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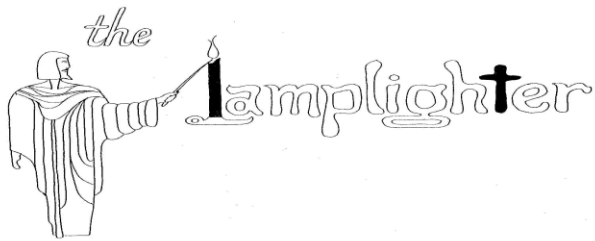
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Thanksgiving



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

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

We receive our treasures from Him, and thus, as (good stewards of His varied grace,) (1 Peter 4:10) we manage them in such a way that they may be returned to Him. We bring them to Him, hallowed through prayers of thanksgiving and God's holy Word, as an offering. Thus, all our possessions, as gifts from God, are also offerings to Him, from which we eat to nourish our bodies, share with our family, neighbors, and fellow Christians, with the poor and even our enemies, as holy things given by the holy God. His temporal gifts are blessings to and for us, and bring blessing upon us even as they are pressed into His service for His kingdom and the souls that receive them.

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

As we prepare for the celebrations of Thanksgiving, may we all give thanks continually for all that we are and all that we have because of God's providential care. And may we be all the more diligent in bringing everything that we have received from God to Him, so that He may bless it and employ it for the good of all — even for us. "For to the one who has, more will be given, and he will have an abundance" (Matthew 13:12). (*LCMS Stewardship*)

Wishing you God's richest blessings and joy as you gather with your family for Thanksgiving!

Your Shepherd in Christ,
Pastor Gerald Paul

NOVEMBER LAMPLIGHTER DEADLINE Monday, NOVEMBER 20TH!!
THE LAMPLIGHTER WILL GO OUT ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND

May the Lord in His grace continue to give strength, faith, patience and peace to each of His own:



Gary Adams at home; **Alice Irion** at her daughter's home in Havre; **Lydia Laubach** at the Rainbow; **Ilene Leishman** at home; **Richard Mauseth** at home; **Evelyn McNaight** at home; **Emma Millet** at Golden Eagles; **Alene Morrell** at Hosanna House; **Gladine Nehus** in Helena; **Alvina Presler** (Millie Birkholz's mother) at Park Place; **Bud Quickenden** at Bee Hive Homes; **Ruth Schwartzenberger** at home; **Gordan Stach** at home; **Myrtle Storhaug** at Golden Eagles; **Ted Young** at Missouri River Manor

We pray for those serving in the military:

Jaymes Crumley USAF; Tech Sgt Jared Dudden USAF ;Joshua Graham USA (Sherrie Blomstrom's grandson-in-law); **Clifton Grilley USN** (Gary & Janet Headington's son) ; **Jared Grina USN** (Janet & Gary Headington's son-in-law); **Steffen Meeks USA** (Sherrie Blomstrom's grandson); **Brendan Murphy, USMC** (Gary & Sylvia Adams grandson); **Michael Somerfeld USN** (Gary & Mary Somerfeld's son);

Tech Sgt Tanner Tilton USAF (Millie Birkholz's grandson); **Senior Airman Brady Toole USAF**



A Letter from the Seminary Student We Support

Members of Trinity Lutheran,

Greetings once again from CTS in Fort Wayne, IN. I pray that all is well for you and that God's peace would be with you. Things are progressing quite smoothly here, and maybe a bit too smoothly. It seems like yesterday that I first arrived back on campus and started the quarter. Now we are already half way done, and time shows no signs of slowing. We are getting to the point in the quarter where all the assignments are due, so more time is being spent in the library and nights are getting longer.

It is interesting to approach classes with the background of having spent a year doing full-time work in the Church. Vicarage has changed me, and the way I think about things, but for the better. This change should be beneficial to my classwork, and will hopefully continue to grow.

I am not sure how much of my background you know, or I have told you already, but it never hurts to repeat it. I am from Laurel, MT where my father is the pastor of St. John's Lutheran. I have five siblings, three brothers and two sisters, and I am the fifth child out of the six. I attended Lutheran schools pretty much my entire life, I attended Rocky Mountain College in Billings for one year. I will be the fourth-generation pastor in my family as my paternal grandfather, and great-grandfather were both pastors. That is the cliff-notes version of my life.

I continue to keep you in my prayers. I also continue to keep Montana in my prayers as they continue dealing with fires, and work towards recovering. I also, again, ask that you keep me in your prayers. God's blessings to you all.

In Christ,

Gideon Pullmann

Thursday Morning Men's Bible Study



Men's Bible Study have begun meeting on **Thursday mornings at 6:30 am** for an hour of study and fellowship. All the men of the congregation are invited and encouraged to attend.

Middle & High school Youth Bible Study

All middle and High school youth are invited to join Pastor Paul on Wednesdays November 1st, 15th and 29th at 5:30 pm for Bible study and fellowship.

Wednesday Morning Ladies' Bible Study

Wednesday morning ladies' Bible study meets every Wednesday morning from 9:30 am to 11:00 am in the Stahlecker Room. Each lesson is an independent lesson, so if you can only come occasionally you will still be able to follow right along. Join us for a morning of fellowship as we study God's Word together.





What a glorious Reformation celebration we have had!! It's good to learn about the roots from which the Lutheran Church came, the struggles, the people God blessed with courage and integrity. Now we have the responsibility of keeping the law and gospel message pure for future generations. May we all focus on Christ, as the reformers did!

As November begins, with the craft shows, harvest dinners, and bazaars, the **Friday Ladies Bible study** will focus on their study of the Psalms. Ladies will meet for Bible study November 3rd and 17th from 1:00-3:00pm at the home of Marge Johnsten, 3000 8th Ave S. There is always a chair at the table just for you!

Assisted Living Ministry with a devotion and hymn singing will meet at the following locations: on November 14th at 11:00 am they will gather at Bee Hive Home #2, 2816 15th Ave S. Earlier in the month, on November 10th at 11:45 am ladies and gentlemen will meet for a no host lunch at Hardee's, 2615 10th Ave S. Afterward many in the group will go to Highgate House, 3000 11th Ave S. Come and enjoy the fellowship these activities present!



Need a Ride to Church? Weather and roads keeping you from getting to Sunday worship? Just don't drive? Need a ride to church? Call the church office (406-452-2121) Thursdays before 3:00 pm and we have a group of people in the congregation who will be more than happy to give you a ride.

Drivers Needed! We are looking for individuals who would be willing to occasionally give a ride to church to some of our members who do not drive. If you would be willing to be on the "on-call" list, please contact the church office.

Comparison of Giving Report - 2017

For the Period September 24th through October 22nd

Comparison of Income to our Monthly budget needs



Our <u>minimum monthly budget need</u> each month:	\$16,070
Actual giving for report period ~	\$16,941
The offerings since last report:	
September 24 th	\$3,653
October 1 st	\$4,969
October 8 th	\$3,085
October 15 th	\$2,928
October 22 nd	\$2,306

If you have any questions, please call me at 761-7073. Gary Shelden, Assistant Treasurer

Trinity Lutheran LWML has a number of events/items coming up.

We invite all the ladies of Trinity to join us.

Event 1: November LWML Group Gathering will be **Saturday, November 11th at 9:30 am**. The board will be asking for ideas for guest speaker ideas for next year. If you have idea of someone you would like to see come and give a presentation, please don't hesitate bringing up ideas at the November gathering or talking to a board member. Planning for the December 9th Advent Brunch will be discussed at the November meeting. Please watch for details.



Event 2: The LWML Board meeting for November is November 29th at 11:15 am.

Item 1: Membership dues are now due. They are \$12.00. Please give them to Elsie Lorenz.

Item 2: LWML will continue to gather items for the layettes and backpacks. Items needed are posted on the Narthex bulletin board.

Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; His love endures forever. 1 Chronicles 16:34 -



Looking for an alternative web-based LCMS supported radio station? KFUE is the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod answer. On the web at www.kfuoam.org they broadcast seven days a week from 6:00 am to 8:00 pm Mountain Time (times vary by month). Check them out on the web at www.kfuoam.org.

Save the date!

*Trinity Lutheran Church will be celebrating its 125th Anniversary
with a special service and potluck dinner*

November 18, 2017

4:00 pm

*Guest preacher: Reverend Terry Forke
(Montana District President)*



Please contact the church office (406-452-2121) or sign-up on the Chapel doors in the Narthex and let us know how many will be joining us so that we can plan for our main dish.

New Church Directory

THE NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY IS NOW AVAILABLE.



You should have received one in your Narthex mailbox. If not, please contact the church office (406-452-2121) and we will see to it you get one. Please take some time to transfer your old notes, etc. into the new directory so that you will have the correct, current information.

Please recycle your old directories or bring them to the church office and we will recycle them for you.

QUARTERLY VOTER'S MEETING ~ Don't forget the Quarterly Voter's Meeting **Sunday, November 19, 2017** immediately following the Divine Service. All members of Trinity who are at least 18-years-old are invited and encouraged to come and be a part of the process of making decisions about Trinity.



If you are interested in sharing your talents by serving on the Altar Guild we would greatly appreciate your help. There are no formal meetings and duties are a month at a time to fit your schedule, with duties shared during Holy Week and Christmas. If you would be interested in just taking on one part of the altar duties such as filling the candles or washing the linens that would be appreciated as well. For more information please contact Denise Wegner at 452-2241 or 791-7275.





Bob ♥ Bonnie Nommensen (38)

November 3rd

Gary ♥ Janet Headington (22)

November 4th

Matt ♥ Chrissy Gollahon (1)

November 12th

Michael ♥ Lisa Romig (26)

November 16th

Channing ♥ Donna Hartelius (10)

November 23rd

Paul ♥ Millie Birkholz (29)

November 26th

Chuck ♥ Judy Lively (12)

November 26th

Chuck ♥ Elsie Lorenz (64)

November 28th

Gene ♥ Joy Suek (60)

November 30th



Birthdays

November 1st

Dallas Koke

November 2nd

Gordon Stach (80+)

November 3rd

Tyson Wheeler

November 5th

Niklas Hansen

November 7th

Mick Jones

November 8th

Patrick Norris

November 11th

Kenny Chapman

November 12th

Dennis Philipp

Randy Bogden

Kenner Boyce

DeAnna Martin

Paul Soldano

November 14th

Rochelle Sand

November 16th

Wendy Doll

November 19th

Neil Burkstrand

Tim Chapman

Yvonne Lee

November 20th

Johnathan Larsen

November 21st

Rochelle Kimmerle

November 23rd

Michael Adelmeyer

Michael Grams

Gary Somerfeld

November 24th

Scott Mansch

November 25th

Roy Arves

Maryanne Chapman

November 28th

Heidi Paul

November 29th

Leslie Lee

November 30th

Ashlee Graves



Baptismal Anniversaries

November 1st

Brian Flynn

Charlotte Morrison

November 4th

Hayden Olson

November 5th

Caleb Bicsak

Treve Mans

November 6th

Barb Going

Ruth Waetzig (80+)

Alice Irion (80+)

November 7th

Micah Brady

November 8th

Jim Going (80+)

November 9th

Caden Bicsak

Eric Mills

November 10th

Dale Andersen

November 11th

Noah Jones

Bob Nommensen

November 14th

Janet Headington

Brad Norris

Sandy Schroeder

November 18th

Macie Wheeler

November 21st

Martin Eberly

November 23rd

Addison Teel

November 24th

Michael Adelmeyer

Chrissy Gollahon

November 26th

Neil Burkstrand

Rochelle Sand

Aaron Sybrant

November 29th

Kenny Chapman





Wee Disciples children wanted to share some art about what they are thankful for! We are looking forward to our Thanksgiving Chapel on November 21st at 11:30 am. Judy is helping us learn songs to share and we will have time to share a feast afterward ! We hope you can join us!

Worship Assistants ~ November 2017

Serving this Month

Acolyte ~ Elders

Altar Guild ~ Denise Wegner / Dayna VanVleet

Ushers ~ Alan Wegner / Elders

Counters ~ TBA

Trustee On-Call ~ NOA

November 5, 2017 ~ All Saints' Day (white)

Readings	<i>First Reading</i> <i>Psalm</i>	Revelation 7:(2-8) 9-17 Psalm 149	<i>Epistle</i> <i>Holy Gospel</i>	1 John 3:1-3 Matthew 5:1-12
Assistants	Audio/Video Duty Elders Organist			Gary Somerfeld Len Koelbel / Don Lee Joy Suek
11/08/17	Duty Elders			Bob Nommensen

November 12, 2017 ~ Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost (green)

Readings	<i>Old Testament</i> <i>Psalm</i>	Amos 5:18-24 Psalm 70	<i>Epistle</i> <i>Holy Gospel</i>	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Matthew 25:1-13
Assistants	Audio/Video Duty Elders Organist			Cody Stene James Neumann / Dennis Philipp Jeannine Eastley
11/15/17	Duty Elders			Bob Nommensen

November 18, 2017 ~ 125th Anniversary Celebration

Readings	<i>Old Testament</i> <i>Psalm</i>	Genesis 28:10-22 Psalm 84	<i>Epistle</i> <i>Holy Gospel</i>	Ephesians 2:19-22 Matthew 7:24-27
Assistants	Audio/Video Duty Elders Organist			Jon Chapman Len Koelbel / James Neumann Anita Chapman

November 19, 2017 ~ Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost (green)

Readings	<i>Old Testament</i> <i>Psalm</i>	Zephaniah 1:7-16 Psalm 90:1-12	<i>Epistle</i> <i>Holy Gospel</i>	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Matthew 25:14-30
Assistants	Audio/Video Duty Elders Organist			John Shaw Len Koelbel / Roy Arves Jeannine Eastley

November 23, 2017 ~ Thanksgiving Day

Readings	<i>Old Testament</i> <i>Psalm</i>	Deuteronomy 8:1-10 Psalm 67	<i>Epistle</i> <i>Holy Gospel</i>	Philippians 4:6-20 or 1 Timothy 2:1-4 Luke 17:11-19
Assistants	Audio/Video Duty Elders Organist			Jon Chapman Len Koelbel Anita Chapman

November 26, 2017 ~ Last Sunday of the Church Year (green)

Readings	<i>Old Testament</i> <i>Psalm</i>	Ezekial 34:11-16, 20-24 Psalm 95:1-7a	<i>Epistle</i> <i>Holy Gospel</i>	1 Corinthians 15:20-28 Matthew 25:31-46
Assistants	Audio/Video Duty Elders Organist			Gary Somerfeld Marty Bauer / Jerry Grosenick Anita Chapman
11/30/17	Duty Elders			Bob Nommensen



If unable to serve on your designated Sunday / Wednesday please contact the church office (406-452-2121) as soon as possible to allow time to find a substitute.