



Light *of* Life

NOVEMBER 2018

CRAFT BAKE SALE

Saturday, November 10, 2018
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

NORWEGIAN LEFSE

Unique Crafts and Delicious Baked Goods

Sandwich Plate available all day
BBQ or hot dog, chips, pickle spear, cookie and coffee or lemonade
Adults \$4, children 7-12 \$2, age 6 and under free



Stop by church to pick up some great crafts, delicious baked goods or lefse! A sandwich plate is available all day. Invite your family, friends and neighbors!

Signup sheets are in the Narthex for bakers and volunteers. If you have any questions about the craft or bake sale, please contact Kay Gritzmaeker at 608-249-1737.

If you are a crafter, you can set up your display on Friday evening from 4pm—7pm. If you want to make items for the bake sale you can drop baked goods off Friday evening or early Saturday morning. Thank you in advance for participating!

OUR STAFF

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ALL SAINTS DAY

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4

We remember and thank God for all the saints who have entered his eternal kingdom this past year. A candle will be lighted in their memory during our Worship Service on Sunday, November 4. Please contact Peri Beal if you wish to light a candle for any other saints from this past year.

Amy Barbic

Cory Barr

Merlin Beal

Teak Black

Nancy Blum

Sue Boettcher

Marshall Bostad

David Kohl

Norman Kraemer

Jim Moore

Diana O'Toole

Lawrence Queiser

Dorothy Schwochert

Jane Seim



A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR ROBERT.....

Brothers and sisters in Christ,

I have been asked the question many times since I became a pastor, "If Jesus hated money so much, why does the church always ask for money?" The question is derived from passages such as this:

"No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money." Matthew 6:24

While it is my hope that most churches try to uphold this teaching, it does not change the fact that we live in a society where money is required in order to thrive. In several European countries one's church tithe (aka giving) is taken directly out of their paycheck as part of their taxes as long as that individual has declared him or herself as a Lutheran, Catholic, Baptist, Anglican, etc... this is not so in the US therefore we must rely upon the voluntary giving of our individual congregants. This results in churches often being criticized for talking about money too much or not enough in their attempts to grow and gain some measure of success in spreading the Gospel.

If we wish to serve the communities that surround us by spreading the Gospel through word and deed then we need people to proclaim it, and we need the tools to support them. These tools come in many shapes and sizes, and unfortunately not too many of them are free. One of the tools we have in this community is our building and as the vast majority of you know we are working on making our building as functional and as inviting as we can so that we can not only serve our community here at Burke but also open ourselves to new ways in which we can serve the growing communities around us.

Our community's response in making sure this happens has been amazing as we continue to move closer and closer toward the start of construction.

Meanwhile...Our general giving is down straining our ability to spend money on various ministry opportunities. We are definitely not in a critical situation where programs need to be cut, in fact we are far from having to make those kind of decisions. Thankfully several individuals and some groups have come forward and donated money and materials to help offset expenses for various activities and programs. This has helped keep our spending down and kept our budget from going over in several areas.

Attendance is going up and over the last couple of years we have added over 30 people to our current rolls. This shows that we are part of a vibrant and growing community that has a bright future ahead. Yet as we look ahead and get excited about the new ministry opportunities that are presented by our new building let us not forget about today, and the ministry that we are doing now. So as we enter into that time of year when we look at stewardship please take some time and discern in what ways you are able to continue supporting the ministries of Burke, and what ways you may wish to grow in that support either with your time or financially.

"Based on the gift each one has received, use it to serve others, as good managers of the varied grace of God." – 1 Peter 4:10

Peace and Blessings,

Pastor Robert

PRAYER CONCERNS

During the month of October, we have remembered the following individuals in our Sunday prayers:

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| David Vincent | Bill Schmidt | Tina Bauman |
| Chris McFarlin | Lisa Thompson | Pearl Kvalheim |
| Owen Storlie | Jean Lothe | Ingrid Clark |
| Lynn Doyle | Ralph Millard | Val Sandmire |
| Janeen Otis | Jamie Falk | |



Our condolences to the family and friends of Sue Boettcher.

We apologize if we have missed anyone, it was not intentional.

FOSTER FORUM KUDOS

Our congregation was mentioned in an article in last month's Dane County Foster Forum Newsletter.



Joann Klang's small congregation at Burke Lutheran Church, for raising money to give to the mother of one of her foster sons. She lost her apartment in the tragic explosion in Sun Prairie recently.

As Joan put it, "my congregation loves my foster sons. They wanted to help in whatever way they could." Help they certainly did, and it is much appreciated by the birth mom of Anthony, as she recovers from losing her home and all of her belongings. You guys are truly inspiring!

FOOD PANTRY

November's focus is on Thanksgiving: stuffing mix, pumpkin pie mix, canned vegetables, canned yams, instant potatoes, canned gravy, etc. Please place items in the designated basket in the Narthex and it will be delivered to the pantry.



BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON

High noon on Wednesday, November 14, at Buck & Honey's, 804 Liberty Boulevard, Sun Prairie. Please join us for the monthly celebration!

LIGHT OF LIFE & SUNDAY BULLETIN ARTICLES

If you have news you'd like to see in the Sunday bulletin announcements and/or Light of Life newsletter:

1. Email your submissions to burkelutheran@att.net (please indicate in the subject line whether it is for the bulletin, LOL or both), or
2. Mail to church, 5720 Portage Rd, Madison, WI 53718, or 3. Turn it into the church office with Attn: Peri

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Noon on Wednesdays



CONCESSION TEAM

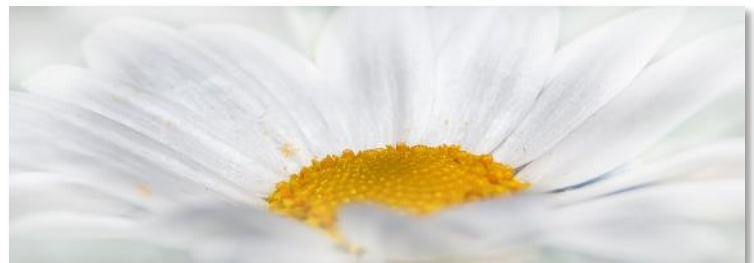
Only 2 home games left! Help run a Food Stand at UW Football

games. Last year we averaged close to \$400/game. 90% of proceeds raised will go to the New Building Fund. The other 10% will go to the Sunshine Place and River Food Pantry. We need 9 people and a driver for each game. Must be 16+. We carpool from the church about 4 hours before game time. Dates are 11/3 and 11/24.

Please contact Lon Buss at 608-516-7875 or lonabuss0406@gmail.com to be added to the team. You will be contacted via email with more details.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

The next Men's Breakfast is Wednesday, November 14 at Gus' Diner, Hwy 19, Sun Prairie, at 9:00am. Stop in for a cup of joe, a hearty breakfast and connect with brothers in Christ.



NEW BLCW OFFICERS

The BLCW has a new roster of officers:

- Linda Klinger, President
- Diane Moore, Vice President
- Jo Cooper, Secretary
- Marie McCoy, Treasurer
- Joann Foss, Chairwoman of Programming/Fellowship
- Sharon Hughes, Chairwoman of Stewardship

LIGHT OF LIFE DEADLINE: 15th of the month

Youth & Kids Corner

SUNDAY SCHOOL IMPORTANT DATES

November 4	Class
November 11	Class
November 18	Kids in Service
November 25	Rehearsals begin
December 2	Rehearsals
December 9	Rehearsals
December 15	Saturday morn- ing rehearsal
December 16	Christmas pag- eant followed by winter break
January 6	Classes resume

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCOOP

Serving on your Teach Board:

Chairperson: Open position

Council Representative: David Hanson

Superintendent: Jean Schnick

Treasurer: Rudy Nielsen

Secretary: Sonja Nielsen

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT SIGNUPS

Christmas Pageant: Your child must be available for ALL practices and the play itself! Practice dates are Sundays 11/25, 12/2, 12/9 and Saturday morning 12/15, and Christmas Pageant is 12/16. Please contact Kim Hanson at 609-576-1084 or email hansonkim11@gmail.com if your child is able to be in the Christmas Pageant.

IT'S TIME FOR BUTTER BRAIDS!

Beginning November 14, you'll be able to order those yummy braids made from quality ingredients; flour, sugar, and butter. Each pastry is braided by hand with care in a small town in Iowa. Orders must be received by November 28. Checks should be made payable

to: Burke Lutheran Church. Delivery will start December 12. Thanks for helping us raise funds for Youth Retreats and Confirmation Camp!



TRUNK OR TREAT & TACOS TOO THANK YOU

Our first Trunk or Treat & Tacos Too was a resounding success -- thanks to everyone who donated taco fixings, setup/tore down, decorated their trunk & filled it with yummy candy, and to those who came and partook! *Sponsored by the Family Event Planning Committee.*

FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES NOVEMBER 18 & 25

Immediately following Sunday's Worship Services.

Class will last approximately 20-30 minutes with Pastor Robert. No registration required.



MISSION TRIP

Mark your calendars for June 16 -22, 2019. We will be heading to Tijuana Mexico to help build homes with Esperanza International.

OUR MISSION

Esperanza International seeks to cultivate global citizenship through services experiences in working towards a better world.

We partner with Fundación Esperanza de México, a Mexican NGO, who believe that all people deserve safe and dignified housing.

Together, we offer service-learning immersion trips where volunteers help build homes in communities across Tijuana and have the opportunity to authentically engage in the unique border culture of Tijuana, Mexico, through the eyes of its own residents.

OUR VISION

Our vision is that every individual who participates in our program will be transformed into a person of love, compassion and respect for all other peoples and cultures, and will intentionally act upon that transformation. We envision a world in which communities across borders work in solidarity toward a common dream of sustainable, dignified housing for all people. If you are interested in learning more about this trip, please sign up in the Narthex.



Esperanza International

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

The staff at Burke Lutheran meets most Thursday mornings at 9:00am. We will return phone calls after our meeting. Thank you for your consideration.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Bible Study, 12:30pm	2	3  Turn Clocks Back!
4 All Saints Worship, 9am Reach Temple Talk Sunday School Choir Practice	5	6	7 Quilting, 9:00am No Confirmation Class	8 No Bible Study	9	10 Craft & Bake Sale, 8am—4pm 
11 Worship, 9am w/Vet Recognition Preach Temple Talk- Sunday School Choir Practice	12 Fireside Fel- lows, 6:30- 8pm	13 Council Meeting 6:30pm	14 Men's Breakfast, 9am Quilting, 9:00am Birthday Luncheon, noon Confirmation Class, 6:30pm	15 Bible Study, 12:30pm	16 River Food Pantry, 5-8pm	17 Dorcas, 9am, Sue's Ruth Circle, 10am 
18 Worship, 9am Kids in Service Teach Temple Talk Class 1st communion Choir Practice Quilt Raffle Winner	19 Preach Board, 9:00am	20 UCC Thanksgiving Worship Ser- vice, 7:30pm Foundation Mtg	21 Quilting, 9:00am No Confirmation Class	22  Thanksgiving Day	23	24 
25 Worship, 9am Christmas Pageant Practice Property Temple Talk Class 1st communion Choir Practice	26 Fireside Fel- lows, 6:30- 8pm	27	28 Quilting, 9:00am Confirmation Class, 6:30pm	29 Bible Study, 12:30pm	30	

Save the Dates:

December 2, 9 & 15
December 12
December 16
December 24

Christmas Pageant Practice
BLCW Meeting
Christmas Pageant
Family Service 4pm
'Midnight' Service 9pm



Happy Birthday!

Have a birthday in November? Hope your birthday is spectacular, totally cool, really fantastic, wonderful, exciting, majorly awesome, fun-filled, rocking and HAPPY!



Happy Anniversary!

To all who said "I do" in the month of November!

QUILT RAFFLE — DRAWING NOVEMBER 18

Get your tickets now! We're raffling off a queen size quilt along with two pillow shams. The quilt is displayed on the railing of the choir loft in the Sanctuary. Tickets are \$5 each, or three for \$10. See Linda Klinger or Gloria Lundquist to purchase your tickets now!





NOVEMBER WORSHIP LEADERS...

	November 4 9:00am Service	November 11 9:00am Service	November 18 9:00am Service	November 25 9:00am Service
Organist/Pianist	Gloria Lundquist	Susie Kittel Moore	Gloria Lundquist	Susie Kittel Moore
Music Leader	Beni Hupf	Beni Hupf	Beni Hupf	Beni Hupf
Music Leader	Dave Wisner	Darrell Foss	Bob Rittmann	Dave Wisner
Communion Assistant			Kids in Service	Darrell Foss
Communion Assistant	Sharon Hughes	Dave Wisner	Kids in Service	Barb Hennings
Communion Prep	Mary Tewinkel	Gloria Lundquist	Jeannette Gehrke	Peri Beal
Lay Reader	Julie Clark	Paul Beckman	Kids in Service	Beni Hupf
Prayer Readers	Joann Foss Darrell Foss	Sue Rittmann Bob Rittman	Kids in Service	Tim Wachs Peri Beal
Acolyte		MaKenna Moreno	Maggie Stalbaum	Annaleise Romeis
Ushers	Al Klinger Bob Lenzendorf	Roger Kittleson Rick Brandon	Karl & Shari Patzer and students	Tim Wachs Chris Otis
Greeters	Diane & Randy Copenhefer	Jo & Ted Cooper	Karl & Shari Patzer and students	Phyllis & Stuart Svoboda
Coffee Hour	Ruth Circle	Sharon Hughes, Joan Klang, Carla Housner	Quilters	No Coffee Hour (or volunteer!)
Counters	Gloria Lundquist Patrice Neubert	Linda Hughes Mary TeWinkel	Julie Clark Linda Hughes	Sharon Hughes Kathy Sandridge
Sunday School Pre-K—K 1st—2nd grades 3rd—4th grades 5th—6th grades	David Hanson Kim Hanson Patrice & Clara Sue Rittmann	John Bosben Patrice & Clara Neubert Bob Rittmann	Kids in Service	Pageant Practice

SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 9:00AM

Please join us in a special worship service and Veteran's Day Recognition on Sunday, November 11 as we honor our Veterans.

Veteran family members, neighbors and friends are all invited. Coffee Hour will be served in honor of our Vets.

With respect, honor and gratitude—thank you Veterans!



Inclement Weather & Winter Parking



The winter season is coming fast, and with it, lots of ice and snow. Snow is usually easily identified but unfortunately ice often goes unseen until it is too late. In order to keep our members safe we wish to remind everyone to please keep the loading and unloading areas as clear as possible to allow for drop offs, to reserve our limited handicapped spaces for those most in need, and to let us know immediately if you find ice anywhere where people may be walking. To find out if church services are cancelled due to inclement weather, you may call the church office at 244-8486. Thank you, and God's peace be upon all that you do.



Don't forget to set your clocks back! On Saturday, November 3, be sure to set your clocks back an hour before bed. Enjoy the extra hour of sleep!