

# Lord of the Lakes

November, 2019

In the days and weeks following the car accident I was involved in, I've been holding on to the idea that tomorrow is never promised. We don't know what's going to happen when we wake up in the morning. Of course we shouldn't live in fear of the unexpected. But Carol and I have felt compelled to take a step back and take stock of our lives recently. We've asked ourselves questions like these:

- 1. How are we spending our time? This includes the amount of time we spend staring at a screen. Our family visited the Milwaukee Public Museum awhile back and my 11-year-old commented that if there was an exhibit showing what the year 2019 is like it would be made up of screens. Likely an accurate description.
- 2. How much time do I invest in other people? My spouse, children, co-workers, friends, relatives. Do we make time for the people we enjoy being around?
- 3. How much time do I spend on spiritual development? How am I growing as a Christian?
- How are we spending our money? Are we piddling money away on anything? If so, what? And why? 4.
- 5. How are we strengthening and keeping up our marriage?
- 6. Am I harboring unforgiveness or anger toward anyone? What can I do to change that?
- 7. Is there anything we've put in the "one day in the future" category that we could do right now?
- Finally, does my life reflect my Christian beliefs?

You can see that these are some pretty serious talking points, but after what I went through – the suddenness of it – Carol and I find it more necessary than ever to look at our lives and where they're heading. It's my hope you'll do the same. Pastor Kevin



## Thanksgiving Day Prayer

Lord, we humbly ask thy blessing on the turkey and the

dressing, on the yams and cranberry jelly from our kitchen. Bless the coffee, apple and pumpkin pies. Bless each and every calorie. Let us enjoy Thanksgiving dinner, tomorrow we can all get thinner.

For all thy help along the way we're thankful this Thanksgiving Day. We're thankful, too, for all our dear ones, for all the far away and near ones.

Although we may be apart, we're together in our hearts. Keep us in thy loving care, this is my Thanksgiving prayer. P.S. anyone who wishes may help with the dishes. :)

## "All Saints Sunday"

November 3, 2019

On this Sunday we will remember the faithful who have died during the past vear.

PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE WITH THE NAMES OF YOUR LOVED ONES YOU WISH TO BE REMEMBERED ON THIS DAY.





## Thanksgiving Worship Service

We give a moment of thanks

Please join us on Monday, November 25 at 6:30pm at First Presbyterian as we give our thanks.

A canned good offering is greatly appreciated for our local food Pantry.



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# COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT: Homelessness

The Sunday School classes will be working on a community service project for the homeless in November. We are looking for donations of the following (or cash to purchase items) to put together bags for the shelters to hand out to people in need that come to the shelter during the cold weather months. The lesson will be November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019 and we will be putting together the care packages on November 24<sup>th</sup>. 2019

Items needed for bags: Cases of Water, Granola Bars, Fruit snacks/bars, Cracker with cheese, Adult Socks (Male and Female), Tooth brushes, Tooth Paste, Washcloths, Bars of Soap, Knit Hats (can be homemade if anyone knows how to knit), Hand Wipes, Bags of Hard Candies, chap sticks/hand lotions, Gallon size Ziplock Bags or any type of bag to pack the items in.

If you have any questions, you may contact Tammie at tammie54986@gmail.com. Donations can be placed in the 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade classroom or above the coat rack at any time. Cash donations, please note "Sunday School Project" on an envelope or memo your check.

#### Sunday School Lessons this month:

Bible Verses:	Ephesians 6:11		
	Matthew 25: 31-46		
Lessons	"Armor of God"		
	"What is Homelessness?"		
Activities	Making prayer lists, discussion on what is means to speak boldly, making letters and cards to put in a care package		



Thank you to all those who support Lord of the Lakes SCRIP!

## Youth News November, 2019

Its been a Hot Chicken kind of month!!!!!! I can't believe September has already come and gone! The youth and I have been nothing but blessed in these last few weeks. This last month we had the opportunity to share our mission trip stories to the church, which was amazing! There was screaming "hot chicken", paper throwing, piggy back riding, and grace! Through our youth's storyline we all had the opportunity to see how small things can make a big difference. Our youth shared some of those small things they got to take part in like giving someone soap, handing out food to kids, or exchanging a bracelet with a little girl. These tiny acts of kindness made a big difference and I am so grateful to the youth for having the courage to get up and share their storyline! In addition to the Mission trip Sunday, we had the opportunity to spend time with people in our church at the "Young and the Retired!!!" We made cards, played Legos, painted beautiful pictures, ate way too many cookies, and of course had a lot of laughs! Building these relationships are what church is all about. Age should not matter because in God's eyes we are all His children. The youth and I would like to say thank you for all of you who took the time to make it to our event and we hope to see more of you at our next gathering! To sum up the month, we had a new youth kid come visit on youth night which was AMAZING!!!! Huge shout out to this young man and the gifts he brought to our youth family! In addition to our visitor, we rescued a few kittens! We were trying to keep them as youth mascots but didn't get too far with that! Thank you to the Zillges family for giving these cuties a home! You never really know what is going to happen on a youth

Wednesday! These youth kids never cease to amaze me and I am so grateful to each of them! Take some time to say hello to them so they can amaze you as well!

God is good!

Amy Penza



### With Gratitude! "Drawers of Love"



Simple Hope Orphanage Collection

The final numbers are in. We collected \$1289.23 which is Amazing......

"We are so grateful for the love and generosity that you have given to the children at the Matonyok Orphanage and those who care for these children over the last couple of weeks. We love how Alec Bricco was the leader on this and we love how he presented this check to us at your church service. The love that Lord of the Lakes continue to exude—is contagious! Thank you again and again! May God bless you and keep you in His service. Pam and Karen, Simple Hope (October 22, 2019)



Have you worshiped at other Lutheran churches when you are away from Lord of the Lakes? If you have, you may have noticed we have a very vibrant, active and generous congregation. This month you will hear more about how we plan to make Lord of the Lakes more awesome. The *Generosity - A Way Of Life* campaign will give us all an opportunity to grow our church. Watch your mail for more information on our church goals and please make it a point to attend church on **November 17**:

Generosity - A Way Of Life Sunday!

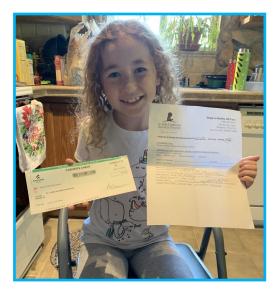


At Lord of the Lakes we are SO thankful that we can welcome our newest members!

Sam and Deven Adams, Emelia, Evelyn & Eleanor

Ben and Andrea Manning, Alex Bryant and Kelli Schumacher Becca Walsh Julie Zwirschitz and Brad School Pam and Mark Lippold

Let our doors be open and inviting to all who enter, and may it's walls resound with praise and the challenge to live the way of Christ.



Thank you, Natalie Petersen, for caring about others! Natalie raised \$122.00 to go towards cancer treatment and research. Her grandfather passed last December and her father had cancer. Natalie thanks you for your donations.

**ADVENT:** STARTS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

Wednesday Advent Services: December 4, 11, & 18

5:30PM SOUP SUPPER 6:30PM WORSHIP SERVICE

Prepare for the coming of the Christ child!





## Thrift Partner Program . . . November 2nd is our next shift at the Thrift!

(1st Saturday of the month)

Please see the signup sheet on the kiosk. Any questions, please call Cindy 920-594-2580
A percentage of the proceeds support Lord of the Lakes General Fund.

Thank you volunteers & shoppers!

Decorate the church for Christmas & Lunch (potluck; bring your lunch fav)

When: Tuesday November 26th Starting at 9am

All are welcome!



### Christmas Adopt-a-family

During this season of giving, there are many opportunities for us to share our gifts. We continue our tradition of giving to local families this coming Christmas with the *Christine Ann* Domestic Abuse Services in Oshkosh. A "needs" list will be posted on the kiosk soon. If you choose to, please provide the item(s) and place it in our Drop off box by: **December 2nd** 



Any questions, please contact the church office.

### Craft Fair!

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 1140 Tullar Road, Neenah Will hold its **Annual Fall Craft Fair** on Saturday, November 9th from 9am-2pm. They will be hosting multiple crafters, along with Attic Treasures from Gloria Dei, a Bake Sale, Luncheon, and Raffle Baskets.



## "We Care" team is here for you!

Our mission is to serve as a resource for our congregation who have questions or challenges that may be helped by resources within our church or community.

Drew Jaeger 420-4497
Tammie Voelkel 582-0213
Ben Brantley 836-9978
Jill Templin 427-0055
Andrea Schell 479-1671
Pastor Kevin 224-5922



ord, may nothing separate me from You today. Teach me how to choose only Your way today so each step will lead me closer to You. Help me walk by the Word and not my feelings. Help me to keep my heart pure and undivided. Protect me from my own careless thoughts, words, and actions. And keep me from being distracted by MY wants, MY

desires, MY thoughts on how things should be. Help me to embrace what comes my way as an opportunity... rather than a personal inconvenience. And finally, help me to rest in the truth of <a href="Psalm 86:13">Psalm 86:13</a>, 'Great is your love toward <a href="Mee">Mee</a>. You already see the ways I will fall short and mess up. But right now, I consciously tuck Your whisper of absolute love for me into the deepest part of my heart. I recognize Your love for me is not based on my performance. You love me warts and all. That's amazing. But what's most amazing is that the Savior of the world would desire a few minutes with me this morning. Lord, help me to forever remember what a gift it is to sit with You like this. Amen.

- written by Lysa Terkeurst

#### Birthday Greetings to the special 70+ folks at Lord of the Lakes!

Please contact the office for any changes to our birthday list.

Angie Carlson	November 1
James Krueger	November 15
Bruce Hergert	November 25



Prayer is a crucial part of our faith lives and support of each other. Please contact the church office or Pastor Kevin to add your request to the prayer chain. All concerns on the prayer chain are kept confidential.

Pastor Kevin

"A place of refuge in a troubled world"



# November, 2019

November Ushers 8:00am Audrey Bishop, Alec Bricco, Terry & Val* Gulke	November Ushers 10:00am Dennis* & Gloria Cartwright, Kay & Tom Lettau	
November 3 8:00am All Saints Sunday	November 3 10:00am	
Reader Darlene Larson Greeters Nancy Abraham & Audrey Bishop Communion Marsha Phillips & Betts Nikolai Coffee Beverly Raatjes*, Victoria Waters, Janet Kunde	Reader Linda Wein Greeters Russ & Shirley Graunke Communion Ken Mueller & Kari Nigl	
November 10 8:00am	November 10 10:00am	
Reader Pam Ulness Greeters Harold & Sheila Gurkowski Communion Janet Veith & Mary Alice Klemp Coffee Kristan Fischer*, Terri Radtke, Mary Alice Klemp	Reader Geoff Hendren Greeters Joe & Jenni Groholski Communion Janine Brantley & Cindy Hendren	
November 17 8:00am	November 17 10:00am	
Reader Betts Nikolai Greeters Ben & Owen Brantley Communion Lisa Curtis & Dianna Donner Coffee Judy & Bob Felberg*, Sue Rice, Janet & Dick Baumgart (food)	Reader Kathy Slesar Greeters Kay & Tom Lettau Communion Amy Davis & Jan Olson	
November 24 8:00am	November 24 10:00am	
Reader Tammie Fox Family Greeters Mark & Teri Henry Communion Tricia Koch & Pam Ulness Coffee Barb Wachtendonk*, Janet Olson, Tamie Wallschlaeger	Reader Wayne Ludkey Greeters Ken & Mary Mueller Communion Jennie Groholski & Andrea Schell	
December 1 8:00am Advent1	December 1 10:00am	
Reader Marge Kohl Greeters Kari Nigl & Betts Nikolai Communion Marsha Phillips & Janet Veith Coffee Nancy Abraham, Michelle Petersen, Judy Wright	Reader Ken Mueller Greeters Steve & Trudy Resnick Communion Trudy Resnick & Jan Olson	
December Ushers 8:00am Dave Klemp, Russ Kohl*, Rick Pierre, & Warren Winter	December Ushers 10:00am Ken & Mary Mueller, Joe Groholski, & John Slesar*	

Please note!

Your Worship Assistant
Leaders are working on
the Sunday schedules this for January-April, 2020 in
November. Please contact them if you wish to make any changes or wish to be included in new areas of service to our church! A huge thank you to all our volunteers!

Usher Lead	Russ Kohl	582-4271
Coffee Lead	Kate Pfaendtner	428-1570
Reader Lead	Office	582-2622
Communion	Office	582-2622
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Time to fall back  Turn your clocks back one hour to standard time at 2 a.m.  Sunday.		—tha	rkful	Youth group: Lock-in! Meet at church at 6 Friday, Nov 1 Pick up on Nov 2 at		2 10am-2pm BEE a Thrift volunteer "We Care" group mtg/ Applt
3 8 & 10am Worship All Saints Sunday 9:00am Coffee, Youth Devos, Sunday School 11:30am Women's study 6:30pm Financial Peace	5pm Narcotics Anonymous 5:30pm Bells 6:30pm Life team planning	5	6 6pm Youth Group 6pm Choir 6:45pm Guitar Band	8:30am Bible Study at Lord of the Lakes	8	9
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# Pastor's October



meetings-5 home/hospital-14 advising-3 Bible Study-4 Baptism-4 Council Retreat

### A look ahead . . .

The next Women's Group planning meeting is on Monday, December 2 at 6:30pm.
All are welcome!

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## Shop at AmazonSmile

and Amazon will make a donation to:

Lord of the Lakes Church

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## **Building & Grounds**

A huge thank you to all who stayed and helped us with Fall Clean-up on October 13. We had about 20 adults and 5 kids working hard to get many tasks completed.

Kate Pfaendtner has stepped up to chair the B&G group -- thank you Kate for your volunteerism. In addition to routine maintenance and fixes by Brad, our Maintenance staff, we are moving forward with project work. The new redone Youth room is completed, the hallway of the education wing is in progress with a fresh coat of paint, the east exit door, frame, and surrounding wall will be replaced and upgraded in the near future.

Thank you to Beverly and your group of volunteers for keeping up with our landscaping needs and weed patrol during a particularly challenging spring and summer! Lord of the Lakes is very blessed with hard working and caring individuals who volunteer time to keeping up our building and grounds.

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## **Busy Hands ~ November**

Thank you to our Busy Hands group who sent off (90) quilts to Lutheran World Relief. Special thanks to Judy and Bob Felberg for transporting the boxed-up quilts to Appleton where they are combined with other church donations and then taken to the St. Paul LWR distribution center. Boxes were barcoded so we can track their final destination—LWR serves worldwide in emergency situations. The group very much appreciated the funds donation to help with shipping costs. Busy Hands also donated quilts to Oshkosh emergency centers.

As Busy Hands begin a "new year" of quilt sewing and tying, we invite anyone interested to join in helping every other Tuesday morning.

Start time is 9am and we break for a coffee/snack/inspirational time at 11am.

Need Help? Don't let stigma stand in your way. Call 2-1-1 www.21now.org

Find resources for: suicidal thoughts, Alcohol/drug abuse, stress, depression, eating disorders, family counseling, anxiety, bipolar disorder and much more. No Health without Mental Health 24/7 Mental Health Crisis Intervention Help Line: Oshkosh: 233-7707, Neenah: 722-7707

# MyConnectionNEW.org

Your one-stop shop for mental health and substance abuse information, resources, and service navigation in Brown, Calumet, Outagamie and Winnebago Counties.



#### Mental Health Awareness:

Suffering from anxiety, depression, substance abuse or another mental illness? CLICK on MyConnectionNEW.org.

- Navigate mental health and alcohol/other drug abuse services
- Take an anonymous mental health screening
- Search on-line library of resources

#### Christmas Poinsettia Garden

If you would like to participate in helping to decorate our church with a Poinsettia plant, please place your order by **November 25.** Plants are \$15.00 each. A list of donors will be published in the Christmas Eve bulletin. If you wish, you may specify the person being honored or memorialized by your gift.

Please fill out this form & place it in the offering plate or drop off to the office by November 25.	
# Poinsettia plants @ 15.00	
In memory/honor of:	
Given by:	7
Checks made out to Lord of the Lakes & please memo "poinsettia".	

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Looking for a place of rest? God's loving presence is always with you.



A morning prayer is a wonderful way to focus your time and attention on seeking God's plan for the day ahead. Whether you need encouragement, peace, strength, or rest, God can meet you in a very real and present way when you come before Him with a humble heart. Seek God's presence each morning before your energy and attention are pulled by all the tasks you have ahead.