

TWENTY- THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 10 and 13, 2022

God's Plan of Redemption Trumps Earthly Destruction and Violence

There are signs of the Lord's coming all around: the cross that marks His Church, the violence and death of the sinful world, and the shaking of the natural order. "There will be great distress upon the earth" (Luke 21:23), but the faithful know that "the kingdom of God is near" (Luke 21:31). Therefore, "straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near" (Luke 21:28). Be awake and alert, and heed the words of Christ, which "will not pass away" (Luke 21:33). For you, "the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings" (Mal. 4:2). He sends His preachers of repentance in the spirit and power of Elijah "before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes" (Mal. 4:5), in order to "direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ" (2 Thess. 3:5). Although you are often faithless, "the Lord is faithful," and by the preaching of His Word "he will establish you and guard you against the evil one" (2 Thess. 3:3). Therefore, "do not grow weary in doing good" (2 Thess. 3:13). In the midst of calamity, believe upon the Lord, Jesus Christ.

WORSHIP SERVICE AND BIBLE STUDY INFORMATION

THANKSGIVING SERVICES: Please join us for our Thanksgiving Eve service on Wednesday, November 23 at 7:00PM or our Thanksgiving Day service on Thursday, November 24 at 9:00AM. *Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. Psalm 100:4*

ADVENT MIDWEEK WORSHIP SERVICES: Please join us for special Midweek Advent Worship Services on Wednesday, November 30th, December 7th, and December 14th at 11:00am or 6:30pm.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Children ages 3 - 8th grade are invited to join us Sundays at 9:15 for Sunday School.

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY: During our Education hour, all are invited to join Pastor for a study on the book of Acts in the Fellowship Hall.

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS: Calling all early birds! Join us every Tuesday at 6:30am in the Fellowship Hall for a study on the Gospel of John, led by Mr. Duane Graf.

TUESDAY LADIES BIBLE STUDY: Ladies of all ages are welcomed to join Ladies Bible Study on Tuesday mornings at 9am, as we study the characters of the Bible and how they put their trust in God. If you have small children at home, they are welcome to join us!

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY: Join us at 7pm in the Library as we look at the Good Shepherd throughout the Gospels and all of Scripture.

WOMEN'S HOME BIBLE STUDY: On the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 6:30pm, all women are invited to join in the LWML Bible Studies. Please contact Diane Gihring, Kathy Herbst, or the Church Office for more information.

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: Pastor Fred Boettcher will lead a study and discussion of 1 Corinthians at our Thursday 9:30 am Bible hour. Class meets in the Fellowship Hall. You are invited!

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: All men are invited to join us on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month at 8:30am when Mr. Tom Wartick leads a Bible Study on "Quiet Strength" by Tony Dungy.

CHARITABLE INFORMATION

FOURTH QUARTER SPECIAL MISSIONS: For the 4th Quarter of our year, our Special Mission Offerings will support Lutheran Counseling and Family Services (LCFS). LCFS is a non-profit, state licensed outpatient mental health care agency and adoption service provider, serving the State of Wisconsin. Their licensed therapists and psychologists provide counseling to children, individuals and families regardless of race, ethnic background, or religious affiliation. To sponsor Special Missions, please sign up on the bulletin board.

SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERING: During the first trimester our offerings will be going to Lutheran Church Charities - Comfort Dogs. The LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs are a bridge for compassionate ministry, opening doors for conversation about faith and creating opportunities to share the mercy, compassion, presence and proclamation of Jesus Christ. We thoroughly enjoyed our visit from comfort dogs Rhoda and Charity and pray that God would continue to use this ministry in big ways!

WARMING TREE: During the month of November, we will be collecting new, or like new, winter hats, mittens, gloves, scarves, and jackets of all sizes, as well as blankets and boots. These will then be given to the Orphan Grain Train, who will deliver them to Ukraine. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Phillips.

CHURCH INFORMATION

VETERANS DAY: Veterans, we are grateful for you and the sacrifices you made so we can enjoy the freedoms we have today. Thank you for your service and may God richly bless you!

VOTERS ASSEMBLY: Please join us for our biannual Voters Meeting on Sunday, November 20th at 11:30am. In addition to updates on our ministries and the Pastoral Call Committee, we will also be voting on our 2023 Annual Budget. A copy of the budget is available for you to view prior to the meeting in the Narthex.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: We are still looking for volunteers to help take these boxes during National Collection Week, November 14-18. If you are willing to help drop off these wonderful boxes please contact the church office.

PLASTIC RECYCLING: Wow! Thank you for your generous response in collecting plastic. In just a few short weeks we have already collected 500 pounds for our first bench. We are 200 pounds into our second bench which we will apply for in March. If you would like to recycle and help out this cause please place your clean plastic in the appropriate bin in the fellowship hall. Items recycled include: plastic grocery bags, ice bags, ziploc type bags, newspaper bags, bubble wrap, dry cleaning bags, cereal bag liners, plastic mailers. Your donations will be turned into a bench that can be used in our outdoor area.

STUFF THE SHELVES: Our annual "Stuff the Shelves" campaign will be back this November! Join us as we bring in non-perishable food items to donate to our local food pantry. Donations can be placed in the fellowship hall or on the lower level near the north entrance. Help us to share the love of Jesus by donating food to those who might otherwise go hungry!

POINSETTIAS: Will be available for purchase to beautify the altar on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. You may place your order on the church sign-up sheet found on the bulletin board through December 4. Please use the pew envelopes and mark it "Holiday Plants".

BIRTHDAY BREAKFAST FOR JESUS: Please join us on Saturday, December 3rd from 9:00-10:30 AM for Birthday Breakfast for Jesus. This is a free event for ANY children ages 3 through 5th grade. Come and hear the Christmas story, make a craft, enjoy a pancake and sausage breakfast, and even birthday cupcakes for Jesus! Registration is required so we know how many kids to plan for. Please see the Sunday School bulletin board in the hallway for more information as well as a registration form. We will also need volunteers that day so if you are willing and able to help please sign up as well! Questions or for more information please see Jennifer Leins.

KRINGLES FUNDRAISER: The Youth Group is once again selling Kringles to raise funds for their different activities and to start saving for the 2025 Youth Gathering! To order, please see a Youth Group member, or the bulletin board. We will take orders through November 27th, and they will be available for pick up on December 12.

YOUNG AT HEART: On Thursday, December 1 at 11am we will celebrate Christmas with a presentation by Mr. and Mrs. David Wiedenkeller, who will portray Mary and Joseph. Following the presentation, we will enjoy a delicious lunch made by Bruce and Karen Diener. Please sign up on the bulletin board so we know how many to plan for food.

CHRISTMAS DECORATING: Save the date! We will be decorating the sanctuary for Christmas on Saturday, December 3rd at 11am. We hope to see you there!

CRAFTS AND YARN AVAILABLE: If you are looking for some crafts or projects to work on, please see the table in the Fellowship Hall. Women's Ministry would love to use the crafts you make with these supplies for their Craft Sale on December 11.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSIONS

We pray for our members:

Judy Karen Nancy Alice Bettylynn Joanne Laverne

We also remember in our prayers these friends and relatives of our members:

Dan Wally Geraldine Frank Curtis

We pray the Lord to watch over those who are serving in the military.

Garrett Corwyn Erika Carlos Mary Darren

Altar Flowers are sponsored by

Bulletins are sponsored by Ruth Priewe to celebrate her birthday and the many blessings God has given her.

Special Missions are sponsored by Carol Weber in memory of her beloved husband, Chuck.

WEEKLY CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 11th -20th

SAT	8:30am Men's Bible Study 9:00am Handbell Rehearsal	WED	9:00am Quilters 7:00pm Bible Study
SUN	8:00am Worship and Communion 9:15am Education Hour 10:30am Worship and Communion		7:00pm Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm Confirmation
TUES	6:30am Bible Study 9:00am Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm Boards and Committees Mtg 7:30pm Council Meeting	THURS	9:30am Bible Study 7:00pm Worship
		SAT	9:00am Handbell Rehearsal
		SUN	8:00am Worship 9:15am Education Hour 10:30 am Worship 11:30am Voter's Meeting 6:00pm Youth Group

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Thursday, 9:00am-4:00pm

Fridays 9:00am-1:00pm

PASTOR STANTON'S OFFICE HOURS:

By Appointment Only

Attendance: 166 **Offerings:** \$18,078.00 **Needed Weekly:** \$11,760

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