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REMINDER:

Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday, November 1st!
Set your clocks BACK one hour Saturday night before bed.

November Worship Schedule

Nov 1 – 23rd Sunday after Pentecost w/HC (All Saints' Day)

Nov 8 – 24th Sunday after Pentecost w/HC

Nov 15 – 25th Sunday after Pentecost w/HC

Nov 22 – The Last Sunday of the Church Year w/HC

Nov 26 -- Thanksgiving Service w/HC – *Thursday morning 10 AM*

Nov 29 – First Sunday in Advent w/HC



From Pastor Matthew's Desk

The Season of Thankfulness

Notice that this blog is entitled "The Season of *Thankfulness."* Shouldn't that read "Thanksgiving," since the national holiday of Thanksgiving comes in this month of November? Hmm… do these two things (thankfulness and thanksgiving) mean the same or different things? I believe that the first (thankfulness) is necessary before we can have the second (thanksgiving). Thankfulness is the attitude of the heart within a person that then gives expression to the act of thanksgiving. *Being* thankful moves us to the *giving* of thanks.

Each morning, I begin my day using a resource of Scripture readings and prayers. I've used this for many years, and it has become a treasured friend. Within this resource, the following lines are found, said to have been found in the clothing of an unknown Civil War soldier who was killed in action. It is a prayer, but more than a prayer – it is a call to thankfulness which leads to thanksgiving:

I asked God for strength that I might achieve…
I was made weak that I might learn humbly to obey.
I asked for health, that I might do great things…
I was given infirmity, that I might do better things.
I asked for riches, that I might be happy…
I was given poverty, that I might be wise.
I asked for power, that I might have the praise of men…
I was given weakness, that I might feel the need of God.
I asked for all things, that I might enjoy life…
I was given life, that I might enjoy all things.
I got nothing that I asked for…
But everything that I hoped for.
Almost despite myself, my unspoken prayers were answered…
I am among all men most richly blessed. Amen.
(For All the Saints: A Prayer Book for and By the Church, vol. 111, pp. 312-313).

So often in life, we see only what we do not have, and so thankfulness is absent, which means that there is little or no thanksgiving. Thanksgiving is critical in our faith life, and not just on the fourth Thursday in November each year. As followers of Jesus, each and every day becomes an opportunity to give thanks to God our Maker and Redeemer. Otherwise, what does Paul the apostle mean when he writes: **"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication *with thanksgiving* let your requests be made known to God"** (Philippians 4:6). The spirit of thankfulness which leads to thanksgiving has an added benefit, which Paul writes about in the following verse: **"And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus"** (Philippians 4:7). Could it be that Paul means these are actually sequential in faith? Could it be that unless there is thankfulness and thanksgiving there will not be that blessed peace?

There is more wisdom from Paul about thankfulness and thanksgiving that challenges us further. He writes: **"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you"** (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18). Note what Paul says here: "Give thanks in *all* circumstances." There are circumstances in life where we can understand how hard it is to give

thanks: the health diagnosis that is not what we wanted to hear; the death that leaves us grieving and broken; the job loss that can lead to other losses; the sense of isolation and loneliness that seems insurmountable. At times, it can be very hard to see anything for which to be thankful. But the Word of God through Paul the apostle noted above pulls us in a different direction.

A much-loved hymn that is often used at Thanksgiving is "Now Thank We All Our God" (Bing Videos). This hymn was written by Martin Rinkhart (1586-1649), a German Lutheran pastor, amidst the horrors of the Thirty Years' War of 1618-1648. Pastor Rinkart served for thirty-two years in Eilenberg, a walled city in eastern Germany, just south of Wittenberg. "Since Eilenberg was a walled city, people from miles around sought refuge there [during the Thirty Years' War], and overcrowding resulted in famine and pestilence. When in 1637 the superintendent left and two other clergymen died, Rinkart alone was left to minister to the city, sometimes preaching burial services for forty or fifty persons in one day. His wife also was taken by the pestilence, and he himself fell ill, but survived. Twice also he dissuaded the Swedish commander from imposing excessive tribute on the town. His services, however, were received with little gratitude by the city authorities…" (*Hymnal Companion to the Lutheran Book of Worship,* by Marilyn Kay Stulken. Philadelphia: Fortress, 1981; p. 543). "Now Thank We All Our God" was written by Martin Rinkart at the height of the chaos, destruction, and death of the Thirty Years' War in 1637. There is wisdom for us here to learn from those who have gone before us. They call us both to thankfulness and thanksgiving, even when that seems very hard to do.

No matter what life may hold for us – good or ill – for the child of God, each and every day becomes a day to return and give thanks. Thanksgiving is not just one day in late November. Regardless of our life's situation or circumstances, God's amazing gifts are there in each of our lives. If we think that it's important to say thank you to other people, how much more important it is to say thank you to God our Maker and Redeemer! And the gift of all gifts is Jesus, who took on our thanklessness and ingratitude, and died to set us free from our sins. Now, how will we use this freedom? Surely this blood-bought freedom must be grounded in thanksgiving.

So, what are you thankful for? Maybe you're thankful that we live in a country where there are elections in which we can all cast our ballots, supporting the party and candidate of our choosing. Maybe you're thankful for more immediate needs: having a job, keeping current with bills, putting food on the table, good health, family and friends. The blessings are there, if we have the eyes to see them.

One of the most important things we can do in life is to cultivate a spirit of thankfulness, which overflows into thanksgiving. It becomes contagious! Others see this and sense this in us and want to know where this comes from. Where did we get it, and how can they get what we have? It becomes a bridge to touch the lives of others with the good news of Jesus. At Thanksgiving, when we gather with loved ones around tables laden with turkey and all the trimmings, let us give thanks not only for the things of this life, but for the eternal life which is ours through the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ. In this month of November, with its bookend festivals of All Saints and Christ the King, we are especially conscious of Jesus' promised coming again. As we wait and watch for this with thanksgiving, Jesus calls us to see his face in the face of those around us, especially those who are in need. We are called to see Christ in our neighbor and be Christ to our neighbor.

In this season of thankfulness, in every season of life, we say with the psalmist: "Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!" (Psalm 107:1).

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod
LCMS Stewardship Ministry - November 2026

Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart!

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Our Father in heaven has claimed us as His own. By the shedding of His Son's blood, by His death for our sins and His resurrection for our justification, God the Father has received us back into His family. By water combined with His Word, promise and name, the Holy Spirit has taken up residence in us. We belong to Father, Son and Holy Spirit. He is in us, and we are in Him. And being in Him, all things are ours. In Him, we are richly and abundantly blessed.

Our true treasure and wealth is that we belong to the most Holy Trinity and everything that is His belongs also to us: righteousness, peace, eternal life. Even our temporal treasures are gifts from His fatherly, divine goodness and mercy.

We receive our treasures from Him, and thus, as good stewards of His varied grace, we manage them in such a way that they may be returned to Him. We bring them to Him, hallowed through prayers of thanksgiving and God's Holy Word, as a sacrifice. Thus all our possessions, as gifts from God, are also sacrifices to Him, from which we eat to nourish our bodies and share with our family, neighbors and fellow Christians, with the poor and even our enemies, as holy things given by our holy God. His temporal gifts are blessings to and for us, and bring blessing upon us even as they are pressed into His service for His kingdom and the souls that receive them.

Thus we place all that we have into God's hands. He never fails to remember us and pours out the fullness of His promises upon us. We give thanks for all that He has done, is doing and will continue to do. We give thanks by not taking for ourselves, but giving to all even as our heavenly Father has given to us.

As we prepare for Thanksgiving celebrations, may we all give thanks continually for all that we are and all that we have because of God's providential care. And may we be all the more diligent in bringing everything that we have received from God to Him, so that He may bless it and employ it for the good of all — even for us. For to the one who has, more will be given, and he will have an abundance.



Collection for Operation Christmas Child Has Started!



The Board of Social Ministries is sponsoring *Operation Christmas Child* for the 2025 holiday season. Samaritan's Purse sends gift-filled Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes to children in need around the world together with the message of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. By filling ordinary shoeboxes full of toys and other fun items, you can be part of giving boys and girls what may be their first gift ever! Local churches in more than 100 nations hand out these Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts at festive outreach events where the Gospel is presented in a child-friendly way. Each box bursting with items such as a soccer ball, doll, or stuffed animal becomes a tangible expression of God's love to the child, their family, and their community. Many shoebox recipients also participate in a 12-lesson follow-up discipleship program, *The Greatest Journey*.

Here is what you do: **(1)** Find a Shoebox - You can use any empty shoebox or shoebox-sized plastic container. **(2)** Girl or Boy? - Decide whether you will pack for a girl or a boy and the age category: Age groups are 2 - 4, 5 - 9, 10 – 14. **(3)** Fill with Gifts. You may also want to include a personal note and photo—sometimes these are the child's favorite things to receive! **(4)** Pray - Most importantly, pray for the child who will receive your gifts. **(5)** Follow your box - remember to include $10 (per box) for shipping. **(6)** Drop-Off - Bring your shoebox gift to Church no later than **Sunday, November 15**. Shoeboxes will be delivered on Monday, November 16.

A few helpful hints to make it easier for you to fill the shoeboxes:

Start with a quality "wow" item such as a stuffed animal, soccer ball with pump, or clothing outfit that will capture the child's attention the instant he or she opens the box. Then fill the remainder of the shoebox with other fun toys, hygiene items, and school supplies.

Toys - Play cars/trucks/boats, foam balls, finger puppets, dolls, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, Slinky, interactive toys that include push buttons, lights, noise (include extra batteries), plastic tools, plastic dinosaurs.

Personal Care Items – Comb/hairbrush, toothbrush, washcloth, adhesive bandages (non-medicated, colorful ones -- do not include liquid antibiotic ointment), reusable plastic containers: cup, water bottle, (consider filling an empty container with non-liquid items such as hair bows, bracelets, markers, sunglasses, or washcloths to maximize the space).

Clothing and Accessories – Shirts and pants, Pillowcase dress (loose-fitting sundress), underwear, shoes and socks, Flip-flops, sunglasses, hat/scarf/mittens, tote bag/purse, hair bows, friendship bracelets (woven with yarn or embroidery thread).

Craft and Activity Items – Pencils/pens, small manual pencil sharpener, colored pencils w/case, Crayons, markers, coloring pads, coloring books, picture book, notebooks, glue stick (do not include liquid glue), small adhesive tape, watercolor set, Playdough (consider adding plastic cookie cutters as non-sharp utensils the child can use with the playdough), stickers, building blocks.

Do Not Include – SOAP, Candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; scary or war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures (or wearable camouflage); chocolate or food; seeds; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

Samaritan's Purse and Operation Christmas Child seek to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way through each shoebox gift. One of their core values is to never be manipulative. They work in and through volunteers in each country who understand the local culture and context and are respectful to the people they serve. At the same time, they do seek to share the Gospel wherever they go, which can be challenging at times. In some regions, they are not permitted to distribute literature but are still grateful for the opportunity to bless the children with gift boxes carefully prepared by people who want them to know they are loved. Boys and girls do not have to do or say anything to receive their gifts.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR

WCCO 830 AM Radio
Heard each Sunday morning at 6:05 am
Hosted by Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler (unless otherwise noted)

November 1, 2026 "What We Will Be" 1 John 3:2
Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler
What we will be has not yet appeared. But even now, we are God's adopted children, through faith in Christ.

November 8, 2026 "The Survivor Tree" Luke 13:6
Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler
Trees play a prominent role in the Bible. Hear how the tree of Christ's cross leads us back to the Tree of Life.

November 15, 2026 "Fruitful Trees"
Genesis 1:11-12; 1 Peter 2:24
Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Glenn Nielsen
The tree of Christ's cross bore life-giving fruit.

November 22, 2026 "Trees in Winter" Revelation 22:2
Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler
Christ's followers are like trees in winter–seemingly barren now, but rooted in God's Word and living in the promise of Christ's resurrection and the renewal of all things.

November 29, 2026 "Advent Hopes and Dreams"
Matthew 24:36-44
Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Chad Lakies
The season of Advent is a time for hopes and dreams, but it is also about living through an ongoing letdown.

Mark Your Calendars . . .

The ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held on January 17, 2027

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

DIAL A DEVOTION 651-429-0078
There is a new devotion and prayer each day

"The world is full of nice people. IF you can't find one, be one."

OCTOBER OFFICIAL ACTS

NONE

Please Note:

The Thanksgiving Service will be held on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 26 at 10 am
Royal Family will also be invited to attend.
There will be **NO** Bible Study on Wednesday, November 25.
As a reminder, Gloria Dei will hold Christmas Eve candlelight service at 5pm and Christmas Day service at 10 am.

WORSHIP FOR SHUT-INS

Lutheran Ministries Media, Inc. produces a weekly, 30-minute Lutheran broadcast, ***Worship for Shut-Ins***. Each service includes music, scripture readings, prayers, and a Lutheran pastor delivering a message that is designed to feel one-on-one to the viewer. Each program is closed captioned for the hearing impaired. **Weekly programs** are broadcast on Total Christian Television (TCT) network -- *DIRECTV channel 377 at 10:30 am on Sundays OR* watch online in the **"Online Viewing"** portion of the website ***www.worshipforshutins.org*****!**

Time of Grace

Time of Grace TV program airs globally via various outlets, but you can also search topics and watch the program at timeofgrace.org/tv-program. Each episode is a 30-minute study of God's Word with Pastor Mike Novotny. Pastor Mike Novotny has served God's people in full-time ministry since 2007 as a pastor in Madison and now Appleton, Wisconsin. He also serves as the lead speaker for the Time of Grace television program and contributes to the written resources of Time of Grace Ministry.

Sundays KARE (NBC 11) 10:30 am
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Thank you for your generous giving!

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Main Street Living North

Main Street Living is an hour-long Lutheran television program that airs new episodes each Sunday morning. The Twin Cities program is broadcast **at 9 a.m**. Central time on WFTC channel 29/9-2. Each Sunday, viewers enjoy a 30-minute remastered episode of "This is the Life," a popular Lutheran Hour Ministries series from the 70s and 80s. The episode is followed by a modified Lutheran worship service—led by a different local pastor each week.

Main Street Living (Twin Cities) is endorsed by the Minnesota South District of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod; however, the program receives no funding from the District. It is totally funded by viewers and congregations of the WFTC viewing area.

VANCO FAITH

Did you know Gloria Dei's has an eGiving provider?

You can download the **free** Vanco Mobile app from the App Store or Google Play. From there, you can make a one-time donation or set up recurring giving right through the app. Just select your fund and amount, enter a payment method and complete the donation.
If you have questions or need assistance with our mobile app, you can find step-by-step instructions on our website under "GIVE."

SALVATION ARMY FOOD SHELF



Our Grocery Cart is always in need of donations. With your generous donations, Gloria Dei recently donated 78 pounds of food for the month of October. Thank you!
High demand items are 100% juice; low sugar cereal; canned chicken, salmon or pork; low sugar canned fruit; soups (low sodium); dry or canned beans; granola bars and dried fruit; rice (white, jasmine, or brown); salad dressings; condiments and spices. Hygiene items: toothpaste; toilet tissue; shampoo; bar soap; deodorant. **NON-PERISHABLE FOODS ONLY, please.**
Several food shelves in our area allow visitors to choose their food instead of taking what they're given. This model eliminates waste and ensures guests receive only the food they truly need and will use. **No Junk Food, please,** in the Twin Cities, all the food is monitored for its nutritional value. This guarantees that the food shelf visitors only receive food that is good for them. They monitor the value based on a nutrition assessment guide provided by United Way.

2026 Collection of Leaves and Bundled Brush

The yard waste collection season goes through the first week of December to accommodate late-dropping leaves. Your garbage day in the week of November 30 – December 4 will be your last pickup of leaves, brush and other yard trimmings for 2026. There will be no additional yard waste service after your last scheduled pickup.
Yard waste must be in compostable bags – paper lawn and leaf bags or BPI certified compostable plastic bags), postable plastic – or unbagged in a reusable container 32-38 gallons in size, at least 26 inches high, with sturdy handles. Yard waste is not allowed in City-provided containers. Set all yard waste next to your cart by 6 am on your pickup day.
Leaves > less than 40 pounds
Brush > less than 40 pounds, less than three feet long; branch size less than three inches in diameter, must be bundled with string or twine (NO tape or wire)
For information visit minneapolismn.gov/solid-waste or call their offices at 612-673-2917 between 8 am and 4 pm Monday – Friday.

Don't rake leaves into the street; it's against the law and damages our lakes!

Fall Street Sweeping | Mid-October to mid-November

Cars must be moved so crews can clear debris and leaves from the streets. Signs will be posted at least 24 hours before towing begins. Signs will specify the day of the week that parking is banned and read "No Parking 7 am to 4:30 pm."
Don't get Towed! Find out when your street is scheduled for sweeping: check the schedule at minneapolismn.gov/streetsweeping. If you have questions about street sweeping, call 311.

Around Our Community

Vital Fitness
East Side Neighborhood Services, 1700 Second Street NE
Registration and/or questions: 612-787-4086 or *VitalLiving@esns.org*
Weekly Thursdays from 10:30-11:30 am, in person. A wide variety of balance, strength and flexibility movements will be incorporated into this fun and social group class. No cost. Pre-registration is helpful for planning purposes but not required. All abilities are encouraged to come. Movements can be done seated or standing.

Sauerkraut Supper with Roasted Pork, Rutabagas & More!

Grace Lutheran Church invites you to attend their annual Sauerkraut Supper on **Saturday, November 7**. Dine-in at 5 pm with take-out options from 5:30 – 6:30 pm. Call 612.788-2444 to reserve tickets or go to gracenempls.org/supper to purchase tickets. Adults are $20, with Children 12 & under $12. This event also includes a quilt raffle!
Grace Lutheran Church of Northeast Minneapolis is located at 1500 Sixth Street NE (enter at Sixth Street side door #2 or Fifth Street side door #3).

Turkey Bingo - November 8 @ 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Help Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church fix its roof and install a new furnace by joining their Turkey Bingo on Sunday, **November 8, from 3-5 pm**, in the church fellowship hall, 1701 St. Anthony Parkway. 10 Bingo games for $10 (win a turkey or grocery gift card), raffles for local establishment gift cards and special silent auction items, including Vikings tickets for 11/29 home game.

St. Anthony Kiwanis Dinner & Auction

The St. Anthony Kiwanis will host their annual Dinner and Auction on **Sunday, November 8, beginning at 5 pm** at the St. Anthony Community Center, 3301 Silver Lake Road NE. Tickets are $40 (includes food, beverages). There will be games and both a live and silent auction. Purchase tickets/direct questions by emailing stanthonykiwanis@gmail.com. All proceeds go toward community youth programming.

FREE Community Dinner at St. Timothy's; November 10th @ 5 pm – 6:30 pm

Join St. Timothy's on Tuesday, November 10, from 5 pm to 6:30 pm (or until the food is gone) for their drive through community dinner. All are welcome! Please spread the word! St. Timothy's Lutheran Church is located at 825 51st Avenue NE, in Columbia Heights.

Free Community Dinner at Faith UMC - November 12 @ 5 pm - 6 pm

Faith United Methodist Church, 2708 33rd Avenue NE, will hold a free community dinner every second Thursday of the month from 5-6 pm. Everyone is welcome. The last date for 2026 is December 10.

California Dreamin' 2026 – November 13 @ 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm

The California Building, 2205 California Street NE, will open for its annual fall open studio event, California Dreamin' 2026 on **Friday, November 13, 5-9 pm, Saturday, November 14, 12-8 pm, and Sunday, November 15, 12-5 pm**. The event will feature a wide array of open studios, activities, music and food offerings. Patrons are invited to explore six floors of art with more than 40 participating studios.

Art Attack! 2026

Whether you're a longtime art collector, a fellow artist, an enthusiastic appreciator or just someone who wants to spend a weekend surrounded by creativity, Art Attack is all about the art – the people who create it and the people who love it. Meet the artists behind the work, explore their studios, discover something you've never seen before and experience the diversity of art created in Northeast Minneapolis. Northrup King Building, Jackson Street NE. **Friday, November 13, 5-9 pm; Saturday, November 14, 12-8 pm; Sunday, November 15, 12-5 pm**.

"Delightful 20"

Artists Jennifer Davis and Amy Rice will celebrate two decades of art and friendship **Friday, November 13, 5-9 pm (Gallery Exhibition); Saturday, November, 14, noon-8 (Pop-Up Shop); and Sunday, November 15, noon-5 (Pop-Up Shop)** at the California Building, 2205 California Street NE, Floor 6. The Pop-Up Store on the same floor will feature smaller work, prints and more original works by Davis and Rice.

Research your home's history

Saturday, November 14, 10-11:30 am, learn about historical resources at the library and across the county that will help you piece together a history of your Minneapolis house, neighborhood or property. Northeast Library, 2300 Central Avenue NE.

Book Sale at Pierre Bottineau - November 21 @ 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

The Friends of Pierre Bottineau Library will hold a book sale **Saturday, November 21, 10 am-2 pm** at the Pierre Bottineau Library, 55 Broadway Street NE. Hundreds of books available, including adult fiction and nonfiction, and children's books. Blind Date books (recently published hardcover books) are $2. Hardcovers are $1, paperbacks and children's books are $.50. Cash or Venmo accepted. Book donations accepted during library hours through November 6. (Please: No textbooks, magazines, or media).

Ye Olde Pub Night at St. Clements

Saturday, November 21, 4-11 pm, socialize with warm pub-style food & drink, raffles, photo booth and entertainment. Heated cigar & whiskey tent (8 pm). Music by the McNordiques. Dinner will include your choice of Beef Stew with Bread OR Bangers & Mash, both include apple crisp for dessert. Reservations $40 at https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/st-clement-pub-night or Holy Cross Parish Office (612) 930-0860. Proceeds and donations benefit the St. Clement's Maintenance Fund.
St. Clement's is located at St. Clement Catholic Church, 901 24th Ave NE.

This Christmas season, you are invited to gather with the Concordia St. Paul community for *A Concordia St. Paul Christmas*, a joyful afternoon of worship, music, and fellowship celebrating the good news of Christ's birth.

Returning to St. Michael's Lutheran Church in Bloomington, this year's program promises to be an unforgettable celebration of Christ's birth, featuring Concordia's exceptional choral and instrumental ensembles, scripture readings, and congregational hymns.
After the concert, stay and enjoy fellowship over desserts and refreshments as we share in the spirit of the season together. Admission is **free** with **reserved tickets**.

Event Details:

🗓️ Saturday, December 5, 2026
📍 St. Michael's Lutheran Church, Bloomington, MN
🕒 3:00 PM – Doors Open for Seating
🎶 3:30 PM – Concert Begins
🍰 Dessert reception to follow

November 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 **23rd Sunday after Pentecost** ***All Saints Day Observed*** **10 am Worship w/HC** 11:45 am Royal Family Worship 6 pm NA **Daylight Savings Time Ends!**	**2** 7 pm AlAnon (upstairs) 7 pm Beginners AlAnon (downstairs)	**3** **ELECTION DAY** Find your polling place https://vote.minneapolismn.gov/voters/where-to-vote/ 7 pm SLAA Group Meeting	**4** **11 am Bible Study**	**5**	**6** **Pastor's Day Off** 5 – 8 pm Living Word Music Rehearsal	**7** 10 am - 12 pm Living Word Worship & Fellowship 6 – 8 pm Living Word Prayer Night
8 **24th Sunday after Pentecost** **10 am Worship w/HC** 11:45 am Royal Family Worship 6 pm NA	**9** 7 pm AlAnon (upstairs) 7 pm Beginners AlAnon (downstairs)	**10** 7 pm SLAA Group Meeting	**11 VETERANS DAY** **11 am Bible Study**	**12**	**13** **Pastor's Day Off** 5 – 8 pm Living Word Music Rehearsal	**14** 10 am - 12 pm Living Word Worship & Fellowship 6 – 8 pm Living Word Prayer Night
15 **25th Sunday after Pentecost** **10 am Worship w/HC** 11:45 am Royal Family Worship 6 pm NA **Last Day for Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box Collection**	**16** **Social Ministry to Deliver Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes** 7 pm AlAnon (upstairs) 7 pm Beginners AlAnon (downstairs)	**17** **5 pm GDLC Council Mtg** 7 pm SLAA Group Meeting	**18** **11 am Bible Study**	**19**	**20** **Pastor's Day Off** 5 – 8 pm Living Word Music Rehearsal	**21** 10 am - 12 pm Living Word Worship & Fellowship 4 – 5 pm Living Word Board Meeting 6 – 8 pm Living Word Prayer Night
22 The Last Sunday of the Church Year **10 am Worship w/HC** 11:45 am Royal Family Worship 6 pm NA	**23** 7 pm AlAnon (upstairs) 7 pm Beginners AlAnon (downstairs)	**24** 7 pm SLAA Group Meeting	**25** **NO 11 am Bible Study**	**26** **THANKSGIVING DAY** **10 am Thanksgiving Service w/HC**	**27** **Pastor's Day Off** 5 – 8 pm Living Word Music Rehearsal	**28** 10 am - 12 pm Living Word Worship & Fellowship 6 – 8 pm Living Word Prayer Night
29 **First Sunday of Advent** **10 am Worship w/HC** 11:45 am Royal Family Worship 6 pm NA	**30**					**Gloria Dei Lutheran Church** 3014 McKinley Street NE, Minneapolis 612-781-1989 www.gloriadeilcms.org info@gloriadeilcms.org

November Special Occasions





Happy Birthday	Happy Anniversary
2nd Daniel Harris 14th Betty Hietala 17th Chris Hadrath	None

NOVEMBER SERVANTS

ELDERS: Daniel Carlson and Jason Matasovsky

Please sign up for Ushering and Altar Care on the sign-up sheets on the front Lobby bulletin board. Thank you!

Counters

1st	Tom and Patty Lyrenmann
8th	Shirley Holzinger and Verlayne Sather
15th	Sandy Westling and Tom Harris
22nd	Dale Raschke and Wade Billmeyer
26th	Al, Pam and Aaron Morelli
29th	Al, Pam and Aaron Morelli

Candles		Flowers
1st		**1st**
8th		**8th**
15th		**15th**
22nd		**22nd**
26th	Sandy Westling – Praise and Thanksgiving	**26th**
29th	Shirley Holzinger – Nephew, Adam's, Birthday (12/05)	**29th**

If you sign up for flowers and/or candles after the newsletter is published, please let the Office know. We want to make sure that flowers are ordered and you are properly acknowledged in the bulletin notes. Thank You!



THE LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD

Pray For Us Calendar

THE LORD'S PRAYER — NOVEMBER 1–13

This month, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) gives thanks for God's abundant grace we have received through Jesus Christ's sacrificial death and resurrection. In all things we give thanks for His love and mercy.

Give thanks as you pray:

1. *Give thanks for the saints who have gone before us.* Ask Him to empower Christians to follow their example of faith and good works.

2. *Give thanks for the saints on earth.* Pray that His Church might continue in the true faith and proclaim the saving Good News.

3. *Thank God that He is our heavenly Father.* Rejoice that God invites us to believe that He is our true Father and we are His true children.

4. *Thank God that His name is holy.* Rejoice that all can trust in the Lord, for His Word is truth.

5. *Thank God for His Kingdom.* Pray that the Lord of the Harvest would provide workers for the harvest field.

6. *Thank God for His will.* Pray that His will is done. Not ours.

7. *Thank God that His will is done on earth as it is in heaven.* Pray that God would keep us firm in His Word and faith until we die.

8. *Thank God for daily bread.* Pray for all those who are hungry today.

9. *Thank God for forgiveness.* Repent. Rejoice that yours sins are forgiven by Christ.

10. *Thank God for forgiveness.* Pray for the strength to forgive those who have sinned against you.

11. *Thank God that He leads us out of temptation.* Ask God to lead you in paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

12. *Thank God that He delivers us from evil.* Rejoice that Jesus has won the victory over sin, death and the power of the devil.

13. *Thank God that He hears our prayers for Jesus' sake.* Rejoice that God promises to hear our prayers as a loving Father.



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NOVEMBER *Pray For Us Calendar*

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS AND THE APOSTLES' CREED — NOVEMBER 14–30

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Give thanks as you pray:

14. *Thank God that He is the God who saves*. Pray that all might fear, love and trust in Him alone.

15. *Thank God that His name is trustworthy*. Call upon Him in every trouble, pray, praise and give thanks.

16. *Thank God for Sabbath rest.* Hold His Word sacred. Gladly hear and learn it.

17. *Thank God for your parents.* Thank Him for all those in authority. Pray for the strength to obey.

18. *Thank God for your neighbor*, that you might help in any need.

19. *Thank God for Christian marriage*. May all learn to love as Christ loves His Church.

20. *Thank God for what He has provided for you*. May all learn the secret of being content.

21. *Thank God for the people in your life*. May we speak well of them and explain everything in the kindest way.

22. *Thank God for your home.* Rejoice and be content in what He has provided for you.

23. *Thank God for the people God has provided in your life*.

24. *Thank God for the Ten Commandments*. Pray for strength to rejoice in His will and to walk in His ways to the glory of His holy name.

25. *Thank God for creation.*

26. *Thank God for His Son Jesus Christ.*

27. *Thank God for the suffering, death and resurrection of Christ.* Rejoice that Christ's death has purchased and won you from all sins, from death and from the power of the devil.

28. *Thank God for the promise of Christ's return*. The Church prays, Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.















29. *Thank God for the Holy Spirit,* who calls, gathers, enlightens and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

30. *Thank God for St. Andrew, apostle*. St. Andrew, Peter's brother, heard John's cry to "Behold the Lamb of God" and followed Jesus.

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