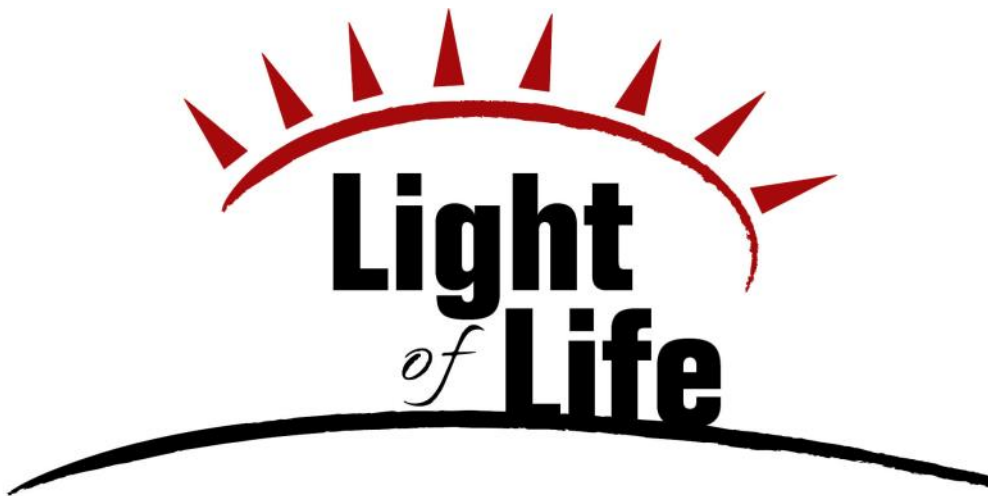




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CRAFT FAIR
&
BAKE SALE



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2024
9:00AM - 3:00PM

It's almost that time!! If you like to do crafts and have a few items you would like to donate, the BLCW will be having a table. Proceeds from the sale will go towards projects at Burke. In the past we have had some quilted table toppers, homemade cards and floral arrangements donated. Items can be dropped off in the church office by Thursday, November 6.

It's also time to start thinking about what items you might bake for the Bake Sale. The bake sale usually sells out quickly so we would love to have your cookies, pies, breads, etc. to sell.

Dear friends,

Last Sunday, October 26, we celebrated both Reformation Sunday and our Commitment Sunday, when we give and receive our pledges for the work of God through Burke Lutheran Church for the next year.

If you were able to join us, I hope you enjoyed worship and the delicious meal prepared by Gwen Bosben. And I want to thank Linda H. and Mary T. for helping with the clean up. If you weren't able to make it, we will still receive pledges for a couple of weeks until we make our final count.

To encourage you to return your pledge, I'm printing here the presentation the Council asked me to give Sunday after we were done eating.

Do you know why we pledge?

Sometimes we think of pledging to church as the first step in preparing the church's budget, like we can only plan to spend as much money as we pledge. But that's not how any of that works.

Honestly, if we were really doing this right, we would have next year's budget done before we ask for pledges. Just like in your own household, so many of our expenses are set by forces outside our control. We don't have any control on how much postage costs, or the charges for electricity. So we start with the ballpark estimate of how much the work of the church will cost for the next year.

We anticipated that it would cost around \$206,000 to operate the church in 2025. The end of September shows we have spent \$157,000, which is right around 75% of the estimate. So we're probably going to end of pretty close.

So why do we ask for pledges, if it's not to plan our budget? We ask you to pledge as a sign of your faithfulness to God's work through this church and among us. We pledge to donate to the church because we believe that God is indeed working through us and this place. So we pledge our part of the budget, our tithe, to make sure God's work is done.

Last year, when we asked for pledges, 31 families pledged a total of \$147,300.

Right now, 14 of those families are actually ahead of their pledge. 16 families are behind on their pledge, but there's still plenty of time left in the year. And that's good news for all of us. There's still time left in this year to donate to the work of Burke Lutheran Church.

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And we are giving you this opportunity to pledge to the work of the church in the next year. If you already turned in your pledge, we thank you. If you have it to turn in, you can place it in the offering plate at worship or mail it back to the church. And if you need one, there are extra copies available.

And yes, we are asking each of us to increase our contributions for next year. This year, we are only asking for a modest increase – a half of 1%. That's an extra nickel in addition to every \$10 you plan on contributing! Or fifty cents on top of a hundred. Or \$5 on top of the \$1000 you pledge. That's not too much. But cumulatively, it means that we would accomplish so much more next year. We are asking you to increase your pledge to the church as a sign of your increased commitment to Jesus' work here.

But mostly, we want to thank you. We want to thank you for your contributions over this last year. We want to thank you for being part of Burke Lutheran Church. It's good for us to be together and to celebrate together being Jesus' church. It's too easy for us to forget the joy that comes from being together when we are so busy and worried over too many things. And we want to thank you for pledging for next year. So thank you! And God bless you!

God bless,
Pr. Bryan



WOMEN'S BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON

Wednesday, November 19 at 11:30am. They will be meeting at Daly's in Sun Prairie. Please join us for the monthly celebration. Happy Birthday to all who have a birthday this month.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

The next Men's Breakfast is Wednesday, November 12 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.



FOOD PANTRY

November Food Pantry Focus:

November focus is "Thanksgiving," such as stuffing mix, pumpkin pie mix, canned vegetables, canned yams, instant potatoes, canned gravy, etc. Cans with pop tops are especially welcomed. Please place your non-perishable goods in the 'Donations' basket in the entryway and it will be delivered to the pantry.

BIRTHDAY BAGS FOR RIVER FOOD PANTRY.

List of contents and bags are located in the entryway.



JAM Youth Education Classes At Norway Grove Memorial Lutheran Church

J.A.M. (*Jesus And Me*) is religious youth education geared towards children aged 3-years-old to 4th grade. Class time consists of a bible story, crafts, games, music and prayers. JAM meets on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m., September through mid-May.

Don't forget to set you clocks back! On Saturday, November 1, be sure to set your clocks back an hour before going to bed. Enjoy the extra hour of sleep.



QUILTING

Every Wednesday at 9:00am. Everyone is welcome, no experience needed.

PRAYER CONCERNS

During the month of November we remember the following individuals in our Sunday prayers:

Lisa Thompson	Mark Gehrke	Marie McCoy
Mary Brantmeyer	Tim Lothe	Bill Schmidt
Tom Finhert	Galen Peterson	Jarod Lyle

Our Prayer List: Contact the church office with prayer concerns. Unless otherwise advised, names remain on our list for four weeks.

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





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 2. Please contact the church office if you wish to light a candle for any other saints from this past year. Families are asked to attend and have someone come forward to light the candle.

Lonnie Lyle Lenzendorf	John Fosdal	Craig Butenhoff	June Chadwick
John Mell	Mary Naggatz	Vernon Landsness	Kay Gritzmacker
Chase Peterson			

VETERAN RECOGNITION SERVICE

Sunday, November 9, 2025, 9:00am

Please join us in a special Veteran's Day Recognition on Sunday, November 9 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!

The Burke Lutheran Church Endowment Foundation meets on a quarterly basis. At its recent meeting, the Board approved donations of \$500 each to the following organizations: ELCA World Relief, Sunshine Place, River Food Pantry, Second Harvest Food Bank, and Salvation Army.

In the past, the Endowment Foundation has made donations to other organizations including Lutherdale, Porchlight, Road Homes of Dane County, Shelter from Storm, Lutheran Campus Ministry, DeForest/Windsor Food Pantry, Donors Choose, Madison Area Care of the Homeless, Bridges of Hope, Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran World Relief, Domestic Abuse Intervention Services, and Children's Oncology Services. These donations are in accordance with our Endowment Foundation's mission to support charitable, scientific, and educational organizations.

The Endowment Foundation Board welcomes your input. If you have an organization, you would like the Board to consider donating to, please contact the Endowment Foundation Board President Carla Housner at cmhousner@gmail.com or 608-697-1257.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE QUILT

The Burke Lutheran Quilters are holding a raffle for this beautiful Christmas Quilt. If you would like a closer look, the quilt is hanging in the Sanctuary. Tickets are \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00. If you are interested in purchasing tickets, please see Deb Brown or Gloria Lundquist. The drawing will be held Saturday, **November 8, 2025** at 2:30pm.



QUILTSGIVING AT BURKE LUTHERAN FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 9:00AM TO 3:00PM



Not one to go shopping the day after Thanksgiving, but want to get out of the house? How about a day of quilting at Burke Lutheran Church? You can work on projects that have been waiting or maybe you'd like to work on something that can be donated to a good cause. If you're interested, please contact the church secretary for additional information and a registration form (in person, 608.244.8486 or burkelutheran@att.net). There will be a limit of 20 quilters, so get your name in as soon as possible. Everyone from beginner to advanced is welcome. A potluck lunch will be served so please bring a dish to pass. Please bring your own beverage. Also, please bring one, two, or more 9 inch blocks the Burke Lutheran Quilters will use for a quilt to be donated to Lutheran World Relief.

Lefse for sale!



The Lefse making has come to an end. The group was busy this year and the freezer is full, so come get your Lefse! Packages of 5 lefse rounds are only \$10.00. Grab one, two, or more! They make great holiday gifts, but will be gone before you know it!

BIBLE TRIVIA

1. How old was Moses when he gave God's message to Pharaoh: "Let my people go"?
2. What was Paul's occupation?
3. Who was made king of Judah at seven years of age after having been hidden for six years?
4. What king was on the throne of Judah when he was only eight years old?
5. What prophet was suspended between earth and heaven by a lock of his hair?
6. What two distinct promises did our Savior make to his disciples when he was about to leave them?
7. Who made the first confession to the Lord, as recorded in the Bible?

NOVEMBER 2025 CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 All Saints Sunday Worship, 9:00am Coffee Hour, 10:00am	3 Praise Band, 10:30am	4	5 Quilting, 9:00am OWLS, 1:30pm JAM, 6:30pm	6	7	8 Craft & Bake Sale, 9am - 3pm
9 No Screen Sunday Worship, 9:00am Veteran Recognition Coffee Hour, 10:00am	10	11 Open Forum, 6:30pm Council, 6:45pm	12 Quilting, 9:00am Men's Breakfast, 9:00am OWLS, 1:30pm JAM, 6:30pm	13	14	15
16 Worship, 9:00am Coffee Hour, 10:00am Confirmation at NGMLC, 5:30pm	17 Preach Board, 10:00am	18	19 Quilting, 9:00am BLCW, 10:00am OWLS, 1:30pm JAM, 6:30pm	20 East Dane Pastor's Conference Meeting, 10:00am	21	22
23 Worship, 9:00am Coffee Hour, 10:00am	24	25	26 Quilting, 9:00am OWLS, 1:30pm	27 <i>Thanksgiving</i>	28 <i>Quiltsgiving</i>	29
30 Worship, 9:00am Potluck, 10:00am						

Save the Dates:	November 2 - All Saints Sunday November 9 - Veteran Recognition November 27 - Thanksgiving	November 2 - Daylight Savings November 8 - Craft and Bake Sale at BLC November 28 - Quiltsgiving at BLC
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Happy Birthday!

November 3	Kaitlyn Schramer
November 4	Penny Brown
November 5	Cheryl Beckman
November 7	Carolyn Lyle
November 9	Melissa Bethea
November 9	William Schmidt
November 10	Carrie Kruse
November 11	Sharon Hughes
November 12	Tim Sandridge
November 13	Avery Peterson

November 14	Don Johnson
November 14	Janet Herrick
November 18	Kaylee Housner
November 19	Mason Dobbs
November 20	Abigail Harris
November 20	Dave Queiser
November 21	Kimberly Brown
November 23	Jania Crosby
November 27	Lori Mueller
November 29	Jennifer Klang

Happy Anniversary!

Dan and Jennifer Hanson	November 7, 1992
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NOVEMBER WORSHIP LEADERS

	November 2 9:00am Service	November 9 9:00am Service	November 16 9:00am Service	November 23 9:00am Service	November 30 9:00am Service
Organist/Pianist	Gloria Lundquist	Susie Kittel Moore	Gloria Lundquist	Susie Kittel Moore	Gloria Lundquist
Music Leader	Chris Grefe Dave Wisner	Praise Band	Dave Wisner	Praise Band	Dave Wisner
Communion Asst	Julie Clark	Barb Hennings	David Hanson	Jean Schnick	Sharon Hughes
Communion Prep	Gloria Lundquist	Jeannette Gehrke	Jean Schnick	Jeannette Gehrke	Gloria Lundquist
Lay Reader	Cheryl Beckman	Barb Hennings	Julie Clark	Jean Schick	Tim Wachs
Ushers	Bob Lenzendorf David Hanson	Steve & Donna Frederick	Roger Kittleson Rick Brandon	Karl & Shari Patzer	?
Coffee Hour	Donuts	Donuts	Donuts	Donuts	Potluck
Counters	Gloria Lundquist Rose Haney	Gloria Lundquist Deb Brown	Sharon Hughes Jan Peterson	Sharon Hughes Jean Schnick	Gloria Lundquist Sharon Hughes

TRIVIA ANSWERS

- 80 years (Exod 7:7)
- Tentmaker (Acts 18:3)
- Joash (2 Chron 23:11)
- Jehoiachin (2 Chron 36:9)
- Ezekiel (Ezek 8:3)
- The gift of the Comforter and his own personal return (John 12:16, 19, 22, 28)
- Jacob (Gen 32:9)