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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

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"But ask the animals what they think—let them teach you; let the birds tell you what's going on. Put your ear to the earth—learn the basics. Listen—the fish in the ocean will tell you their stories. Isn't it clear that they all know and agree that GOD is sovereign, that he holds all things in his hand—Every living soul, yes, every breathing creature?"

Job 12:7-10 The Message (MSG)

October 4 is the day the church remembers Francis of Assisi. He is known for identifying with the poor and suffering, for choosing to live a life of simplicity, and for his delight in all birds and animals. At Christmas 1223 in Greccio, Italy he planned a celebration of the Nativity in a cave. Francis brought in hay and live animals and a figure of the Christ child. That was the beginning of the Christmas crèche.

Francis called the animals his brothers and sisters. Therefore, at the worship service closest to the day of Francis of Assisi the church invites members to bring pets and animals to worship. Saturday, October 5 at 5:00 pm is the time. Please come and participate in the blessing of the animals. Let them teach us as we praise God together!

Pastor Darla Ann



VISIT US ONLINE AT WWW.OURLORDS.ORG

ORGAN DONATION AND SUPPORT

In loving memory of a family member who has passed, a **Wicks Opus 5443** organ is being gifted to the church by two members of our congregation! This organ will have two rows of pipes (two rank) and two keyboards (two manual) along with new digital technology that will expand the richness of the sound and will also increase the flexibility in the types of sound used in worship and concerts.

The organ has already been transferred from a church in Ramsey, Illinois, to the Wicks shop in Highland. The extensive upgrades will take up to one year to complete, with installation occurring sometime in mid to late 2020. Our current organ, a Wicks Opus 5069, will be sold or donated prior to the arrival of the new organ.

Although the donors are willing to finance 100% of the costs associated with this purchase, the members of your Church Council are encouraging anyone who feels moved to help with this initiative to please consider doing so. This is a very substantial gift to the church. Any help, either in the form of a one-time contribution or as an ongoing gift, would be deeply appreciated. A down payment has already been paid, with three additional payments expected to be made in the upcoming months. If interested in helping, write your check(s) payable to OLLC, indicating "organ" in the memo line of your check.

This organ donation support is in no way connected to other improvements planned for the future at Our Lord's. Similarly, it is not meant to be in competition with any upcoming upgrades to our facilities.

We are excited about this opportunity to enhance the overall worship experience at Our Lord's Lutheran Church!

Tom Steinmann, President
OLLC Council



WEEKEND WORSHIP DURING OCTOBER



Saturday, October 5 and Sunday, October 6

Fourth Sunday in Creation:

Animal

The scriptures for this Sunday are linked by their attention to fauna (the animal world both wild and tamed). The rhythms of nature, divine and human wisdom, and the overarching care and concern of God for all creatures will get our attention on this final weekend in our Season of Creation Series.

On Saturday night, there will be a Blessing of the Animals.



Saturday, October 12 and Sunday, October 13

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Luke 17:11-19

Washed in the Waters

Healing miracles in the scriptures help us to connect the waters of healing with the waters of holy baptism. Healing allows people to return to their rightful place as members of a community.

Give thanks!



Saturday, October 19 and Sunday, October 20

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Luke 18:1-8

Persistence

On this first weekend in our financial stewardship series, we hear of Jacob's prosperity and a widow's poverty. For them, and for us, persistence can reshape our lives. Persistence in our every encounter with the divine will be blessed.



Saturday, October 26 and Sunday, October 27

Reformation Sunday: John 8:31-36

Facing the Truth

On this day we commemorate the work of Martin Luther in starting the reforms needed in the church. Over 500 years later we continue to be reformed by the Holy Spirit. Facing the truth about ourselves in all areas, including our use of money, opens us to receive the healing grace of God.

WORSHIP IN THE CHAPEL IN THE PINES

Our Lord's last outdoor Worship in the Chapel in the Pines will be Saturday, **October 5** (5 pm) for the contemporary worship, which is the first Saturday of the month. It will also be the Blessing of the Animals. (see more of that below.) This is contingent on the weather permitting us to be outside. If worshipping outside, bring lawn chairs & bug spray. Worshiping in God's creation takes on a different, spiritual awareness. Come worship with us.



BLESSING OF THE PETS WORSHIP SERVICE

Saturday, October 5, 5 pm
Chapel in the Pines
(Inclement Weather-we'll move to Sanctuary)

Bring your pets—cats, dogs, birds, lizards, snakes, spiders, fish, mice, rats, hamsters, guinea pigs, pot belly pigs, horses, etc.
 (in their appropriate restraints or carriers!)

Bring items needed to clean up after your pet, lawn chairs, blankets, and wear clothing appropriate to the weather.

REGULAR WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Contemporary Worship: Saturdays at 5 pm with Fellowship after the Worship

Traditional Worship: Regular Sunday Schedule of 8 am and 10:45 am. Hospitality will be at 9:15 am.

THE ABC 'S OF THRIVENT

Thrivent Financial serves Christian communities so that we grow in the ability to "Be Wise with Money" and "Live Generously". All 78 members of Our Lord's who have funds in Thrivent are eligible to use the ABC's of Thrivent to benefit the congregation and ministries beyond our walls.

"A" stands for Action Teams. Thrivent members are eligible to apply for a \$250.00 grant and other Action Team materials twice a year. Pastor Darla Ann is a Thrivent member and has applied for this to help fund the OLLC booth at the Maryville Fall Festival.

"B" stands for Builds, as in Thrivent Builds with Habitat for Humanity. In the next year or two there will be opportunities to help at home building sites.

"C" stands for Choice. Eligible members have the opportunity to recommend where Thrivent distributes some of their charitable grant funds. Congregations, camps, and social ministries are among the organizations who receive funds through Thrivent Choice. Eight to ten people have designated Our Lord's to receive a portion of the Choice dollars they can designate. In the current year, Our Lord's has received \$3,052.00.

For more information on how to use the ABC 's of Thrivent, contact Pastor Dar.

"MAKING CONNECTIONS" New Member Class & Recognition



Our Lord's will officially welcome those who choose to become members of this congregation during the weekend worship services on October 19 and 20. Those interested in joining OLLC this fall are asked to attend a two-session course at 9:30 am on Sunday, October 6 and Sunday, October 13. The course will explore connections between participants and three areas of life in this congregation; 1) the practices of the faith, 2) the purpose of Our Lord's, and 3) people and ministries at Our Lord's.

For more information, please call Pastor Dar at 330-244-7963 or at the church office at 618-345-5692.

Pastor Darla Ann

GETTING TO KNOW THE PASTOR

In October there will be two informal more getting to know the Pastor and for her to get to know you.

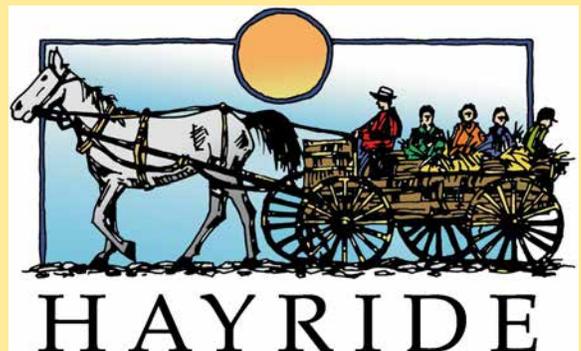


Coffee with Pastor

Saturday, October 12, 10 am
Verona Coffee Company,
Front, 101 A, East Main Street, Collinsville
(same entrance as Bert's Chuckwagon)

Hayride with Pastor

Saturday, October 12, 7 pm
Mills Apple Farm
11477 Pocahontas Road
Marine, IL 62061
Bonfire
S'mores & other snacks



*Meet
the
Pastor*

DIRECTORS DEPARTMENT



October 6
10:45 am

Olivia Comrie, soloist and the OLLC Chancel Choir

October 13
10:45

OLLC Handbell Choir and the Holden Communion Service returns
A Joyous Prelude and A Festival Peale

November 3

8:00 am Marie Brown, Cello
10:45 am

"If Today" and "For The Beauty of The Earth" with the OLLC Chancel Choir, Marie Brown, cello, Marian Steinman, flautist



On Saturday, November 23rd from 9 am to 12 noon

Bryan will lead a liturgical movement and dance workshop at the church. Those who attend will be invited to perform in worship on Sunday. It is not mandatory. This is for 4th graders through adults and those adults who are retired. No experience necessary. Call **Harvey Chiles** at 314-322-6806 for reservations. Cost is \$15.00 dollars per person.

As we go through the year and look at creativity and worship, I welcome all of your feedback in person or via email at chilesharvey@gmail.com

Harvey Childs, Director of Traditional Music

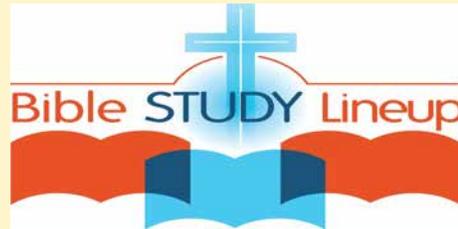
CHANCEL & BELL CHOIRS



The Chancel Choir rehearses on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm in the Worship Center Sanctuary. The Bell Choir rehearses on Thursdays, at 6:30 pm in the Worship Center Sanctuary. We have lost several singers and ringers over the summer, so if you have an interest in singing or playing bells, please contact our Director of Traditional Music, **Dr. Harvey Chiles**. He would love to talk with you!

BIBLE CRUNCHERS STUDY

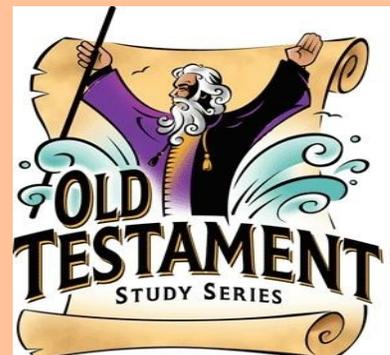
Bible Crunchers Study meet **Wednesdays** in October, from 5:15 – 6:15 pm. It is conveniently timed for people getting off work or for choir members interested in attending so they will be done in time for rehearsal. The study is “Short Stories by Jesus”, a study about his famous parables, with some sessions including a video clip by Amy-Jill Levine. **Pastor Darla Ann** will be leading the study.



“MORNING GLORIES” Spiritual Discussion Group (formerly Morning Glories Bible Study)

The “Morning Glories” are continuing the study series, the “Poetry of the Old Testament”. This study by Anna Madsen is from the ELCA Women’s magazine Gather. The study will cover selections of the Old Testament’s poetry from Job, Psalms and Lamentations. Drawing from the experiences of these ancient writers, learn to look for God in times of deep emotions, such as joy, anger, celebration, depression, misunderstanding and contentment, finding hope and grace along the way. October’s session is about “The ache of grief”. The “Morning Glories” will meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month. Come join this group of women on October 10 & 24, 10 am.

Leader: **Debby Gunderson.**



(For more information and details, see our “Adult Education Opportunities” and “Children & Youth” brochures or visit our website: www.ourlords.org)

CLASSES for All Ages

Children's Sunday School Age 3 through 5th Grade, High School and Adult Bible Study continue classes.

During October, after Opening, when we sing and talk about the day's lesson, children ages 3 years – 2nd Grade stay for classes in the Worship Center Fellowship Hall. While the older kids in Grades 3-5 break out to go to Classroom 4 in the Life Center. The curriculum is Spark: Activate Faith/Lectionary which aims to connect worship and Sunday School lessons.

Sunday School Teachers for 2019-2020 School Year are:

**Pre-School (Ages 3-4) – Beth Giese & Susan Rimar;
Kindergarten – 2nd Grade – Erin Helms; and
Grades 3-5 – Lisa White.**

Bring your children, make new friends and learn about God through great Bible stories!

FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES

Third Grade children and their parents/grandparents/guardians are invited to participate in preparation for First Communion. A three-session class is planned. The class sessions will be offered immediately following the second service on Sunday, **November 3, 10, and 17.**



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Pastor Darla Ann

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY

The Adult Bible Study meets on Sundays at 9:15 am in the Worship Center Conference Room. The group finishes the DVD Course from The Great Courses Series: "Jesus and the Gospels" by Professor Luke Timothy Johnson of Emory University. The study concludes with two last lessons about "Jesus in and through the Gospels" (**Oct. 6**) and "Learning Jesus in Past and Present" (**Oct. 13**).

The Sunday Adult Bible Study will then begin a new DVD Course from The Great Courses Series: "Thinking about Religion and Violence" by Professor Jason C. Bivins of North Carolina State University on Oct. 20th. This course explores some of the factors involved in the increase in religious violence by looking at its history, multiple manifestations, scriptural justifications and how its perpetrators perceive the world. It looks at the power of religion and violence, how religious tenets are cited to justify violence, and to police identities, like race, gender and sexuality. It will examine case studies of persecution of other religious traditions. It will also address religious terrorism and how we can respond to it in our time.

All men and women are welcome to these studies led by **Dona Racich**.

QUESTIONS BIBLE STUDY



The Questions Bible Study meets Mondays at 10 am in the Life Center Conference Room. The DVD Course from The Great Courses Series: **Science and Religion** by Professor Lawrence M. Principe of John Hopkins University. This course is open to all – come join the quest for further understanding, led by **Dona Racich**.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

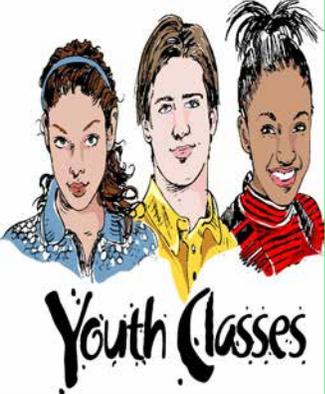


When there are regular lessons, students will meet in the Life Center-Fellowship Hall (basement) on Sundays at 9:15 am. The class uses the "Faith Inkubators" curriculum. In October we have a split schedule. There will be no class on Sundays, Oct. 6 & Oct. 20 due to Saturday activities: Sat., Oct. 5 will be a Field Trip to the St. Louis Art Museum to tour art work depicting biblical events and ancient biblical history, and on Sat., Oct. 19, from 11 am-2pm, the students will volunteer at the Maryville Fall Festival at Fireman's Park. Regular Sunday classes are on Sunday, Oct. 13 (Topic: Killing & Stealing) and Oct. 27 (Topic: Adultery & False Witness, as well as a discussion of Reformation Day and All Saints Day). All 6th, 7th & 8th Graders are encouraged to come.

HIGH SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

(Grades 9, 10, 11 & 12)

Sundays, 9:30 am in the Youth Room in the
Worship Center

High School Sunday School classes continue on Sundays at 9:30 am in the Youth Room in the Worship Center using "re:form" by Augsburg Publishers. The curriculum features a "anti" workbook to encourage active learning with room to explore, journal, doodle, paste photos and build faith and short videos with a blend of fun and solid theology. They will continue their study of "Creed". Weeks in October cover: "Why did Jesus go to hell?", "Is the Holy Spirit a person or wind or fire or what?", Why do we say we believe in 'the holy catholic church' if we're not Catholic?", and 'Do cremated people go to heaven?'.


Teachers: **Debby Gunderson & Scott Comrie.**

(For more information and details, see our "Youth Ministries" brochure or visit our website: www.ourlords.org)

YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE

Following are important fund raising dates for the youth group.

- 1) Greenery Sales: Come one, Come all: HS Youth group Christmas Greenery Sales start, **Oct 12 & 13**. The last weekend of sales will be **November 2 & 3**. Greenery will arrive the first week of December. Thank you so much for your support of the HS Youth. Leads: Klingsicks & Spencers
- 2) Bake Sale / **Nov. 23 & 24** Leads: Truckenbrod & Steinmann
- 3) Spaghetti Dinner / **Feb. 8** Leads: Hoelschers
- 4) Brick Sales / Start beginning of March (All Parents Involved)

Following meeting dates:

(Hoelscher House 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.)

Oct. 20, 2019

Nov. 3, 2019
Nov. 17, 2019

Dec. 1, 2019 (X-mas Party Hoelscher House 3:00 p.m.)

Jan. 5, 2020
Jan. 19, 2020

Feb. 2, 2020
Feb. 23, 2020

March 8, 2020

April 19, 2020

Peace and thanks to all!

Kathy Hoelscher

LATE BOOMERS IN OCTOBER

Calling all Boomers! Are you ready for a scary evening at Co-Hosts Greg & Lori Fremders' home? There will be a Halloween Costume Party and Bonfire (weather permitting) on Saturday, **October 26, 6:30 pm** (after church). Co-hosts Mike and Linda Hester will provide chili and hot dogs for roasting (again, weather permitting). Bring snacks and desserts to share. BYOB. There will be a prize for the best costume. RSVP to Greg & Lori

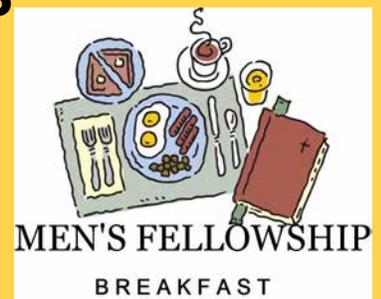
SERENDIPITY BOOK CLUB

The Book Club meets on **Monday, October 21 at 11:30 am**. In October, you are invited to read All Creatures Great and Small by James Harriot. Bring a drink and a brown bag lunch to enjoy as the book is discussed. The book club meets in the Life Center Conference Room. All welcome!

MEN'S BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP

Men's Breakfast Fellowship continues **Saturday, October 19**, 8 am at the Collinsville St. Louis Bread Company. Topics include discussions on how to handle today's life challenges in a more Christ-like manner. All men welcome.

Leader: **Steve Hoelscher**



FIRST OF THE MONTH DINNER OUT

On Saturday, **October 5**, following the 5 pm service (around 6:30 pm) we will meet at Bandana's BBQ in Collinsville. Come out and have good food and fellowship with your church friends!

TASTE OF GGAR

This community event is Thursday, **October 3**, 5-7:30 pm at the Moose Lodge (7371 Marine Rd., Edwardsville, IL 62025). Food booths offer: chili, Korean Egg Rolls, Hot Dogs, Sugarfire Smoke House Ribs, Wang Gang, Stumpy's Spirits, Joe's Pizza & Pasta, Pulled Pork & Mac N Cheese, Grafton Winery Wines, Goey Butter Cake Bites, Pasta House Salad & Toasted Ravioli, Culver's Custard, Walking Tacos, Ravioli Soup. Cost: \$10 donation in advance & \$12 at door with children under age 5 free. Tickets available at GGAR – Email:

general@gatewayrealtors.com or call 618-692-8300. All proceeds benefit Food Pantries from the following communities: Bond County, Cottage Hills, Highland, Livingston park, Troy, Staunton, Collinsville, Alton, Litchfield, Maryville & Granite City.

MEN'S CLUB



Our Lord's Men's Club meets on **Saturday, October 5, 7 am.** October's chefs are **Tom Steinmann** and **Chuck Pugh**. Come out for food, fellowship & chores around the inside and outside of the church.

Our Lord's Mowing & Trimmer Team Schedule

Our Mowing and Trimming Team are rolling into the Fall mowing season. We are blessed with a whole list of people who volunteer to mow and trim our huge lawn every week. This helps to keep our expenses down. If you would like to help with this worthy ministry, please contact, **Brian Hartke, Chuck Pugh,** or **Ted Nemsky** to be put on the list of back up mowers and trimmers.

Mowers and Trimmers for October

<u>Date</u>	<u>Riding Mower</u>	<u>Trimmers</u>
October 3-5	Scott Comrie	Darrell Bruhn
October 10-12	Don Baden	Steve Hoelscher
October 17-19	Jim Spencer	Tom Steinmann
October 21-23	Chuck Pugh	Brian Hartke

TREASURER'S REPORT

as of August, 2019

Total receipts for August 2019	\$17,805	(anticipated budget amount of \$30,083)
Total expenditures for August 2019	\$32,265	(anticipated budget amount of \$30,083)
Total receipts for 2019 as of 8/30	\$194,570	(anticipated budget amount of \$240,667)
Total expenditures for 2019 as of 8/30	\$298,710	(anticipated budget amount of \$240,667)
Mortgage principal paid in August 2019	\$2845	
Total mortgage principal paid in 2019	\$24,803	
Remaining principal on mortgage	\$142,893	
Cash - Unrestricted	\$28,926	
Cash - Designated	\$16,528	
Certificate of Deposit	\$25,000	matures in December 2021



Submitted by **Max Eakin**

09/17/19

MARYVILLE OUTREACH CENTER



Open to residents of Maryville, and members of Maryville churches or schools.

Ministries Include:

Resident Assistance Program (RAP): to help people in difficult financial situations. Office Hours: Tuesday from 5:30-7 pm.

Food Pantry: helps families in food deficiencies twice a month. All food items, toiletries, paper products & cleaning supplies are needed. Also, food items easy for homeless people to eat, which does not require cooking and is easily opened.

Pantry Hours: Tuesdays 5:30-7 pm
Thursdays 10 am – noon
Saturdays 10 am – noon.

Grandma's Attic: Store offers super cheap clothing, shoes, accessories, household goods. Donations accepted when Attic is open or can be placed in tubs under Worship Center mailboxes.

Attic Hours: Tuesdays 10 am-noon & 5:30 -7:30 pm
Wednesdays 10 am – noon
Thursdays 10 am – noon
Friday 10 am - noon
Saturdays 10 am – noon.

Our Lord's Liaison to Maryville Outreach Board: **Carol Orr**

CARING MINISTRY TEAM: Being God's Presence in Someone's Life

Provides care to church family as needed. Tasks Include: Visit people in hospital or homes, take previously consecrated Communion to our homebound or sick, called on those experiencing a personal crisis, provide transportation to doctor appointments or grocery shopping, sitting with someone who is ill while the regular caregiver gets some "me" time for rest, shopping, etc. If you need assistance, or can help provide needs, call Mary Olsen or the church office. Team members: **Mary Olsen, Carol Gocken, Kathie Brady, and Carol and Rod Orr.**

(For more information and details, see our "Service Ministries" brochure or visit our website: www.ourlords.org)

FAIR TRADE

Support for Small Farmers and thousands of Artisans around the world continues to grow. With our restart up of two Sunday services, choir and bell practice, traffic in the building increases. Between this and groups meeting in the building, our Fair Trade support grows.

Please visit the Fair Trade space soon and often. New Catalogs are available that include new Christmas gift items. Also there are NEW items, jewelry and serving pieces on display.

The SERRV Loose Leaf Tea Canisters as well as some of the Equal Exchange Whole Bean Coffees are back in stock.

As stated before, with the growth of people in the building, our Fair Trade support grows. We are averaging approximately \$90 a week. Thanks to everyone for your support. Always remember, if the building is open, the Fair Trade space is open. Lights are automatic. There is a Deposit Box for Check & Cash purchases. If needed contact me or Linda Spencer for Charge purchases.



Yours in Christ,

Mike Williams & Fair Trade

Our Lord's GIFT SHOP!



SOS SOUP KITCHEN



S.O.S.
SOUP KITCHEN

Next SOS Soup Kitchen is Tuesday, October 8, 3:30 - 7 pm at First Presbyterian Church, Collinsville serving Tacos!

Sign-up in Narthex for food and volunteers. (We will need plenty of both, as we are the only church serving at First Presbyterian!)

Questions: **Gail Jorgenson**

CASSEROLE TEAM

Provides meals for members experiencing an illness, a birth or other circumstance when meals would be helpful. Volunteers are needed. If interested in volunteering, as a meal preparer or deliverer, or have questions, please contact Team Leader: **Debby Gunderson**
Debby Gunderson



**Casserole
Ministry
Team**

Office



Angels

OFFICE ANGELS

Thursdays at 10:30 am in the Life Center Conference Room

NEWSLETTER ASSEMBLY ANGELS

Once a month at **9:30 am in the Life Center Conference Room** towards the end of each month. In October, we move it to **Wednesday, October 30.**

Purpose: For both ministries to help assemble printed bulletins or newsletters & visit with church friends.

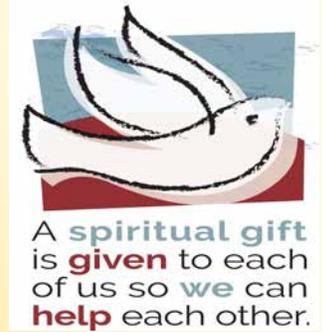
Questions: **Contact Church Office.**

Just a side note: Deadline for **November's** Newsletter is **Tuesday, October 15.**

WORSHIP HELPERS MINISTRY!

(Of course, we can still use your help!)

Volunteers are needed every week to help with worship! These servant spots include: acolytes, assisting ministers, lectors, assisting minister/lectors (Saturdays), greeters, ushers, greeter/ushers (Saturdays), altar guild, projectionist, ride givers, and fellowship.



Two Ways to Sign Up:

People Power on the www.ourlords.org website. Go to People Power, find the date you want to volunteer & sign up! ***OR***

People Power Sign Up Sheets: will still be available for those electronically challenged.

The opportunities to serve are powerful and enriching. Signup sheet for October and November are already out.

Special Needs: Volunteers to be Projectionists, Ride Givers on Sunday mornings, and Saturday Altar Guild people.

ADMINISTRATION

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.

(For more information and details, see our "Service Ministries" brochure or visit our website: www.ourlords.org)

Celebrate *Faith in Action* Sunday by Volunteering for CFIA



***Faith in Action's* Answers on Aging Can Help Seniors with Medicare Open Enrollment**

"Listen to advice and accept instruction, and in the end you will be wise." (Proverbs 19:20)

Medicare's open enrollment period runs this year from October 15 to December 7. This is the time when anyone with Medicare can change their health coverage for the following year to better fit their needs. If you're uncertain how to make Medicare or insurance changes, or how to enroll in the Medicare Part D prescription drug program, *Faith in Action's* Answers on Aging (AoA) program will help you to work your way through all the information. AoA services are offered without charge to seniors and their caregivers. This program is not affiliated with any insurance company or product.

Faith in Action's Answers on Aging Specialist, Social Worker Laura Goss, is a caring, trained professional who can help you with up-to-date information on benefits and resources to meet your aging needs. Laura is available for advice on Medicare, Medicaid eligibility, and information on housing, assisted living, nursing homes, respite care, and hospice care.

Call Laura at 344-7788, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. to schedule a private appointment for insurance counseling. Don't wait until December to seek advice. Time to assist in changing or enrolling in Medicare programs will be limited if you wait until the last minute.

Why struggle with complicated forms and information by yourself? Call Laura Goss at 344-7788 to make an appointment and get the help you need.

(For more information and details, see our "Service Ministries" brochure or visit our website: www.ourlords.org)

GRANDMA'S ATTIC – NEW HOURS

Grandma's Attic will no longer take small appliances. So many of the appliances that have come in do not work and have to be taken to Edwardsville to be recycled.

After Labor Day, the Attic will also be open on Fridays from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. **Volunteers are needed for Fridays.**

New hours after Labor Day:

Tuesday – Saturday: 10:00 – 12:00

Tuesday Evening: 5:30 – 7:30

Our Lord's
is running
the Duck
Pond.



Maryville Family Event

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19TH

MARYVILLE FIREMEN'S PARK

11:00 A.M. – 2 P.M.

Featuring These **FREE** Activities:

Cindy's Petting Zoo/Pony Rides/ Bounce Houses/
Pumpkin Painting/Popcorn/Face Painting/Fireman's
Obstacle Course /Games /Crafts/ Dog Costume Contest
and More

Sponsored by:



Kiwanis



Purchase lunch from food trucks on site

MIND THE GAP Update



Mind the Gap update:

The most common phrases heard from the brothers and sisters we, as faithful Christians, serve on Thursday nights are "Thank You!" and "God bless you!". This is very humbling for us. As you probably know, the homeless persons we serve have many problems, but who among us do not. When we are able to talk with individuals one on one and establish a little rapport, people will risk opening themselves to us sharing both good and bad news.

In this article, I will focus on some good news items from our ministry. A couple who have not had a roof over their heads for 11 years were certified, because of mental health issues, for lifetime housing assistance and support. A drug addicted veteran, through some assistance from one of our group members is in daily outpatient drug treatment and receiving supportive services to collect documents so he can apply for V.A. services. Two weeks ago while we were stopped at Christ Church Cathedral, one of our regular feeding sites, we encountered a gentleman who was epileptic and was in need of medication. He had the script in his hand which he felt necessary to prove he was not a scammer. The price of the drug he needed was \$21 and we were trying to come up with the right amount because he absolutely would not take anymore than the price of the script. During this interaction, he revealed to us last week he suffered a seizure on the street. When the seizure ended a complete stranger was at his side and upon learning his condition took him under wing for the whole day by letting him ride in his pickup truck in the normal course of his travels so he would not be alone. The man then said, "How blessed am I". Lastly a young pregnant woman needed some diabetic testing supplies, because she has gestational diabetes. I am a diabetic and because of recent technology to treat diabetes I no longer need a glucose meter to check my blood sugars, so I was able to give her a meter and test supplies.

Thanks for all of your support for Mind the Gap. The blankets are a big hit and the monetary support from the congregation helps sustain and expand our ministry.

Dave Gocken

PREVIEW OF COMING EVENTS

Mark your calendars for these upcoming Events and special observances.

NOVEMBER

- All Saint's Day, Nov 1
- Men's Club Breakfast, Nov 2
- All Saint's Weekend Celebrated, Nov 2-3
- Youth Greenery Sale Ends, Nov 2-3
- Daylight Savings Ends, Nov 3
- Election Day, Nov 5
- Confirmation Class S.O.S. Food Prep Day, Nov 9
- Stewardship Giving Dedication, Nov.9 & 10
- Martin Luther's Birthday, Nov 10
- Veteran's Day, Church Office Closed, Nov. 11
- S.O.S. Soup Kitchen (St. John's), Nov 14
- Newsletter Deadline, Nov 15
- Christ the King Weekend, Nov 23-24
- Youth Bake Sale, Nov 23-24
- Newsletter Assembly, Nov 27
- Thanksgiving Day Holiday, Office Closed, Nov 28-29

DECEMBER

- Beginning of Advent, Nov 30-Dec 1
- Ecumenical Advent Concert at Holy Family, Dec 7
- First of the Month Dinner Out, Dec 7
- Lighting of the Church Star and Creche, Dec 7
- Ecumenical Advent Concert at Our Lord's, Dec 8
- S.O.S. Soup Kitchen, (1st Presbyterian), Dec 10
- Newsletter Deadline, Dec 13
- Men's Club Breakfast, Dec 14
- Greening of the Church, Dec 14
- Fair Trade Christmas Shop, Dec 14-22
- Children's Christmas Program & Reception, Dec 15

- Katherine von Bora Luther, Birthday, Dec 20
- Winter Begins, Dec 21
- Newsletter Assembly & Office Angels Christmas Pot Luck Party, Dec 23
- Christmas Eve-Church Office Closed Dec 24-25
- Christmas Eve Worship, Dec 24 (5, 7:30 & 10 pm)
- Christmas Day Worship, Dec 25 (9 am)
- Church Office Closed
- Christmas With Our Neighbors, Dec 25 (10 am)
- New Year's Eve – Church Office Closed, Dec 31

JANUARY

- New Year's Day – Church Office Closed, Jan 1
- NO Men's Club Breakfast
- Un-Greening of the Church, Jan 5
- Epiphany of Our Lord Weekend, Jan 5-6
- NO S.O.S. Soup Kitchen
- Baptism of Our Lord Weekend, Jan 11-12
- Newsletter Deadline, Jan 15
- Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Jan 20
- Annual Meeting, Jan 25
- Newsletter Assembly, Jan 29





PRAYERS 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
 AB Lucas Maue
 John Meyer
 Zachary Neubauer
 Amador Ochoa
 Josh Pace
 Scott Prengel
 Jake Randall
 Jack Scoles
 Staff Sgt. Skipper Smith
 Sgt. Matthew Spencer (Ret.)
 Staff Sgt. Stephan Spencer



PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH

Barb Erickson
Greg Fremder
Mary Ann Fritz
Jim Green
Matt Gross
Linda Harriss
Diana Huster
Rudy Kantola
Don Klingsick
Shellie Lackey
Erick Larson
Greg Perkins
John Puricelli
Jeff Scheiter
Melinda Stein
Fred Tatjenhorst
Harry & Lynn Thiel
Karen Tilashalski
Joan Vail
Jean Weishaupt
Elizabeth White
Lisa White
Sarah White



IN SYMPATHY

Jeff Callahan Family & Friends (at his death on September 1)
Vernon Veld Family (at his Death/Gocken Family)

NEW BABY

Congratulations to **Becky Fremder** and **Williams Asbury** for the birth of Maxine Monroe Asbury on August 29, 2019. Happy relatives are sisters Kylie Fremder & Mabel Asbury and grandparents Greg & Lori Fremder.

WEDDINGS

Congratulations to **Elaine Nemsy & Zebulon Collier**, who were married Saturday, September 14, in Effingham. May God bless your future together.

Congratulations to **Becky Fremder & Williams Asbury**, who were married Monday, September 16, 2019 in Collinsville. May God bless your love into the future.

THANK YOU

Thank you for the generous donation of various school supplies to Caseyville Elementary. You have helped to set the students up for a successful year.

Chelsea Clark, Principal



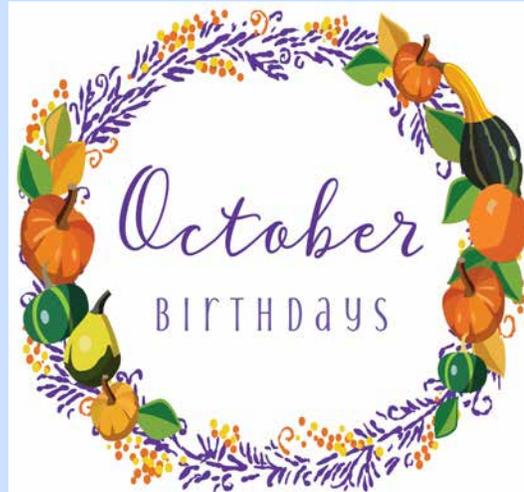
PRAYER LIST



As you may have noticed, Our Lord's Prayer List is always a long one. We have many within our congregation, or who are connections to a member, that are in need of prayer that are included on the list. The church office "purges" the list approximately once a month. If we know that there is a long-term illness or condition, we tend to not delete the person. However, we don't always know why a person is included in our prayer life. But you can help. 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. We want to keep the Prayer List as current and viable as possible. Thank you for your help.

LORETTA

Kraig Gunderson
Jordan Dollar
Olivia Israel
Alivia Kirk
Leah Wyvell
Debby Meadows
Lillian Grave
Angela Lange
Lili Micnheimer
Emily Callahan
Thompson
Linda Harriss
Piper Helms
Sue Homes
Matt Blind
Cheryl Grave
Leann Ferguson
Brett Scheiter
David White
Lisa White



David Schroeder
Patrick McGuire
Avalon Richards
Christopher Short
Garrett Short
Karen Tilashalski
Kylie Fremder
Laura Foppe
Heather Barnett
Hailey McGuire-
Bardmass
Kathie Brady
Jake Callahan
Lori Fremder
Jackie Schlonat
Bill Corrie
Kyler Orr
Isabella Redenius



Scott & Norma Klingsick
Kraig & Debby Gunderson
Jeff* & Carol Helf
Steve & Kathy Hoelscher
Bill & Sara Davidson
Caleb & Alison Messina
David & Jayne Endres
Dave & Debbie Geiler
David* & Debi Corrie
Joe & Georgeann Smithies
David* & Ashley Hammonds
Alex & Nicole Williams

Prayers for Family and Friends of Church Members

IN OUR Thoughts and Prayers

Gladys Adams (Nicole Williams' friend)
Steve Anderson (Beth Giese's brother)
Jeff Bombal (Comrie's nephew)
Isabella Boyer (Noga's 13 year old neighbor)
Estella Brock (Irene VanHooser's Friend)
Ken Bruninga
Kenneth Bunetic
Pat C. (Schoenecker's friend)
Lucian Cojucaru
Bill Cross (Mike Williams' friend's Uncle)
Austin Cummings (Erick & Karen Larson's grandson)
Brenda Cussanelli
Priscilla Donals
Judy Douglass (Karen Tilashalski's aunt)
Anita Dunlap (Harvey Chiles sister)
Kristi Dunson
Terry Eakin (Max Eakin's brother)
Bruce Fernie (Lori Fremder's friend)
Vickie Finan (Kassing's niece)
Lynn Geiler (Karen Larson's sister-in-law)
Carol Gendron (Lori Messina's mother)
Glenda
Miranda Goes (Kassing's friend)
Pr. Lisa Goodwin
Christina Grenard (Julie Gruber's niece)
Chuck Griffen (Mike Williams' Friend)
Penny Grimes (Hoelscher's friend)

Harold Hartke
Debbie Hertenstein
John Honness
Jean Huster (Dora Clawges' sister-in-law)
Sandra Ingram (Mike Williams sister)
Neil Jenkins (Williams' brother-in-law)
 Premie **Harleigh Yvonne** Johnson & parents
 Sierra Puryear & Michael Johnson (Williams Great great niece)
Journey Kampton (Erick Larson friend's granddaughter)
Julian, KD & Foster children
Kendall
Linda
David Lydick (Deanne Holshouser's cousin)
Gene Manley (Tatjenhorst's neighbor)
Libby Maroney (Chuck Pugh's sister)
Kathryn Martin (Karen Larson's friend)
Jim Maue (Roberta Maue's friend)
Joy McClard (Fritz's friend)
Charlie McCord
Michael Meyer (Barb Erickson's grandson)
Don Muller (Terry Menz' brother)
Margaret Neubauer (White's sister-in-law)
Rick Neubauer (Lisa White's brother)
Brantley Noble
Chris & Meagan Nyland

Rosy Park
Sharon Parker (Pugh's friend)
Peggy (Caryl Kassing's friend)
Stephanie Polston (Karen Larson's friend)
Jason Ralston (Jodi Pugh's brother)
Rhonda Reuter (Sue Green's H.S. friend)
Pr. Lev Reynolds
Lucas Wade Rodell (Carole Callahan's nephew)
Brenda Simmons (Irene VanHooser's friend)
Loralee Snyder (Tim Nyland's aunt)
Alex Spudich
Jim Starrett (Waterman's brother-in-law)
Gordon Strong (Carole Callahan's brother)
Rod & Sharon Summer (Williams' neighbors)
Doris Swanson (Laura Schoenecker's mother)
Ben Szakacsi (Nicole Williams' grandfather)
Steve Tatjenhorst (Fred & Joyce Tatjenhorst's son)
Doug Wannan
Jean Wheeland (Beth Giese's mother)
Diane Wooden
Heather Yost (Julie Gruber's cousin)
Nick Zappia (Davidson's son-in-law)





Puzzle!

Each year, the Israelites had three harvests. Find and circle these foods that the people gathered.

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| almonds | gourds | nuts |
| apples | grapes | olives |
| barley | herbs | onions |
| beans | leeks | pomegranates |
| cucumbers | lentils | rye |
| figs | melons | wheat |

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 P O M E G R A N A T E S
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 S D E H R O N I O N S E
 V S R E S G O U R D S E
 T I S M E S L I T N E L
 S E V I L O W H E A T H

Bible Quiz

Name the first three kings of Israel in the order of their reigns.

A. Saul, David, Solomon
 B. Samuel, David, Saul
 C. Abraham, Isaac, Jacob
 D. Solomon, Jesse, David

Answer: A (See 1 Samuel 9:15-17; 1 Kings 1:28-30.)

PUZZLE

Harvest hunt

Directions: After unscrambling each leaf's word, follow the vine to complete the Bible verse.

caepe

reway

delfis

Galatians
6:9

James 3:18

John
4:35

Peacemakers who sow in _____ reap a harvest of righteousness. James 3:18, NIV

Let us not become _____ in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Galatians 6:9, NIV

I tell you, open your eyes and look at the _____!
 They are ripe for harvest. John 4:35, NIV

Answer: peace, weary, fields



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
6 Pentecost 17 8 - Worship 9:15 - Adult Bible Study; Hospitality 9:30 - S.S.; H.S. Class; New Member Class 10:45 - Worship 4-8 - IL Global Arts	7 10 - Questions Bible Study 10:30 - Staff Meeting 4 - 8:30 - Illinois, Global Arts Academy	8 3:30-7 - SOS Soup Kitchen @ 1st Presby 7 - Narcotics Anonymous, Nar-Anon	9 5:15 - Bible Crunchers 6:30 - Lakeview Garden Club 6:30—Chancel Choir	10 10 - Morning Glories 10:30 - Office Angels 2 - Amici di Martino Studenti Italian 6 - 8:30 - Hindu Worship 6:30 - Bell Choir	11 Pastor Sabbath	12 Pentecost 18 10 - Coffee w/Pastor @ Verona Coffee Shop 3:30 - Praise Band Greenery Sale Begins 5 - Worship 6:15 - Fellowship 7 - Hayride w/Pastor
13 Pentecost 18 Greenery Sales 8 - Worship 9:15 - Confirmation; Adult Bible Study; Hospitality 9:30 - S.S.; H.S. Class; New Member Class 10:45 - Worship/Lily Harper Baptism 4-8 - IL Global Arts	14 Columbus Day Office Closed 10 - Questions Bible Study 4 - 8:30 - Illinois, Global Arts 6:30 - Steering Team	15 Newsletter Deadline 11 - Staff Meeting 7 - Narcotics Anonymous, Nar-Anon; Praise Band	16 National Boss Day 5:15 - Bible Crunchers 6:30—Chancel Choir	17 10:30 - Office Angels 2 - Amici di Martino Studenti Italian 4-6 - IL Global Arts 6 - MOC Board 6:30 - Bell Choir 6:30 - Recovery 360-Family Support	18 Luke, Evangelist Pastor Sabbath	19 Pentecost 19 8 - Men's Breakfast Fellowship 9 - Le Leche League 11-2 - Maryville Fall Festival Greenery Sales 3:30 - Praise Band New Member Weekend 5 - Worship 6:15 - Fellowship
20 Pentecost 19 New Member Weekend Greenery Sales 8 - Worship 9:15 - Confirmation; Adult Bible Study; Hospitality 9:30 - S.S.; H.S. Class 10:45 - Worship 4-6 - HS, Youth, Hoelschers 4-8 - IL Global Arts	21 10 - Questions Bible Study 10:30 - Staff Meeting 11:30 - Serendipity Book Club 4 - 8:30 - Illinois, Global Arts Academy 6:30 - Church Council	22 6:30: - MEHCCA 7 - Narcotics Anonymous, Nar-Anon	23 5:15 - Bible Crunchers 6:30—Chancel Choir	24 10 - Morning Glories 10:30 - Office Angels 2 - Amici di Martino Studenti Italian 4-6 - IL Global Arts 6:30 - Bell Choir	25 Pastor Sabbath	26 Reformation 3:30 - Praise Band Greenery Sales 5 - Worship 6:15 - Fellowship
27 Reformation Greenery Sales 8 - Worship 9:15 - Confirmation; Adult Bible Study; Hospitality 9:30 - Sunday School; H.S. Class 10:45 - Worship 4-8 - IL Global Arts	28 Simon & Jude, Apostles 10 - Questions Bible Study 10:30 - Staff Meeting 4 - 8:30 - Illinois, Global Arts Academy	29 7 - Narcotics Anonymous, Nar-Anon; Praise Band	30 9:30 - Newsletter Assembly 5:15 - Bible Crunchers 6:30—Chancel Choir	31 Reformation Day 10:30 - Office Angels 2 - Amici di Martino Studenti Italian 4-6 - IL Global Arts 6:30 - Bell Choir		

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