# November 2020

Elder: Denny Peters

Altar Guild: Kay Borchers, Ruth Benda

Stewardship: Ashley Bultman



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:15 am SS & Bible Study 10:30 am Worship* 11:30 Nominating Cmte Usher Team: Mark Weyer Acolytes: Emrie, Addison Camera: Derek Allen A/V: Mary Ortner Acc: Tracy DeBruin	2	3	4 5:45 pm Catechism 7:00 pm Bible Study	5	6	7 6:00 pm Worship
8 8:30 am Elders Meeting 9:15 am SS & Bible Study 10:30 am Worship 1:30 pm Clean Pews Usher Team: Rodney Matz Acolytes: Brielle, Jayden Camera: Katrina Burt A/V: Jon Burt Acc: Peggy Christensen	9	10	11 5:45 pm Catechism 7:00 pm Bible Study	12	13	14 6:00 pm Worship*
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22 <sub>9:15</sub> am SS & Bible Study 10:30 am Worship Usher Team: Bill Buryanek Acolytes: Karlee, Justin Camera: Jaxton Jungers A/V: Randy Klaus Acc: Tracy DeBruin	23	24	25 No Catechism 7:00 pm Thanksgiving Worship	26 THANKSGIVING	27	28 6:00 pm Worship*
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### All Saints Day, 2020

We remember before the Lord those whom He has given rest this year:

Larry Green
Barbara Janssen
Kenneth Schmidt
Mary Marienau
John Breugem
Myron Waterman
Patsy Karr
Dean Bolluyt
Dennis Grage

### Looking forward to Advent



November 29 is the First Sunday in Advent and the beginning of the new church year. We follow readings that focus primarily on the Gospel of Mark. Our midweek Advent theme will be "Jesse's Tree: Belonging to God's Family through Jesus." We will have "goodies" following Advent worship on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

### Youth Group

The youth activity for November is laser tag on Sunday Nov. 15.

### Hymn of the Month

"For All the Saints" LSB 677. These words written by English clergyman William How convey a clear, triumphant picture of the Christian life, which does not end in death, but lives



through the victorious resurrection of Jesus. This hymn always points us forward to our victory of eternal rest with Christ. It accurately conveys the Christian hope of those who labored in this life, but whose fight is finished and warfare done. The tune is by 20<sup>th</sup> century English composer Ralph Vaughn Williams.

### Coming this month at Trinity:



### Pew Cleaning

Sunday, November 8, all able-bodied persons are invited to gather at the church at 1:30 pm to help clean the pews. We ask that old t-shirts be donated to aid in the cleaning. Come and help if you can, or donate old t-shirts even if you can't help. Thank you!

### Nominating Committee

Nominating Committee will meet beginning November 1<sup>st</sup>. If you'd like to serve, please let them know. If you receive a notice in the mail, please notify the church if you accept or decline the nomination ASAP.

### 4th Sunday Second Offering

The elders have recommended to collect a second offering on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday to support the work of Pastor Paul Flo for Siouxland Hispanic Ministry. Please consider giving to the Lord's work.

### Thanksgiving Worship

We will gather together for Thanksgiving Eve worship to pray for our nation and give thanks to God for all His benefits on the eve of the day of national thanksgiving. Worship is at 7:00 p.m Wednesday, November 25.





#### **NOTICE: NEW ADDRESS!**

Trinity is switching it's mail service from the Post Office Box 311 to simply using our physical address of 1103 Central Avenue.

A locked mail box has been installed next to the east door of the education wing. Please start using

1103 Central Avenue
as our mailing address. Thank You!

AMONG THOSE THINGS FOR WHICH YOU GIVE THANKS ON THANKS-GIVING, LET THE GIFT OF YOUR SAVIOR BE AT THE TOP OF YOUR LIST.

"Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!" (2 Corinthians 9:15).



"Main Street Living" and "This Is the Life" programming information for November, 2020. Additional information is available on the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com. Or watch on KCAU TV.

#### November 1

This Is the Life – "Cell of Hope" – Flag Washington (Lawrence Hilton-Jacobs) gets a new cellmate Jimmy Stricklin (Richard Dimitri) who is obnoxious. Washington, who came to Christ while in prison, is tested and they come to blows.

Worship Service - Rev. Joshua Lowe of Trinity Lutheran Church in Hawarden delivers the message "Blessed" based on Matthew 5:1-12.

#### November 8

This Is the Life – "Undertow" – Harry (David Ogden Stiers) loses his daughter to drowning. In his grief, he blames the lifeguard, Jim (Gil Peterson). The loss turns to anger towards Jim who also is struggling with the loss of his wife, just a year earlier.

Worship Service – Rev. Jerome Leckband of Golgotha Lutheran Church in Wausa, NE and Trinity Lutheran Church in Foster, NE delivers the message "Wake Up! Christ is Near!" based on Matthew 25:1-13.

#### November 15

This Is the Life – "The Healer" – Dave Forman (Gary Collins) is a dynamic "faith healer" who becomes angered by the drowning death of his daughter. His grief becomes too great when a father asks him to heal his diabetic daughter.

Worship Service – Rev. Nathan Peitsch of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Ute delivers the message "Suddenly" based on 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11.

#### November 22

This Is the Life – "Flames of Hate" – Betty Blackwood (Angie Dickinson) is stuck between the man she loves, Art (Ed Kemmer), and her obsessive father Nate (Edgar Dearing) who disapproves of Art. But when they elope, her father cuts them off completely.

Worship Service – Rev. Dr. Steven Turner of Iowa District West delivers the message "When Christ Shall Come" based on Matthew 25:31-46.

#### November 29

This Is the Life – Lutheran Hour Animated series – The City that Forgot About Christmas – Benji thinks the hustle and bustle of Christmas only makes people more grouchy, but Grandfather has a different view. Worship Service – Rev. Joshua Keinath of Zion Lutheran Church in Denison delivers the message.

#### Spread the Word

In a short time, we will be celebrating the birth of Christ – a major event, even for those who don't believe in Him. God's Son came to live among us in order to forgive us, reconcile us with our Heavenly Father, and give us life everlasting.

How different our celebrations today are from the first Christmas more than 2,000 years ago! Mary and Joseph found no room in an inn so they "wrapped [Jesus] in strips of cloth and placed Him in a manger" (Luke 2:7). There were no reporters or photographers waiting outside to write a newspaper article or to snap the first picture of the new king. No one knew what was happening! No one, that is, except for the parents and the host of Heaven who made the announcement. But to whom was this announcement made? To the powerful who would speed through the towns and villages, spreading the news? To the privileged elite? No, to shepherds who were outcasts, hired hands who were so low on the social scale that they weren't even allowed to give testimony in a court of law. They weren't even allowed to come into the Temple.

Yet these were the ones chosen by God to tell the good news. These wretched creatures saw the angels and "... the glory of the Lord shone around them..." They heard the message the angels brought: "Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; He is Christ the Lord ... You will find a baby...lying in a manger" (Luke 2:9,11). They saw, they listened, and then they went to see for themselves. After receiving the Good News, they spread it. "When they had seen Him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them" (Luke 2:17-18).

If lowly shepherds could tell the story, can't we as well? "All who heard it were amazed," Luke writes, but he doesn't say all believed. All we're asked to do is tell the story. How could fear, uncertainty, or apathy hold us back? This is the biggest news mankind has ever received! As stewards of the Gospel, we have no choice but to follow the example of the shepherds and "spread the word concerning what has been told [us] about this child." What a privilege we have to tell others about the baby in the manger Who became a man and died for our sins so we can live eternally with Him in heaven!

May God grant us all the passion to tell others of Jesus' birth and love for all people.

#### From Pastor's Desk....

On All Saints' Day (November 1<sup>st</sup>) we remember the dead. As a kid I loved cemeteries. The county I grew up in was settled in the 1840s so our cemeteries were full of old graves. One grave in our town cemetery was richly decorated with a large stone and metal fence. His name was William and he died when he was 12. His dad had been a founding father of our county and obviously cared deeply for his son. The family was long gone and William's grave was forgotten. I took it upon myself to clean up the grave and bring him some artificial flowers from the dollar store. It was important for me to remember the dead and show respect for their lives. I continue to do that today. We visit my grandparents when we go to Missouri with our kids. Their graves lie next to the plot where my parents will be and next to the place where Corinne and I will be buried. I find it very comforting to know my resting place will be with my family in the cemetery of my home congregation, among the people who taught me the faith and in whose faith we share together the hope of the resurrection.

We remember the dead because they are creatures of God like us. In the beginning God created all things by His Word but bent down and made Adam out of the earth's soil. God Himself breathed into Adam the breath of life and Adam became a living being. Eve came from Adam and together they were God's very good creation. Given by God to fill the earth with children and life. The fall into sin destroyed all of that- the curse of sin meant death and a return to the ground from whence life came. Now all die because all sin. ESV 1 Corinthians 15:22 For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Christ's resurrection reversed the curse and He paid the penalty of death with His bloodshed and perfect life.

We remember the dead because we have died. <sup>ESV</sup> **Romans 6:3-5** *Do* you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup> We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. <sup>5</sup> For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup> We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. We remember the dead because we are raised from the dead.

The eternal hope of the Christian is not to die and go to heaven, but to be raised physically from the dead. Our future life is real and physical- with glorified-risen bodies. We remember the dead because in Christ we aren't dead anymore. ESV John 11:25 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, 26 and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?"

#### November Birthdays

- 2 Marcella Brandhagen, Helen Kool, Claudia Olson
- 3 Rick Boyer, Michael Van Ballegooyen
- 4 Derek Benda
- 5 Amanda Mace, Carolyn Puhl
- 7 Emma Pulfrey, Dylan Stevens, Amy Topete
- 11 Shelly Reece
- 13 Julie Kool
- 14 Gloria Finch
- 17 Holly Breugem
- 18 Karina Pulfrey
- 19 Tristen Topete, Brinlee Ver Mulm
- 20 Cassie Lachman
- 21 Terry Zierke
- 22 Kendra Schelling
- 23 Jim McKee
- 24 Janissa Baas, Joshua Lowe
- 25 Audree Olson, Paul Olson
- 26 Kelcie Bultman
- 27 Kurt Bultman, John Jacobs
- 28 Stan Hendricks

#### November Anniversaries

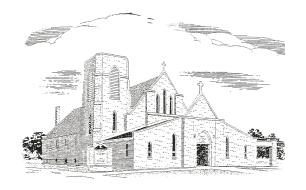
- 11 LaRae and Fernando Lopez (9 years)
- 12 Derek and Mandie Allen (7 years)
- 24 Dallas and Ardis Huebner (58 years)





## Read the Bible in one year by reading the following passages this month...

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1.	Exodus 15:1-18	Hosea 8-10				
2.	Psalm 122	Hosea 11-14				
3.	Psalm 123	Joel				
4.	Psalm 124	Amos 1-5				
5.	Psalm 125	Amos 6-9				
6.	Psalm 126	Obadiah, Jonah				
7.	Psalm 127	Micah 1-3				
8.	Psalm 128	Micah 4-7				
9.	Psalm 129	Nahum				
10.	Psalm 130	Habakkuk				
11.	Psalm 131	Zephaniah				
12.	Psalm 132	Haggai				
13.	Psalm 133	Zechariah 1-5				
14.	Psalm 134	Zechariah 6-10				
15.	Psalm 135	Zechariah 11-14				
16.	Psalm 136	Malachi				
17.	. Psalm 137	Matthew 1-2				
18.	Psalm 138	Matthew 3-4				
19.	Psalm 139	Matthew 5-6				
20.	Psalm 140	Matthew 7-8				
21.	Psalm 141	Matthew 9-10				
22.	Psalm 142	Matthew 11-12				
23.	Psalm 143	Matthew 13-14				
24.	Psalm 144	Matthew 15-16				
25.	. Psalm 145	Matthew 17-18				
26.	Psalm 146	Matthew 19-20				
27.	. Psalm 147	Matthew 21-22				
28.	Psalm 148	Matthew 23-24				
29.	. Psalm 149-150	Matthew 25-26				
30.	Exodus 15: 1-18	Matthew 27-28				



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