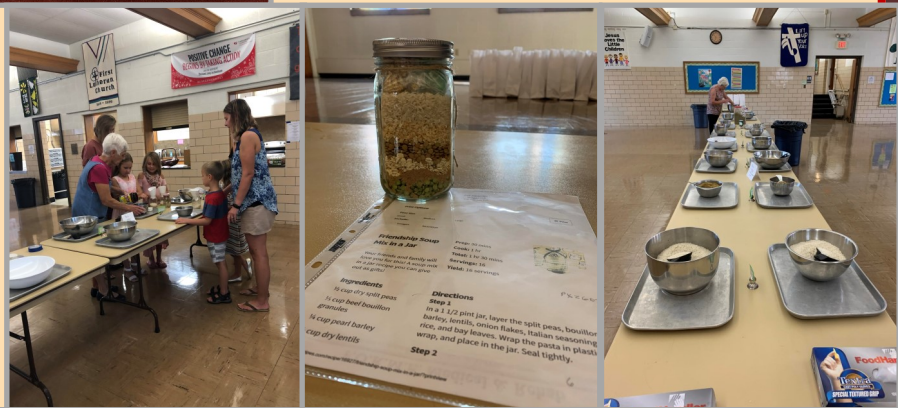


First Lutheran Church.....



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Bless This Backyard Mission Trip Project

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....Playing



Stewardship Stew

The “secret” ingredients of good stewardship

Favorite Rice with Crispy Shallots

PREP 6 minutes

COOK 50 minutes

YIELD 6 servings

1/2 cup vegetable oil

2 medium shallots, sliced into 1/8-inch-thick rings.

4 cups chicken or vegetable broth

2 cups uncooked long-grain white rice, rinsed and drained

1/2 cup (1 stick) unsalted butter

What is the “secret ingredient”?

Brown Butter

Line a plate with paper towels. Place a sieve over a heatproof bowl.

In a small saucepan, combine the vegetable oil and shallots. Cook over medium-low heat, separating the rings with a fork as needed, until the shallots are golden brown, 45 to 50 minutes. While the shallots cook, make the rice.

In a large saucepan set over high heat, combine the broth and rice. Bring to a boil, then cover the pot securely and reduce the heat to low. Simmer the rice, undisturbed, for 20 minutes, until tender. While the rice cooks, make the brown butter.

Heat the butter in a small saucepan set over a medium heat. Cook, whisking occasionally, until the butter begins to brown and has a nutty aroma, about 5 minutes. Remove the pan from the heat and pour the butter into a large serving bowl.

Pour the shallots into the sieve to drain, then transfer to the paper towel-lined plate to soak up any excess oil.

Fluff the rice with a fork, then add it to the bowl with the butter and toss to combine. Garnish with the crispy shallots and serve.

A bowl of rice [without brown butter, shallots and chicken] may be all some people each in a day!

- There is more than enough food produced in the world to feed everyone on the planet. As many as 811 million people worldwide go to bed hungry each night (9.9% of the world’s population)
- An estimated 14 million children under the age of five worldwide suffer from severe acute malnutrition, also known as severe wasting, yet only 25 percent of acutely malnourished children have access to lifesaving treatment.
- In 2021, the number of people without sufficient food moved from (April 2020) 185 million to **296 million** (April 2021), a frightening deterioration of 60 percent.
- More than 40 million Americans were unsure where their next meal might come from.

In 2019, ELCA members contributed \$23 million for global hunger, which supports projects in 37 states and 63 countries.



The Secret Ingredient for Good Stewardship: Worship

Eventually, I discovered something ... there is no better way to give thanks than with a gift. When someone does something nice we often give them a gift to say thank you. When you love someone, you want to give them things—gifts that say, “I love you.”

Did you know that this is why we have offerings during the church service? I didn't know that for a long time. I used to think it was because the church needed to collect some money to pay its bills, so every Sunday, we'd take a little break from worship and pass the plates around.

The church does need to pay its bills, of course, but it doesn't have to take up an offering on Sunday mornings to do that. People can mail in their money or set up an electronic transfer with their bank. The reason we have an offering on Sunday morning is to give people a chance to say “Thank you” to God,” or to offer a gift that says, “I love you.”

In ancient Israel people would bring sacrifices of wheat or animals to the altar. They didn't do this because the temple or

tabernacle needed their crops or flock—the wheat and the animals were simply consumed in flames. They did it to worship God, to show their gratitude and love by giving up something of value to them.

Once I figured that out, the offering became my favorite part of the service. I do have a fund transfer set up at my bank, and my pledged monthly support for the church comes from that. And, I still bring something each week to put in the offering plate. I come with a gift of thanks for God in my pocket and wait eagerly through most of the service for that plate to come around. I've told my pastor, If you ever think the service is going to be too long, cut out one of the hymns or cut part of your sermon. But don't you ever cut out the offering! That's what I'm here for! To worship God and to give God a gift because I am so thankful to God for being so good! - Mark Allan Powell from *Faith+Lead*



“One key word I can think of is *faith*.” [Pastor Art Wilde]

Thanks to you who gave us stew.
As we chew, help us to think what to do,
For you love this world, too. Amen



Stewardship ^{Stew} Sunday Coming!

Sunday, November 14 (8:15 and 10:45)

Ingathering of 2022 Commitment Cards



Social Ministry will be collecting **Coats for Christmas** this holiday season.

Check your closets for any unused coats and bring them to the church between November 24 & 29. Watch for the big blue box and place them there. If you miss the church deadline, coats need to be taken to City Apparel, former City Laundry, by Dec. 3rd



Monday

Dec. 20

Food Cart Requests



Toilet Paper,
Paper Towels
Soups

All donations benefit
Lutheran Social Services.
The cart is in the coat room

From the fullness of His
GRACE
WE HAVE ALL RECEIVED ONE
Blessing
AFTER ANOTHER
JOHN 1:16





When words fail Music speaks

A Memorial Service

To Honor

John M. Adler

Saturday, November 6, 2021

3:00 pm at First Lutheran Church

Prelude Music provided by Miriam Gibson.

Visitation with the family in the lounge following the service.



Blessings at



Congratulations to our fifth graders who celebrated their First Communion on October 10th: Heather Betts, Makenzie Cox, Alex Johnson, Avarie Needles, Chloe Nielsen, and Steven Treece. May God fill you with the Spirit and make you one with Christ in peace and love. God's blessings.



Wednesday, Nov 24

7:00

At Trinity Lutheran
935 W. Bigelow Ave.



November 21, 2020

At 12:00

- Elect 2022 Council Members
- Preview 2022 Budget

Giving Thanks to God — All Day, Every Day

The practice of giving thanks to God for blessings received is at the heart of our lives as women of faith. Even the ordinary blessings of daily life call us to gratitude. Lutheran women have a time-honored way to practice giving thanks — Thankofferings. Some women keep the practice of setting aside daily Thankofferings throughout the year, and then joining all those daily offerings into one with those of other women in the community — well, it's powerful.

Last year our Thankoffering Service was our first Parking Lot Service, this year we are able to again celebrate together in person. Pastor Sarah Schaaf from the NWO Synod Office will lead us in worship for our Thankoffering Service. Envelopes will be provided in the November 21 bulletin for your ThankOffering donation.

Calendar of Events

- November 9 Martha Circle – 9:00 AM in the Church Library
Hostess: Carolyn Wilde
Leader: Sue DeMoss
- Rachel Circle – 1:30 PM lunch in the Church Lounge
Hostess: Donna Mason
Leader: Cindy Fitzpatrick
- November 15 Hannah Circle – 7:00 PM in the Church Lounge
Hostess: Cyndy Rotman
Leader: Arlene Schriener
- November 21 ThankOffering Service
- November 28 Cookie Sunday – Rachel Circle
- December 1 Start Reverse Advent Food Collection



A gigantic thank you goes out to all that helped in any way with our fall rummage sale. We raised \$1403.15! Proceeds went to Pastor's Discretionary Fund, LCC Canine Comfort Dog Ministry, and the ELCA International Women's Leaders. Seed money for the rummage sale was provided through a Thrivent Action Team.





WELCA is again are sponsoring the Reverse Advent Food Collection. All families are invited to donate to a box of food. Donations will be taken to the Lutheran Social Services Food Pantry.

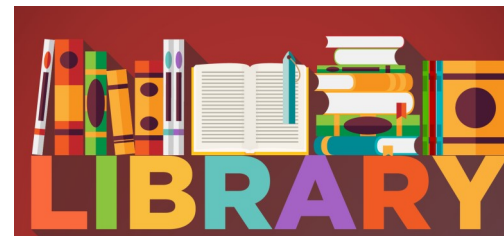
REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR

EACH DAY ADD AN ITEM TO A BOX.

ON CHRISTMAS EVE DONATE THE CONTENTS TO A
FOOD BANK.

- December 1 - box of cereal
- December 2 - peanut butter
- December 3 - stuffing mix
- December 4 - boxed potatoes
- December 5 - macaroni and cheese
- December 6 - canned fruit
- December 7 - canned tomatoes
- December 8 - canned tuna
- December 9 - dessert mix
- December 10 - jar of applesauce
- December 11 - canned sweet potatoes
- December 12 - cranberry sauce
- December 13 - canned beans
- December 14 - box of crackers
- December 15 - package of rice
- December 16 - package of oatmeal
- December 17 - package pasta
- December 18 - spaghetti sauce
- December 19 - chicken noodle soup
- December 20 - tomato soup
- December 21 - can corn
- December 22 - can mixed vegetables
- December 23 - can carrots
- December 24 - can green beans

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The month of November focuses on Thanksgiving. “Give thanks” appears on towels, plaques, platters, glasses, lawn decorations, etc. Why do we celebrate only one month of gratitude?

Let’s get ready for the December giveaway at the Community dinner. If you have gently-used Christmas decorations, trinkets and smalls that visitors might be able to use for Christmas gifts, please drop them off in the library. We will also be giving away books that have been donated over the past few years.

On the church bulletin board is a list of suggested titles for selection by the book club members for the 2022 calendar year. The list is by no means conclusive. I asked for suggestions from book club members, I included suggestions from book stores and best sellers, and I threw in some classics. These are just suggestions but the list is a place to start. We will meet the first Tuesday in December to make selections.

Those of you who have signed out e-readers need to return them to me sometime in December in order for me to download the new titles. I will return them as soon as I am finished.

On an unrelated note, I recently finished reading China Men by Maxine Hong Kingston, a book that introduces the reader to many generations of men in her family, but not in any order. The best part of the introductions – the author begins a section with “great-great-grandfather is said to have stowed away on board a ship bound for Hawai’i when he was ten years old; it is also said that he fell overboard and rode on the back of a whale for several hours until rescued by a fisherman; or...” and then she tells some perfectly believable tale about the same person. I am intrigued by her hints at family legends and the concept that perhaps none of the tales are true. It was an excellent read.

I first met Kingston at a National Council of Teachers of English national conference, I can’t remember where, just somewhere out west, perhaps Seattle. She was the featured speaker. I remember her elaborating on her gift of writing. She mentioned that she had recently finished a book. And then a fire swept through the hills of northern Oakland. She raced home hoping to rescue her only copy of the finished manuscript. Her house destroyed around her, when she touched the papers, they crumbled into ash. Fire and loss. She could never rewrite nor did she want to try to recreate the destroyed book. What a spellbinding story.

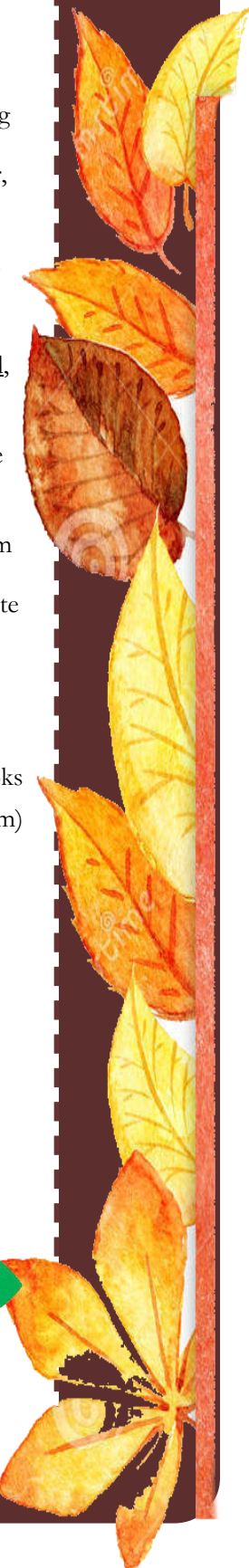
The book club finished out October with the read of Marilynne Robinson’s Gilead, a book that garnered mixed reviews from the club members. A late-in-life father and minister of his church is on his deathbed. He wants to leave his 7-year-old son some words of wisdom that would make his fathering this child more meaningful. The words of wisdom turn into a commentary of the momentous occasions in the father’s life. The book is quite a study of fathers and sons and how that relationship works.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday. God bless and keep reading.

Kathy Brooks

(kathleenbrooks15@gmail.com)

“In a world where you can
be anything, be kind.”



November 2021

Sun	Mon	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
	1 10:30am Ladies Bible Study 6pm Stewardship/Evangelism 6:30pm Worship & Music	2 7pm Book Club	3 7pm Confirmation	4 4:30pm Organ Rhsl 6pm Sr. Choir	5 6pm John Adler Memorial Rehearsal	6 3pm Adler Memorial
7 8:15am & 10:45 Worship 9:30am Sunday School 11:30am Community Dinner	8 10:30am Ladies Bible Study 7pm Property 7pm Social Ministry	9 9am Martha Circle 1:30pm Rachel 7:30pm Finance	10 7pm Confirmation 7pm Endowment	11 4:30pm Organ Rhsl 6pm Sr. Choir	12 9:30am Bulletin Assembly	13
14 Noisy Offering Stewardship Sunday 8:15am & 10:45 Worship 9:30am Sunday School	15 10:30am Ladies Bible Study 12pm Newsletter Deadline 7pm Hannah Circle	16 1:30pm Staff Meeting	17 7pm Confirmation	18 4:30pm Organ Rhsl 6pm BSA 6pm Sr. Choir	19 9:30am Bulletin Assembly	20
21 WELCA Thankoffering 8:15am & 10:45 Worship 9:30am Sunday School 12pm Special Congregational Meeting	22 10:30am Ladies Bible Study 7pm Council	23	24 7pm Thanksgiving Eve. Worship at Trinity, Findlay	25 4:30pm Organ Rhsl 6pm Sr. Choir	26 9:30am Bulletin Assembly	27
28 8:15am & 10:45 Worship 9:30am Sunday School	29 10:30am Ladies Bible Study	30				

November Volunteers

Newsletter Deadline
December 20
Bulletin Deadline
Wednesday by noon

LECTORS

Nov. 7-
8:15- Kathy Brooks
10:45- Julie Buck

Nov. 14-
8:15- Paul Brooks
10:45- Gabriella Cox

Nov. 21-
8:15- Marilyn Dunn
10:45- Acolytes

Nov. 28-
8:15-
10:45- Arlene Powell

ACOLYTES

Nov. 7-
8:15-
10:45-

Nov. 14-
8:15-
10:45-

Nov. 21-
8:15-
10:45- Emily & Elyse Clark

Nov. 28-
8:15-
10:45- Ryan Maas

ALTAR GUILD

Julie Buck,
Amber Leipheimer

COUNTERS

Randy & Julie Buck

LSS DELIVERY

Sue DeMoss

FLOWER DELIVERY

Sally Hartzell

COMMUNION BREAD

Nov. 7- Pam Cochran
Nov. 14- Devra Hall
Nov. 21- Julie Dittmar
Nov. 28- Cyndy Rotman

COOKIE SUNDAY

Nov. 7- Comm. Dinner
Nov. 14- Christ. Ed./Youth
Nov. 21- Evang. /Youth
Nov. 28- Rachel Circle

DRIVERS

Nov. 7- Jerry Bryant
Nov. 14- Jerry Bryant
Nov. 21- Aaron Ried
Nov. 28- Pam Cochran

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Nov. 7- Rob Leipheimer
Nov. 14- Pr. Chris Dittmar
Nov. 21- Pr. Sarah Schaaf
Pam Cochran
Nov. 28- Tim Cochran

USHERS

8:15

10:45

SOUND ROOM

Nov. 7
8:15- Tim Roth
10:45- Falkyn Roth

Nov. 14
8:15- Dave Gerber
10:45- Jerry Bryant

Nov. 21-
8:15- Tim Roth
10:45- Steve Roth

Nov. 28-
8:15- Tim Roth
10:45- Falkyn Roth

DEACONS

8:15 -Tad Schell
10:45- Steve Roth,
Daryl Rotman

(Nov. 14- WELCA)
8:15- Marilyn Dunn
Sue DeMoss
10:45- Judy Kipker

ALTAR FLOWERS

Nov. 7- Diane Adler
Nov. 14- Maria & Tad Schell
Nov. 21- Jean & Ken Wynkoop
Nov. 28- Toni Poling



Forms for your bulletin announcement are available on the bulletin board and at 1stLutheranChurch.org. Flowers need to be delivered to the church by noon on Friday.

November Celebrations

Birthdays

Ryan Nunn	11/1	Carolyn Wilde	11/18
Jim Schoerger	11/1	James Routson	11/19
Laura Corle	11/3	Larry Borger	11/21
Mary Beth Dillon	11/4	Kathleen Rodman	11/21
Jeremiah Tatum	11/4	Timothy Roth	11/21
Cindy Thompson	11/4	Donna Brockman	11/22
Gary May	11/7	Christian Dittmar	11/22
Carole Wittenberg	11/7	Jeffrey Short	11/24
Brent Fruchey	11/8	Wesley Rodman	11/25
Phoebe Treece	11/8	Dorothy Freeland	11/26
Steve Seibert	11/9	Shirley Gerber	11/26
Dillon Timbrook	11/9	Janann Lishawa	11/26
Deborah Baker	11/11	Allison May	11/26
Gary Woodruff	11/12	Emily Meier	11/26
Gabby Gomez	11/13	Virginia May	11/27
Paul Brooks	11/15	Craig Meier	11/27
Sue Montgomery	11/15	Sara Cleary	11/29
Kim Peplinski	11/15	Arlene Schriener	11/30

Anniversaries

Kevin & Karen Breen	11/7/1987	34
Jerry & Judith Luth	11/12/1966	55
Eddie & Erin Gallegos	11/22/2014	7

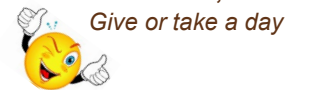
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Sunday Worship
8:15 & 10:45
Sunday School
9:30

Thanksgiving Eve
Worship
7:00
at Trinity, Findlay

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