



SHINER LUTHERAN

# WEEKLY CONNECTIONS

*Growing together in grace and service*

Thursday November 12, 2020

worship WITH US FROM HOME



Online worship on Shiner Lutheran Church Facebook page: Sunday November 15 @ 10:15 am

In-person worship Sunday November 15 @ 10:15 am

For in-person worship please be sure to properly wear your required mask, remember to socially distance, and use hand sanitizer. Communion will be served in the pews. Ushers pick up attendance and offering. Sunday we will recognize those young people who completed instruction with Pastor Chris and are taking their first communion during worship.



Congregational MEETING

## MEETING SUNDAY NOVEMBER 15 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING WORSHIP

Confirmed voting members will elect leaders for open positions on the church council, endowment committee, delegates to the synod assembly and nominating committee. One nominee is listed for each position.

Nominations can be taken from the floor as well.

CHURCH COUNCIL: 4 positions with 3 year terms.

Nominees: Shannon Blaschke, Faith Darilek, Kristin Neal, Brian Pokluda

CHURCH COUNCIL: 1 position with 1 year term. Nominee: Debbie Ealy

ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE: 1 position with 3 year term. Nominee: Scott Fojt

SYNOD ASSEMBLY DELEGATES: (1 male, 1 female). Nominees: Brian & Michele Pokluda

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: 3 positions with 1 year terms.

Nominees: Tim Harris, Holly Heinsohn, Teri Stratman

The 2021 proposed budget will be considered for approval during the meeting. The proposed budget for the general fund has dropped to the 2016 budget level. The monthly mortgage commitment remains at the current level in order to make our mortgage payment.



Sunday

November 22



- Christ the King Sunday is the last Sunday of the Church year.
- We will celebrate our Lutheran Legacy using a traditional Lutheran liturgy played on the organ by Vicar Daniel Volkmann .
- The altar will be adorned with fresh fruits and vegetables, and the Women of the ELCA will bring their special Thankofferings.



## UPDATES & INFORMATION

- THANK YOU to Pastor Chris and Ronnie Bruns for hauling the 677 pounds of quilts and school kits to Marion for shipment to Lutheran World Relief.
- Wednesday evening GIFT classes include a session led by Vicar Daniel. The topic and style of this group is changing. The shift is to a more conversational discussion on other denominations and faiths, using the book *Honoring Your Neighbor's Faith* as a reference. This topic was touched on by the men's group at one time. Now we invite everyone to look at the faiths of our neighbors. Class runs from 6 pm to 6:45 pm. Come and learn what other faiths teach and reflect on your own faith.
- CHURCH COUNCIL meets Wednesday November 18 at 7:15 pm following GIFT.
- ADVENT begins November 29 and journeys thru four weeks of preparing for Christmas. As usual, mid-week Advent services will mark this time, beginning on December 2. Special this year is the blending of our four Sundays in Advent with participation by the children and youth. Each Sunday in Advent, a different age group will be featured during worship. Parents should watch for a schedule and practice information. All children and youth are invited to participate since this will replace our traditional Christmas program for this year. Watch for details in the coming week. For 2020, our safety protocols dictate smaller groups, distancing, and less time spent close together. This may not be our tradition, but we will strive to make it worshipful and memorable as we prepare for Christmas 2020.
- The Shiner Food Pantry serves our community throughout the year. During the upcoming holiday season, the pantry would appreciate donations of things that would make good side dishes for holiday meals such as stuffing mixes, turkey gravy mixes, cranberry sauce, yams and dessert makings such as cake or brownie mixes, pie fillings, and pie crusts. The Pantry will provide turkeys. Bring your donations to our UDML food wagon or to Patek's or Shinerville. Help make the holidays special for those in need!



- *This week we celebrate and remember in prayer these **Baptism Anniversaries**: 11/15 Phyllis Pietsch, Haley Rieder; 11/18 Oney Hagens; 11/19 Jonathon Albrecht; 11/20 Anna Lee Harabis, Garrett Kolodziejczyk; 11/21 Kyle Fiedler, Ronnie Leck, Jordan Pietsch.*
- *We also celebrate the **Wedding Anniversary** of Tim and Carol Harris on Nov. 21.*
- *This week we wish **Birthday Blessings** to: 11/15 Sydney Bonewald, Verline Esse; 11/16 Tamara Hajek, Cade Shimek; 11/20 Michele Pokluda*

**Prayers** continue for all those in need, particularly for those dealing with long term illness and/or recovery, including Thelma Stockton, Jennifer Zahradnick, Helen Zimmerman and others.



**IN PERSON:** Bring your offering to church and give during worship or drop it by the office or the large envelope by the entrance or office. .

**BY MAIL:** Send to the church at P.O.Box 26, Shiner.

**TEXT:** Text an amount to 1-844-697-3838 and pay by credit or debit card.

**APP:** Download GIVE PLUS Church App from App Store or Google Play. Find our church (United Dr. Martin Luther Church) and set up your donation.

**ONLINE:** Go to our electronic giving service (VANCO) and set up a direct draft from your bank or credit card, which allows one time or recurrent giving to all our funds. This is recorded just like in-person contributions towards your giving statement and is managed by you. A direct link button to set this up is attached digitally.

