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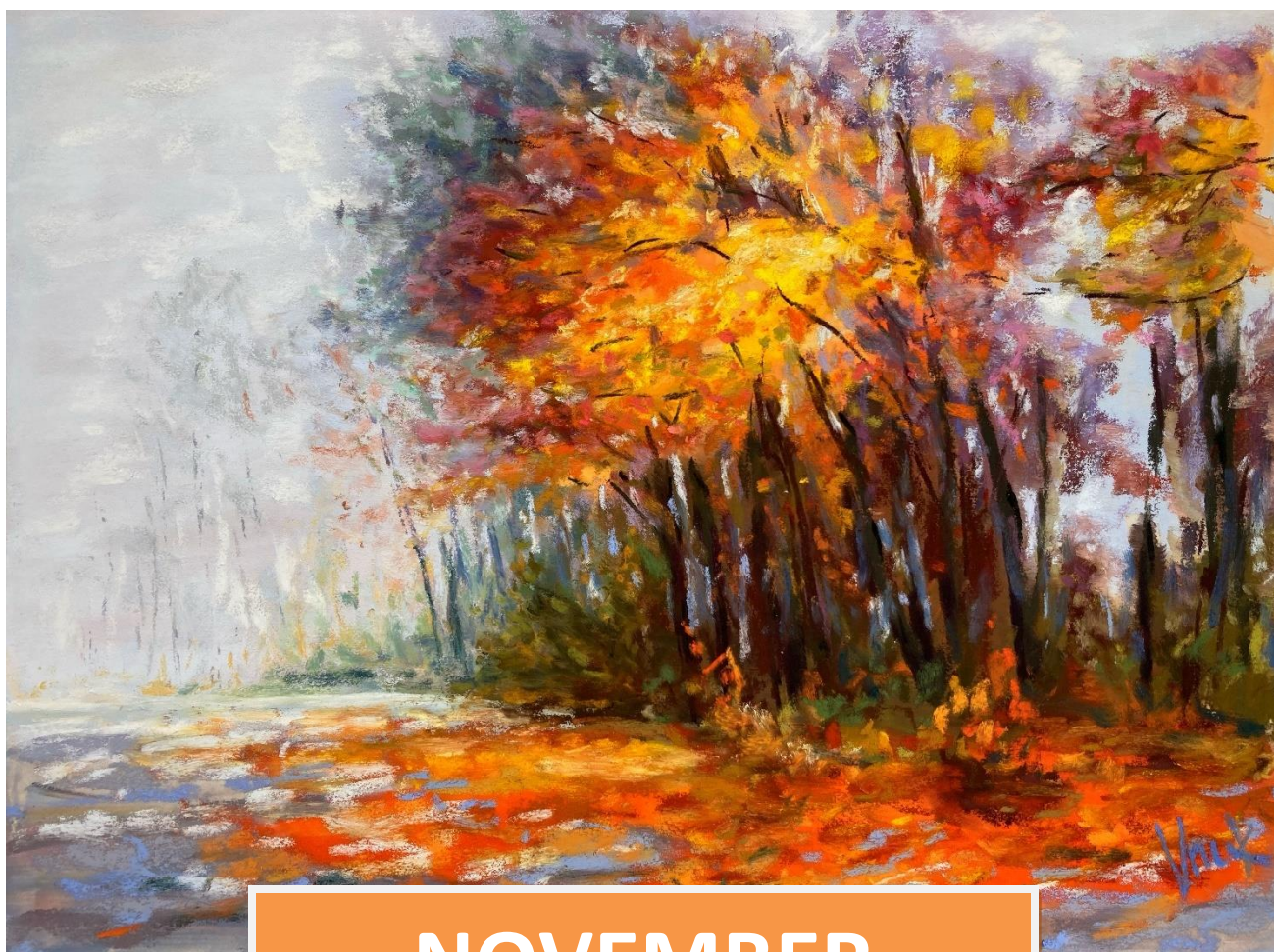
ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH – ELCA

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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,
Tammy Schmidt
- 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
- 11-13 Bethany Bluemner
- 11-17 Debbie Dahm
- 11-18 Logan Tyszko
- 11-20 Bonnie Dailey, Nancy Mason,
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
- 11-19 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 – “My Year End”



My year end differs from your year end. It is ok. It doesn't make either of us weird or strange or odd. It just is. It is our perception. You end the year on December 31st with all kinds of hoopla in anticipation for the coming NEW YEAR 2025. Prayerfully praying for a better year, a head...for ALL.

My year end is different. My year end typically closes out in November.

My year end is liturgical. My year end always closes on the celebration of Christ the King or with Thanksgiving Worship. Neither is a bad way, to end out the year, with a thankful heart or acknowledging who JESUS is for you!

For me it will be sad not studying the Gospel of Mark any longer and moving on to the Gospel of Luke. And yet at the same time there is a real sense of excitement about learning new things coming from the good Dr. Luke.

There is a big difference between the Gospels. They may be synoptic or non-synoptic, but there are countless differences...beyond our simplistic categorizations.

Luke is more spiritual. Luke I was taught is the gospel of “Heilsgechichte.”

The author writes with a big pen and lots of flourish, attempting to include all of “Salvation History.” His attempt is to be all encompassing.

Luke has a love for the Temple, so we anticipate that the Temple will take on a life of its own...and move toward center stage. Prayer is important for Luke, as is the healing ministry of Jesus. There is much to discover and learn in the NEW LITURGICAL YEAR ahead, and the best part is, we will discover it together.

Perhaps that is the best “thing” about the new liturgical year ahead, we do so IN COMMUNITY. We do it as the people of God, in this place. We grow together.

There will be challenges. That, kind of goes without saying...but it will be fun, and it will be unique, because we do it together, as ALL Saints.

Everyone knows that John is also used during our three-year lectionary process in each and every year... John fills in the blanks, kind of, sort of. The first year is the year of Matthew (with John being added.) The second year is the year of Mark (with John being added.) And the third and final year is the year of Luke (with John being added.) That way, in a three-year period of time, we are able to cover all four gospels in worship. It is an amazing journey.

So as the month of November winds down, we know that we will be leaving behind the Gospel of Mark, the first to be written...and moving toward the Gospel of Luke, the third to be written.

The new year is quickly approaching, and it is all about the discovery of new things, that we will discover together...now that, is something to be excited about...

See you in worship!

Pr. Mortenson

Worship with us on Saturdays at 5, Sundays' at 10 or on Wednesdays' at 7, trust me, there is always room for you to join us.

November 2024



Congratulations

To our Fall Class of 2024
on receiving their First Communion

Jack Robert Ugrotzi
Joseph Charles Ugrotzi
Veda Ellen Berns

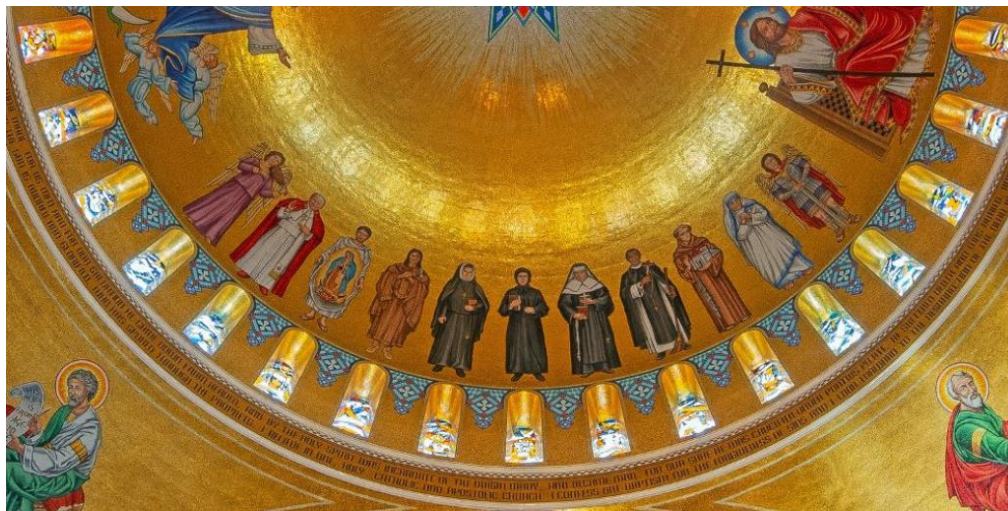


Congratulations

to Madison Grace Smith
on Her Baptism.

May she grow in wisdom
and stature

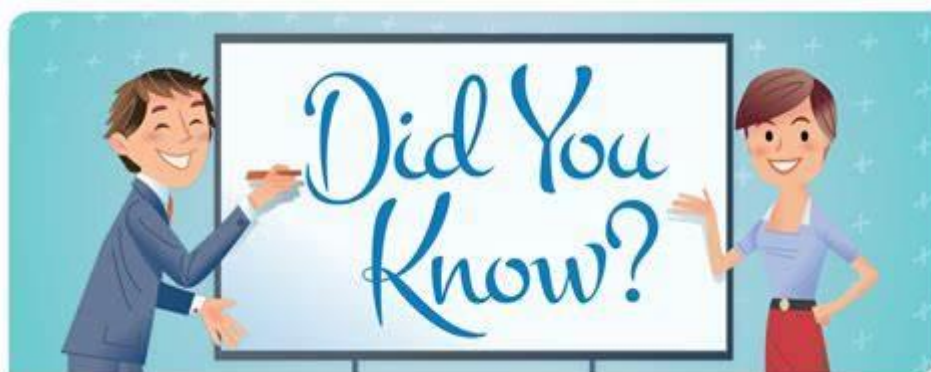
and in favor with God and all humankind.



The Saints since last year on November 1st:

1. Pamela Sue Kahle
2. Timothy John Woppert
3. Renee Eveline Dufay
4. Kathryn Anne Ruka
5. Delores Twila Dahlen
6. Barbara Jean Borchardt

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



Did You Know?

(All About Thanksgiving)

- What process refers to soaking a turkey in a saltwater solution before cooking it? Answer: Brining
- Around how many calories are in a half cup of bread stuffing? Answer: 118
- In 2023, which state raised the most turkeys? Answer: Minnesota
- According to a poll, what Thanksgiving side dish is the least popular among Americans? Answer: Green bean casserole
- Are pumpkins technically a fruit or a vegetable? Answer: Fruit
- Which U.S. president was the first to officially pardon a turkey? Answer: George H.W. Bush. In 1989, Bush "presented a Presidential pardon" to a "fine tom turkey" — and it's been an annual tradition ever since.
- True or false: The Pilgrims referred to themselves as "Pilgrims." **Answer: False. They called themselves "Separatists"**
- How long can a turkey be stored in the freezer? **Answer: An unopened whole turkey for up to two years**
- When was Thanksgiving declared a national celebration? Answer: 1789 (President George Washington designated November 26 as a Day of National Thanksgiving)
- In 1863, what U.S. president decided that Thanksgiving would be observed on the last Thursday in November? Answer: Abraham Lincoln.
- Once cooked, how long can turkey sit before it should be refrigerated? Answer: No longer than two hours
- How long should leftover turkey be stored? Answer: Leftover turkey can be stored for up to four days in the refrigerator.
- Which state produces the most cranberries? Answer: Wisconsin
- According to the , what are the top ten most popular Thanksgiving foods? Answer (in order): Turkey, mashed potatoes, stuffing or dressing, gravy, rolls and bread, pumpkin pie, sweet potatoes or yams, apple pie, cranberry sauce and corn.



Council Capsules

Council approved the following matters at the October council meeting:

- Council approved a motion to sign a snowplow contract with Curtis Young who did our plowing last winter. David Speaks has the contract on file.
- Council approved a motion to allow the Stewardship committee to send out a funding appeal email to the congregation. It was agreed that an email was more cost effective than a mailing.
- Council agreed that at our next meeting, we will discuss clean-up and reorganization of the nursery room.
- Council approved a motion to accept Sandy Montague's donation of a tree for the church at Christmas. The tree will be cut down by members of the congregation on the morning of November 30th and decorated on December 8th.
- Council approved a motion to allow a non-member, Sandy Davis, who has expressed interest in taking over craft fair coordination to shadow MaryJo at the next two craft fairs and allow her to take over the coordinator duties at the Fall 2025 Craft Fair if she agrees to take it on.
- Council approved a motion to restart fellowship after Sunday liturgies beginning on October 27th with coffee and Kringle.

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



Christian Education

Sunday School focus for the coming week:

Date	focus verse	Topic
• November 3	Proverbs 17:9	Forgiveness
	• Mark 2:1-12	Jesus Heals a paralyzed man
• November 10	Proverbs 12:17	Friendship
	• 1 Samuel 20	David & Jonathan
• November 17	2 Corinthians 9:7	Giving/Generosity
	• Matthew 14:13-21	Jesus feeds the 5000
• November 24	Philippians 1:3	Appreciate
	• Luke 17:11-19	Healed Leper says Thanks
• December 1	Jeremiah 31:3	God's Love for Me
	• 1 John 3:1	Called children of God

**Reminder: No Sunday School on December 22 & 29

The Sunday School Christmas Program (done during the 10:00 am service) is looking for an adult volunteer or two to be in the program. **Are you willing to be the "Grandparent(s)" for the program? The Grandparent(s) will have lines to say and will be basically telling or reading the Christmas Story. If interested, please contact Robin A Schmitt 414 852-2091.**

Congratulations to the following Confirmands who celebrated being confirmed on November 3:

- Ben LaFond
- Tyler Roslawski
- Brodie Burke
- Paxton Polster
- Reese Grudzielanek

Congratulations to those who celebrated their First Communion on November 3:

- Jack Ugrotzi
- Veda Berns
- Joe Ugrotzi

May you always be guided by your faith & trust in the Lord.

Christian Education committee will meet again on November 10, after service (at 11). We would love to see more faces to help discuss the Christian Education concerns and decisions of All Saints. Many hands make light work.

Robin Schmitt
Christian Education Chairperson

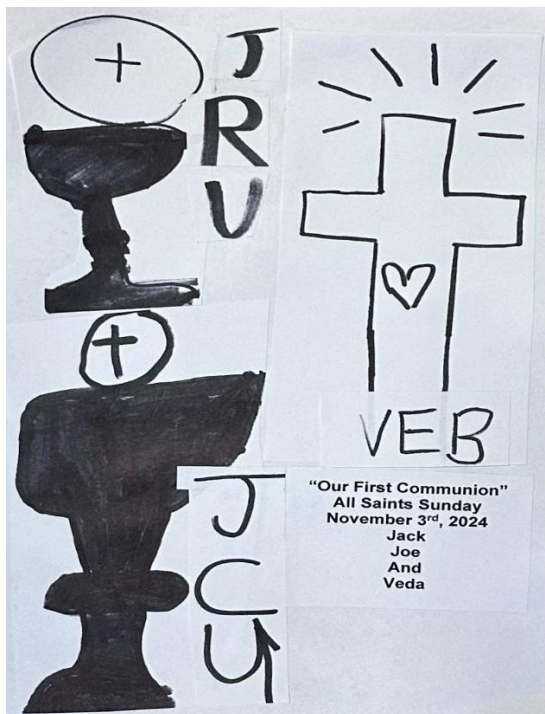


HARLEY TREE

Watch for the Harley Tree which will again be up after Thanksgiving. We're again helping out two animal shelters this year: Secondhand Purrs (a no-kill shelter on South Howell Avenue where our own Lisa Kleppek volunteers) and HAWS (Humane Animal Welfare Society) in Waukesha, another no-kill shelter (the best kind). There will be printed suggestions hanging on the wall near the Harley Tree for items BOTH shelters need. And cash is most welcome. If you do plan on donating with a check, please make your check payable to ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH so you get credit for your donation on your year-end statement.

Thanks...

First Communion Class of Fall 2024





Evangelism



Next Meeting:
November 10th
@ 11:15am

The Evangelism Committee is looking for new members and fresh ideas! If you're interested in joining or just would like to come to a meeting (no pressure!), please reach out to Brittany Czarny by email: Brittany.czarny@outlook.com or by phone: 262/672-1943.

Evangelism enjoyed bringing in Kringle, cookies & lemonade to reinstate Fellowship after liturgy in October. We were excited to see so many smiling faces and children join us.



We have a sign up sheet posted if you would like to bring in a tasty treat and help our community grow.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany Czarny



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.



ADVENT MEANS COMING...

It has to do with the arrival of a notable person, thing or event...

- **Advent is the beginning of a new liturgical year.**
- **Advent looks ahead to the final coming.**
- **Advent celebrates the coming of the “long awaited one.”**
- **Advent looks to the past, and to what was...**
- **Advent is a time of preparation, today!**
- **We celebrate four weeks of Advent in preparation for the birth of Jesus.**
- **Believe it or not, Advent is not the shortest season of the liturgical year. Christmas is! (Twelve Days of Christmas)**
- **During Advent the color is Marian Blue. A symbol of hope for our world.**
- **Obviously, there are four candles on the Advent Wreath.**



Financial:

Gift Card Update:

Through September we've made over \$2,500 in gift profit for All Saints. Special thanks to all who regularly use our gift card program. You can use gift cards to purchase gas for your vehicles, to shop for groceries, to shop at retail stores, and to go out to eat. Check out the Gift Card Inventory at the gift card table. We're always adding to our inventory. And if you have any questions on how the gift card program works, just ask one of the gift card sellers either before or after each liturgy. We're always happy to help...

GIVING ENVELOPE SUGGESTIONS

For those of you using giving envelopes, here are a few suggestions to make life easier:

1. Let's say, for example, you give \$10 weekly using your giving envelope. You find that you miss two or three times in your church attendance. YOU DO NOT have to give \$10 in 3 or 4 envelopes. Instead, just place \$30 or \$40 in ONE envelope. This will eliminate the counters possibly making a mistake in recording your giving with all those envelopes.
2. Please use up all the envelopes in your giving box of envelopes. If there are a lot of "special" envelopes left in your giving box of envelopes, please use them up. The counters will just record your giving as a "special" gift on your year-end tax statement. Or use those "special" envelopes for contributing to the Window Fund, or bulletins or candles if you so choose.
3. If you find you are entirely out of envelopes, please place your name on the listing of "I WANT/NEED ENVELOPES" hanging on the bulletin board into the Fellowship Hall. You'll have another set of envelopes within about a week or ten days. Your envelopes will be placed on the little table leading into church (Where) you pick up your bulletin).
4. Please remember to place your member/envelope number of ALL envelopes you use. This will make the job of the money counters much easier. Your giving box of envelopes should already have your member/envelope number on them.
5. Please remember to put the amount of your offering on ALL envelopes you use for donations. You don't have to put your name on the envelope, but your member/envelope number is very important. At the end of each liturgy, an adding machine tape is made of the entire donation (except for Sunday). With the tape we then have a proof of the amount of the offering in case the church should be robbed (oh, no).
6. Consider signing up for SIMPLY GIVING. This is a very safe, effortless way to contribute to All Saints. By using SIMPLY GIVING, you don't have to worry about forgetting your giving envelope when you come to church.



All Saints Day 2023 Sunday, November 3rd, 2024

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

PJ

- 35 roses In Memory of All the Blessed Saints in Light

Patti Holzman

- 1 rose In Memory of My Mom, Lois Arsand
- 1 rose In Memory of My Dad, Marvin Arsand
- 1 rose In Memory of Sister, Gail Arsand-Voss
- 1 rose In Memory of Grandma, Marie Nelson
- 1 rose In Memory of Great-Aunt, Irene Ballbach

Karl and Lisa Kleppek

- 1 rose In Memory of Henry Kleppek
- 1 rose In Memory of Ruth Kleppek

The LaFond Family

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

Jayne Murnane

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

Anonymous

- 1 rose In Memory of Caszy Petriczek

Nathan, Emily, and Lizzy Ruka

- 1 rose In Memory of Kathryn Ruka

Mary Zahn

- 1 rose In Memory of Bob Zahn
- 2 roses In Memory of John and Mickey Vitek
- 1 rose In Memory of Jack Zahn Jr
- 2 roses In Memory of Eleanor and Jack Zahn
- 1 rose In Memory of Bruce Zahn
- 1 rose In Memory of Kathy Bahnamen
- 1 rose In Memory of Henry



Judy Wolter

- 1 rose In Memory of Nancy Kotarak
- 1 rose In Memory of Joe Kotarak
- 1 rose In Memory of Magnard Wolter
- 1 rose In Memory of Lois Wolter
- 1 rose In Memory of Kathy Carroll
- 1 rose In Memory of Jaci Williams

Kinga Vnuk

- 1 rose In Memory of My Dad, Marzék Cisowski
- 1 rose In Memory of my Grandpa, Wiktor Kutynia
- 1 rose In Memory of my Grandpa, Jozef Cisowski
- 1 rose In Memory of my Grandma, Weronika Cisowska
- 1 rose In Memory of my Godmother, Malgorzata Jaros
- 1 rose In Memory of my Cousin, Mikolaj Zadworny
- 1 rose In Memory of my Aunt, Krystyna Szmulka

Linda Steinbauer

- 1 rose In Memory of Jim Steinbauer

Elaine Kleinhans

- 1 rose In Memory of Mother, Mary
- 1 rose In Memory of Grandson, Scott
- 1 rose In Memory of Nephew, JJ
- 1 rose In Memory of Nephew, CJ

Betty Ford

- 2 roses In Memory of Daughter, Shari
- 2 roses In Memory of Husband, Bill

- Karen Bishop
- 2 roses In Memory of Brian Bishop

Jeanne Cassinelli

- 1 rose In Memory of Joseph Cassinelli

Tom and Margaret Coonan

- 2 roses In Memory of Helen and Val Barak, Parents of Margaret Coonan
- 2 roses In Memory of Doris and Jerry Coonan, Parents of Tom Coonan
- 1 rose In Memory of Darlene Mielke
- 1 rose In Memory of John Montague
- 1 rose In Memory of Sharon Gates



Peggy Todryk

- 2 roses In Memory of John and Lorraine Wedding, Parents of Peggy Todryk

Kathy Mack

- 2 roses In Memory of Mom and Dad Mack
- 2 roses In Memory of Grandparents Hagmans and Macks
- 2 roses In Memory of Aunts: Myrt and Carol

Dick Kahle

- 4 roses In Memory of Pamela Kahle
- 2 roses In Memory of Elliot Kahle
- 2 roses In Memory of Geneva Hafeman
- 2 roses In Memory of Melvin Kahle
- 2 roses In Memory of Julie Ann Kahle

Robert Padden

- 1 rose In Memory of Karen Padden

Julie Padden

- 1 rose In Memory of Karen Padden

Doris Templin

- 2 roses In Memory of Ruth and Francis Pung
- 1 rose In Memory of Carl Templin
- 1 rose In Memory of Nanny Fox



Liturgy Committee –

Thank you, to everyone who purchased a white rose for All Saints Day, in memory of a loved one. They were beautiful!

Our Christmas Tree for this year has been donated by Sandy Montague in loving memory of her husband John. Thank you, Sandy!

Poinsettias will be available for purchase again this year. Help us create a beautiful altar for Christmas by purchasing a Poinsettia plant in Memory of or Honor of a loved one...or two or three...etc.!

We will be ordering from Milaeger's this year. They have raised their prices, so we will need to ask for \$18 per potted plant. See order form attached and, in the bulletin, or on the table in the narthex.

Absolute Final day to order is Sunday, December 2, 2024.

Mark your Calendars!!

Come and help us decorate the Christmas tree on Sunday, December 8, 2024. We will meet at about 11:15 after the Sunday Liturgy.

The Liturgy Committee will provide hot ham and rolls after the tree trimming. Watch for signup sheets to be posted and bring a side dish or desert.

Be a part of your church's festivities this year if you can! Join us! If you need a ride, please call the office and let them know. We will do our best to have someone come and get you.



Revealer Articles are due on **Wednesday November 20th 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.

Poinsettias Order Form



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

Last day to order is December 2nd, 2024

*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@ \$ 18.00 Each

Purchased By:

Envelope# _____



The Jury is still out!

For eight long years, our very own Lori Rathmann has been calling her “an angel.” “Don’t call her a “Devil Dog” she protested, Moriah is “a sweet angel!” Just so you know the jury is “still out” on that one...and the costume fit her to a “T.”

The silly girl thought she was dressing up for the celebration of REFORMATION SUNDAY in the life of the church...wearing red and all...and apparently, she liked the horns on her head, because she did not destroy them immediately, unlike her reindeer antlers.

So, the costume lived to be worn another day and time.

I tell ya, I look at the picture...and I just cannot imagine her with angel wings and a halo...I bet they wouldn’t last two seconds...

Moriah, you are “a special one”, in your own right! You do have your moments...but then, don’t we all...

Reverend Ray Stubbe
Lutheran Home
7500 West North Avenue
Room # 3141
Wauwatosa, Wisconsin 53213

Pastor Stubbe was the MISSION DEVELOPER of All Saints Lutheran Church. He was here in 1965-1966, going from door-to-door in Oak Creek. Holding Confirmation Classes in his apartment. Conducting worship in the basement of the Oak Creek Marine Bank on the northwest corner of Puetz and Howell. Pastor Stubbe did a double tour of Vietnam as a Chaplain, after leaving ASLC. He is an author and spokesman. And is now in a "Memory Care Unit" at the Lutheran Home. He would love cards. He would cherish any and all notes. ALL SAINTS has always been close to his heart. Make sure you list ALL SAINTS somewhere on your card or note. Here is your opportunity to truly make someone's day! Blessings...

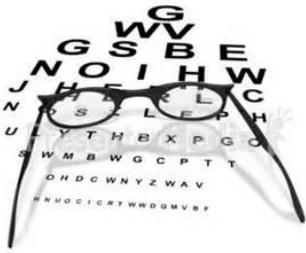


Just a plain and simple note or a card can make a difference!

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.

Confirmation corner...



**“The Rite of Confirmation” or “The Reaffirmation of Baptismal Promises”
took place on Sunday morning
– November 3rd at 10:00 am Liturgy.**

It was a beautiful and exciting event!



Congratulations



to The Confirmation Class of 2024

***Brody James Burke
Benjamin Thomas LaFond
Maresa Nicole Grudzielanek
Paxton Dale Polster
Tyler John Roslawski***



CRAFT FAIR 2024

THANK YOU!!!

Thank you to everyone who helped, volunteered, donated gift cards, donated raffle items, donated food, baked, cleaned, set-up or tore down the church. It was our most successful craft fair yet! We raised \$10,084!

We have a new craft fair coordinator! Sandy Davis has volunteered to take over the craft fairs. She jumped in last week, and I will work with her at the Spring 2025 craft fair, so she can learn all the ins and outs of the event. She will do a fantastic job; she is very organized and easy to get along with.

We had 552 visitors, thirty-four crafter tables, so, so much bakery, and a fantastic raffle, and luncheon!

Sara Jolitz led a team to bake pies that included Peggy Todryk, Debbie Krajnak, Regina Breint , and Cody Jolitz. We had so much bakery from so many people and are so grateful to all our bakers, who helped raise \$2,955.

Brittany Czarny led the kitchen team and raised \$2,036. Debbie Krajnak, Sue McIntosh, Dale Hochevar, Lynn Friedman, and PJ cooked and donated food for the luncheon. Several people donated food items too.

Lynn Speaks led the raffle team and raised \$3,790. Lynn did an excellent job getting business donations again, and we are so grateful for all the scrip card donors! Thank you to all the people who sold raffle tickets, and we really liked the new number system.

Crafters rental tables raised \$1,260. We also had some kitchen tips, and food pantry donations.

We had a great team that helped with both the set up and the clean-up of the craft fair including the Rathmann family, Speaks family, Kubusek family, LaFond family, Jolitz family, Meier family, Judy Wolter, Michael Steiner, and Helen Haworth. The clean-up went very well too, and we were ready for service in under an hour! Wow! Thank you to David and Lynn Speaks for coordinating these efforts.

Special thanks to the craft fair committee: Lynn Speaks, Sara Jolitz, Brittany Czarny, Helen Haworth, Elaine Kleinhans, Debbie Krajnak, Kaity Jolitz, Lynn Friedman, and Robin Schmitt. Thank you for all your donations, hard work, and putting up with me (even when I'm crabby or hangry).

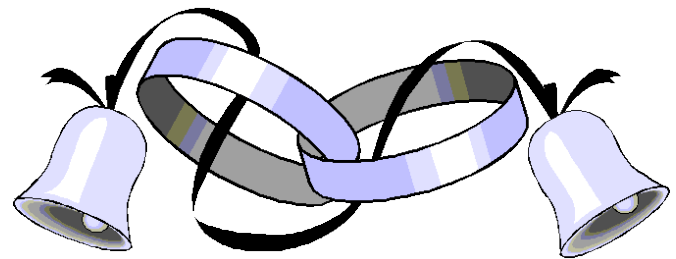
I am so grateful to everyone who made this a successful event. What an awesome group of people to work with! I'm sorry if I forgot to mention anyone, but thank you, thank you, thank you. I didn't mean to miss anyone, and I know God saw your hard work!

God Bless,

Mary Jo Meier



Congratulations



Congratulations to
Meagan Bertram, and Blake Reynolds
on Their Wedding in October of 2024.

*May God bless the love you have for each other and bless you
in all your years together ahead.*



**Christmas Cookie Sale
Crafter's
Raffles
Chili-to-Go
Christmas Memorabilia
Pictures with Santa
December 14th, 2024
9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.**



Stewardship Committee

Fall is upon us!! Don't you just love the beauty of Fall? I know I do. I also know that this is a very important month in the Lutheran Church as we celebrate Reformation on Sunday, October 27th. Our committee is asking for your "recommitment" to All Saints by asking you to invite family and/or friends to attend our church. We also will be asking for you to pledge your giving amount for 2025. As an example of how our operating costs have increased please see the chart below:

Operating costs	2021	2022	2023	Increase from 2021-2023
Electric/Gas	6680.80	6687.50	8296.88	1616.08
Salaries & Benefits	162843.77	166126.69	169118.34	6274.57

As you can see, costs of operating our church are increasing. I know it is a fact of life that costs are increasing for all of us in our own households. I am hopeful that you will think about God's household as we approach recommitment week and be able to increase your pledge. Please consider all that this church means to you, your family and your community. Thank you so much for all that you do!! God's Blessings!!!

On another note, Petunia is still accepting your loose change! That includes coins as well as paper bills-just sayin'. All monies donated to Petunia will increase the new window fund so please donate as you are able and thank you for all that you do!!

Our next meeting is October 1 at 4pm. Please join us as we contemplate what Stewardship means and how we can enrich lives and thrive at All Saints!!!

Kathy Mack

Stewardship Chairperson



- Thank you to everyone who helped out with the Fall Craft Fair in any way!
- Thanks to the liturgy committee...
- Thanks to Mary Zahn for providing bread for the Eucharist.
- Thanks to Jim Kubusek for addressing the leak in the Sacristy.
- Thanks to our Youth for being in processional...
- Thanks to Robin Schmitt for her work on First Communion and Confirmation...
- Thanks to those who purchased flowers in MEMORY of LOVED ONES for ALL SAINTS SUNDAY!
- Thanks to those who volunteer weekly to read and to usher or greet!
- Thanks to those who pledged for the Stewardship Campaign...
- Thanks to those purchasing flowers for the altar...
- Thanks to those who attended the Craft Fair and brought in food goods...
- Thanks to those who baked, and baked, and baked!
- Thank you to those who sell GIFT CARDS...
- Thank you to those who purchase GIFT CARDS...
- Thanks to Barb Schrubey, our Treasurer...
- Thanks to Sue McIntosh, our Financial Secretary...
- Thanks to those who are signing up to help out with the Christmas Bazaar.
- Thanks to those who set up and clean up after each liturgy!
- Thanks to those who came out and worked at the Fall Clean Up Day!
- Thanks to David Speaks for ordering our Mulch!
- Thanks to those who purchased GIFT CARDS for Raffle Prizes...
- Thanks to those on the Craft Fair Committee...
- Thanks to all of our committee members...
- Thanks to those who brought cookies for the cookie jar!
- Thanks to those who are joining us for COFFEE FELLOWSHIP!

The History of Advent

Advent first emerged as a season where Christians observed 40 days of fasting (much like with Lent), penance, and prayer in readiness for celebrating Christ's birth and the baptism of new Christians in January...on the Feast of the Epiphany.

In the 6th century, many had tied Advent to the Second Coming of Christ.

Originally, there was little connection between Advent and Christmas, but over time, Advent's duration and focus began to shift.

The first clear references in the Western Church to Advent are found in the "Gelasian Sacramentary" (the second oldest-surviving western liturgical book), with writings under Charlemagne confirming the fast was still widely observed in the 9th century.



It was only later in the Middle Ages that Advent became linked to Jesus' birth (his First Coming) at Christmas.

This marked a shift in emphasis from penitence to preparing for the Nativity, solidifying Advent's position as a distinct liturgical season.

The practices associated with Advent continued to evolve throughout the Middle Ages, varying across regions and religious orders, focusing on penitential aspects or on joyful anticipation.

In the 6th century, St Gregory I (also known as Gregory the Great), played a role in shaping some common Advent practices, including the use of the Advent wreath.

This wreath, usually crafted from evergreen foliage in a circular shape, symbolizes God's eternal nature, the cyclical liturgical year, and the hope of eternal life.





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For Kenadee and Nico, Grandchildren of Rob and Pam

For the children of Rita St. Louis

For Corby & Mike Erickson

For Bruce the brother of Howard MacMillan

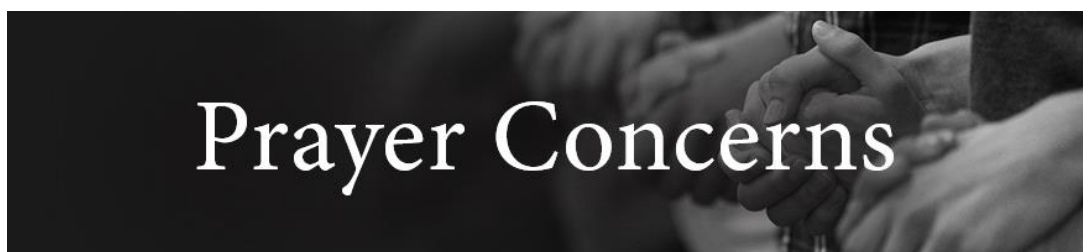
For the parents of Lisa Kleppek, Jodi Heine, and Robin Schmitt

For the niece of Mike & Sue McIntosh

For the fathers of Suz Pitts and Pam Kawczynski

For our Police Officers, Military Members, Paramedics, Firefighters, and all first responders

For all those addicted and still suffering...





The Sweet Sundays Quilters' Corner

Sweet Sundays Quilters Needs YOU!!!

If you can thread a needle, use a scissors and love to chat, please consider joining the Sweet Sundays' Quilting group on the third Wednesday of each month. We meet in the Fellowship Hall at 11am. Some of us sew, while others of us layout quilts and batting, while still others tie the quilts that have been made. We donate our quilts to many nursing homes and to Christ Child Services which distributes children's quilts to needy mothers and children in crisis situations. Generally, we are able to provide over 100 quilts per year. One of our members also knits baby caps (100 or more) which we donate to hospitals in our area. So, if you are able to join us and help create some wonderful quilts and friendships, please join us on the third Wednesday of the month at 11am and don't forget to bring along your lunch!!





World Concerns: "Happy Fall!"

A big thank you for Meadowview for helping out with our food pantry it went well. Also big thank you to my helpers Dale Hochevar, Lynn and Jeff Friedman, Dave Speaks, Tim Jackalone, Judy Wolter. I couldn't have done it without you. Thanks again.

We had our blood drive on October 1, 2024. We had 5 first time donors, 4 donors did double Red cell 28 people signed up to donate: 8 were deferred for whatever reason, 69 local patients in our community will be impacted by their donation. A big thank you to those who donated, it does save lives! Nickie Grudzielanek won the 25.00 Kwik Trip gift card.

Food pantry for the month of September gave out 27 bags of food for the needy. For the month of November, we are asking for cereal or whatever you want to donate. Thank you for your donations it does make a difference!

Sojourner house is our holiday donations for November 15- December 15, 2024. They are asking for new items, not used Diapers size 5, 6, 7, boy pants and shirts 4 t and 12-14. Women sweatpants, pajamas, Feminine products, hair products, 10.00 Target gift cards.

The next meeting is November 5, 2024, 5:00pm .Feel free to come and check us out.

God's blessings

Remember the poor.

Elaine Kleinhans ,chairperson

○ FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

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



- Phil & Audrey Haerle
- Mary Jo Meier



One is so not Jesus, and the other, is very him. On Christ the King Sunday, we are asked to remember and recall the kind of King, Jesus chose to be...

He chose to be the servant of ALL. His only throne, a rough-hewn cross was quickly thrown together for crucifixion purposes, his robes taken and divided among those who crucified him. They rolled dice or drew straws to see who would get what. His royal subjects stood before him, save those who scattered into the night...It was a horrific ending for one who would be King of the Jews...and what Pontius Pilate wrote – he wrote...and it too, was pounded onto the cross of crucifixion. INRI, it said. **“Iesus Nazarenus, Rex Iudaeorum.”** The four letters are a *titulus*, Latin for label.



From the Kitchen of Saint Ruth

(Mother of PJ)

Beef *Stroganoff*

Ingredients:

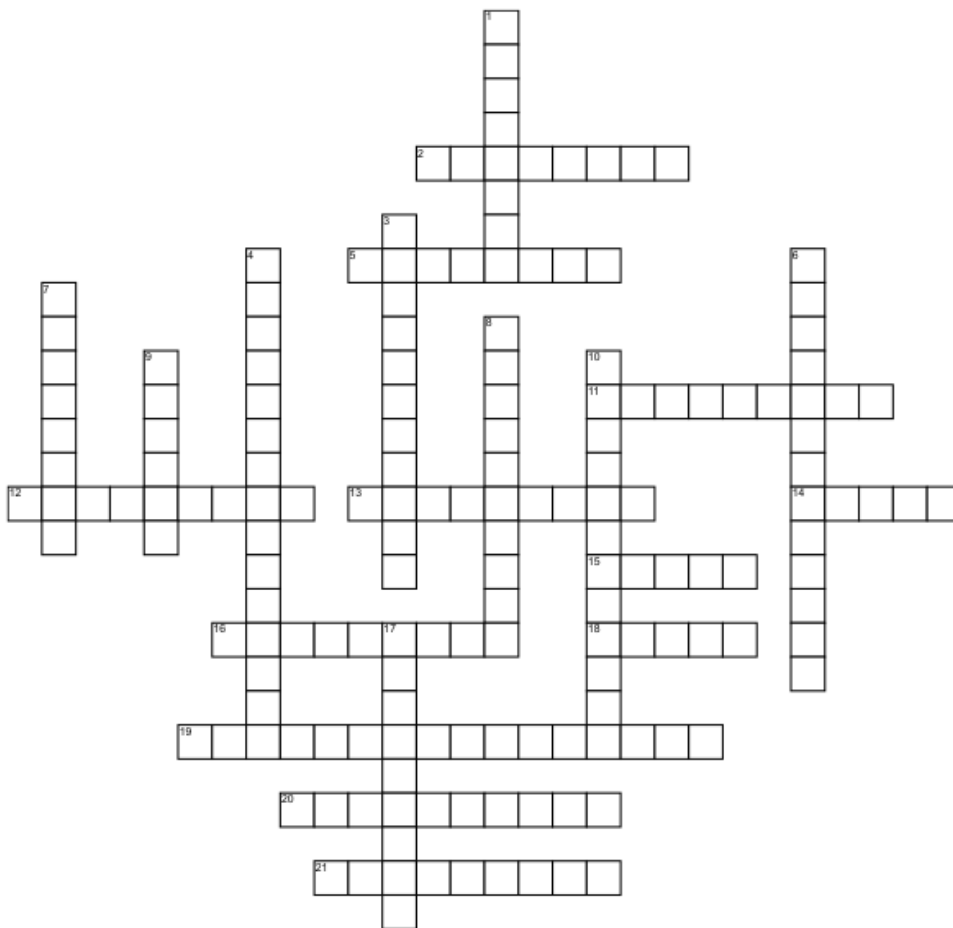
- 1 slice round steak, cut ½ inch thick
- Instant unseasoned meat tenderizer
- 3 tbsp. flour
- 1 large, chopped onion
- 1 can (6 oz) sliced mushrooms
- 2 tbsp. chili sauce
- 1 tsp salt and ¼ tsp pepper
- 1 cup sour cream
- Oil for frying
- Noodles, or rice for serving

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.

Thanksgiving Crossword



Across

2. who celebrated the first Thanksgiving with "Tejas"
 5. stuffing or ___
 11. what you don't eat during the feast
 12. the pilgrims' ship
 13. Libby's canned pumpkin is not pumpkin, but is another squash. What is the name of the squash?
 14. what the average person spends a third of their life doing
 15. what you need to make sure you clean after Thanksgiving

16. What does the thanks in Thanksgiving express
 18. Fresh baked ___ go well with your dinner
 19. The money worth a breadstick and 2 bagels wanted the USA's national bird to be a turkey
 20. "Horn of Plenty"
 21. turkey eats duck, duck eats chicken?

Down

1. traveling religious people
 3. what makes turkey topping

4. who said the idea of thanksgiving was, "The most ridiculous idea I have ever heard"
 6. The turkey of the west coast sometimes
 7. The penultimate school day
 8. 3.1459265358 + Halloween symbol
 9. a large group of people
 10. where the Pilgrims landed
 17. in 1953, Swanson had too much extra turkey left after thanksgiving (260 tons). What new product did that lead to?



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 with 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 26 to Nov 1 REFORMATION SUNDAY	Open	Open	Krajnak	Open
November 2 to 8 ALL SAINTS SUNDAY	Vnuk	Mutual Ministry	Hochevar	Vnuk
Nov 9 to 15	Open	Open	Zahn	Krajnak
Nov 16 to 22	Woods	Open	Hochevar	Murnane
Nov 23 to 26 CHRIST THE KING	Murnane	Open	Vnuk	Heine
Nov 27 to 29 THANKSGIVING	Open	LaFond	Murnane	Hochevar
Nov 30 to Dec 6 ADVENT	Vnuk	Open	Hochevar	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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