

All Saints Sunday
November 2, 2025

WELCOME

*A warm welcome to visitors who join us today to worship our Risen Lord!
We invite you to pick up a Visitor's Packet as you leave worship today.
Thank you for joining us this morning! We are blessed by your presence.*

Children are always welcome at worship.

*If desired, there is an unstaffed nursery available for parents and their children
on the second floor in the education wing. Take the first left down the hallway, and
the nursery is the first door on your right.*

*Large print bulletins and hearing assistance devices
for today's worship are available.
Please feel free to ask an usher if interested.*

THIS WEEK AT FIRST November 2 – November 9

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:45 a.m.	All Saints Sunday Worship w/Holy Communion
Monday	6:00 p.m.	Worship & Music
	6:00 p.m.	Bells 101 Class
	7:00 p.m.	Scouts
Tuesday	1:30 p.m.	Long Range Planning
	6:30 p.m.	Property Committee Meeting
	6:30 p.m.	Scouts
Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	LWR Quilters
Thursday	6:15 p.m.	Rose Ringers
	7:15 p.m.	Choir
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	St. Seraphim
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:45 a.m.	Thank Offering Worship

GATHERING

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God
and of one another.

Faithful God, **you have shown us the ways of your heart,
yet we stray from your paths.**

**We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression
and do not embrace the freedom of your faithful promises.**

We ignore our neighbors.

We exploit the earth.

**We reject your abundance,
trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love.**

**Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken,
renew our hearts, and bring us to new life.**

Hear the good news:

God the Faithful One loves you,

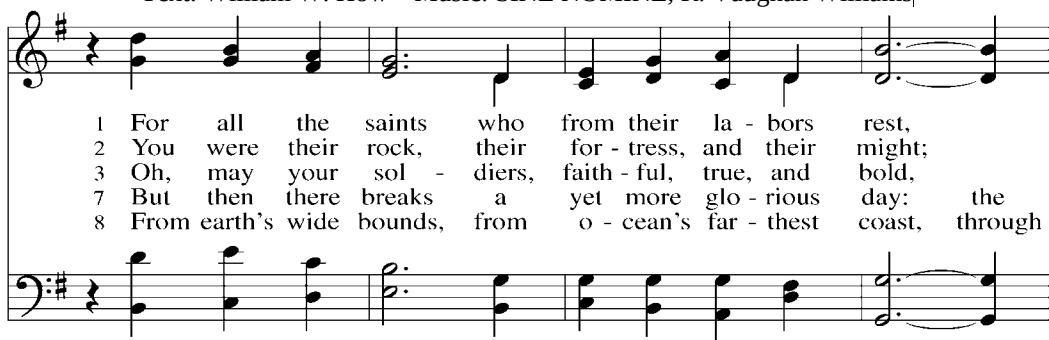
✠ in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven,

and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.

Amen.

For All the Saints

Text: William W. How Music: SINE NOMINE, R. Vaughan Williams



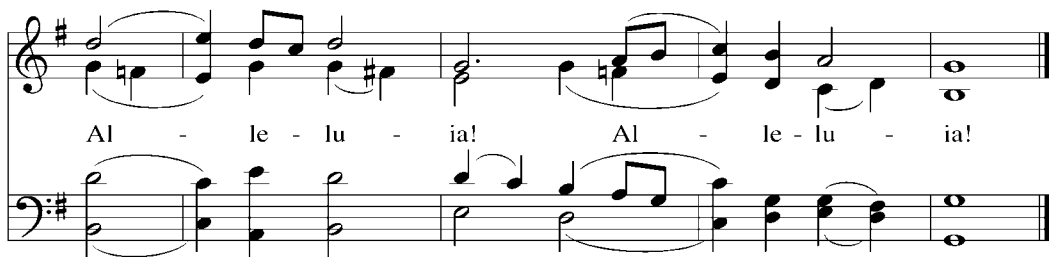
1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest,
 2 You were their rock, their for - tress, and their might;
 3 Oh, may your sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold,
 7 But then there breaks a yet more glo - rious day: the
 8 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through



all who by faith be - fore the world con - fessed,
 you, Lord, their cap - tain in the well - fought fight;
 fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old
 saints . . . tri - um - phant rise in bright ar - ray;
 gates . . . of pearl streams in the count - less host,



your name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
 . . you, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.
 and win with them the vic - tor's crown of gold.
 the King of glo - ry pass - es on his way.
 . . sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



4 Oh, blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine,
 5 And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long,
 6 The gold - en eve - ning bright - ens in the west;



we fee - bly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine;
 steals on the ear the dis - tant tri - umph song,
 soon, soon to faith - ful war - riors comes their rest;



yet all are one with - in your great de - sign.
 and hearts are is the brave a - gain and arms are strong.
 sweet is the calm of par - a - dise the blest.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
And the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



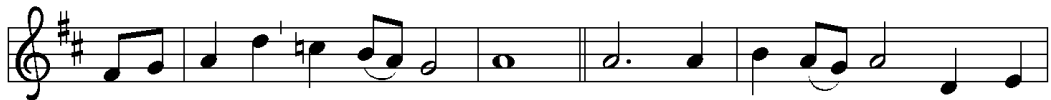
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb



who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



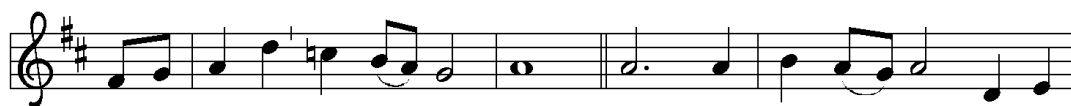
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich-es, wis - dom, and



strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was



slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

PSALM

Psalm 149: 1-5, 9b

¹ Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD a new song,
God's praise in the assembly of the faithful.

² **Let Israel rejoice in their maker;
let the children of Zion be joyful in their ruler.**

³ Let them praise their maker's name with dancing;
let them sing praise with tambourine and harp.

⁴ **For the LORD takes pleasure in the people
and adorns the poor with victory.**

⁵ Let the faithful rejoice in triumph;
let them sing for joy on their beds.

^{9b} **Hallelujah!**

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 1:11-23

¹¹ In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹² so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴ this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

¹⁵ I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, ¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸ so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰ God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²² And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL

Luke 6:20-31

The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 6th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²⁰ Then Jesus looked up at his disciples and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹ “Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

²² “Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man.

²³ Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

²⁴ “But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

²⁵ “Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

“Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

²⁶ “Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.

²⁷ “But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; ²⁸ bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you. ²⁹ If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰ Give to everyone who asks of you, and if anyone takes away what is yours, do not ask for it back again. ³¹ Do to others as you would have them do to you.”

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

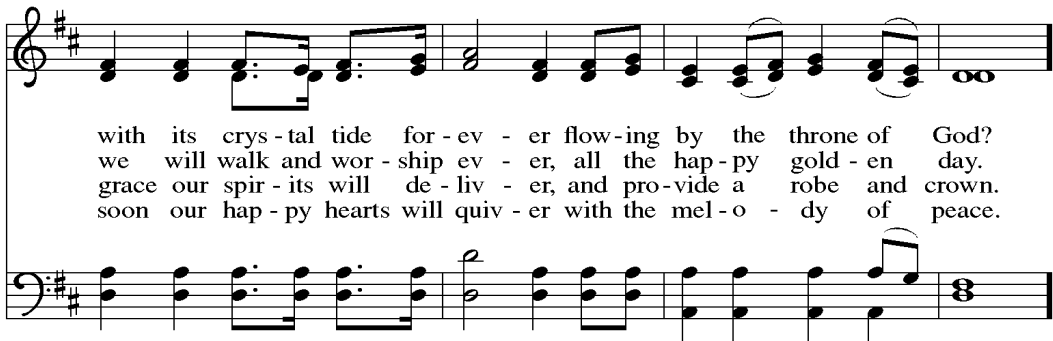
SERMON

Shall We Gather at the River (Verses 1 & 2)

Text: Robert Lowry Music: HANSON PLACE, Robert Lowry



1 Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,
2 On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,
3 Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;
4 Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, soon our pil - grim - age will cease;

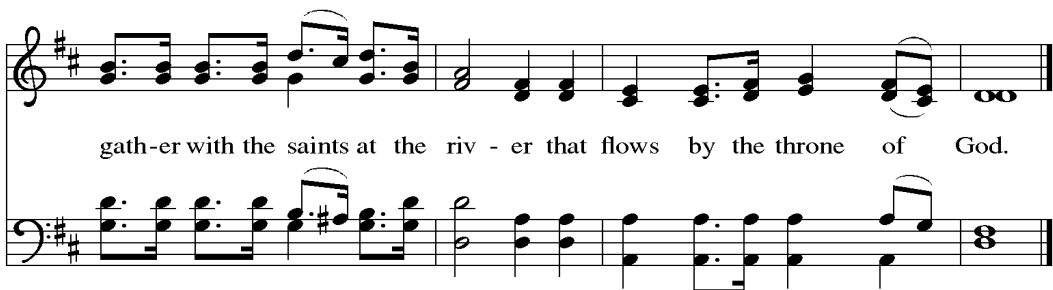


with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow - ing by the throne of God?
we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day.
grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro - vide a robe and crown.
soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the mel - o - dy of peace.

Refrain



Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, the beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;



gath - er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

ALL SAINTS REMEMBRANCE

On All Saints Day we celebrate the victory won for all the faithfully departed. But we grieve for our beloved ones as well, knowing that God honors our tears. Let us pray:

**O God, our help in ages past, our hope for the years to come,
we give thanks for those in generations past
who have been examples for us of God's love at work in the world.
As we pray, we know we are surrounded by this great, rejoicing cloud of
witnesses. Yet even as we name these forbearers of the faith,
we thank God for others whose names we never knew or have forgotten,
who showed us the meaning of life in Christ.**

<i>John Z. Shearer</i>	<i>November 19, 2024</i>
<i>Mary Alice Ross</i>	<i>December 11, 2024</i>
<i>Joyce Eileen Morschhauser</i>	<i>February 14, 2025</i>
<i>Lillian L. Burkholder</i>	<i>May 12, 2025</i>
<i>Julie Diehl</i>	<i>May 26, 2025</i>
<i>Dawn B. (Tudy) Gates</i>	<i>June 22, 2025</i>
<i>James (Jim J.P.) Howard</i>	<i>July 23, 2025</i>
<i>Garry William Shatzer</i>	<i>August 29, 2025</i>
<i>Sally Louise Barkhymer</i>	<i>September 1, 2025</i>
<i>Faye Marie Ulrich</i>	<i>September 10, 2025</i>
<i>Karin Ingrid Woods</i>	<i>October 9, 2025</i>
<i>Linus Dean Christman</i>	<i>October 11, 2025</i>
<i>Denise R. Heinbaugh</i>	<i>October 22, 2025</i>

Holy God, we honor these, our ancestors in faith and members of our family. You have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

Shall We Gather at the River (verses 3&4)

(see previous page)

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

MEAL

OFFERING

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. Online giving is available at felcc.org or by scanning this QR code. **During the summer months, please place your offering in the plates at the entrances to worship.***



CHOIR ANTHEM

Song of the Saints

by Pepper Choplin

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERTORY

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

God of healing and hope, you bless those who are hungry, promising to fill them with good things. Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts. Nourish us with the abundance of your feast and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior, now and forever. Amen.

DIALOG

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you,
almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

By the witness of your saints
you show us the hope of our calling
and strengthen us to run the race set before us,
that we may delight in your mercy
and rejoice with them in glory.

And so, with John, Mary Alice, Joyce, Lillian, Julie,
Tudy, Garry, Sally, Faye, Karin, Linus, Denise and all the saints,
with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power,
and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

There is a place for you at the table of God. Come, receive the food that does not perish, a taste of life eternal.

Thanks be to God.

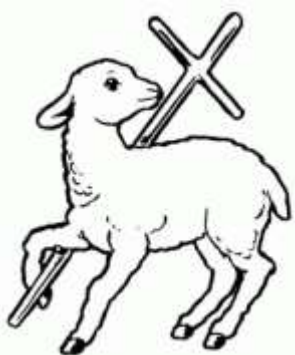
Please be seated.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Communion: *All Christians who believe that Jesus is truly present in the bread (body of Christ) and in the wine (blood of Christ) are welcome at the Lord's table. To receive Holy Communion, please come down the center aisle, take a glass (the prefilled glasses contain grape juice), and gather at the altar. Non-communing children and adults may come forward for a blessing.*

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.



How Small Our Span of Life

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., b. Music: KINGSFOLD, English traditional



1 How small our span of life, O God, our years from birth till death:
2 And yet our speck of life is spanned by your in - fin - i - ty;
3 O Christ, you left e - ter - ni - ty to plunge in time's swift stream,
4 We thank you, God, for kind-ling faith that lights our tran - sient years,



a sin - gle beat with - in the heart, the catch-ing of a breath,
our tick of time on earth is caught in your e - ter - ni - ty.
to share the short-ness of our span, our mor - tal lives re - deem.
il - lu - min - ing our pil-grim-age through mists of doubt and fears;



a drop with-in the o - cean's deep, a grain up - on the shore,
While suns and stars spin end - less - ly through depths of cos - mic space,
You filled your cross-closed years with love; you loved us to the end
for hope that sees a life be - yond the swift - ly pass-ing days;



a flash of light be - fore we sleep to see the sun no more.
while ae - ons roll and ag - es pass, you hold us in your grace.
and touch us with your ris - en life that ours may time trans - cend.
for love, both hu - man and di - vine, that lifts our hearts to praise.

TABLE BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE



Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the



sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions



and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.



Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world. Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name. Amen.

SENDING

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Gracious God, in this month of November, as we remember the saints who have gone before us, as well as those who are still with us here on earth, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with the saints who are *sick or homebound*. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament. Give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
bless you ✠ and grant you a faithful and courageous heart
now and forever. **Amen.**

Sing with All the Saints in Glory

Text: William J. Irons Music: MISSISSIPPI, William Bradley Roberts



- 1 Sing with all the saints in glo - ry, sing the res - ur - rec - tion song!
- 2 Oh, what glo - ry, far ex - ceed - ing all that eye has yet per - ceived!
- 3 Life e - ter - nal! heav'n re - joic - es: Je - sus lives who once was dead.



Death and sor - row, earth's dark sto - ry, to the for - mer days be - long.
Ho - liest hearts for a - ges plead - ing nev - er that full joy con - ceived.
Shout with joy, O death - less voic - es! Child of God, lift up your head!



All a-round the clouds are break-ing, soon the storms of time shall cease;
God has prom-ised, Christ pre-pares it, there on high our wel-come waits.
Life e - ter - nal! Oh, what won-ders crowd on faith; what joy un - known,



in God's like - ness we a - wak - en, know - ing ev - er - last - ing peace.
Ev - 'ry hum - ble spir - it shares it, Christ has passed the e - ter - nal gates.
when, a - mid earth's clos - ing thun - ders, saints shall stand be - fore the throne!

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the harvest. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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Altar Flowers were given to the Glory of God
with gratitude for the people God places in our lives
by the Ross Family

Please remember in your prayers...

Healing: **Nancy Fricke** (11/08), **Kimberly Long** (11/19), **Peggy Stout** (11/28)

Continuing Prayers: **Joanne Caskey**, **Pat Dent**, **June Diehl**, Mark Hammer,
Charles Kampmeyer, **Dalton Paul**, **Julie Paul**, Joe Pine

Military: Tawny & Brad Arnold

ATTENDANCE October 26 58 in person 6 online

THANK OFFERING SERVICE will be next Sunday with the Women of the ELCA leading worship and Deacon Chelle Huth from United Lutheran Seminary presenting the children's message and the sermon.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held Sunday, November 16 following worship. We will be electing council members. Following the meeting we will have lunch in the Fellowship Hall and conversation regarding the future use of our building. The sign-up sheet for lunch is in Memorial Hall. Please sign up by November 9.



HATS SCARVES AND MITTENS The Neighborhood Task Team is planning to hang items on our fence that will help our neighbors stay warm in the winter months. Share this with your friends, relatives and neighbors. Volunteer to hang items on the fence. Dates are TODAY, December 7, and January 17-19. Contact Mary Beth Warne at 717-372-8282.



SCAN (Student Clothing Assistance Network) is a project of the Neighborhood Task Team. Working with the social workers and guidance counselors of the school district, SCAN volunteers fill emergency requests for clothing and school supplies. When a request is received, it is assigned to a volunteer or volunteers to acquire the necessary items, either through purchase or donation. We have already filled 3 requests for this school year. Requests do not come in on a regular schedule. But when they are received the need is usually urgent. The children involved are usually in crisis situations— domestic upheaval, homelessness, unexpected relocations. If you are interested in participating in this ministry, or have questions, please contact Tim or Mary: 717-264-4759, 717-491-0611, tim@gotwald.org, mary@gotwald.org Thank you for considering.

ST SERAPHIM Volunteer opportunity available for Saturday, November 8 from 9am-1pm at Food Kitchen on Lincoln Way West. Contact Mary Gotwald at 717-264-4759.

DISCOUNT CARDS SpiriTrust Lutheran Auxiliary is selling discount cards. For \$5 each. Money raised will help The Inn. The card is active now through 9/1/26 and may be used for discounts at various area businesses. Please see Mary Beth Warne to purchase.

LITTLE DAISY'S CLOSET collection box is located in Memorial Hall. All clean items are accepted!

BIRTHDAY BAGS Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the Birthday Bags for Little Daisy's Closet! This is an ongoing project. I try to make up 4 - 6 bags a month. Items are needed: Large Birthday bags, balloons, plates, napkins, candles, small gifts, snack items, cakes, icings, cake pans. Birthday cards are not currently needed. Thank you for your ongoing support. Thanks, Joyce Ray.



CHRISTMAS PROJECT This year for our Christmas Project, First Lutheran is working with the Chamber of Commerce to collect items for the appreciation of our First Responders in the Borough. The following is a list of items that would be welcome contributions: Granola/protein bars, gum, nuts/trail mix, mints, cheese and peanut butter crackers, beef jerky, candy, donuts, chips, drink powder packets, sports drinks, microwave popcorn, large cans of coffee, k-cups, hand sanitizer, memo books, sticky notes, highlighters, black pens, and lip balm. You may also give monetary donations labeled “Christmas Project” or “First Responders” may be placed in the offering plate. Please place your thank you notes and gifts in the Box in Memorial Hall by Sunday, December 7.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

	<u>November 2</u>	<u>November 9</u>	<u>November 16</u>
Lector:	Sally Herritt	Nancy Hamilton Joyce Ray	Ralph Burdick
Communion	Jim Brown		Jim Brown
Assistants:	Deb Fleegal Karen Sloan		Deb Fleegal Karen Sloan
Greeters:	Gary Kennedy Marianne Kennedy	Peggy Stout Bev Rebok	Peggy Stout Bev Rebok
Altar Guild:	Deb Fleegal Gary Fleegal	Deb Fleegal Gary Fleegal	Deb Fleegal Gary Fleegal
Ushers:	Gary Fleegal Gary Kennedy Marianne Kennedy Denny Love	Janet Friend Jean Reed Mary Beth Warne	Gary Fleegal Gary Kennedy Marianne Kennedy Denny Love