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2025



<u>REMINDER:</u>

Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday, November 2nd! Set your clocks BACK one hour Saturday night before bed.

November Worship Schedule

Nov 2 – 21st Sunday after Pentecost w/HC (All Saints' Day)

Nov 9 - 22nd Sunday after Pentecost w/HC

Nov 16 -- 23th Sunday after Pentecost w/HC

Nov 23 - The Last Sunday of the Church Year w/HC

Nov 26 -- Thanksgiving Service w/HC - Wednesday Evening (5 PM)

Nov 30 - First Sunday in Advent w/HC



From Pastor Matthew's Desk

ALWAYS RETURN AND GIVE THANKS

It's November, and our thoughts turn to the Thanksgiving holiday later this month. Sadly, there can be fear and anxiety that go along with Thanksgiving, or any big holiday gathering. Lurking behind the turkey with all the trimmings are fears of conversations around the dinner table that can go off the rails. There can be disagreements or even arguments around the table about a host of things that alienate people from one another, including members of the same family. Unkind or even untrue things can be said that leave everyone in a less than festive mood. What to do?

The Gospel lesson appointed to be read in worship for Thanksgiving is the story of Jesus' healing of the ten lepers (<u>Luke 17:11-19 ESV - Jesus Cleanses Ten Lepers - On the way - Bible Gateway</u>). Take a moment to read through this. The final outcome of this passage of Scripture is that after having been cleansed of their leprosy, only one out of the ten persons healed returned to give thanks to Jesus. From Jesus' remarks, we do know that the one who returned to give thanks was a Samaritan. What about the other nine lepers? We are not told who they were or where they came from. Leprosy was a much-feared disease of the ancient world (<u>Leprosy (Hansen's disease) (who.int)</u> that often left people terribly disfigured. Additionally, lepers were forced to leave their homes and live together in leper colonies in order not to infect others. Further, these individuals were considered ritually unclean and so were isolated from the worship life of Israel. The Torah contained very specific guidelines for identifying and handling leprosy (<u>Leviticus 13 ESV - Laws About Leprosy - The LORD spoke to - Bible Gateway</u>).

The point is that this one individual, healed of his disease, returned to give thanks to Jesus. In our own lives, we may not have experienced such a dramatic gift from the Lord's hand, but do we remember to return and give thanks for the blessings that we have received? Even when everyone else around us fails to do so (like the other nine lepers), returning to give thanks to the Lord for blessings received is the right thing to do.

Will our giving of thanks this year be diminished because of circumstances in life? So often we equate material goods with God's blessings, and when those material goods are in short supply or removed entirely, we may be tempted to think that God has withdrawn his blessing from us. Not true! Read through what Jesus has to say in Matthew 5:1-12 ESV - The Sermon on the Mount - Seeing the - Bible Gateway and Luke 6:20-26 ESV - The Beatitudes - And he lifted up his - Bible Gateway about what it means to be blessed. Like Dr. Harry Wendt, author of *Crossways!* Bible study puts it: "Jesus never links being blessed to acquiring material goods. He links it only to devoting life to reflecting His servant ministry in all we think, say, and do" (*Crossways!* Leader's Manual, p. 14).

As we think about blessings in life, consider Paul the apostle's words: "I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me" (Philippians 4:11-13). To be content in life — that is a true gift!

And how richly blessed we are to know God as our Maker and Redeemer! Even if all the material goods we possess (which aren't really ours in the first place – they are just on loan from God to us to manage) were taken away, our relationship with that gracious God remains intact. So, whether we have a lot or a little, let us offer thanks and praise to God for the deeper and richer blessings in life that go far beyond material goods. Like that Samaritan who had been healed, let us return and give thanks.

For the Christian, Thanksgiving is not just a one-day event in late November, but an on-going, daily process by which we offer ourselves, our time, our possessions — all that we are and have — as an offering of thanks to the Lord, all in response to his mercy and grace. Thanksgiving leads into *thanksliving* as we look not only to our own needs, but to the needs of others. May it be so with each one of us.

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod LCMS Stewardship Ministry - November 2025

Pointing to the Rock of Ages

Not the labor of my hands Can fulfill Thy Law's demands;

Could my zeal no respite know, Could my tears forever flow, All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone. (LSB 761:2)

While the classic hymn "Rock of Ages" shows up in the Lutheran Service Book in the "Hope and Comfort" section, it can also teach us a valuable lesson about Christian stewardship. If that surprises you, stay with me on this one.

No Lutheran would ever dispute the fact that our work does not save us. Ephesians 2 makes it truly clear that we are dead in our trespasses and sins and would remain in that state until Christ raises us by grace. There is not a ladder on which we can climb out of the grave that our sins have dug for us. No blood, sweat nor tears will be able to rescue us. We all know this.

Our works do not save. Christ's work on the cross of Calvary does! He bore human flesh. He carried the burden of our sin to the cross. His body was beaten, bruised and bloodied for us. He has indeed atoned for us! This is more than enough reason for this hymn to be bouncing around in your head all day today!

But our work has a place. The place is in response to what the Father has done for us in Jesus. The Rock of Ages, who is Jesus, becomes the foundation on which our lives of faith are built. The Holy Spirit uses the means of grace to make us God's workmanship that Paul talks about in Ephesians 2:10.

Our workmanship does not display our power or prowess. Like the heavens declare the handiwork of the Creator, the works of a redeemed sinner point others to the salvation that is worked only by Jesus alone. Our work is a response to and reflection of a grace and glory that we ourselves could never accomplish or achieve.

We become stewards of the treasure that is the Gospel. When we faithfully support the work of the Gospel of Jesus Christ with our financial support, we are doing the work which points to the One who alone atones. When we come alongside a struggling sister or brother for whom Christ died and we share the stewardship work of compassion and care, we enflesh the treasure of God's love and redemption. When we make it a weekly priority to arrange our schedule to be in the Lord's House with other stewards of the Gospel to receive again and again the Gospel's precious gift, we are stewards of the Body of Christ in the congregation that points even more people to Jesus.

We cannot do this. Jesus does it through us. We are simply stewards of this precious treasure!

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 16.

Shoeboxes will be delivered on Monday, November 17.

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 I tems - 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 varn 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 2 "The Way Out" (1 Corinthians 10:13)
Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

Jesus alone is the Way out, rescuing us from sin, despair, and death. He calls us to live as people "on the way."

November 9 "The Lead of Life" (Luke 20:27-40)
Guest Speaker: Pastor Ryan Tinetti
The lead (or 'lede') of a news story conveys the most essential information. What is the lead of the Good News, the Gospel?

November 16 "The Name on the Front" (Romans 12:5-6)
Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler
Mercy is an others-focused attitude because God is an others-first God.

November 23 "An Unlikely King" (Philippians 2:5-11) Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Chad Lakies Christ is the King of an unlikely kingdom. Dr. Chad Lakies describes that kingdom's seemingly upside-down, illogical logic.

November 30 "Rise and Shine" (Romans 13:11)
Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler
Belief in the resurrection of Jesus is no siesta. It's a 5am wake-up call, a jolt out of bed that will turn your world upside down.

The ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held in January 2026



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



Please Note:

The Thanksgiving Service will be held on Wednesday, November 26 at 5pm
This adjustment will allow families and individuals more flexibility to celebrate
Thanksgiving Day together. The hope is that holding the service a day earlier will enable everyone to participate in both the service and their holiday traditions without conflict. This will be a joint service with Royal Family.
There will be NO Bible Study that Wednesday.

As a reminder, Gloria Dei will hold
Christmas Eve candlelight service at 5pm and Christmas Day service at 10 am.



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 www.timeofgrace.org

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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.



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

Food Panty

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 46.5 pounds of food. 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.



Salvation Army Christmas Tree Gift Collection Starts Soon!

The Social Ministry Committee will collect new gifts for children ages 0-14 for the Salvation Army from November 13 to December 7. Please bring unwrapped items to the Church and place them under the Christmas tree in the Narthex. Also, include an estimated dollar value for each gift, as requested by the Salvation Army's auditor.

GIFT IDEAS:

BOYS 6-14: Legos, Play tent, Tonka Trucks, Walkie Talkies, Hot Wheels, Children's Camera, Remote Control Cars, Star Wars toys, NBA/NFL clothing and gear.

GIRLS 6-14: Barbie Dolls (multi-cultural), Children's Camera, Scooter, Bead/Jewelry Kits, Art Kits/Projects, Make-up kits, Hair Accessories.

Gloria Dei has established a fund for **Youth Care International**, supporting Royal Family's children's mission in Liberia. Contributions help build schools, provide meals and school supplies, support bible camps, and contribute towards Pastor Matthew's spring mission trip.

To contribute, please note "Youth Care International" on your envelope.

Senior LinkAge Line is now called Minnesota Aging Pathways

This wonderful community resource has taken on a new name to better connect with those needing support! You can still call the same number at **800-333-2433** to get connected to resources, people, and services in the community.

Around Our Community

2025Collection of Leaves and Bundled Brush

The yard waste collection season goes through the end of November to accommodate late-dropping leaves. Your garbage day in the week of November 24 – 29 will be your last pickup of leaves, brush and other yard trimmings for 2025. There will be no additional service after your last scheduled pickup.

Yard waste must be in compostable bags — paper (Kraft) or BPI certified compostable 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.

BelframiScare: Bone Trami

The 11th Annual BeltramiScare takes place on Saturday, November 1, 5:30 p.m. at Beltrami Park, 1111 Summer Street NE. This year's theme is BoneTrami, so get ready for skeletons, spooky sights, and plenty of Halloween fun. Haunted tours will run every 15 minutes, giving you a chance to explore the eerie corners of Beltrami Park in a safe and spirited way.

St. Maron Lebanese Bake Sale

St. Anne's Club Annual Bake Sale at St. Maron Maronite Catholic Church, 602 University Avenue NE, will hold its annual Lebanese bake sale Saturday, November 8, 11 am—5 pm and Sunday, November 9, 9 am—12 pm. Sumboosick, baklava, macaroons, meat pies, Mishtah and Zaatar bread (Manoushe) will be on sale. Pre-orders encouraged online at www.stmaron.com OR email to secretary@stmaron.com. Questions, call 612-379-2758.

Don't' miss this opportunity to experience the vibrant and rich culture of Lebanon!

EDISON TO HONOR KOREAN, VIETNAM VETERANS

November 11 @ 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Edison High School will host a plaque dedication/veteran appreciation ceremony on Tuesday, Veterans Day, Nov. 11. Seven Edison graduates who were killed in the Korean War and 14 who died in Vietnam will be honored. The ceremony will take place in the Edison Community Gymnasium, 2030 Monroe St. NE, 7-8 pm.

FREE Community Dinner at St. Timothy's; November 11th @ 5 pm - 6:30 pm

Join St. Timothy's on Tuesday, November 11, 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 13 @ 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 2025 is December 11.

California Dreamin' 2025

November 14 @ 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

The California Building, 2205 California Street NE, will open for its annual fall open studio event, California **Dreamin' on Friday, Nov.14, 5**-9 pm, Saturday, Nov. 15, 12-8 pm, and Sunday, Nov. 16, 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, get hands on with demos and classes, and listen to live music from a variety of local musicians. Food and drink will be available from the on-site café, Mojo Coffee Gallery.

Terrarium Workshop

November 15 @ 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Make an indoor garden in a glass vessel. Saturday, Nov. 15, 1-2:30 pm. Bottineau Field Park Rec Center, 2000 2nd St. NE. Cost: \$12.

Immaculate Conception Pancake Breakfasts

November 16 @ 8:30 am - 11:30 am

Enjoy a breakfast of sausage, potatoes, eggs, pancakes and beverages the third Sunday of the month. Breakfast is served downstairs in the Fellowship Hall, 8:30-11:30 am. Adults \$13, ages 5-12 \$7, ages 4 and under free. Credit and debit cards are accepted. All proceeds benefit Immaculate Conception Church, 4030 Jackson Street NE.

PACIM Soup Festival

November 16 @ 10:30 am - 3:00 pm

The Polish Cultural Institute of Minnesota (PACIM) will hold a Soup Festival fundraiser at Holy Cross Church, 1621 University Avenue NE, on Sunday, Nov. 16, 10:30 am to 3 pm. The soups will be mushroom, dill pickle, cabbage, tomato, potato, Żurek, and beet. Bigos will also be served. Proceeds go to support and promote both contemporary and traditional Polish-American culture.

Thanksgiving Lunch and Turkey Raffle

November 16 @ 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

St. Constantine Ukrainian Catholic Church, 515 University Ave. NE, will hold a Thanksgiving lunch on Sunday, Nov. 16, 11 am-1 pm on the 2nd floor of the parish hall. Lunch includes a warm, open-faced faced turkey sandwich, gravy, stuffing, green beans, dessert and beverage. Cost is \$14 for adults; \$7 for children between 6-12 years and children under 5 are free. During the event, there will be turkey raffles and basket raffles as well as Ukrainian folk art for sale.

Echoes of Gregorian Chant

Holy Cross Catholic Church, 1621 University Avenue NE, hosts a unique organ concert, *Echoes of Gregorian Chant*, on Sunday, November 16, 3 pm. The event will feature Dr. Samuel Backman, Director of Sacred Music at Holy Cross, performing a program that brings timeless Gregorian melodies to life through the majestic and kaleidoscopic sound of the pipe organ. This evocative concert explores how Gregorian melodies have inspired composers across centuries. **Free**. Donations are encouraged to support the Holy Cross Sacred Music & Arts Endowment Fund, ensuring the continued flourishing of sacred music in the heart of Northeast Minneapolis.

Hennepin County Neighborhood Fix-It Hub, November 25 @ 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Learn to fix your broken stuff for free at St. Anthony Library, 2941 Pentagon Drive. Second and fourth Tuesdays of every month, 4-7 pm, last items accepted at 6:30 pm. Work with a friendly, skilled volunteer to try to fix your broken household stuff, gain confidence and learn new repair skills. This event is family friendly. No registration required. Upcoming 2025 dates: Oct 28, Nov 25, Dec 9 and 23. Volunteers are needed to assist with repair and sewing — come help your neighbors. Contact Nancy Lo at nancy.lo@hennepin.us or 612-348-9195. https://www.hennepin.us/fixitclinic

NE Day Spot Friend Volunteers Highly Needed!

Fridays 9:30AM-1:30 PM | 4th Saturday of the Month | 9:30AM-1:30PM

NE Day Spot Friends play an important role during the dementia-friendly NE Day Spot Respite Program. On Fridays from 9:30AM-1:30PM, you will socialize with participants, provide support during activities, and help with setup and cleanup. No hands-on care required.

Some of the perks of being a NE Day Spot Friend are:

- Laughing and smiling until your cheeks hurt while swapping jokes and stories in our coffee hour.
- Getting your body moving and grooving for the day with some group stretches.
- Enjoying and participating in musical activities led by talented musicians.

Help give individuals facing dementia a welcoming space they associate with friends and fun. You would also allow caregivers the priceless gift of time—a few moments to themselves in order to recharge, relax, or accomplish a task. A small window in their week where they can breathe and take a moment for themselves with the reassurance that the person they care for is safely enjoying themselves too. <u>Flexible scheduling!</u> Questions about volunteering as a NE Day Spot Friend or additional Vital Living volunteer opportunities? Contact Caitlin at 612-787-4023 or <u>cenright@esns.org</u>.

Drop-In Tech Time, Wednesdays from 11:00 AM-12:30 PM (In-person)

If you have a specific tech question and want 1:1 support, please consider stopping by the Drop-In Tech Time! They can help with day-to-day questions regarding things like how to search the internet, app functions, making text bigger, etc. It is helpful to schedule in advance. If you need support and Wednesdays do not work for you, please feel free to call and they can try to find a different day that works better.

For all drop-in tech support sessions, plan to gathering in the Tech Lounge at East Side Neighborhood Services. No cost for this service but donations are welcome.

For questions and to register, contact 612-787-4086 or *VitalLiving@esns.org.*

Vital Fitness | In-Person on Thursdays Weekly | 10:30-11:30 AM

All abilities are encouraged to come. Movements can be done seated or standing.

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.

Questions? Contact 612-787-4086 or *VitalLiving@esns.org*.

November 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Gloria Dei Lutheran Church 3014 McKinley Street NE, Minneapolis 612-781-1989 www.gloriadeilcms.org info@gloriadeilcms.org						1 10 am - 12 pm Living Word Worship & Fellowship 6 – 8 pm Living Word Prayer Night
2 21st 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!	3 7 pm AlAnon (upstairs) 7 pm Beginners AlAnon (downstairs)	4 ELECTION DAY Find your polling place https://vote.minneapolismn. gov/voters/where-to-vote/	5 11 am Bible Study 7:30 pm SLAA Group Meeting	6	7 Pastor's Day Off 5 – 8 pm Living Word Music Rehearsal	8 10 am - 12 pm Living Word Worship & Fellowship 6 - 8 pm Living Word Prayer Night
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16 23 rd 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	17 Deliver Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box 7 pm AlAnon (upstairs) 7 pm Beginners AlAnon (downstairs)	18 10 am Pastor Winkle at Gloria Dei (Service followed by a light breakfast and discussion) 5 pm GDLC Council Mtg	19 <u>NO</u> 11 am Bible Study 7:30 pm SLAA Group Meeting	20	21 Pastor's Day Off 5 – 8 pm Living Word Music Rehearsal	22 10 am - 12 pm Living Word Worship & Fellowship 6 – 8 pm Living Word Prayer Night
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30 First Sunday of Advent 10 am Worship w/HC 11:45 am Royal Family Worship 6 pm NA			<u> </u>			

November Special Occasions





Happy Birthday

Happy Anniversary

2nd Daniel Harris
 14th Betty Hietala
 17th Chris Hadrath

NOVEMBER SERVANTS

ELDERS: Karmon Christopherson

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

Counters

2nd Shirley Holzinger and Verlayne Sather
 9th Sandy Westling and Tom Haris
 16th Dale Raschke and Wade Billmeyer
 23rd Al, Pam and Aaron Morelli
 26th Tom and Patty Lyrenmann

30th Shirley Holzinger and Verlayne Sather

	Candles		Flowers
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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.



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 anv 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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