us who just help out.

My plea is to those who aren't/don't/won't/can't-do anything to help out. Since there is no Stewardship Committee to speak of, there is no Time & Talent Sheet to fill out this year. There's no one to bother you to fill them out. No one to remind you to fill them out. There is NO ONE. So - to everyone who is a member here at All Saints - I'm asking you to please help out when you can. It's not hard to sign up when you're attending church. Sign up to lector, be a communion assistant, sell gift cards, cleanup/set up the altar for communion, join a committee, etc. There's a TON of things to do. Get involved. Meet new people, your church really does NEED YOU...

And did I mention that next month I'm going to talk about GIVING...

Barb Schrubey



Revealer Articles are due on **Wednesday November 22nd by noon.**

With extending the deadline, to the Wednesday after Council meets - this is a firm deadline for all Revealer Articles. You are encouraged to send them to the church office in advance if possible. Please make sure to have them in on time. Thank you.



THE HOLY HARLEY TREE

Again, this year we have the Harley Tree, in memory of Holy Harley (the big, beautiful black lab who was the church dog many moons ago). The Harley Tree will be up in the narthex (hopefully next to the gift card table) right after Thanksgiving. Watch for it...

This year we will again be benefiting two shelters: Secondhand Purrs (where our own Lisa Kleppek volunteers) and H.A.W.S. out in Waukesha, a no-kill shelter (the best kind). Please start bringing in your animal treats and checks after Thanksgiving. We'll have little notes up for suggestions on what the shelters need. And there will be envelopes hanging on the tree for your generous gifts of CASH. Please make all checks payable to ALL SAINTS so that you get credit for your generous donation on your year-end giving statement.

Nina Slowik, PJ, Moriah & Barbara Schrubey
For the homeless animals

○ FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

Thank you to our church members who donated to our Food Pantry this month:



- **Phil & Audrey Haerle**
 - **Celeste Frohna**



World Concerns

- W At Our Blood Drive
- O We had our Blood Drive at All Saints on October 3rd, 2023.
- R Thanks to all those who came and donated or were deferred.
- L We had 26 donors, 6 deferrals, and one first-time donor.
- D Two individuals were walk-ins.
- C We collected 19 whole blood units and 2 dual red units, as a result
- O 63 local patients will be impacted because of our donations...the NEXT
- N BLOOD DRIVE is scheduled for February of 2024. Watch for details!
- C
- E Our church family fed more than 18 families in the month of September.
- R Thank you so much to those who bring in food for the food pantry!
- N Your donations are always greatly appreciated!
- S Remember the poor! Is the final word at every Sunday liturgy!
- C The WORLD CONCERNS COMMITTEE is getting ready for SANTA.
- O IN A SHOE BOX. The dates for that event are from NOVEMBER 15
- R to DECEMBER 15th, again watch for DETAILS and ANNOUNCEMENTS
- N soon!
- E God's Blessings...
- R Elaine Kleinhans, World Concerns, Chairperson



Santa in a Shoebox



Santa in a Shoebox is a non-profit, fully volunteer coordinated and operated event held every year during the holidays. Every donation is directly given back to recipients residing in each respective community.

All Saints is asking for donations for Santa in a Shoebox to positively impact our community this holiday season!

How to Elf

- Fill a shoebox and drop it off to All Saints from 11/15/23-12/15/23.
- Donate gifts for shoeboxes to the donation bin from 11/15/23-12/15/23.
- Wrap during an All Saints wrapping party on December 10th (12-4pm) or December 14th (5:30pm).

Pick an Age Group

Infant to 2 years
 3 to 5 years old
 6 to 8 years old
 9 to 12 years old
 13 to 17 years old
 Adults & Seniors

Pick a Gender

Male
 Female

What to do

Bring in your filled and labeled shoeboxes and drop them off.

Bring in donations to All Saints and we will put boxes together.

Join our wrapping party!

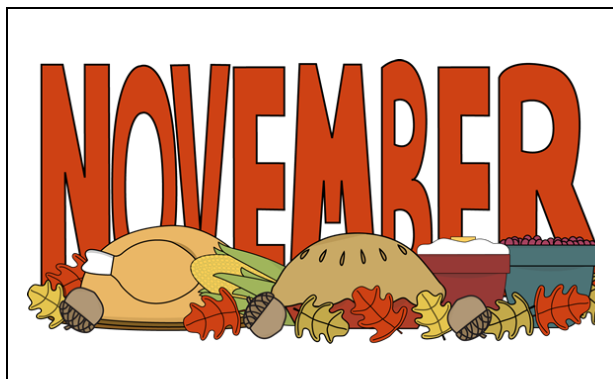
Donation Ideas

- Toys
- Glow sticks
- Notepads
- Combs
- Fidgets
- Treats
- Pens
- Hair ties/scrunchies
- Sensory toys
- Mittens
- Reading light
- Nail care kits
- Coloring books
- Chips/Granola bars
- Hats
- Deodorant
- Crayons
- Shawl
- Stress ball
- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Markers
- Gift cards
- Candy
- Body wash
- Art Supplies
- Word searches
- Gum
- Toothbrushes
- Books
- Crosswords
- Hand lotion
- Makeup
- Bubbles
- Memory/brain games
- Brushes
- Cologne/Perfume

Items should be new and unused; please no toy guns, razors, or perishables.



Youth Ministry



It's that busy time of year again. The holiday season is upon us. And you know what that means'... FOOD!! Yes, it's time to throw those diet plans right out the window as we sneak some of the kids Halloween candy, then have our big Thanksgiving feast followed by baking Christmas cookies, butterbraids and dare I say...Fruitcake. Yup, might as well start preparing to try our new year resolutions again in about 2 months. Well, hopefully it won't rain on Thanksgiving, we wouldn't want any "Fowl" Weather. As you groan and roll your eyes over that one, let's take a look at some other November events!

Nov 1 st	All Saints Day	Nov 15 th	Clean Out Your Refrigerator Day
Nov 2 nd	All Souls Day	Nov 19 th	International Men's Day
Nov 5 th	Play Monopoly Day	Nov 23 rd	Thanksgiving
Nov 10 th	Sesame Street Day	Nov 24 th	Black Friday
Nov 11 th	Veterans Day / Remembrance Day	Nov 27 th	Cyber Monday
Nov 13 th	World Kindness Day	Nov 29 th	Square Dancing Day

November 1st is All Saints Day, how lucky are we that they named a day after our Church! There are currently more than 10,000 Saints recognized by the Roman Catholic Church. At All Saints, we often celebrate the Saints with special liturgies. I know, you are probably wondering now, "how can I become a Saint and get a special liturgy too". While we Lutheran's consider all of our baptized to be saints (little s), to become a Saint (big S) there are certain steps you need to take.

Step 1: Be confirmed Catholic and live a life of sanctity or martyrdom if you do this and have the Bishop of the Diocese investigate your life you will have the "Causes" to be a Saint. (venerable)

Step 2: Have your first miracle, this can be waived by virtue of martyrdom. If this is confirmed, then the Pope would offer a special prayer or Mass and you would now be "blessed" (beatification)

Step 3: Perform a second miracle, this one cannot be waived but both miracles can be performed posthumously. Once this is confirmed you can become a Saint (canonized)

See, it's just that easy! Just remember, as Lutherans we don't pray to or through the Saints. We honor them by Thanking God for providing the Saints as an example of His mercy. We use them as examples for strengthening our faith and we imitate their faith and other virtues.

We will be confirming Kobi Maley, Addyson Borchardt and Clare Thein on All Saints Sunday, November 5th. There will be a processional and cake so please come show your support for our newest confirmands.

Our youth are selling Butterbraids until November 5th. (Payment is due by November 5th). Delivery will be on November 16th any time after 10:00AM. Please pick them up early as freezer space is very limited. Personally,

Thank you to everyone for supporting our youth group!

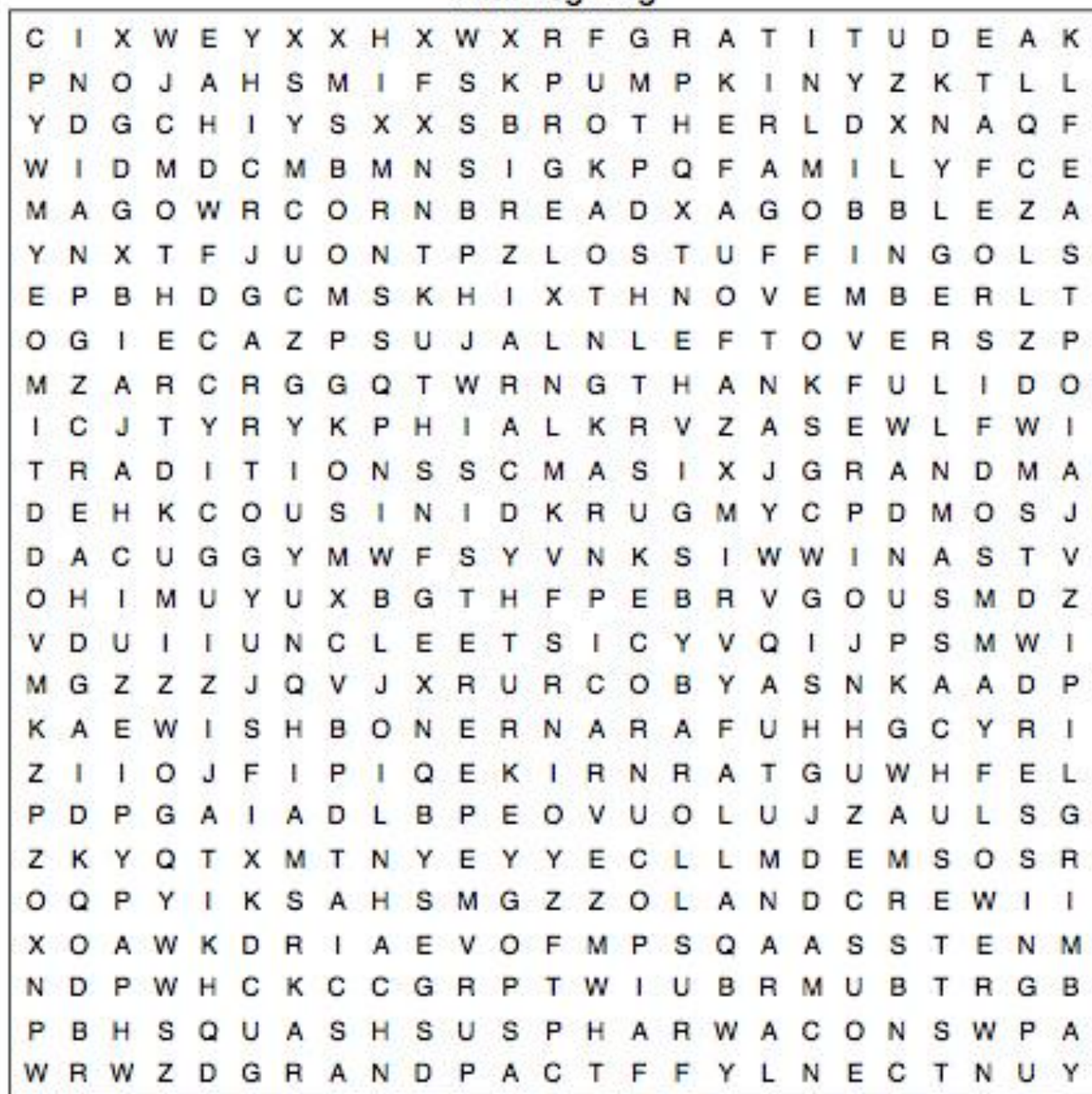
For the youth,

Dennis Schneider



Don't tell anyone, we are headed for
the "Craft Fair" at All Saints...
in
Oak Creek,
See you there!

Thanksgiving



Thanksgiving
pilgrim
mayflower
gratitude
yams
family
gobble

pilgrim
indian
november
thankful
grandma
mother
traditions

pumpkin
autumn
stuffing
Massachusetts
grandpa
father
fall

turkey
pie
rolls
Plymoth
uncle
brother
leftovers

dressing
cornucopia
cornbread
squash
aunt
sister
acorns

cranberries
feast
drumstick
wishbone
cousin
carve



Letters we receive: Correspondence



Dear PJ,

Thank you. Your get-well cards always make me feel better after reading them. I have a long way to go, but I will get there.

Tom Coonan



Dear All Saints Family,

Warm wishes and God's Blessings to each and everyone. Thank you for the continued live streaming liturgies, newsletters and staying in touch. It means the world to us!

Happy Fall!

Love,

Leanne & Bill



Dear PJ,

You are being a bright spot in God's world and mine!

Thank you for all your years of service to All Saints.

Lynn Friedman



Dear PJ,

Thank you and the Lord bless you for giving of yourself to make an eternal difference in the lives of others.

Happy Anniversary! ASLC is blessed to have you!

Love,

Mutual Ministry



Dear PJ,

"Gratitude is the memory of the heart. And the heart never forgets." - J.B. Massieu

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts, You did such a beautiful Eulogy for John. So many wonderful comments, so many people said it was perfect in every way.

Love from all our family to you!

Sandy Montague



From the Kitchen of Saint Ruth

(Mother of PJ)

Beef Stroganoff

Ingredients:

- 1 slice round steak, cut ½ inch thick
- Instant unseasoned meat tenderizer
- 3 tbsp. flour
- 1 large, chopped onion
- 1 can (6 oz) sliced mushrooms
- 2 tbsp. chili sauce
- 1 tsp salt and ¼ tsp pepper
- 1 cup sour cream
- Oil for frying
- Noodles, or rice for serving

Directions:

Moisten steak and sprinkle with meat tenderizer. Place on cutting board; cut into ¼ inch thick slices. Shake in paper bag with flour to coat it. Brown, a few slices at the time in oil in a large frying pan. Remove, add onion and sauté just until soft. Return meat to pan. Stir in mushrooms and liquid, chili sauce, salt, and pepper. Cover. Simmer for 1 hour, or until meat is tender. Just before serving, stir about 1 cup of the hot meat and sauce mixture into sour cream in a small bowl, then stir back into remaining in frying pan. Heat very slowly just until hot. Serve over cooked hot noodles or fluffy rice if you wish.

Makes 4 servings.



Just for Laughs...

- "Why did the farmer have to separate the chicken and the turkey?"
He sensed fowl play."
- "Why did they let the turkey join the band?" "Because he had his own drumsticks."
- "What side dish do you bring for Thanksgiving dinner when you accidentally sat on the sweet potatoes?"
"Squash casserole."
- "Why was the Thanksgiving soup so expensive?" "
It had 24 *carrots*."
- "Why did the cranberries turn red?"
"Because they saw the turkey dressing."
- "What kind of music did the pilgrims listen to?"
"Plymouth Rock."
- I shot my first-ever turkey for Thanksgiving this year.
Sure scared everyone in the grocery store, though
- Thanksgiving is a time to count your blessings, one by one,
as each relative goes home.



**Serve the Lord Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! ~
Psalm 100:2**

The donation's folder is posted in the blue folder on the Bulletin Board. Select your dates for those special occasions or people in your lives and follow the instructions on the inside front cover.

**Remember, by donating Altar Flowers, Sanctuary Candles, and Bulletins
you help the church budget, and it is a great way to remember those special
people and dates in your life. PLEASE PRINT**



Donations

<u>Date</u>	<u>Flowers</u>	<u>Bulletins</u>	<u>Memorial Candle</u>	<u>Honor Candle</u>
Oct 28 to Nov 3 REFORMATION SUNDAY	Vnuk Pj/ Lang	Mutual Ministry	Hochevar	Vnuk
November 4 to 10 ALL SAINTS SUNDAY	Liturgy Committee	Mack	Hochevar	Krajnak
Nov 11 to 17	Open	Open	Open	Open
Nov 18 to 22 CHRIST THE KING	Open	Kleinhans	Vnuk	Hochevar
Nov 23 to 24 THANKSGIVING	Murnane	Open	Murnane	Hochevar
Nov 25 to Dec 1 ADVENT	Vnuk	LaFond	Open	Vnuk

**All Saints Sunday**

Revelation 7:9-17
 Psalm 34:1-10, 22
 1 John 3:1-13
 Matthew 5:1-12

24th Sunday after Pentecost

Amos 5:18-24
 Psalm 70
 1 Thess 4:13-18
 Matthew 21:1-13

25th Sunday after Pentecost

Zeph 1:7, 12-18
 Psalm 90:1-8 [9-11] 12
 1 Thess 5:1-11
 Matthew 25:14-20

Thanksgiving

Deut 8:7-18
 Psalm 65
 2 Cor 9:6-15
 Luke 17:11-19

Christ the King

Ezek 34:11-16, 2-24
 Psalm 95:1-7a
 Eph 1:15-23
 Matthew 25:31-46

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TEAM 3: November 19th, 2023

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TEAM 4: November 26th, 2023

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