

Lord Of The Lakes



November 2022

We have so much to be thankful for in our church, in our community, in our lives! Yet how often do we dwell on the darkness? It's certainly easy to do. Turn on your computer or phone and within seconds you'll likely feel a bit helpless and bleak no matter where your mood started.

This is yet another reason that involvement in a church community is crucial for both our spiritual and emotional well-being. We are given hope! We are reminded of the good things in our world! We read Psalms with words like, "You have turned my mourning into dancing." And "The Lord is my strength and my shield; in Him my heart trusts." These are certainly not messages that "the world" sends our way!

I hope you are able to join us for a special Thanksgiving service, held this year on Tuesday Nov. 22 at 6:30. It is a time to be thankful. A great time to come together as Christians and go back to the basics of what we believe in and to hold onto the hope that only Jesus can give us.

Pastor Kevin



Hurricane Ian, was one of the worst hurricanes to hit the United States in decades affecting thousands of people across Florida and South Carolina. Lutheran Disaster Response is responding to Hurricane Ian with water, clothing, gift cards, tarps and more. Long after the headlines change, Lutheran Disaster Response will continue to accompany communities on the journey of rebuilding their homes and lives.

You can give to the relief effort through Lord of the Lakes. We encourage you to **text your donation via to 920-280-6221 to use your credit/debit card.** Lord of the Lakes will then send a check to Lutheran Disaster Response with all donations. Your donation will show up on your giving statement as part of your church offerings. Please have your donation end in 4 (like \$34, \$54, \$104, etc.). This is how we can identify hurricane donations in our system. Of course checks are also happily received. Please also end your check amount in 4.

It's Election Season: We Need You!

Election season for new Church Council members that is. We need several new Council members to replace those whose terms are expiring at the end of the year. Do you want to know more about the business of the church and be informed about our various groups and committees as well as our community outreach? Then we need you. Our Council is a rewarding calling of Christian involvement. See Wayne Ludkey (wludkeuy@yahoo.com) or any Council member today.



There is Always SOMETHING TO BE Thankful FOR





Well, another Fall festival in the books! The youth would like to thank everyone who came and helped us make this another huge success. Special thanks to Deb Ruedinger as she planned and executed a majority of the work! Thank you also to everyone who came out and helped support the youth, you guys rock! Thank you to the polka band! Wow, our kids are so talented! On a different note, football for our youth is just about done so you know what that means, basketball is starting. Boy, I tell you these kids are active. Among the sports they are pretty good about coming to youth (stinky or not) to be a part of this family! It is incredibly rewarding watching them grow into the young people they are. I am very excited about the next youth service; they are doing an amazing job getting everything ready to serve you. I thank you for your support of them and I pray that that continues as they journey into new territories with life, sports, and youth. They are the future of the church and have so much to offer, what a blessing!!!! Short but sweet this month! Come on out for the youth service on October 30th and see what God is doing in their lives! Also is you have a chance, look up the song build a boat by Coltan Dixen as our service is on Noah!

God is good, Amy

Gratitude Game



- What is something you are grateful for?
- Who is someone you are grateful for?
- What is the most valuable lesson you learned this year?
- What is your favorite Thanksgiving tradition?
- What charity would you donate a million dollars to?
- Who is someone that inspired you this year?



Operation Christmas Child: The youth will be packing boxes again this year for Operation Christmas Child, and we want to start collecting donations now to prepare for packing boxes. Donations need to be small enough to fit into a shoe box and can not be anything liquid. We are in need of toothbrushes, art supplies, small toys, etc. Boxes are made for all ages so please consider things that may be appropriate for teens as well as young children. Please check the kiosk for items needed and watch for more information in the newsletter and bulletins. Donations need to be turned in by November 13th.



Sunday School Offering:

Parents just a reminder that the Sunday School Classes do an offering each week to help teach about giving and helping others. The children decided that they would like to use the offering money they collect to buy needed items for the animal shelter.

If your child wishes to participate in this offering please send it along with them to class. Thank you!





Individually,
 we are one
 drop.
 Together,
 we are an ocean.

TWIG's are everywhere! Some serve as Worship Assistants. Others are in Busy Hands. They volunteer for Building and Grounds duties. You might see them in Thursday morning Bible Study. You always see them lending a helping hand when needed and stopping to listen when a fellow TWIG just needs someone to listen. We care about each other and strive to lift each other up – not bring them down. We may be as young as 18 or maybe as old as (I will never tell)! No membership fee is required, no application to fill out! All are welcome!

Day by Day Warming Shelter: The Day by Day Warming Shelter is starting their 12th season, and they are in the process of building a shelter for year around services. Last year 620 people were turned away as there was not enough room. As part of our women's outreach ministry, the TWIGS will have signed up to serve meals at the shelter. They have three scheduled and the first was Thursday, October 23. The next scheduled day to serve is December 15th and we are in need volunteers to cook and bake, grocery shop, and 3 servers to serve the meals 5:30-7:30. They TWIGS are also collecting items in marked bins to donate to the shelter. Please see the list on the kiosk and if you can, support their worthy cause. This is a cause near and dear to Sally Patterson and thank you, Sally for heading that up. Lots of TWIGs are helping Sally with this. For questions or information on either project please call or text Sally Patterson at 920-279-2388 or email sallyrobpatt@gmail.com

Monthly Lunches: We meet monthly for a lunch somewhere in Winneconne. The past two months have been at Woodeye's and that was very enjoyable. This month we are going to support another of our local establishments and have lunch at Jackie's Parkside. The date is November 16, 11:30 am. Sign up on the kiosk or message Deb Ruedinger at 863-634-9794 just for a head count. If you are a last-minute person – that is okay! We always have room for one more. Our lunches are not structured, and the goals of the lunches are simply to get to know one another, laugh a little (or a lot) and offer emotional support when needed. Please come!

Outing; Sunday afternoon, November 6th, 2:30 at the University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh Theater Center on Algoma Blvd. is an opportunity for an outing if you are okay to miss the Packers vs. Lions football game! We will be seeing the well-known and popular musical, Grease. Bring a friend, partner, child – this is an open invitation to all! Tickets are only \$9 and we have a group of 20 reserved. If you want to go but need a ride, please let Deb know (863-634-9794).

Fellow TWIGS – if you have no plans for Thanksgiving Dinner – please let Deb know! We can do something about that!

Pam Ulness and I are still working on a Bunko Party for an evening social – stay tuned for details!



Thank you to all of the volunteers that came to help serve the meal at the shelter last month. Your help was greatly appreciated by the staff and those that came for the meal.

Busy Hands will meet at church at 9 am on Tuesday, November 8 and November 22. Please come when you are able! No sewing experience is necessary.



Poinsettia Garden: If you would like to purchase a Poinsettia plant to help decorate the sanctuary, please place your order by December 5th. Plants are \$21 each. A list of donors will in the Christmas Eve bulletin. 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 **December 5th**

_____ # Poinsettia plants @ \$21.00 _____

In memory/honor of: _____

Given by: _____

Checks made out to Lord of the Lakes & please memo "poinsettia".





Thank You!

Our volunteers were very busy in October! Aside from the normal worship assistant duties and coffee fellowship for Sunday mornings, we had our Fall Festival held October 15! It takes many people to put on a successful event and we want to thank all our volunteers. Thank you Rick Pierre, Darlene Larson, and Pastor for stacking all the chairs in the sanctuary on the Thursday prior to the event. That gave us a leg up on getting everything in place Friday. Friday afternoon Kristi Aberwald and Allys Rudisill washed apples, wrapped and banded our finest plasticware, and cover and decorated the tables for Saturday. Jan Olson and I moved tables around and Jan took in pies for our infamous Pie Contest!

Saturday came at last! We had the greatest help in the kitchen that included Lani Stanek, Jan Olson, Kim Zehner, Darlene Larson, John Macho, Marie Walsh, Allys Rudisill and Hattie Engeldinger. Darlene helped make sure we plugged everything into the correct receptacles to make sure we didn't pop our GFI's! In the beverage department were Bill Gardner, Rick Pierre, Phil Ruedinger and Molly and Lauren Otto. Raffle tickets and food tickets were being sold by Barb Jorna, Gail Gardner, Kristin Bjornstad and Mary Beth McKee. At the end of the day Jan Olson and Lani Stanek made sure my assistant, Molly Otto, did everything exactly right pulling those winning tickets! Then it was time to clean up. Thank you to all those who helped remove tables and put chairs back in place in the sanctuary for Sunday services.

I would be remiss if I did not mention our chili makers Rob & Sally Patterson, Kim Zehner, Barb Wachtendonk, Karen Kwicky, Jan Olson, Joni Volp, Kristin Bjornstad, Vicki Waters, Amy Penza, Jeff Jahnke and his "Cincinnati Chili" and Deb Ruedinger. Our bakers Kim Zehner, Jan Olson, Amanda Volp, Lauren Otto, Allys Rudisill, Larry Paulson, John Macho, Katie Hale, Barb Wachtendonk, Nancy Abraham, Lani Stanek and Deb Ruedinger. Phil Ruedinger scrubbed and wrapped every potato and was quite handy at putting those little green bands around that plasticware. He was also pretty handy at snapping on all the lids on the condiments for the potatoes and chili.

We also want to thank Lord of Lakes members, Larry and Darlene Paulson, and their daughter for their cash donation and bringing Oh La La Treasures to our event to give people an opportunity to do a little Christmas shopping. Thank you to all of you who created and donated those beautiful raffle baskets! We had 33 of them and we grossed \$1055!!

At the end of the day when the last light in the sanctuary was out and everything was ready for Sunday worship, Darlene was scrubbing bathrooms. This woman is remarkable! She was there at 8am Saturday morning and was the last one out Saturday night sometime after I left at 5:30pm.

As we move into our winter months, several regular Worship Assistants have already gone south for the winter. If there is anyone who is not on the regular list and willing and able to assist on occasion ushering, greeting, reading, coffee fellowship or communion assistant please let Deb Ruedinger know and she will work you in when needed. It is a terrific way to meet new people!

Blessings - Deb Ruedinger

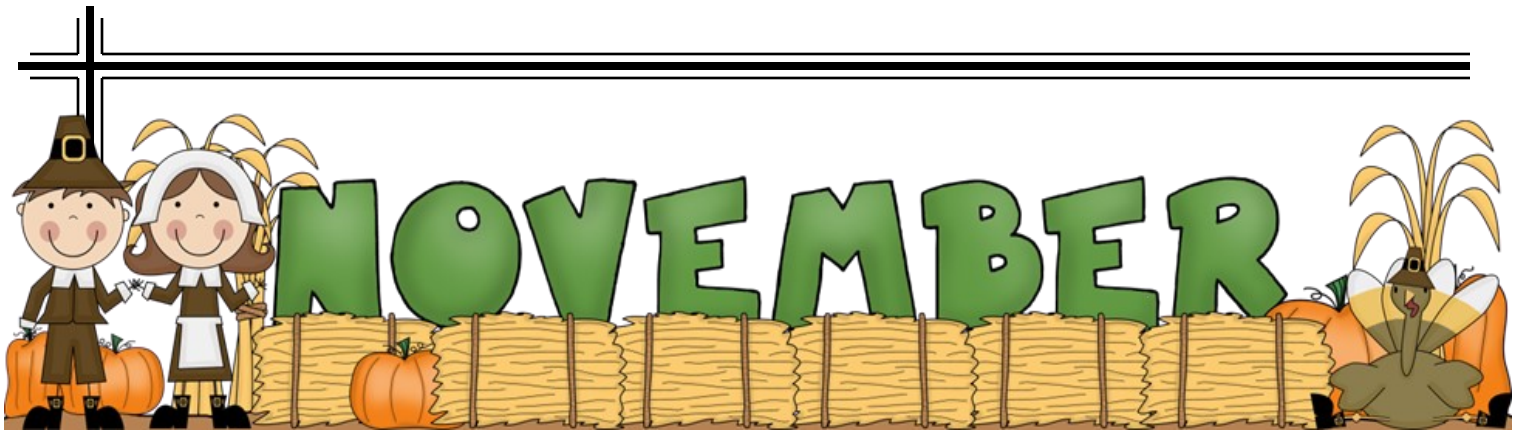
Thrift Partner Program



A huge thank you to those that volunteer on our Thrift Saturday's. We always have a great time, and it is a great way to get to know each other while serving others. If you are interested in volunteering, you can sign up for the entire time or just an hour or two, any time you are willing share is welcomed. As always, if you unable to volunteer please come and shop and don't forget to bring your friends, family and neighbors to shop as well!

Reminder Next Thrift Days: **November 5th & December 3rd**

sign up is at the kiosk or contact: Becky Jahnke at beckyjahnke920@gmail.com



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 6:30 B&G Meeting	2	3	4	5 Thrift 10-2
6 8 & 10am Worship All Saints Sunday	7 6:00 AcaBellas	8 9:00am Busy Hands	9 5:00pm Guitar Band 6:00pm Choir 6:00pm Youth Group	10 8:30 am Bible Study	11	12
13 8 & 10am Worship 2023 Budget presentation after 2nd service	14 5:00 Narcotics Anonymous 6:00pm AcaBellas	15 6:30 Council Meeting	16 11:30 TWIG Lunch 5:00pm Guitar Band 6:00pm Choir 6:00 Youth Group— Operation Christmas	17 8:30am Bible Study	18	19
20 8 & 10am Worship	21 5:00 Narcotics Anonymous	22 9:00 Busy Hands 6:30 Thanksgiving Service	23 6:00 Youth Group	24	25	26
27 8 & 10am Worship	28 5:00 Narcotics Anonymous 6:00pm AcaBellas	29	30 5:00pm Guitar Band 5:30 Soup Supper 6:30 Advent Service 6:00 Youth Group			
Celebrate November Birthdays (over 70) 11/1 - Angie Carlson 11/15 - James Krueger Contact the office for any changes						

Do you have a special birthday, anniversary or family celebration coming up this year?

Consider honoring the event with flowers on the altar. The **2022**





November Worship Assistants

*indicates chairperson for coffee fellowship	
November 6th 8:00am Greeters: Rick Pierre & Barb Wachtendonk Reader: Marge Kohl Communion: Deb Ruedinger & Val Gulke Usher: Karen & Lou Zwicky Coffee Fellowship: Jan Olson*, Mary Beth McKee, Betts Nikolai, and Trudy Strand	November 6th 10:00am Greeters: Ginny & Joe Potter Reader: Ray Zegers Communion: Gail Gardner & Ray Zegers Usher: Joe Groholski & Michael Stopar
November 13th 8:00am Greeters: Nancy Abraham & Jill Templin Reader: Barb Wachtendonk Communion: Betts Nikolai & Ellen Smolinski Usher: Ron Miller & Everette Fox Coffee Fellowship: Jamie Bliske*, John Macho, Mary Alice Klemp, & Bev Raatjes	November 13th 10:00am Greeters: Allys & Wayne Rudisill Reader: Jan Faust Communion: Jenni & Joe Groholski Usher: Janine Brantley & Bette Lee
November 20th 8:00am Greeters: Hattie Engeldinger & Valerie Gulke Reader: Jody Kell Communion: Audrey Bishop & Lisa Curtis Usher: Terry & Val Gulke Coffee Fellowship: Debbie Ruedinger*, Mark Kunde, Holly Nelson, & Nancy Abraham	November 20th 10:00am Greeters: Janine Brantley & Bette Lee Reader: Jenni Groholski Communion: Andrea Schell & Ryan Otto Usher: Barb & Mark Jorna
November 27th 8:00am Greeters: Mary Brefeld & Dick Schallert Reader: Dana Hartel Communion: Amy Penza & Joanne Dallmann Usher: Deb Ruedinger & Chris Rescheske Coffee Fellowship: Mary Brefeld & Dick Schallert, Dana Hartel & Karen Zwicky	November 27th 10:00am Greeters: Gail Gardner & Jenni Groholski Reader: Kimberly Radtke Communion: Kristin Bjornstad & Allys Rudisill Usher: Kay & Tom Lettau



December Ushers 8:00am

December 4 - Terry & Val Gulke
 December 11 - Brian Bliske & Ron Miller
 December 18 - Pam & John Ulness

December Ushers 10:00am

December 4 - Joe Groholski & Ann Zillges
 December 11 - Debbie Williams & Mary Beth Mckee
 December 18 - Ryan and Molly Otto

December Holiday Service Ushers

December 24th (Christmas Eve) 4:00pm - TBD need 4
 December 24th (Christmas Eve) 6:00pm - TBD need 4
 December 25th (Christmas Day) 9:00am - TBD

Ushers: If you will be at church for any of these services and are willing to help usher please let Deb Ruedinger know.

Buildings & Grounds Update

Hopefully by the time the Newsletter is published, Van Zeeland's will have started on the re-landscaping of our island. Memorials or dedications are still available -- stop by the office and learn what is available.

Fall Clean Up: scheduled for Oct. 30 starting at 11. Come in comfortable clothes so we are ready to go to work right after second service. We have both inside or outside jobs and any help will be greatly appreciated! Packers play Sunday evening so that should not be an issue.

New Electrical Volunteer: We have found a volunteer Electrician to replace Daryl Ramlow. Thank you to Brian Bliske for answering that call! First up: possibility of changing parking lot lights to LED in an effort to save energy costs.

Other items your hardworking B&G Team is working on:

- Researching and changing out the vendor and fixing the phone Fire Alarm system; after that may come attempt to combine the many facets of our fire protection systems.
- Staff evaluations of our Maintenance and Cleaning personnel who report to B&G. If you see Brad and Darlene around stop and thank them for their diligent work!
- Address the possible need for security cameras on our doors
- One of the entryway mats will need to be replaced -- may wait now till we are thru the 'snow/ice' season.
- Our steeple needs to be cleaned; we have found a way of getting up that high but may have to wait now till Spring d/t winds and cold.
- Addressing the upright freezer in the kitchen which is not working and with that, addressing room for storage for Busy Hands.

Our round tables in the Narthex are more easily losing the screws that hold the legs to the tabletop. We have gotten lots of mileage from them since they are 17 yrs old. When moving, please roll them or use two people to pick them up. Dragging them across the tiles is hard on them!



Give thanks to the Lord His love endures forever!
for He is good!



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Blessing Mix

- Bugles** represent the cornucopia, a horn of plenty.
- Pretzels** represent arms folded in thanks and prayer.
- Candy corn** reminds us that during the first winter, the Pilgrims were allowed only a few kernels of corn per day because food was so scarce.
- Seeds** are promise of a future harvest if they are planted and well tended.
- Fruit** is a reminder of the harvest gifts from the land.
- M&Ms** are for memories of those who came before us.
- Hershey's Kiss** is a reminder of the love of family and friends that sweetens our lives.

Music Practice Schedule

Wednesdays
5:00pm - Guitar Band

6:00pm - Choir

Mondays
6:00pm - AcaBellas



****NO PRACTICE on November 21st & 23rd****

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Thanks
&
Giving

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"