



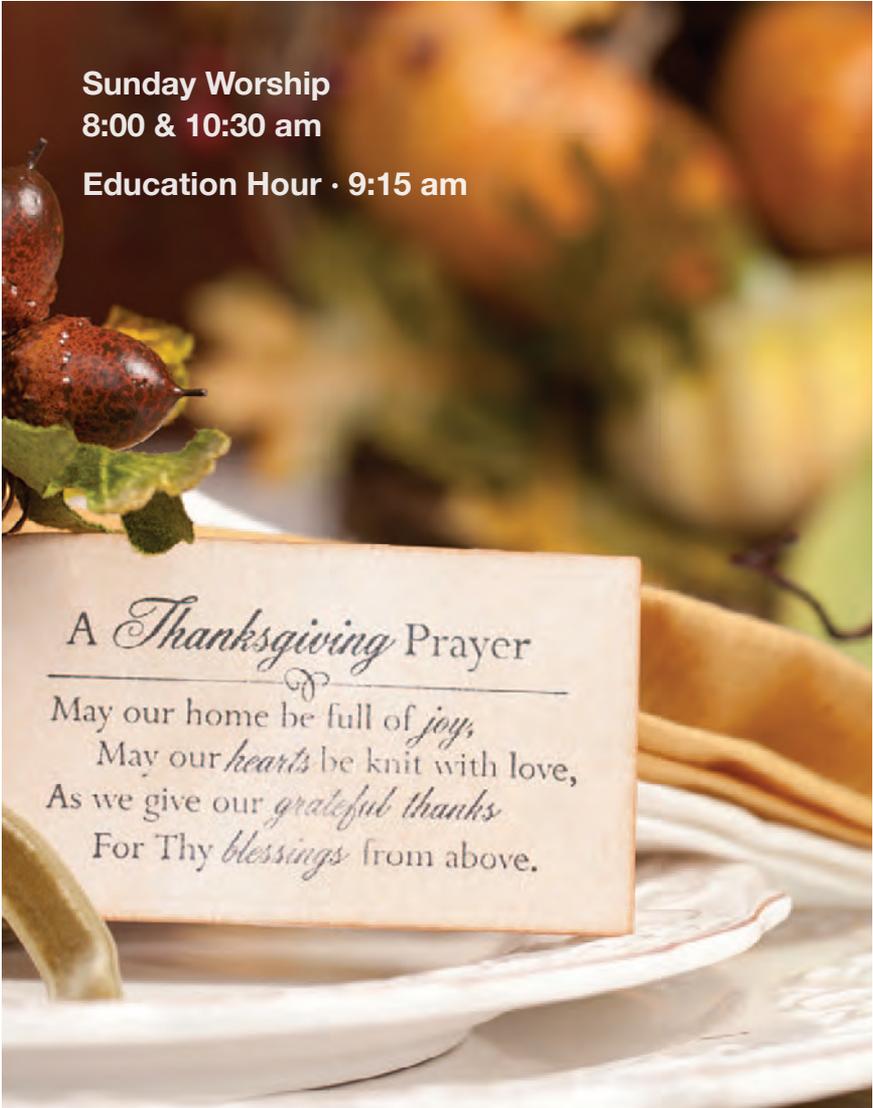
the Kindred Spirit

November
2019

Newsletter of Our Savior's Lutheran Church · Albany, MN · 320-845-2405

Sunday Worship
8:00 & 10:30 am

Education Hour · 9:15 am



A *Thanksgiving* Prayer

May our home be full of *joy*,
May our *hearts* be knit with love,
As we give our *grateful* thanks
For Thy *blessings* from above.

November 2019

Additions to the calendar? Email Our Savior's Lutheran Church office: oursaviors@albanytel.com or call 320-845-2405

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>10/27</p> <p>Confirmation Sunday 8am · Worship Service 9:15am · Adult Ed, SSchool 9:30am · Conf. Reception 10:30am · Worship Service, Confirmation Service, choir 3pm · Girl Scouts 248 & 251</p>	<p>10/28</p> <p>6:30pm · Holy Yoga</p>	<p>10/29</p> <p>7pm · NA Meeting</p>	<p>10/30</p> <p>10am · Bible Study, OSLC 11:30am · Staff Meeting 6pm · Confirmation Gr 6-8 7:30pm · Choir Practice</p>	<p>10/31</p>	<p>1</p> <p>9am · Craft Sale Set up</p>	<p>2</p> <p>9am-2pm · OSLC Craft & Bake Sale</p> <p><i>Daylight Savings Time ends, turn your clock back one hour</i></p>
<p>3</p> <p>All Saints Sunday <i>Communion at the rail</i> 8am · Worship Service 9:15am · Adult Ed 9:15am · Sunday School 10:30am · Worship Service</p>	<p>4</p> <p>6:30pm · Holy Yoga</p>	<p>5</p> <p>7pm · NA Meeting</p>	<p>6</p> <p>10am · Bible Study, Pondview 11:30am · Staff Meeting 6pm · Confirmation Gr 6-8</p>	<p>7</p> <p>1pm · Prayer Circle Meeting</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p> <p>9:30am · WELCA Quarterly Meeting at OSLC</p>
<p>10</p> <p>Womens' Thankoffering Services 8am · Worship Service 9:15am · Ad Ed, SSchool 9:15am · POTS (parents, tots) 10:30am · Worship Service 3pm · Girl Scouts 248 & 251</p>	<p>11</p> <p>6:30pm · Garden Club Potluck & Meeting 6:30pm · Holy Yoga</p>	<p>12</p> <p>7pm · NA Meeting</p>	<p>13</p> <p>10am · Bible Study, OSLC 11:30am · Staff Meeting 1pm · Quilting Squares 6pm · Confirmation Gr 6-8</p>	<p>14</p> <p>9:30am · Great River Conference PALS</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p>
<p>17</p> <p>8am · Worship Service 9:15am · Adult Ed 9:15am · Sunday School 9:15am · Give Kids the World Mission Trip Meeting 10:30am · Worship Service, SS sings, choir sings 11:30am · Grief Support Gr</p>	<p>18</p> <p>6:30pm · Holy Yoga 7:30pm · MSP Team</p>	<p>19</p> <p>9am · Lady Generators Meeting 6:15pm · Committee Night 7pm · NA Meeting 7:30pm · Congregational Council Meeting</p>	<p>20</p> <p>10am · Bible Study, Pondview 11:30am · Staff Meeting 1pm · Mary's Circle Bible Std 5:30pm · Congregational Life & Mission Meeting 6pm · Confirmation Gr 6-8 7:30pm · Choir Practice</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>
<p>24</p> <p>8am · Worship Service 9:15am · Adult Ed 9:15am · Sunday School 10:30am · Worship Service 3pm · Girl Scouts 248 & 251 7pm · Thanksgiving Eve Community Choir Practice at St. Ben's, Avon</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <p>7pm · NA Meeting</p>	<p>27</p> <p>10am · Bible Study, OSLC 11:30am · Staff Meeting 5pm · Meal at St. Ben's 6:30pm · Thanksgiving Eve Service at St. Ben's, Avon</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Happy Thanksgiving!</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>

Jr. High Youth Gathering



Acts 6:1-8

Now during those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists complained against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution of food. 2 And the twelve called together the whole community of the disciples and said, “It is not right that we should neglect the word of God in order to wait on tables. [a] 3 Therefore, friends, [b] select from among yourselves seven men of good standing, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this task, 4 while we, for our part, will devote ourselves to prayer and to serving the word.” 5 What they said pleased the whole community, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor,

Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. 6 They had these men stand before the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

7 The word of God continued to spread; the number of the disciples increased greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith. 8 Stephen, full of grace and power, did great wonders and signs among the people.

Dear Our Savior’s,

At the September All Committee Night and Council Meeting we sought God’s voice in Acts 6, the story of “growing pains” in the infant church. Some of the new Christians were Greek in culture and others were Hebrew in culture. As they learned to navigate the differences in their cultures, naturally, a bit of concern about competition arose. Someone was worried that not everyone was being treated fairly.

The 12 Apostles, who are still all together with the new folks they have converted, decide that as leaders, their job is to preach and convert. They ask the community to find others who will serve the community by caring for the poor and the widows. This makes sense to us, we divide up jobs too, so that, hopefully, we are all using the gifts God gave us. Some of us love to feed people and be “behind the scenes” and others of us have gifts for standing up and speaking to

the community, whether that is sharing our faith story, our faithful understanding of the churches finances or an invitation to others as God may be calling them!

One thing I have noticed here at Our Savior's is that we believe it is no fun to volunteer. As a general rule, we think we will have to twist someone's arms to take on a leadership role or to serve in some other way. And I am on a mission to change this attitude.

For the truth is, that God is up to something in your, Our Savior's. God is here, moving, stirring up the community for a ministry that we do not yet know or understand. What we do know, is the same as the apostles, we know that we are put here by God to be an outpost of faith. A place and a community where people can find other faithful folks, learn about God and worship together the God who has made us into the Body of Christ.

God is up to something in this congregation, and in you. Yes, You. God has stirred something in your Spirit about what Our Savior's should be in the future. How it can best accomplish God's mission to share God's love with the world. What is God saying to you?

We want to know. The MSP (Ministry Site Profile) Team is inviting you to share with us what God is stirring up in you. In small groups, and one on one, we will

be asking you to tell us: What is God saying to you? What gifts do you see God giving to Our Savior's and how do you think God wants to use them?

We will come together on **December 8th** to **Kick Off** this process. To listen deeply to God's voice through how God might be speaking up in you, in all of us. Please be sure you join in. Send me an email if you have specific thoughts you want to share, there will be an email form ready for you to use by the Kick Off date. Let us know if you want to be part of a small group who discusses the future of the congregation, hopes, dreams, what it **MIGHT** be.

All email communication and one on ones with the pastor will be anonymous, but all the voices will be put together in one big report called the Mission Assessment. Once this is complete, the MSP Team will take this assessment and use it to write out the MSP. The MSP is the paperwork used to invite pastors to consider serving here with us.

This is our chance to dream, to hope and to redefine church for a new age. *Join us for the MSP Kick Off on December 8th and in the listening process that follows.* God bless us, as together, we listen to where God is calling!

Love in Christ,
Pastor Kirsten

So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

—Isaiah 41:10 (NIV)

Fear Not!

Love as I have first loved you!

Do you have fear? Are you dismayed? Do you feel weak against the powers of the world? You are not alone. The bad news is that many others feel this way. Again, you are not alone. That is the good news! God is with you!

When God speaks in the book of Isaiah, God doesn't just dismiss our fears or weaknesses. God tells us why we can have love instead of fear. God is with us! God is our God and will strengthen us and help us! God will hold us up when we fall.

God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them. his is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment: In this world we are like Jesus. There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love. We love because he first loved us.

—1 John 4: 16-19 (NIV)

The opposite of fear is not anger or power or war or hatred. The opposite of fear is love. With the

love that God has given us we shine a light on that which we fear and when we see clearly, we love. Love is to be shared. Love is more powerful than hate. Love is to be our first response because God first loved us.

A strong wind was blowing and the waters grew rough. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus approaching the boat, walking on the water; and they were frightened. But he said to them, "It is I; don't be afraid."

—John 6:18-20 (NIV)

Jesus tells the disciples—those who are students of His teaching—not to be afraid. He doesn't deny that there are many things of which to be afraid, yet they must trust that God is with them. Jesus is with them. Jesus is with us.

See your fears through eyes of love and God will show you the surprises that are our dearest blessings. Fear is not of God. Fear is of the world. God gives us peace. Approach all people and circumstances trusting in God's peace, love and revealed presence.

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

—John 14:27 (NIV)

God's Peace,
Pastor Bobbi Bell

***An Invitation from the
Mission Site Profile Team
(MSP)***

Dear Friends;

We're writing today with some exciting news: Our Savior's Lutheran's Ministry Site Profile process is about to commence! To get the study underway, all of our church family is invited to participate in a "Kick-Off Event" focused on our church, it's mission and ministry, and our future together, to take place on December 8th at 11:30 am in Fellowship Hall. Hot roast sandwiches and beverages will be provided. Please consider donating a salad or dessert to share.

The congregational conversation kicks off a comprehensive study that will help us image our church and its work, in the years ahead. Our interim minister, Pastor Kirsten, will be guiding us through the process which is being coordinated by a team of our church members. In addition to leading the conversation at this public event, our interim minister will be speaking with many church members and ministry participants in interviews and focus groups.

At the conclusion of the study, Pastor Kirsten will offer her mission assessment report. The report will provide a

comprehensive look at our congregations hopes and dreams for the future, as well as a prioritized list of current and anticipated ministry needs. All of this will be used to write our Ministry Site Profile (MSP), the paperwork needed for our search for a new pastor.

We hope you'll join us for this first step, to take place at Our Savior's Lutheran Church!

Your Ministry Site Profile Team:

Kelly Orbeck, Co-Chair

Wade Rodenwald, Co-chair

Sharon Lehner

Hannah Finkelson

Ron Paulsen

Luke Welle

Rev. Kirsten Nelson Roenfeldt

*Congregational
Conversation*

**MSP Kick-off Event
December 8
11:30 am**

Hot roast sandwiches will be served. Consider donating a salad or dessert to share.

Please join us to share your thoughts!

OSLC YOUTH & FAMILIES

Joyful Noise Children's Church

Sundays during 10:30 am
Worship

November 3 - Zaccheaus

November 10 - The Sadducees'
Questions

November 17 God's Love is
Forever

November 24- The Day Jesus
Died

Sunday School

Sundays 9:15 to 10:15 am

November 3- David Is Chosen

November 10- Queen Esther

November 17- Daniel and the
Lions Den

November 24 - Mary Visits
Elizabeth

*November 17 - Sunday School
children sing at the 10:30 worship
service. Come early to claim
your spot!*

Confirmation, Grades 6-8

November 6 - Freedom of a
Christian

November 13 The Neighbor

November 20 Service
Opportunity - Giving

November 27- Thanksgiving Eve
Worship St. Benedict's Church,
Avon

Confirmed October 27

On October 27th, the following
students affirmed the faith in
which they were baptized and
were received as confirmed
members of Our Savior's
Lutheran Church:

Nyra Brown

Eva Gill

Alivia Orbeck

Carter Voss

Holden Duncan

Michaela Mergen

Elizabeth Richter

Isaac Evenson

Reagan Mueller

Brady Springer

May God bless them so that
strong in faith, they may grow
into men and women who are
strong, loving, and wise!

**Visit Our Savior's
NEW website!**

OurSaviorsLutheranAlbany.org

Give Kids the World Mission Trip

Spring 2020

Planning Meeting November 10

Between services

We are again planning a mission trip with Pastor Bobbi to volunteer at Give Kids The World in April 2020. Give Kids The World Village is an 84-acre, nonprofit resort in Central Florida that provides weeklong, cost-free vacations to children with critical illnesses and their families. Check out GKTW.org!

If you are interested, please attend the meeting on November 10 between services to learn more!

Adult Education Hour

All ages welcome
Sundays, 9:15–10:15 am

November 10
“Joseph” Bible study

November 17
Jody Johnson, Development
Director from Luther Crest Bible
Camp in Alexandria

November 24
“Joseph” Bible study

*Mark your calendars for these
opportunities to grow in faith
and fellowship!*

Bible Camp!

November 17

During Adult
Education Hour,
9:15 am

Jody Johnson, Development Director from Luther Crest Bible Camp in Alexandria, will help us consider Matthew 28:19-20 which says in part “Go therefore and make disciples.” Come hear how Luther Crest accepts God’s challenge to make disciples who have the love of God in their heart, trusting God’s promise to be with them as they live out their call, carrying out God’s will!

Students and families from Our Savior’s have attended various camps and retreats at Luther Crest Bible Camp for decades. We know that attending a Bible Camp encourages faith development and a love of Christ that continues to be expressed by worship participation as a child becomes an adult. Come to hear how you can continue to be part of Our Savior’s partnership with Luther Crest Bible Camp in Alexandria, Minnesota.

Luther Crest’s Mission is to inspire faith, stewardship and community in God’s creation. They are passionate, authentic and accommodating in making your experience fun, easy and purposeful!

Women's Ministry

Lady Generators

Tuesday, November 19

9:00 am

We are busy making plans for fall.



You're invited to

Mary's Circle Bible Study

November 20 · 1:00 pm

Join us for great discussions
and thought!



*Join us Wednesday, November 13,
at 1:00 pm*

We will continue our work on quilts for Terebinth Refuge. Thank you, ladies for your stitching and quilt finishing. You are a blessing to the ladies who live at this house.

Our gift of love.

Making quilts with love,
Elaine Randall
320-260-8977

Grief Support Group

If you are grieving any type of loss in your life, others can help; they too have been there. On the **third Sunday of each month**, after the second service, we will meet in the Fireside Room. Please join us.

Albany Food Shelf

The following items are needed this month at the Albany Food Shelf:

Baked Beans
Stove Top Stuffing

*Remember...*the first Sunday of every month is Food Shelf Sunday. Bring a food item donation for our local food shelf. The need is great, and with your help, people right here in our community are able to provide food on the table for their families. Donations can be dropped off in the designated bins in the Narthex. *Thank you!*

Congregational Council Minutes

Congregation Council minutes are available on the Congregation Council Bulletin Board.

Worship is Recorded

Worship is recorded to CD every Sunday. If you would like to listen to the service, please call the church office.

Where Your Heart Is...

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

—Matthew 6:21

Brother Lawrence was a lay brother who lived among the barefooted Carmelites in Paris around 1660. He did not hold any office of leadership. He did not keep the books or make great contributions to the poor. He worked in the kitchen and did the dishes. Within the confines of pots and pans, he worshiped. He practiced the presence of God within his daily work, and it changed him.

The Practice of the Presence of God, a book based on letters and conversations of Brother Lawrence, has since become a Christian classic. A humble monk who did KP duty, Brother Lawrence lived the steward's life. He loved Jesus. He tried to be more like him. He read his Bible and practiced prayer. He carried his treasure with him in his heart.

“I know that for the right practice of it, the heart must be empty of all other things; because God will possess the heart alone; and as He cannot possess it alone, without emptying it of all besides, so neither can He act there, and do in it what He pleases, unless it be left vacant to Him.” (From Letter 5 of Brother Lawrence, as published on the Christian Classics Ethereal Library, Calvin College. See www.ccel.org.)

Such a little book of letters. Such a simple man. Pots and pans and prayer. It is the “stuff” of which we can do God's work, if our hearts are “emptied” enough to make room for God.

This year our congregation's stewardship theme is “Where Your Heart Is.” We will be taking a look at what it means to be God's stewards close to home and throughout the world. And we will focus on the theme verse: “For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also” (Matthew 6:21). Like Brother Lawrence, we need to consider what it is that we treasure in our hearts. Will our hearts cling to earthly treasures that will eventually disappear, or will they cling to the treasure of God's kingdom that will last forever?

Storing Up Treasures

Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven.

—Matthew 6:19-20

Beatrice ran the store for 20 years. Full-time. One woman and a slew of volunteers. She had a knack for sniffing out good estate sales. The second-hand store was filled with treasures stored up over lifetimes and then abandoned.

She began to gather the needed resources. Her church offered support. Others volunteered to

run the store, organize the merchandise, and keep inventory.

The store met a need in the community. These were affordable items that provided dignity to families, comfort to people making new homes for themselves in this country, and encouragement to many others.

Second-hand items but not hand-me-downs. There was respect here.

This second-hand stuff, gathered together in Jesus' name, generated amazing dollar amounts that were used for a variety of mission projects over the course of two decades. A modern reminder of an ancient "boy-with-the-lunch project." Baskets of bread and fish. Boxes of good used stuff gathered in Jesus' name. God works with what is offered. In the end, everyone gets what they need.

Though Beatrice's work was focused on gathering tons of worldly goods, her heart was clearly focused on a treasure more lasting. God blessed her efforts, and many were served in Jesus' name. A good example of what Christ's servants are called to be and do.

Cheerful Givers

Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. —2 Corinthians 9:7

Shorty is a steady, no-frills kind of guy. He'd worked the same job for most of his life. Slowly, over the

years, he had built up a comfortable financial cushion on which to retire. Not a lot of extras, but enough. Those who knew him well knew he was a kind person. Some of the little kids were scared of him. He didn't smile much, but you could count on him. Steady. Some might say faithful.

Shorty was practical, too. He could fix almost anything. It was his diligence that kept the boiler in the church basement limping along two years longer than it ever should have lasted.

When the boiler finally gave up its last rumble, Shorty knew enough to throw in the towel. The call went out. Donations were needed for the new furnace. It was a small congregation. Some joked about breaking up the furniture for kindling.

The check arrived in the mail in an unmarked envelope. It was a generous gift. Enough for an entire furnace. There were conditions. No one was to know. No plaque or announcement. Just the hum of heat warming those who came to worship.

Shorty's gift to his church came from the heart. Not many of us could make the kind of financial gift Shorty made, but if we keep our eyes and ears and heart open, opportunities to give and to serve will be numerous.

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WELCA Craft & Bake Sale
Saturday, November 2nd
9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Our Savior's Women's Group will be hosting their annual Craft Sale at the church. Please bring crafts, produce, canned good, plants anytime after Oct. 31st & leave in Fellowship Hall. Donated baked goods are always in high demand. We appreciate your time and effort in providing them. Drop off baked goods on Friday, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm or Saturday from 7:00 am to 9:00 am. Then come and shop with us.

Join us to shop! There will be a huge variety of crafts, a bake sale, lefse sale, Christmas flea market, morning coffee and lunch. *You won't want to miss it!*



Womens'
Thankoffering
Service

Sunday, November 10
at both services

Please remember to bring your thank offerings to help continue the ministries of the Women of the ELCA (or WELCA).

WELCA
Upcoming Events:

Craft Sale Set-up
November 1, 9:00 am

Craft Sale
November 2,
9:00 am – 2:00 pm

OSLC Women's
Quarterly Meeting
November 9, 9:30 am

Women's
Thankoffering Sunday
November 10

Advent Breakfast
December 7

**Community
Thanksgiving Eve Service
Wednesday November 27th**

5:00 Meal, 6:30 Worship

Give Thanks!

In a world where people are becoming more polarized and pulling apart on just about every issue, experience the joy of people coming together in our Worship of Thanksgiving! We worship together with our brothers and sisters in Christ under the theme “The Gifts we Share.” Gather to give thanks with Seven Dolors Roman Catholic Church, St. Benedict’s Roman Catholic Church, Sonrise Lutheran Church and others. Thank you to St. Ben’s in Avon for hosting this annual event. This year it is on Wednesday, November 27.

Supper will be served from 5:00 to 6:15 pm, followed by worship at 6:30 pm.

All singers are invited to be part of the community choir for this service. The Community Choir will practice on Sunday, November 24 at 7:00 pm and shortly before the service on Wednesday.

Newsletter deadline
is the 15th
of the month

For all the Saints!

It is one of the joys and pains of our life together that when we love we experience loss. The longer we are in community, the more we are touched by the deaths of friends and neighbors. While we grieve together with the families of those who have died this past year, we grieve with the hope that is ours in Christ Jesus. No matter how hard, we know our goodbyes are not forever. So, on *All Saints Sunday, November 3*, we pause once more to give thanks for those who have gone before us in the faith and we give thanks for all saints in our lives. Through their lives and deaths we embrace the hope that is ours in Christ Jesus, the hope not only that we will one day be reunited, but that in this life we can live in God’s light.

This year, we remember:

Jon Noreen
10/18/1951—2/1/2019

Harry Hildreth Jr.
9/5/1937—2/21/2019

Milford Sabrowsky
2/17/1932—3/27/2019

Harvey Koglin
1/26/1921—4/8/2019

Richard Richter
1/27/1948—4/23/2019

Deloris Hamann
12/23/1946—10/16/2019

*Blessed be their memories, and may
God be with us till we meet again.*

Holy Communion

Did you know that when we commune, we commune with one another, with God and with all the saints who have gone before? Our kneeling pads and rail around our Communion Table are only half the circle; picture that around the other side of the Table are the saints who have died and are joined with us without barrier to time or space. As we re-engage the practice of communing "at the rail," we join the circle of the saints in a powerful image of unity. By kneeling or standing at the pads in the front, we complete the circle of the saints, together being served by Christ the meal of salvation and nourishment. On November 3rd, All Saints Day, we will begin a practice of communing at the rail the first Sunday of each month. Join in prayer and thanksgiving for God's blessing on us in this meal every Sunday and for the rich symbolism of this meal taken as we kneel or stand in worship of Jesus, the one who gives himself for us.

Tuesday, November 19 **All-Committee Night**

Any committee reports or information can be sent to the office to be shared.

Baptism

October 20, 2019:
Emery Jean Kurtz
Parents: Justin & Kristi Kurtz
Sponsors: Rick May and
Corey May

Funeral

October 19, 2019:
Deloris Hamann

The Lift

Heartprints

(Author Unknown)

Whatever our hands touch--
We leave fingerprints!
On walls, on furniture,
On doorknobs, dishes, books,
As we touch we leave our identity.

Oh, Lord, please where ever I
go today,
Help me leave heartprints!
Heartprints of compassion
Of understanding and love.
Heartprints of kindness
and genuine concern.

May my heart touch a lonely
neighbor
Or a runaway daughter,
Or an anxious mother,
Or, perhaps, a dear friend!

I shall go out today
To leave heartprints,
And if someone should say
"I felt your touch,"
May that one sense be...YOUR
LOVE, LORD
Touching through ME



Christmas
Giving Tree

Make Christmas a little merrier for people in our local area! Congregational Life & Mission is again partnering with Albany Women of Today in gathering gifts for area children and seniors who may not otherwise receive Christmas gifts. You will be able to take a tag from the tree in the lobby with the wish list for a child or senior. Then shop, wrap your gift(s), affix the gift tag securely and return to the tree. Albany Womens of Today will deliver the gifts.

Watch the bulletin for dates!

Holy Yoga

Join us for Holy Yoga, a new way to pray and hear God's word while you improve strength and balance. Beginners are welcome!

We meet Mondays at 6:30 pm in the Lobby. Dates: November 4, 11, 18 and December 9 and 16.

Harvest Tater Bar

Thank you!

Everyone enjoyed a delicious, satisfying meal of a huge baked potato topped with butter, sour cream, chili, ham and cheese, pork, bacon, broccoli cheese, beef gravy—or cut the potato in fourths and tried everything!

Thank you to all of you who attended and those who supported the Tater Bar through Spud Support Coupons. All of us together raised \$1284.16 for the Community Crisis—Good Samaritan Fund for people with emergency needs.

We also want to thank the serving groups that helped us, everyone who brought desserts, Deb Kurtz for the gourds and Thrivent Action Teams for the seed money.

Mark your calendars for next October!

You can Support Kristin Wolford,

missionary to the Dominican Republic, with a gift or set up monthly support:

www.igoworldwide.org
and click on Ramas Vivas.

Prayer Chain

“Is any of you in trouble? He should pray. Is anyone happy? Let him sing songs of praise.” —James 5:13

Need a prayer? Want some help? Facing challenges, big or small? The power of many prayers can help you. Please contact the church office at 320-845-2405, to put Our Savior’s pray-ers in action. All requests are confidential and use a first name, initials, or just a friend from church. We will pray for you... God will hear, as He knows who you are!

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Monday–Friday · 9am–1pm

Monthly Finances

September Total
General Fund
Giving \$30,263.93

General Fund
Needed
Each Month \$20,979.75

General Funds
Income thru
Sept. 30, 2019 \$168,430.89

General Funds
Expenses thru
August 31, 2019 \$185,154.19

*This does not include
designated funds.*

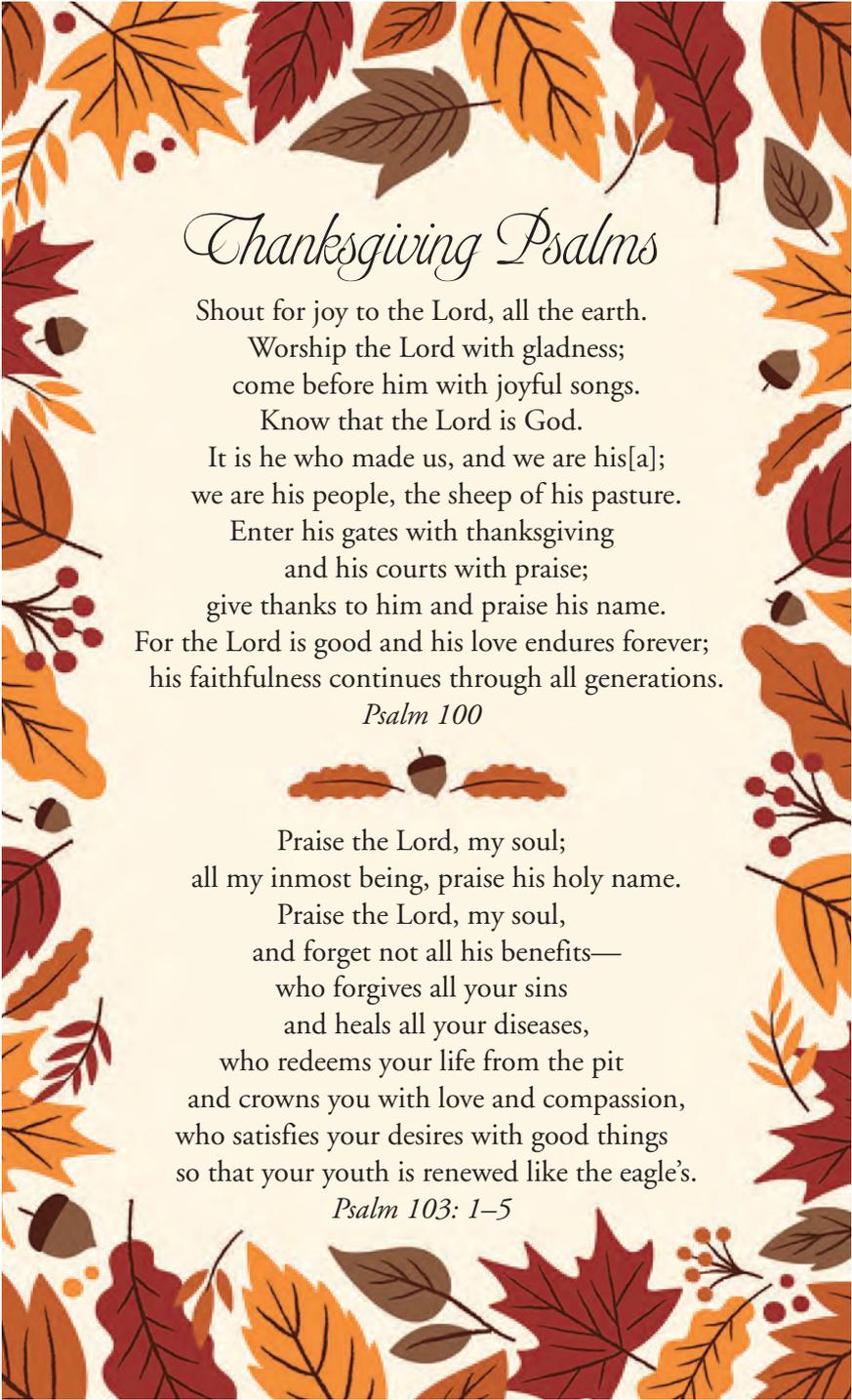
“Simply Giving” Program

The “Simply Giving Program” is a way to automate your giving online, in a secure, automatic recurring contributions.

There are two ways to enroll. You can pick up a form at the office and use that to enroll or you can enroll online. For those who enroll online, you can view your history anytime. To enroll online, follow these easy steps:

1. Visit the church website at oursaviorslutheranalbany.org,
2. Click the Online Giving button

Click the Create Profile button. Then follow the onscreen instructions to create your profile.



Thanksgiving Psalms

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness;
come before him with joyful songs.

Know that the Lord is God.

It is he who made us, and we are his[a];
we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;

give thanks to him and praise his name.

For the Lord is good and his love endures forever;
his faithfulness continues through all generations.

Psalm 100



Praise the Lord, my soul;
all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

Praise the Lord, my soul,
and forget not all his benefits—

who forgives all your sins
and heals all your diseases,

who redeems your life from the pit

and crowns you with love and compassion,

who satisfies your desires with good things

so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Psalm 103: 1–5

Worship Ministers – November 2019

Reader	Communion	Ushers
Sunday, November 3		
8:00 am Angela Mergen <i>Sound board: John Sundet</i> <i>Comm Bread: Evie Fischer</i>	Angela Mergen Mary Adelman Evie Fischer	Howard & Jan Koglin
10:30 am Kourtney Fauk <i>Sound board: Pat Johnson</i> <i>Joyful Noise: Eric & Chrissy Ruch</i>	Kourtney, Kenzie, & Karla Fauk	Greg & Judy Evenson
Sunday, November 10		
8:00 am <i>Sound board: Lisa Beuning</i> <i>Comm Bread: Deb Kurtz</i>	Women's Thankoffering	
10:30 am <i>Sound board: Pat Johnson</i> <i>Joyful Noise: Angela Mergen</i>	Women's Thankoffering	
Sunday, November 17		
8:00 am Tom Koplin <i>Sound board: Jerry Stark</i> <i>Comm Bread: Sue Koplin</i>	Tom & Sue Koplin Lisa Beuning	Evie Fischer Jenny Miller
10:30 am Deb Kurtz <i>Sound board: Eric Ruch</i> <i>Joyful Noise: Matt Eggert</i>	Deb Kurtz Dana Amdahl Kyle Evenson	Angie Aronson & Family
Sunday, November 24		
8:00 am Lynda Hartwig <i>Sound board: Kevin Beuning</i> <i>Comm Bread: Judy Fischer</i>	Lynda & Mike Hartwig Sandy Paulsen	Dwight & Donna Christen
10:30 am Barb Fischer <i>Sound board: Matt Rafteseth</i> <i>Joyful Noise: Ed & McKayla Feia</i>	Barb Fischer Angie Aronson Alex Aronson	Dave & Lori Grabmeier

Sunday Worship: 8:00 & 10:30
Education Hour 9:15 am
Pastor: Kirsten Nelson Roenfeldt
Pastor: Bobbi Bell
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Families: Diana Brown
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