

***In Repentance We Are Alert to the Coming of Christ***

The signs of the end are all around us, constant reminders that “heaven and earth will pass away.” But all of these signs are centered in the cross of Christ, whereby He has conquered sin and death, that we might be raised with Him in righteousness through His Word of the Gospel, which “will not pass away” (Mark 13:31). He is “the firstborn of the dead,” who in His great love “has freed us from our sins by his blood” (Rev. 1:5). His salvation is certain because “his dominion is an everlasting dominion” and His Kingdom “shall not be destroyed” (Dan. 7:14). For this purpose He came into the world, to reign in love through His voice of the Gospel, which is the truth (John 18:37). So is the righteousness of Christ “a light to the peoples,” which “will never be dismayed” because it is the justice of His cross and resurrection (Is. 51:4–6). As He “is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory,” so wait upon “the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life” (Jude 20–24)

## **WORSHIP SERVICE AND BIBLE STUDY INFORMATION**

**THANKSGIVING WORSHIP:** Thanksgiving worship will take place on **Tuesday, November 26th at 6:30pm.**

Following Worship there will be a special time of fellowship with pie!

**ADVENT MIDWEEK WORSHIP SERVICES:** Please join us for special Midweek Advent Worship Services on Wednesday, December 4th, 11th, and 18th at 11:00am and 6:30pm. Lunch will follow the morning service at 11:30am and dinner will precede the evening service at 5:30pm.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** for all 3-year-olds through 8th grade will start in Oswald Hall at 9:15 a.m. Please note that there is no Sunday School next Sunday, December 1st.

**SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** meets in the Fellowship Hall at 9:15am. We are studying the Sacrament of Holy Communion and how Lutherans understand and celebrate the Sacrament.

**TUESDAY LADIES' BIBLE STUDY** meets on Tuesdays at 9am in the Fellowship Hall.

**WOMEN'S HOME BIBLE STUDY** will continue meeting on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 6:30pm. Please contact Diane Gihring, Kathy Herbst, or the Church Office more information.

**THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** meets on Thursdays at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor DeArmond is leading participants through a longer look at the Sunday lessons.

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** will continue meeting on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays at 8:30am in the Fellowship Hall and will be going through a study of Nehemiah.

## **CHARITABLE INFORMATION**

**FOURTH QUARTER SPECIAL MISSIONS:** Our fourth quarter Special Missions offering will support Camp LuWiSoMo in Wild Rose, WI. Camp LuWiSoMo is 380 acres of outdoor fun for people of all ages! During the summer, they host youth summer camps for preschool through high schoolers and Joyful Hearts for individuals with developmental disabilities. They also host retreats-including our very own Confirmation Retreat!

## **CHURCH INFORMATION**

**ADVENT DEVOTIONS:** Please help yourself to the plethora of devotion booklets available in the Narthex. Advent is a time of preparation and what better way to prepare our hearts than to be in the Word of God with a devotion.

**ADVENT MEALS:** Please join us for lunch on Wednesdays in Advent! Lunch will be served at 11:30am and dinner at 5:30pm. If you would be interested in donating a soup or dessert for our lunches, or helping serve, please sign-up on the bulletin board.

**ALTAR GUILD:** The altar guild is seeking new members to help prepare and take care of our Lord's altar. This very important work would be great for individuals, couples, or even families. We are also seeking an individual to oversee/lead the Altar Guild. If you have any questions or interest, please talk to Janet Steinhaus or Pastor DeArmond.

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS:** Beginning in the New Year we are looking to establish a group of men that would assist pastor and the elders in the distribution of Communion during our worship services. If you would be willing to serve in this capacity, please contact Pastor DeArmond. Training will be provided.

**PIE FELLOWSHIP:** If you would like to bring a pie to, or help serve at our post-Thanksgiving worship fellowship on Tuesday the 26th, please sign-up in the bulletin board.

**KRINGLE SALES:** To purchase Kringles, please see one of the youth group members sitting at the table in Narthex on Sunday mornings. Your orders will be available for pick up on Monday, December 16th-just in time for Christmas!

**ONLINE GIVING:** If you would be interested in signing up for our online giving program through Vanco, or if you need to update the amount and/or frequency you give, please contact the Church Office.

**CHRISTMAS BY CANDLELIGHT:** Thank you for the overwhelming response to this year's event! At this time, tickets are sold out. If you would like to be added to a waitlist, please stop by the table in the hallway.

**POINSETTIAS:** You may place your order for red, white, and jingle bell poinsettias on the sign-up sheet found on the bulletin board through December 1. Please use the envelopes by the sign-up sheet and mark it "Holiday Plants".

**STUFF THE SHELVES:** Our annual "Stuff the Shelves" campaign is back for the month of November! Donations of non-perishable food items 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!

**WARMING TREE:** We will be collecting new, or like new, winter hats, mittens, gloves, scarves, and jackets of all sizes, as well as blankets and boots until December 1. These items will be distributed this winter to those in need.

**BIRTHDAY BREAKFAST FOR JESUS:** Please join us on Saturday, December 7th 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 birthday cupcakes for Jesus! Please see the Sunday School bulletin board in the hallway for more information, as well to sign-up. 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 Leinss.

**THANK YOU:** A BIG thank you to all of you!! Because of your love for people, you may never meet, Christmas joy and the message of God's love will be brought to 128 kids around the world!!! Thank you for packing Operation Christmas Child boxes and filling them with love!

**WOMEN'S MINISTRY GRANTS:** Blessed Savior Women's Ministries is pleased to announce that with the proceeds from the Bake Sales, Craft Fair, and Christmas by Candlelight, they will be giving grants to the following organizations: Eye Witness for Life, A Place of Refuge, and the Fort Wayne Seminary Food Pantry. They thank you for your generous support of these events!

**RAISE RIGHT:** Raise Right gift cards make great Christmas gifts! To purchase, simply fill out an order form and place it in the "Raise Right" mailbox on the north side of the Narthex. Orders are placed on Mondays and are available for pick up on Thursdays. Or stop by the table in the hallway to purchase cards immediately!

**YOUNG AT HEART:** Please join us on Thursday, December 5th at 11am as we will enjoy lunch at Capitol Cafe before we head to Holy Cross Lutheran to learn more about their collection of over 500 nativities from more than 65 different countries. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you plan to attend.

**BLESSING SHOPPE CHRISTMAS CARDS:** If you are looking for Christian Christmas cards to send this year, please stop by the Blessing Shoppe in the Fellowship Hall!

## PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSIONS

### **We pray for our members:**

Marvene Lorna Duane

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

Robert Dan Ellie Jason Shane Pastor Alex Gabe Amy Logan Mark Sam

### **We pray the Lord to watch over those who are serving in the military:**

Corwyn Erika Carlos Mary Darren

**Altar Flowers are sponsored by** Rob and Cheryl Taves, in thanksgiving for their family and friends.

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**Special Missions are sponsored by** Rob and Cheryl Taves, in thanksgiving for their family and friends.

### **WEEKLY CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 22<sup>nd</sup>-DECEMBER 1<sup>st</sup>**

<b>SAT</b>	8:30am Men's Bible Study 9:00am Handbell Rehearsal	<b>WED</b>	9:00am Quilters
<b>SUN</b>	8:00am Worship and Communion 9:15am Education Hour 10:30am Worship and Communion 5:00pm Youth Gathering Meeting 6:00pm Youth Group	<b>THURS</b>	HAPPY THANKSGIVING! Office Closed
<b>TUES</b>	6:30pm Worship and Communion 7:30pm Thanksgiving Pie Social	<b>FRI</b>	Office Closed
		<b>SUN</b>	8:00am Worship 9:15am Education Hour 10:30am Worship

### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday-Thursday, 8:00am-4:30pm

**Attendance:** 284    **Offerings:** \$12,011    **Needed Weekly:** \$10,212.08

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