

## LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER

### *From the Pastor's Desk...*

#### Daily Thanksgiving

November 22 is Thanksgiving Day. At Pella we will have a Thanksgiving Eve service at 7:00 p.m. on November 21, and a Thanksgiving Day service at 9:00 a.m. on November 22. It is good to remember and give thanks to God for He is the Giver of every blessing we receive.

We Christians understand that God provides all the things we need for our earthly life, He supplies the needs for our body and soul. As it states in Psalm 145: *"The eyes of all look to You, and You give them their food in due season. You open Your hand; You satisfy the desire of every living thing."* (Ps. 145:15-16)

The blessing of God's generous provision is well expressed in the Small Catechism in Luther's explanation of the fourth petition (give us this day our daily bread), Luther explains: "God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving."

This is why our thanksgiving to God is not merely a once-a-year activity but rather a daily thanksgiving! So, while it is good to have a national day of thanksgiving, Christians will always emphasize the importance of praising God for His gifts every day.

And of course, above all, our thanks to God is for the certain eternal provision He gives us in the forgiveness of our sins through Jesus Christ our Lord! And now as His forgiven children we continue to give thanks to God for His grace and forgiveness and every good thing He gives. To help us maintain daily thanksgiving to God in word and deed, we look to the Scriptures for guidance. Consider the following:

1) Humbly acknowledge every day that God is the Giver of all that you have. As we read in Psalm 104: *"Bless the LORD, O my soul! O LORD my God, you are very great! You are clothed with splendor and majesty... You cause the grass to grow for the*

*livestock and plants for man to cultivate, that he may bring forth food from the earth... O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures."*

2) Give thanks at every meal. *"For everything created by God is good, and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving, for it is made holy by the word of God and prayer."* 1 Timothy 4:4-5

3) Share with others, especially those in need. *"(Jesus answered,) Whoever has two tunics is to share with him who has none, and whoever has food is to do likewise."* Luke 3:11

4) Bring generous offerings to the Lord. A thankful heart leads to cheerful giving to the Lord for the service of His people. *"You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God. For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God."* 2 Corinthians 9:11-12

5) Live in Christian virtue to the praise and glory of God. *"And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him."* Colossians 3:17.

A thankful heart lives in Christ and strives to serve the Lord in everything we do, glorifying His name. God grant that our thanks to Him would be daily thanksgiving!



## Thank You, LORD!

# AROUND PELLA

## Oct. 22 Congregational Meeting Hi-lights

### Membership Changes:

#### Receive into membership:

*By transfer:* Kay & Peggy Pearson from Immanuel Lutheran Church in Reeseville; Pastor Robert Benson from St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Reedsburg

*By Profession of Faith:* Aaron Weiglein

**Transfer from membership:** Jim and Gloria Harper to Our Savior Lutheran Church in Eagle River, WI; Anna Hahn to Mount Hope Lutheran Church in Casper, WY

**Release from membership:** Darlene Seering to join Cross Lutheran Church (ELCA-Burlington, WI)

**Deaths:** Rose Farvour

Ballots for Church Council and Board Members were reviewed with names and terms to be served. All positions with different terms were voted on. These officers and board members will be installed the beginning of January, 2019. There are still three vacancies listed where volunteers hopefully will come forward by the end of the year and council will be able to assign them to the respective office or board. The vacancies are:

- 1) One year term for Vice President
- 2) Three year term for Board of Preschool
- 3) One year term for Board of Education
- 4) Three year term for Board of Youth

The 2019 budget for \$331,890.00 was reviewed and passed.

Extra copies of the Agenda for the meeting are available in the church office.



## Newsletter Prayer List

Our monthly newsletter prayer list will include the names of those who have long-term illnesses or who are in the military. If you know of someone who should be included on this list, please contact Lora at 324-3321, ext. 10. Thank you.

### Long-Term Prayer List:

Pastor Jim Herbolzheimer, Marvin & Lois Groth and all our homebound members

Sue Wilson (*Sister-in-law of Cheri Witkowski*)  
Allison Townsend (*Friend of Cheri Witkowski*)

### Our 'Together in Mission' Missionaries:

Cindy Zirbel Wrucke (Eurasia)  
Rev. Michael & Karen Schempf (Uganda)

## Youth News

Jr. Youth—We will continue packing for Orphan Grain Train through November at 5:30 on Wednesdays. We then meet from 6–7:00 p.m. During Advent, we will eat at the meal.

On Wednesday, Nov. 21st, all youth are invited to set up tables for the Thanksgiving Dinner.

Sr. Youth—Senior Youth meets the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month at 7:45 p.m. Contact Karla @ 920-291-8600 to help ring bells for Salvation Army.

## Don't forget to turn your clocks back on November 4!



## Select Mission for November: Waupun Food Pantry

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## An Invitation for Thanksgiving Day Dinner

A special invitation is extended to singles, couples and/or families who are alone or unable to prepare the traditional Thanksgiving Day dinner. Pella's 29th annual Thanksgiving Day meal will be served at 12 noon on Thursday, November 22nd in the church fellowship hall.

There is no charge for attending, just bring a hearty appetite. Transportation needed in Waupun will be provided. Please phone a reservation in to Jan Harmsen (920-642-3732) or Lora Huizenga (324-3321 ext. 10) by Friday, November 16th in order for the proper amount of food to be prepared. We also need crews for preparation on Wednesday and Thursday. If you are able to help, please talk to Jan.

**Donations needed:** Please call Sandy Armga 324-5435 in regards to food donations. Anyone wishing to donate cash, turkeys, ground pork, butter, milk, whipping cream, jellied cranberries, or jello salads, please contact Sandy by Friday, November 16th.



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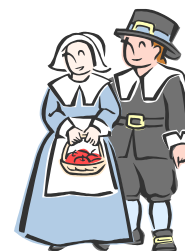
Not flesh of my flesh  
Nor bone of my bone  
But still miraculously my own  
Never forget for a single minute  
You didn't grow under my heart,  
But in it. - Eydie M. Liebelt

## November Birthdays

1 Nichele Pulda	13 Dennis Vanderbush	23 Eunice Ott
2 Jeffrey Possin	14 Harlan Flier	23 Collin Peterson
3 Donna Vanderbush	14 Christine Stobb	23 Caleb Walter
4 Harvey Schmitz	14 Amber Zills	24 Gloria Lemke
4 Adison Sullivan	15 Rhonda Plum	27 Kristine Koehler
4 David Williams	16 Duane VandeZande	27 Mary Mariani
5 Harold Westhuis	16 Irma Voeltner	27 Dennis Schultz
5 Charlene Zills	17 Dorothy Dykstra	27 Jeremy Thurk
5 Jodi Zinke	17 Vanessa Knuth	27 Reid VandeSlunt
6 Mildred Bleich	18 Kathleen Preston	28 Sharon Anderson
6 Debra Riel	20 Grace Hermann	28 Kayla Bonack
8 Michael Jahn	20 Gloria Vanderloh	28 Cheryl Pater
9 Barbara Lang	21 Kimberly Bunkoske	28 Andrea Uherka
10 Alexa Peltier	21 Julie Nolan	29 Melissa Hayes
10 Carol Roska	22 Carol Oppermann	30 Daniel Holz
10 Cynthia Young	22 Arlene Pattee	30 Helen Krueger
12 Kenneth Gedamke	22 Renee TerBeest	

## November Anniversaries

1 Cleburn and Donna Talley	60
2 Aaron and Angela Steblow	5
5 Derek and Jaclyn Teachout	7
11 Arlyn and Karol Harmsen	46
11 Thomas and Deborah Teachout	40
15 Mark and Barbara Jahnke	38
18 Thomas and Bonnie Streblov	51
19 Marvin and Lois Groth	63
22 Thomas and Gloria Bella	60
28 Terry and Shirley Canniff	48
28 Don and Joyce Cerjance	26



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# November 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>Pella Lutheran Church</b> 315 S. Madison St. Waupun, WI 53963 Phone 920-324-3321		10:00 AM Bible Study <sup>1</sup>  5:30 PM 1st Place 4 Heath	2  
<b>All Saint's Day</b> <sup>4</sup> 9:00 AM Divine Service 10:15 AM Education Hour  6:30 PM Confirmation Class	5  6:00 PM Youth Board	6 9:30 AM Prayer Group  7:00 PM Adult Bible Class	7 9:00 AM Quilting  6:00 PM Jr. Youth Group 7:00 PM Divine Service/ Holy Communion	8 10:00 AM Bible Study  2:00 PM Ladies Aid/LWML 5:30 PM 1st Place 4 Heath	9  7:00 AM Men's Bible Study	10 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study
11 9:00 AM Divine Service/ Holy Communion 10:15 AM Education Hour   6:30 PM Confirmation Class	12 9:00 AM Pella Life Group  7:00 PM Elders' Meeting	13 9:30 AM Prayer Group  6:30 PM Trustees' Meeting 7:00 PM Adult Bible Class	14 9:00 AM Quilting  6:00 PM Jr. Youth Group 6:00 PM Pella Choir 7:00 PM Divine Service 7:45 PM Sr. Youth	15 10:00 AM Bible Study  5:30 PM 1st Place 4 Heath	16  NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	17 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study
18 9:00 AM Divine Service 10:15 AM Education Hour  6:30 PM Confirmation Class	19  7:00 PM Church Council	20 9:30 AM Prayer Group  7:00 PM Adult Bible Class	<b>Thanksgiving Eve</b> <sup>21</sup> 9:00 AM Quilting  7:00 PM Divine Service/ Holy Communion  NEWSLETTER MAILING	<b>Thanksgiving</b> <sup>22</sup> 9:00 AM Divine Service 12:00 PM Thanksgiving Dinner   <i>Church Office Closed</i>	23  <i>Church Office Closed</i>	24 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study
25 9:00 AM Divine Service/ Holy Communion 10:15 AM Education Hour  6:30 PM Confirmation Class	26  7:00 PM Church Council	27 9:30 AM Prayer Group  6:30 PM SS Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Adult Bible Class	28 9:00 AM Quilting  6:00 PM Jr. Youth Group 6:00 PM Pella Choir 7:00 PM Divine Service 7:45 PM Sr. Youth	29 10:00 AM Bible Study  5:30 PM 1st Place 4 Heath	30  <b>Autumn</b> 	

# November 2018 Serving Calendar

Date	Time	Musician/s	Elders/ Altar Assistant	Finance	V/PA-Radio	Greeters	Acolytes	Ushers
11-4	9:00 AM	Ch. Zills	G. Woock	D. Beder	H. Schmitz, E. Swan ®	D. Klosterman		H. Flier M. Hopp
11-7	7:00 PM	Ch. Zills	G. Woock				S. Drewa	
11-11	9:00 AM	Ch. Zills	D. Wetzel Harlan Flier	M. Bowe S. Bowe	V. Loehrke W. Schmitz ®	M. & P. Hopp	K. Westphal	M. Nolan H. Westhuis
11-14	7:00 PM	L. Huizenga	B. Kuenzi					
11-18	9:00 AM	L. Huizenga	B. Kuenzi	M. Peachey C. Pater	D. Vande Zande, G. Baumann ®	H. & C. Schmitz		G. Baumann R. Baumann
11-21	7:00 PM	Ca. Zills	D. Wetzel					
11-22	9:00 AM	Ca. Zills	W. Schmitz					
11-25	9:00 AM	Ca. Zills	W. Schmitz Harlan Flier	F. Mclver S. Mclver	S. Schmitz, C. Landaal ®	J. & J. Quade	M. Holz	D. Klosterman S. Long
11-28	7:00 PM	Ch. Zills	N. Trauernicht					

**Altar Circle Committee:** Carol Schmitz, Dorothy Dykstra, Tricia Sullivan, Nancy Buss  
**Soul Accounting:** Dave & Phyllis Williams

