

THE MESSENGER

November, 2022

The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at Him. They said, "He saved others; let Him save Himself if He is God's Messiah, the Chosen One." Luke 23:35

Well, we are coming to the end of the Church year and we will be starting the Advent soon.

What a wonderful and full year we have had. We got moved into our new home. We have welcomed several new members to our church family. We have the Oakes', the Owens', the Rev Dr. Ophelia and Ed Beiers' and the Strawsers' welcoming home the Mulhalls. We have had our first Soup Supper and two picnics.

This is the time of year when the smells of Fall are in the air, and we begin thinking of Thanksgiving. We certainly have a great deal to be thankful for. We have an awesome council lead by the remarkable Pat Ganster. We managed to get out from under the mortgage we had and get set up in our new home. Thanks to Pat, Sue, and Sandy, everything seemed to move so smoothly.

While we look to Christ's crucifixion and resurrection I pray that we might look into ourselves and take stock of what we might be able to do to bring even more people into our little church. As I have said so often, our church has so much love in it and I just know that we could each look around and find maybe just one person that you could invite to commune with us. No Pastor anywhere could be as proud as I am to be a part of Christ Lutheran Church.

We will be having our All Saints Day service on Nov6th our annual Veteran's Day Service- Nov. 13th, our Thanksgiving Eve Nov.23 at 4pm.

Please feel free to invite someone to come and share these days with us.

God has blessed our little church so much this year and while God has called home Larry Phillips and Bill Wilkening and Grace Lorenz, we have been blessed to have had each one of these people in our lives. We know that we will see them again. Let us Thank God for all of the many wonderful Blessings that God has showered us with.

God's Peace and Grace to All. Pastor John

November Messenger

Fall – a combination of the months of October and November!! I awoke and thought about how much this time of year means to me. In years past, it included apple picking, Halloween fun and then my favorite holiday Thanksgiving. I take time to remember all of things that I am thankful for and all the blessings God has bestowed on me and my family.

The same is true of CLC. God has bestowed so many blessings on this congregation. At the recent soup supper, Phyllis brought in pictures of past events. Wow, what memories. Remember when – we were all part of so many activities. We started as a group of 200. Those of us from the beginning were much younger and were able to do so much more than we can today. Each of the activities were done because of our love for God and this church.

Just to list a few of the activities - Family Promise, Fall Craft bazaars and Trunk n Treat. All of which took the dedication and energy of many of us. What about – Thanksgiving dinner for members that lived alone, large spaghetti suppers and full dinners done as fund raisers. These are all wonderful memories and ones that are cherished.

We are now a much smaller group and many of us are unable to do what we did in the past.

Look around and let's be thankful for what we have and can do.

We are now in a small but beautiful "new church". It may be in a business building, but it is everything a church should be. We are thankful for all the volunteers that made it possible.

We have very dedicated members. There is not one person attending that doesn't give all they can of their time and talents. There are only two paid people, all the rest is accomplished by volunteers.

We are most thankful for our Pastor, Pastor John. He is only supposed to work part time, but we all know he is there 24/7 for anyone needing him. He is there to call, visit, listen and bring communion to each and everyone of us.

This Thanksgiving, let us take time to "be thankful", Be thankful for our church and let's do everything we can to work together to accomplish all that we are able in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Pat Ganster
President

Long Term Prayer Concerns

In Our Prayers: Marjorie Matthews, Arlie and Helen Johnson, Rosemarie Robinson. Martha and Charlie Taylor, Clarice Gildred, George Bertish and Dennis Owens.

Flowers In Honor Of or In Memory Of

If members wish to place flowers In Memory Of, or In Honor Of a loved one, the member may purchase and place a rose in a vase on the altar. Please let the office know, via e-mail if possible, at least one week in advance that you are doing this so it can be entered in the bulletin. If you do not have e-mail you may call the church office (437-4113).

November Birthdays

**2 Arlie Johnson
6 Veronica Wilkening
9 Jody Hitz
18 Majorie Matthews**

**During November we will take
time to thank God for the
Blessings he has bestowed on
you and your family**



VOLUNTEERS for November, 2022

2022	6th	13th	20th	27th
Altar Care	Sue Spinelli		Sue Spinelli	
Lay Minister	Joan Irwin		Jody Hitz	
Lector		Sue Spinelli		Pat Ganster
Ushers	Pete Ganster Bill Streett	Pete & Carmen Seidel	Mike & Harriet Hinson	Don & Erika Roach
Computer	Linda Dyer	Pat Ganster	Phyllis Lytle	Sue Spinelli

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Administration

Pat Ganster

Linda Dyer

Congregation Ministry/

Outreach

Sue Spinelli

Evangelism,

Pr. John Johnson

Property

Bill Streett

Music and Worship

Jean Hill

Finance

Phyllis Lytle

Recording Secretary

Linda Dyer

Hospitality

Sandy Halcomb

The Ladies of Christ Lutheran Church-

Mary Martha Circle

Mary-Martha Circle will meet again on Tuesday November 15th We meet the third Tuesday of the month, at 1:00 p.m. at church. New members are always welcome. Please join us.

Crafters

Just a reminder that the Crafters will be meeting here at the Church to decorate the Christmas Trees on *November 16th at 9:00 a.m. (Church and Library). As always they would appreciate help if you are available.*

Dates to Remember

November 13th

Veteran's Day Service at 10:00 a.m.

November 20th

Annual Congregation Meeting

2023 Budget will be approved at that Meeting

November 23rd

Thanksgiving Eve Service at 4:00 p.m.

