

November



PASTOR'S MESSAGE

November is a month when our thoughts turn toward thanksgiving. In the church we begin the month by remembering those who have died in the past year. Remembering them leads our hearts and minds into a sea of gratitude. We may feel gratitude for the years they spent on earth, the ways they blessed us and other people, and the joys they experienced over the course of their lifetime. And once we begin thinking about loved ones, we think about preparing for the Thanksgiving holiday. We may wonder how it will be different this year and whether or not we will be able to spend it with family or friends.

Thoughts about the Thanksgiving holiday often prompt us to think more generally about all for which we are grateful. Here at Our Lord's this is the time we hold our annual financial stewardship emphasis. After all, our giving to God is an act of gratitude. From the resources God has given us to manage, we share a portion to be used for the ministries of OLLC. During the coming weeks you will have a chance to think about your own relationship with money and who has been a part of forming your attitudes and practices in the areas of spending, saving, and giving. By the time we make our financial commitments on the weekend of November 21 and 22, I hope you will have a clear picture of your own money story and where it connects to God's work in the world.

God is always showing up in unexpected places. So this month I invite you to pause, either at the start or conclusion of each day, and name three things for which you are thankful. Maybe they are things you bought with money. Or, maybe they are things money can't buy. Perhaps they are memories. Just name three things. Jot them down on a calendar square or on a notepad. Then sometime during the Thanksgiving holiday weekend let your eyes linger on what you have written. And see where God shows up.

Pastor Kratzer

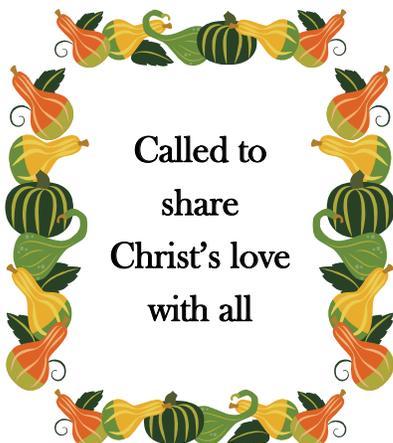
"Gratitude turns what we have into enough, and more. It turns denial into acceptance, chaos into order, confusion into clarity ... it makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow."
- Melody Beattie



**OUR LORD'S
LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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OUR LORD'S NEWS

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THANK-YOU

Many, many thanks to the Speaker Series Team. Anna Foppe, Dave Gocken, Carol Gocken, Carol Orr, and Pastor Kratzer grabbed hold of a long-held vision for hosting a series of speakers on environmental and social justice topics and brought it to life this fall. Although the pandemic required adapting to doing a virtual series, the speakers still brought their A-game to the screen. Thanks also to Megan Wieser for developing an infographic, press release, and other materials used to publicize the series in seven local news sources.

If you were unable to attend on Wednesday nights, you may view the presentation portion of each session on YouTube. Search for Our Lord's Lutheran Church within YouTube and, in addition to the weekend services, you will find six presentations to stimulate your mind and your heart.

Thank You

NEW DIRECTOR OF NON-TRADITIONAL MUSIC

If we haven't officially met, I'm Jacob Davis, the shiny new Director of Non-Traditional Worship. I moved to St. Louis around two years ago from Oklahoma when my then-girlfriend-now-wife started medical school at SLU. I graduated from Oklahoma State University with a Bachelor's in Music Industry, with a focus on venue management (instrumental focus was voice). Drums and voice are my main instruments (but I can only play and sing at the same time on a good day with a good song), and while I don't consider myself good at the piano by any means, I passed all my piano proficiencies in college. I can also hang on the guitar if all I need to do is rhythm/acoustic work.

See page 5 for Jacob's answers to the "Getting to Know You" prompts.

BUILDING USE POLICY DURING THE PANDEMIC



social distancing
please continue
practicing throughout

At the present time Our Lord's is permitting groups of 25 people or less to use our classrooms or fellowship halls for meetings. Masks and social distancing must be observed. Leaders of the groups are responsible for disinfecting all areas used during the meetings. Contact the office at (618) 345-5692 or lovetohaveu@ourlords.org to reserve your date and time.

Scriptures for Worship Services – Indoor and Online
Saturdays at 5 pm and Sundays at 8 & 10:45 am



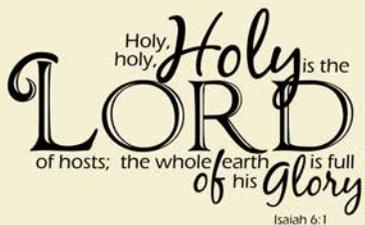
October 31 and November 1
All Saint's Weekend, First Communion
"Remember"
Revelation 7:9-17; Matthew 5:1-12

November 7 and 8
"Release"
Matthew 19:16-22; Deuteronomy 15:1-11

November 14 and 15
Receiving of New Members
"Reimagine"
Mark 12: 38-44; Leviticus 19:9-10; 25:8-12

November 21 and 22
Dedication of Financial Commitments
"Restore"
John 21:1-14; Genesis 33:1-17

November 28 and 29
First Sunday in Advent
"Stir Up Your Power, and Come"
Isaiah 6:1-9; Mark 13: 24-37



We all have a money story, whether we recognize it or not. This theme invites us to discover and tell our money stories in light of God's money story of liberation and justice. This series encourages us to transform our stewardship practices into more full expressions of who we are and what we believe. This theme is intentionally direct—it invites us to name exactly what we're talking about and not skirt around it. To speak of money is to invite tension into the room. We so quickly want to avoid it. But it's time we reframe this. Money and possessions are one of the most common topics in scripture, and Jesus talked about money more than faith and prayer. Our money story, therefore, is a spiritual story. Thinking about God's money story should be liberating, inviting, and transformative. This stewardship season, we invite you to remember, release, reimagine, and restore your money stories so that we can write the one God is begging us to live into.





Restoring OUR LORD'S House

Dear Our Lord's family,

Our Lord's is a great place to be and has been for over 50 years! This is a great time in the life of our church.

Our Lord's services are vibrant and welcoming to all members and visitors. Our campus includes the Worship Center (sanctuary, nursery, small gathering rooms, fellowship hall, and Fair Trade), Life Center (office space, classrooms, two kitchens, and a large dining area in the lower level), and Chapel in the Pines (an outdoor space encouraging peace and reflection). We offer two distinct styles of worship but always convey the same message of Christ's love. Our facilities are used extensively by church members as well as organizations in the community. We provide educational programs for children age three up to adult. The men's group meets monthly and Morning Glories for women meet twice each month.

To continue to minister to our members, our guests, and our community we must now address the needs of our Worship Center facilities. To that end we are excited to begin a capital campaign... Restoring OUR LORD'S House. Information regarding the remodeling plans including facility needs, timeline, and projected costs will be mailed to members in the next few weeks.

We are asking that everyone prayerfully consider making a sacrificial gift to the capital campaign so that we might improve our Worship Center facilities. For 50 years the faithful generosity of many people has made it possible for Our Lord's to be in ministry. Now it's time for us to be faithful and generous so that we can renew and prepare to move boldly into a new future for OUR LORD'S.

Grace and Peace,

Capital Campaign Committee:

Karen Cummings-Larson, Linda Eakin, Laura Foppe, Gail Jorgenson,
Roberta Maue, Susanne Richter, Laura Schoenecker, Don Simonson



*And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him,
who have been called according to his purpose -- Romans 8:28*

This is the seventh month of this feature in our newsletter. We hope you continue to enjoy learning a bit more about each other.

Pastor Kratzer

GETTING TO KNOW JACOB DAVIS

What's your favorite comic strip? Calvin and Hobbes, no question. Bill Watterson is incredibly inspirational to me, especially his attitude towards work and how we define ourselves and others by our labor. His graduation speech at Kenyon College in 1990 is amazing, and I encourage everyone to look it up.

Funniest movie ever? I think *Airplane!* deserves the top spot for funniest movie in general for how groundbreaking and influential its humor was, but *The Blues Brothers* holds a special place in my heart. Its style of humor was/is a staple of the Davis household, and the music in that movie was one of the biggest factors in Young Jacob's decision to be a professional musician (I was enamored with Cab Calloway). It was also the first R-rated movie my family let me watch.

What do you think is the most exciting new technology and why? It's not exactly new, but I'm currently working on setting up a Dante network for one of my employers, and Dante is insane. It stands for Digital Audio Network Through Ethernet, and without getting to nerdy or technical, it replaces analog cables and connections with basic CAT5E/6 ethernet cables. All Dante-controlled equipment (mixers, speakers, computers) can be routed and controlled through one software hub with 100% lossless audio transmission, no matter how many devices you have or how far away they are. A dream, honestly.

Tell us a little about your family. My family unit at home is my wife (Brienna, 3rd year medical student) and three incredibly tiny, incredibly good black cats (Razz, Tobi, and Bisha). My family lives in Oklahoma; Mom (Jan) is a music teacher while Dad (Shannon) is a Methodist minister. I have two brothers, Solomon and Eli, who are 21 and 17. You may think that we all have Biblical names, but I was actually named after Jacob Pastorius (Mom is a jazz bassist).

Favorite book? It's hard to choose a favorite book, but easy to choose a favorite author: Kurt Vonnegut. All of Vonnegut's writings have the bittersweet, pessimistic-but-also-incredibly-optimistic quality to them that I can't get enough of. I think *Sirens of Titan* is my favorite, though: "It took us that long to realize that a purpose of human life, no matter who is controlling it, is to love whoever is around to be loved."

What song or playlist are you turning to in these days? On the sacred side, I really enjoy the Josh Garrels arrangement of *Farther Along*. I'm sure you'll hear me sing it sometime. Unspoken's *Reason* also gets pretty significant play. On the secular side, The Strokes' *The New Abnormal* really captures my Millennial Malaise, as I like to think of it. I'm big into Spotify playlist creation, so if anyone wants to really get to know me, I'd be happy to link some of my playlists.



EDUCATIONAL MINISTRY

LOVING JESUS

“Human beings must be known to be loved, but God must be loved to be known” – Blaise Pascal

*“The Bible, the Talmud, and the Qur’an all direct their followers not merely to believe in God, to trust God, to obey God, or to serve God...but to **love** God.”* Mark Allan Powell

What does it mean to love God? What does it mean to love Jesus? Join in a discussion of the book *Loving Jesus* by Mark Allan Powell. Powell, a recently retired Lutheran seminary professor, is an internationally known Bible scholar with particular expertise in Matthew and the historical Jesus. He also has a deep love of Jesus. You will find his book both interesting and challenging as we discuss how to “move beyond the old certitudes of a naïve and youthful faith into the less certain but more bracing terrain of a second naivete, a closer walk with Jesus.”

We will meet via Zoom on Tuesday mornings at 10 am starting on November 10. Please send me an email at revkratzer@gmail.com if you would like to participate so that the Zoom meeting information can be sent to you.

The book on Amazon is \$17.32 but the Kindle version is only \$5.99. Since used books sometimes take longer to arrive, I have ordered three. If you are interested in one of them, let me know. They average about \$8.75 per book. They will go to the first three to respond. If you would rather the church order a copy for you and then you reimburse the church, let me or someone in the office know. (love2haveu@ourlords.org)

I hope you will join us for what should be an interesting and profitable discussion.

Pastor Tom Kratzer
revkratzer@gmail.com

STUDY GROUPS



Morning Glories Bible Study will be gathering in the Fellowship Hall and via zoom meeting on the second and fourth Thursday during the month of November. Fall 2020: “Holy Time” by Meghan Johnston Aelabouni. In this three-session Bible study, the Rev. Meghan Johnston Aelabouni invites us to remember the past, recognize the present and reimagine the future.

Session 3: Holy time: Reimagining the future

Scriptures: Isaiah 55, Revelation 21-22

Themes/Questions: How do we faithfully look to the future? What does it mean to reimagine the future in light of the promises of God’s reign? How do we live now in hope and active expectation, and how does this open us (individuals, churches, communities) to transformation?

Bible Crunchers

Wednesdays at 3:00 pm.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89526311907?pwd=NFQ5U25oTXE5M2w3dkVFbG02RClZz09>

Meeting ID: 895 2631 1907

Password: 799925

Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

Proverbs 22:6

After reading this Bible passage, I thought about my own upbringing. Whenever one of my brothers or I were found guilty of an inappropriate behavior, a stern voice would call out our name; if it was your full name - YIKES!! Our parents noted our infraction and underscored the correct behavior, presented the consequence, and stated their love for us with a request to improve our conduct. Now I understand that while my parents' reprimand was not always pleasant, they did provide guidance, encouragement, love, and assumed responsibility for raising me in a Christ-like manner, for which I am forever grateful.

Our Fall session of virtual Sunday School will focus on the Parables. A parable is a short story that teaches a moral or spiritual lesson. Jesus told stories about everyday life which people could understand and apply to their own lives. Parents, please take time to review the parable information so children understand how God desires for us to live in a Christ-like manner.

During our Rally Day Drive Thru Celebration, we divided the church parking lot into stations to provide for social distancing. Families received their Virtual Sunday School packet. At the next station, Pastor delivered the blessing of the three-year olds and provided each family with a Spark Bible to present to their child. The last station featured Biblical characters (our wonderful confirmation students) who greeted the attendees with treats while they addressed the background of their chosen character. All our Sunday school students received their packets via the drive thru or by home delivery provided by gracious volunteers. We also received three requests for outreach packets. A special thanks to Pastor, Rhonda Comrie, Ed and Laura Foppe, Matt and Liz Blind, and the confirmation students for assisting with Rally Day.

Following the Fall session, the Winter session will focus on Advent and the MOST SPECIAL DAY, CHRISTMAS, the birth of Jesus Christ.

As part of the Virtual Sunday School ministry, I will continue to prepare Sunday School packets to distribute to children ages three through grade 5. If you know of friends, neighbors, or have grandchildren who would like to receive a Fall or Winter virtual packet, please contact me or let the church office know and we will be happy to forward a packet.

Lisa White
Sunday School Superintendent

A special thank you to those who have brought in craft supplies for the Sunday school ministry. Please continue to save your paper towel and any other paper rolls, craft supplies, sewing supplies, along with any other items you think might aid in our preparation of crafts for virtual Sunday School packets. If you have questions or need to have someone pick up the materials, contact Lisa White or the church office.



FELLOWSHIP

FIRST SATURDAY IN – A SOCIAL GATHERING ON ZOOM

Yes, we are back November 7th, at 6:30. If you are home and available, please join us for this once a month social gathering. We are able to do “breakout groups” allowing smaller groups to chat a bit and then bringing us all back together.

You do NOT need to register in advance for this meeting. Here is the link.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83342989545?pwd=UUJqSkc5SW9zZTQ3VTc3MIBsdWJkQT09>

Meeting ID: 833 4298 9545

Passcode: 364872

Those who wish to call in by phone (no Smartphone required) may contact the church office for the full Zoom invite.

So, whether you worship online or onsite on Saturday, November 7, please consider grabbing your dinner and getting on Zoom to chat with each other.

TOPIC: TUESDAY TEA

Time: 03:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Every week on Tue

Tuesday Tea will continue throughout the Fall. Even if you have not been a part of it before, you are welcome!

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86839398550?pwd=cTZUVi8ycjNJS296ZnZ4U3ErTGtwQT09>

Meeting ID: 868 3939 8550

Password: 511171



SERVICE TO CONGREGATION

MENS'S CLUB

Men's Club Meeting and Breakfast is on Saturday, **November 7th**, 7 am. If you feel comfortable please come out for fellowship and churchwork. If you plan on attending, please confirm by e-mail or text to Steve Hoelscher.



OCTOBER MOWER/TRIMMER SCHEDULE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Mowers</u>	<u>Trimmers</u>
Nov 5-7	Ted Nemsky	Mike Hester
Nov 12-14	Scott Comrie	Darrell Bruhn
Nov 19-21	Chuck Jorgenson	Steve Hoelscher
Nov 26-28	Jim Spencer	Tom Steinmann

FAITH IN ACTION

“A wise woman always keeps three plates spinning.” African Proverb

A friend of mine runs a non-profit for female entrepreneurs on the continent of Africa and shared with me an old African saying that a wise woman always has three plates spinning. The phrase has merit, so I'm inviting you to examine how this old proverb reflects our combined efforts to serve others.

Like many of you who are in the work force, volunteering, taking care of family members, or any combination of the these, my work at CFIA and home is keeping me busy, but that doesn't necessarily reflect the *value* of what we're doing with each day, week, month, and year. Simply being busy is like spinning many plates, but with no purpose other than spinning. Nor can I find comfort in the phrase "being productive." In fact, the word productive implies something machine-like rather than our human capacity for completing valuable work. We could certainly claim that spinning plates is hard work, and that we did it all day long, maybe for many years, but that machine-like efficiency is not what one's life work should be. No, we need to come back to the *value and purpose in our work*.

I see and speak with volunteers who are busier now in retirement that they were when they held down a full-time career. Hmm. "Held down" is quite a contrast to "plates spinning."

The jobs we "hold down" are necessary and help ground us, yet the image of our hands reaching upwards towards plates spinning midair is something much more magical, requiring much more attention, and it is an image of beauty, grace, and balance. Our jobs may be grounded to the earth, but our spinning plates reflect something much more upwardly bound. Though we all have bills to pay and tasks to complete as part of our responsibilities, the idea of keeping plates spinning suggests a higher purpose. Our "work" with Faith in Action is not to simply complete tasks. No indeed! It is to "keep plates spinning" even if we fear losing our balance.

This month, we at CFIA continue the privileged work of collaborating with community members, our 16 partner churches, the other agencies providing services in the Collinsville area, and the many, many of **you** who support us financially, with your prayers, and with your time. As we continue our work, let us remember to look beyond the list of items we need to complete each day and to set an intention to keep our plates spinning with beauty and grace.

**In gratitude,
Lisa Brennan**

MARYVILLE OUTREACH CENTER

Grandma's Attic is taking reservations so shoppers can come in by appointment only. Hours are Wednesday through Saturday from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm and Tuesday evenings from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Grandma's Attic is now accepting donations.

The Food Pantry also makes appointments with clients for twice/month curbside pickup. Churches will not be asked to put together Thanksgiving Baskets this year. The Food Pantry will still be giving out a Thanksgiving basket using items already stocked in the pantry as well as a \$50.00 grocery store gift card to purchase a turkey and other items to complete their holiday meal.

The Resident Assistance Program does interviews over the phone.

All appointments can be made by calling the Outreach Center at 618-345-9693 and leaving their name, phone number and a brief message. They will be called back as soon as possible.

**Carol Orr
OLLC Liaison**

BOY SCOUT FOOD DRIVE



This year's Boy Scout Food Drive will take place at the Maryville Community Center at 500 East Division Street on November 21st. Because of the necessary precautions needed due to COVID19, the sorting of donations will be done in shifts with 10 to 12 people present. Masks and social distancing will be required.

Our Lord's will have a shift on the 21st from 1:30 - 2:30 pm. We will share our shift with Mother of Perpetual Help.

A signup sheet is in the Narthex of Our Lord's or call the church office (345-5692).

FINANCIAL NEWS

TREASURER'S REPORT

As of September 30, 2020

Total receipts for September 2020	\$24,695	(anticipated budget amount of \$31,167)
Total disbursements for September 2020	\$26,459	(anticipated budget amount of \$31,500)
Total receipts for 2020 as of 9/30/2020	\$351,408	(anticipated budget amount of \$279,419)
Total disbursements for 2020 as of 9/30/2020	\$302,409	(anticipated budget amount of \$282,083)
VIF (Mortgage paid in September 2021)	\$ 3,045	
Cash - Unrestricted	\$45,176	(CD \$25,000 matures in December 2021)
Cash - Designated	\$53,996	

Submitted by **Max Eakin** 10/19/2020

REMINDERS

PRAYER LIST

We want to keep Our Lord's Prayer List as current and viable as possible.

The list is long, as we have many in our church family, or people we know, that need prayer. The church office "purges" the list periodically. If the person for which you have requested prayer has improved enough to come off the prayer list or has passed away, please let the church office know. Thank you for your help.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Reminder: Newsletter Deadline (to submit articles for January's Newsletter): Thursday, December 15.

WHEN YOU HAVE CHANGES

Please let the church office know of changes to e-mail address, mail/resident addresses, telephone numbers, job, college, graduations etc.

SYNOD WEB SITE: www.csis-elca.org

ELCA WEB SITE: www.elca.org

PRAYER VENTURES

Two pages of monthly prayer support for ELCA ministries are available in printed copy in our Worship Center and Life Center or accessed at www.elca.org/prayerventures.



November

BIRTHDAYS

Zachary Tiemann
Christopher Diggs
Dan Homes
Patrick Noga
Sara Davidson
Shelly Trucano
Alex Williams
Tom Messina
Keegan Charles Pugh
Kolby Matthew Pugh
Don Baden
Lydia Maye Blind
Lisa Goodwin
John Puricelli
Robert Schorr
Susan Peterson
Susan Rimar
Megan Sallee
Elizabeth Beauchamp
Paul Kampwerth
Don Klingsick
Carol Orr
Clayton Robert Helms
Carol Helf
Caryl Kassing
Beverly Husbands
Briley Bruninga



November

ANNIVERSARIES

Kevin & Beth Giese
Jeff & Donna Beauchamp
Chad* & Caitlyn Baczewski
Joe* & Denise Cigliana
Justin & Kirby Orr
Rod & Carol Orr
Jeff & Hilda Scheiter



Please remember these members, friends of Our Lord's, and their families as they grieve their loss and share the sure promise of the resurrection:

The **Norma Padgett Family** (at her death, Karen Tilahalski's aunt)
Larry Trucano's Family and **Hoelscher Family**
Neil Jenkins Family (at his death, Mike and Loretta Williams' brother-in-law)
Mary Jane Moorman Family (at her death, Bruce & Mary Ann Fritz's friend)

PRAYER CONCERNS

PRAY FOR MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION

Jack Hammond
Dan Homes
Rudy Kantola
Kim Payne
Jean Weishaupt



PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL

Lance Cpl. Clayton Campbell, Major James Carmichael, Capt. Blake Crosby, Airborne Ranger Keegan Crosby, Staff Sgt. Tyson Crosby, SPC Bill Homes, Charles Homes, Zach Huff, A1C Lucas Maue, John Meyer, Zachary Neubauer, Amador Ochoa, Josh Pace, Scott Prengel, Jake Randall, Jack Scoles, PFC Eric Shelton, Staff Sgt. Skipper Smith, Sgt. Matthew Spencer (Ret.), Staff Sgt. Stephan Spencer

PRAY FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS

Jeff Blind (brother of Matt Blind)
Alan Brainard (Robert Chiles' friend)
Bob Brakhane (Friend of Kassings)
Debbie C. (Schonecker's friend)
Judy Douglass (Karen Tilashalski's aunt)
Rob Eakin (Max & Linda Eakin's Son)
Carla McKee-Fleshman (Friend of Linda Spencer)
Robert Chiles Goodwin (Harvey Chiles' son)
Sonya (Sue Green's daughter)
Laura Hartman (friend of Katie Noga)
Jimmy Huster (Dora Clawges' son)
Beth Klingsick (Don & Glenda Klingsick's daughter-in-law)
Billie Koch (friend of Carol Orr)
Brian
C. J. (Julie Preston's friend)
Jim
Kelly, Chris & Zane McClellan (Lori Messina's niece)
Wayland Middendorf
Joyce Miner (Linda Spencer's aunt)
John & Tracy Sides (Chery Side's son & daughter-in-law)
Doris Swanson (Laura Schoenecker's mother)
Steve Tatjenhorst (Fred & Joyce Tatjenhorst's son)
Ephraim Tayag (Harvey Chiles' friend)
Marlon Ventura (Harvey Chiles' colleague)
Janne Vernersson (Erick Larson's cousin)
Victims of the California and Colorado Wildfires
Victims of the Typhoon Haishen
Laura Williams (Harvey Chiles' friend)
Sharon Whitaker (Irene VanHooser's friend)
Keith Wyvell (Caryl Kassing's son)
Kevin Wyvell (Caryl Kassing's son)
Bobby Wuebold (Joyce & Fred Tatjenhorst's nephew)

PRAY FOR OUR MINISTRY TEAM

The Rev. Dr. Darla Ann R. Kratzer, Pastor; **Dr. Rhonda Comrie**, Organist; **Beth Giese**, Nursery Attendant; **Chery Sides**, Organist; **Toni Barz**, Newsletter Editor

Church Council

Tom Steinmann, President; **Kathy Hoelscher**, Vice President; **Jaime Henderson**, Secretary; **Dr. Max Eakin**, Treasurer; **Alan Kramer**, At Large; **Darla Ann R. Kratzer**, Pastor

Steering Team [Worship, Education, Fellowship, Service]

Ed and Laura Foppe, Steering Team Coordinators; **Tim Nyland**, **Lyn Kampwerth**, **Erick Larson**, **Dr. Karen Cummings-Larson**, **Rhonda Comrie**, **Randy Kampwerth**

PREVIEW OF COMING EVENTS

Mark your calendars for these upcoming events and special observances.
All events are subject to change due to COVID-19.

DECEMBER

- Newsletter Deadline, Dec 15
- First Day of Winter, Dec 21
- Office Angels/Christmas Potluck, Dec 22
- Christmas Eve Services, Dec 24 3 pm, 5 pm, 7:30 pm (Office closed)
- Christmas Day, Dec 25 (Office closed)
- Christmas Day Service, Dec 25, 9 am
- Christmas With Our Neighbors, TBD
- New Year’s Eve, Dec 31 (Office closed)



JANUARY

- New Year’s Day, Jan 1 (Office closed)
- Epiphany, Jan 6
- Baptism of Our Lord, Jan 10
- Newsletter Deadline, Jan 15
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Jan 18 (Office Closed)
- Annual Meeting, Sunday, Jan 31



FEBRUARY

- Education Summit, February 1, 6:30 pm - Zoom
- Valentine’s Day, February 14
- Transfiguration of Our Lord, February 14
- Ash Wednesday, Feb 17
- Catechism Class Visit to Lincoln Museum, February 20
- Mid-week Lenten Service, February 24





Glad gatherings

The first Christians met together over a meal. Today church families still gather to break bread and thank God.

Follow the instructions below. Then write the remaining words in order from left to right and top to bottom to complete the verses.

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	They	found	broke	bread	acts	in
2	houses	their	homes	beautiful	and	round
3	ate	world	beginning	together	follow	thought
4	with	numbers	glad	happiness	lesson	and
5	thanks	sincere	disciples	gathering	hearts	tradition
6	celebrate	good	praising	Christian	God	river

Cross out all words in column E with double letters.

Cross out all words that are books of the Bible.

Cross out all words in column B that end in d.

Cross out all words in column A that have more than 4 letters.

Cross out all words in row 5 with 3 syllables.

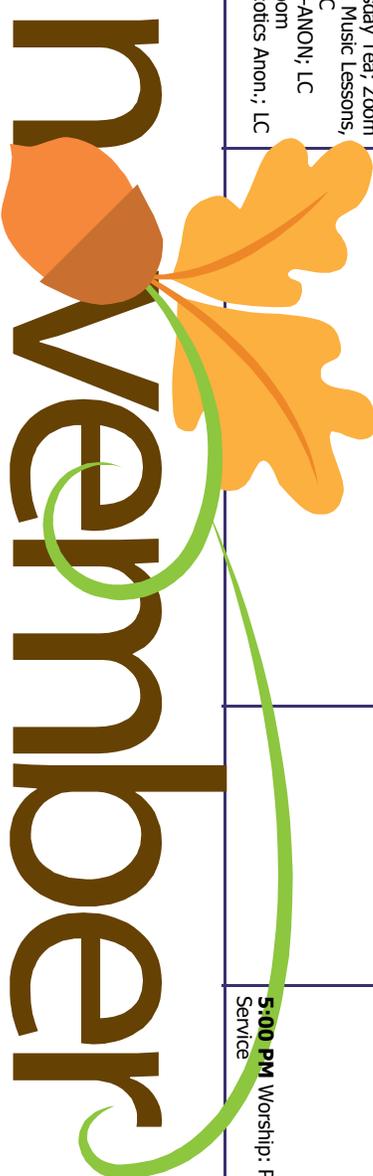
Cross out all words in the table with 9 letters.

Cross out all words in column F with 2 or more vowels.

ACTS 2:46-47, NIV

Answer: They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God. Acts 2:46-47, NIV

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 All Saints Day Daylight-Saving Time Ends First Communion for 3rd Graders 8:00 AM Worship: Traditional 10:45 AM Worship: Traditional 1:00 PM Priv. Music Lessons, H. Chiles; WC 1:30 PM Priv. Music Student Showcases, C. Thomas; WC	2 3:00 PM Priv. Music Lessons, C. Thomas; WC	3 3:00 PM Tuesday Tea; Zoom 4:30 PM Priv. Music Lessons, C. Thomas; WC 7:00 PM NAR-ANON; LC Conference Room 7:00 PM Narcotics Anon.; LC Basement	4 12:00 PM Priv. Music Lessons, H. Chiles; WC 3:00 PM Bible Crunchers; Zoom	5 12:00 PM Priv. Music Lessons, H. Chiles; WC	6 Pastor's Sabbath 12:00 PM Priv. Music Lessons, H. Chiles; WC 2:00 PM Office Closes	7 7:00 AM Men's Club 8:30 AM Al-Anon 9:10 AM Catechism class leaves for 10 AM tour of St. Louis Basilica
8 8:00 AM Worship: Traditional 10:45 AM Worship: Traditional 12:00 PM Catechism Class Service Project 1:00 PM Priv. Music Lessons, H. Chiles; WC 1:30 PM Priv. Music Student Showcases, C. Thomas; WC	9 Church Office Closed - Holiday 6:30 PM Steering Team Meeting	10 10:00 AM Book Study: "Loving Jesus" - Zoom 3:00 PM Tuesday Tea; Zoom 4:30 PM Priv. Music Lessons, C. Thomas; WC 7:00 PM NAR-ANON; LC Conference Room 7:00 PM Narcotics Anon.; LC Basement	11 Veterans Day 12:00 PM Priv. Music Lessons, H. Chiles; WC 3:00 PM Bible Crunchers; Zoom	12 10:00 AM Morning Glories 12:00 PM Priv. Music Lessons, H. Chiles; WC	13 Pastor's Sabbath 12:00 PM Priv. Music Lessons, H. Chiles; WC 2:00 PM Maryville Library Book Club 2:00 PM Office Closes	14 8:30 AM Al-Anon Service
15 8:00 AM Worship: Traditional 10:45 AM Worship: Traditional 12:00 PM Catechism Class Visit to Funeral Home 1:00 PM Priv. Music Lessons, H. Chiles; WC	16 Newsletter Deadline 11:30 AM Serendipity Book Club 3:00 PM Priv. Music Lessons, C. Thomas; WC	17 10:00 AM Book Study: "Loving Jesus" - Zoom 3:00 PM Tuesday Tea; Zoom 4:30 PM Priv. Music Lessons, C. Thomas; WC 7:00 PM NAR-ANON; LC Conference Room 7:00 PM Narcotics Anon.; LC Basement	18 12:00 PM Priv. Music Lessons, H. Chiles; WC 3:00 PM Bible Crunchers; Zoom	19 12:00 PM Priv. Music Lessons, H. Chiles; WC	20 Pastor's Sabbath 12:00 PM Priv. Music Lessons, H. Chiles; WC 2:00 PM Office Closes	21 Christ the King 8:00 AM Men's Breakfast - Zoom 8:30 AM Al-Anon 9:00 AM La Leche League
22 Christ the King Sunday 8:00 AM Worship: Traditional 9:00 AM 6th, 7th, 8th Grade Confirmation Class; Zoom 10:45 AM Worship: Traditional 1:00 PM Priv. Music Lessons, H. Chiles; WC	23 3:00 PM Priv. Music Lessons, C. Thomas; WC	24 10:00 AM Book Study: "Loving Jesus" - Zoom 3:00 PM Tuesday Tea; Zoom 4:30 PM Priv. Music Lessons, C. Thomas; WC 7:00 PM NAR-ANON; LC Conference Room 7:00 PM Narcotics Anon.; LC Basement	25 9:30 AM Newsletter Assembly	26 Church Office Closed Thanksgiving Day	27 Church Office Closed - Holiday Pastor's Sabbath	28 Advent 1 8:30 AM Al-Anon Service
29 Advent 1 8:00 AM Worship: Traditional 10:45 AM Worship: Traditional 1:00 PM Priv. Music Lessons, H. Chiles; WC	30 3:00 PM Priv. Music Lessons, C. Thomas; WC					5:00 PM Worship: Praise Service





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