St. James Lutheran Church All Saints November 3rd, 2024



St. James Lutheran Church

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WELCOME!

Guests, we are glad you have joined us today! If you would like to receive contact from St. James following this worship service, please fill out a card from the pew slot and put it in the offering plate. Welcome!

Children's Church for children takes place during our worship service. The children will be dismissed after the *Prayer of the Day* and will be brought back after the *Prayers of Intercession* to join their families.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

The assembly rises in body or spirit.

CALL TO WORSHIP (read responsively)

P: On this All Saints Day, we gather to join the multitude of saints across the generations from all tribes, peoples, and languages, to proclaim:

C: Salvation belongs to our God, who is seated on the throne! P: We come to remember, to grieve, and to celebrate those saints who have come before us, yet whose life and witness continues to teach us:

C: "God will wipe away every tear from our eyes!"

P: We gather today as the family of Christ, siblings and saints, diverse yet united by grace to live lives that declare:

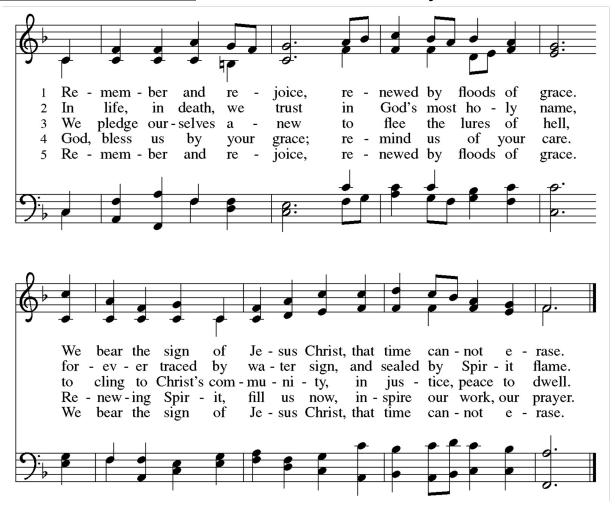
C: Death and mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for those things will pass away!

P: May we be guided today by the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, the one who is seated on the throne and dwells with us .

C: For Jesus, himself, has said, "See, I am making all things new."

P: May we join in the work of the Beginning and the End to bring about a world with no more suffering and no more pain **that all the saints of the every time and place may share in God's abundant life. Amen!**





THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation. **C: Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

By water and your Word you claim us as your children, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

GREETING

P: Beloved of God, called to be saints: Grace, mercy, and peace be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The assembly is seated.

Celebration of All the Saints

P: The apostle Paul writes in his letter to the Romans, "Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore, we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his."

And the writer of Hebrews proclaims to us: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

With these promises and words in mind, we remember today those who have died in the faith and entered the fulfillment of God's baptismal promises. Let us join together in prayer and remembrance as we hear the names of those who have died into Christ's resurrection promise.

We remember those in our congregation as well as those who are loved by the people of our congregation. We remember, with thanksgiving, those who have loved and served you on earth, who now rest from their labors. As the names are read, our assisting minister will light a candle for each of them.

Mary Arnold Rita M. Carillo Karen Coakley Richard Corken Larisa (granddaughter of Sandy Henry) Paul Jones Chris Risley Hope Schroeder Sven Sterner Tom Stott Gail Yates

At this time, you are all invited to come forward to light a candle or candles as you give thanks for the lives of those who have gone before you in the faith. You are welcome to place the candle in the rack at the communion rail and, if you so choose, spend time in prayer at the communion rail.

The assembly remains seated and sings a hymn while individuals walk to the front to light candles.



MEMORIAL HYMN ELW 422 For All the Saints



PRAYER AFTER REMEMBRANCE

P: God of unfailing light, in your realm of glory the poor are blessed, the hungry filled, and every tear is wiped away. Strengthened by this vision, may we follow in the way of holiness that your Son made known in life and death. **Amen.**

Children are dismissed for Children's Church.

WORD

FIRST READING Isaiah 25:6-9

⁶ On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

 ⁷ And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the covering that is spread over all nations;
 ⁸ he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

⁹ It will be said on that day,

"See, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited;

let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

A: Word of God. Word of life. C: Thanks be to God.

PSALMODY Psalm 24 (read responsively)

- ¹ The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, the world and those who dwell therein.
- ² For the LORD has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.
- ³ Who may ascend the mountain of the LORD, and who may stand in God's holy place?
- ⁴ Those of innocent hands and purity of heart,

who do not swear on God's being, nor do they pledge by what is false.

- ⁵ They shall receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of their salvation.
- ⁶ Such is the generation of those who seek you, O LORD, of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.
- ⁷ Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors, that the King of glory may come in.
- ⁸ Who is this King of glory?
 - The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!
- ⁹ Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors, that the King of glory may come in.
- ¹⁰ Who is this King of glory? Truly, the LORD of hosts is the King of glory.

SECOND READING Revelation 21:1-6a

¹ I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ² And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

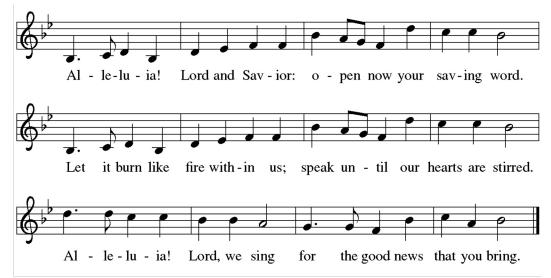
and God himself will be with them and¹be their God;

⁴ he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

⁵ And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." ⁶ Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End." A: Word of God. Word of life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

The assembly rises in body or spirit to welcome the gospel.



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL

P: The holy gospel according to St. John 11:32-44

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

³² When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." ³³ When Jesus saw her weeping and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. ³⁴ He said, "Where have

you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." ³⁵ Jesus began to weep. ³⁶ So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" ³⁷ But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

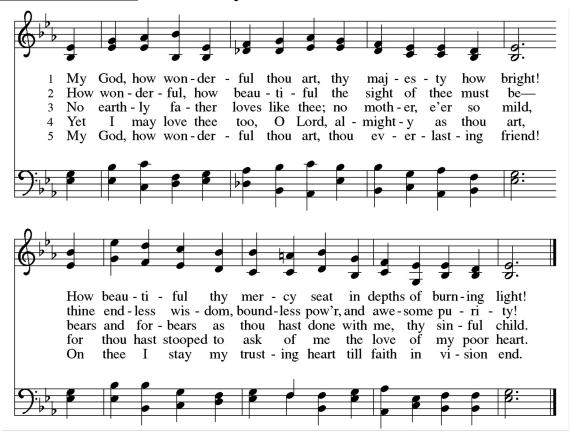
³⁸ Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹ Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." ⁴⁰ Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" ⁴¹ So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. ⁴² I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." ⁴³ When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" ⁴⁴ The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

The assembly is seated.

SERMON

The assembly rises in body or spirit.

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 863 My God, How Wonderful Thou Art



APOSTLES' CREED

A: With the whole church let us confess our faith.

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always. C: And also with you.

Greet one another by shaking hands or with a word or sign of Christ's peace. The assembly is seated.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of creation.

A: O God of resurrection, you call us by name and raise us to life. Rouse your church from slumber. Where we have held back in fear or shame, unbind us. Embolden us in our proclamation of your good news, that all may know abundant life. Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

A: O God of creation, you have founded your world on rivers and seas. Preserve fresh water sources and the creatures who call them home. Heal places of pollution and nourish places of drought.

Merciful God, C: receive our prayer.

A: O God of the earth, you reign over all nations and peoples. Inspire us with wisdom and discernment as we elect legislators and leaders. May they govern with justice and uphold the dignity of all people. Keep safe first responders, those serving in the military, and those whose duty it is to protect others, especially **Anthony, Brandon, Eli, Nathan, and Samantha**. Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer**.

A: O God of heaven, you make your home among mortals. Come alongside those who weep this day. Befriend all who are lonely, encourage those in despair, and heal any who are suffering, especially Addie, Amy, Barry, Bev, Carol, Connie, Donna, Dotty, Drew, Frieda, Grant, Jason, Jeanne, Jerry, John, Jon, Julia, Konnor, LaVonne, Lon, Lora, Lynn, Mary, Michelle, Michelle, Minhon, Phil, Russ, Ruthann, Sandy, Sherry, and Tana. Abide with your faithful ones in love. Merciful God, C: receive our prayer. A: O God who serves, you set before us a feast of rich food. Sustain our ministries of fellowship and hospitality. Strengthen the hands and hearts of all who prepare and serve food for our nourishment. Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

A: O God, Alpha and Omega, we give thanks for your faithful ones who are now at peace with you; Hope Schroeder, Tom Stott, Richard Corken, Larisa, Rita M. Carillo, Gail, Serece, Paul Jones, Chris, Mary, and Sven. With Martín de Porres* and all your saints, we praise you, for you have swallowed up death forever. Merciful God, C: receive our prayer.

A: We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior. **C: Amen.**

MEAL

OFFERING your offering may be placed in the plate as it is passed. We thank all who support God's ministry here and in the world. Stand as the offering is presented at the rail.

OFFERTORY Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful



OFFERING PRAYER

A: Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

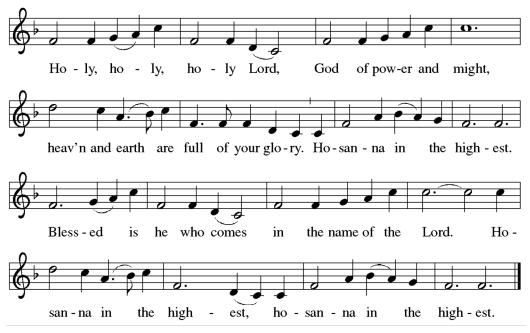
P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father:

Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign. You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.
C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

P. Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.
C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

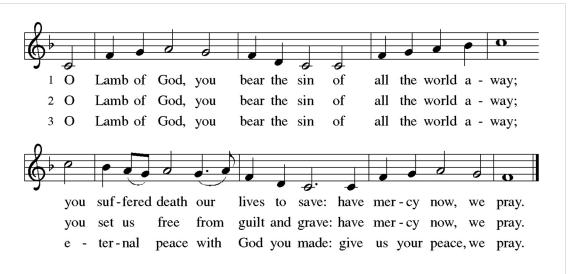
P: Come to the banquet, for all is now ready. All are welcome here.

C: Thanks be to God.

The assembly is seated.

Come, for Christ invites you. Communion today will be distributed at the altar rail (please stand or kneel, as you are comfortable), the ushers will direct you forward to receive the bread (which is gluten-free) and cup either wine (red) or grape juice (white).

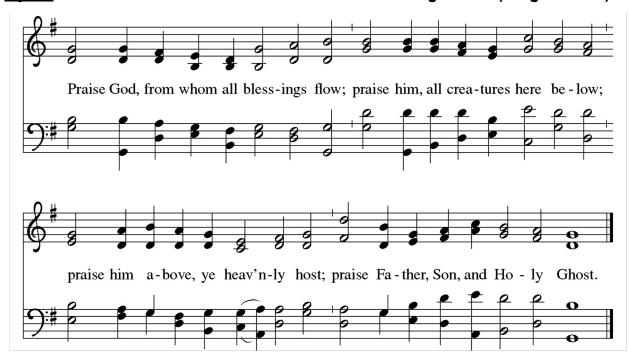
Hymn: Lamb of God



COMMUNION HYMNS

1 Soon and ver - y soon more cry - in' 2 No there, we are goin' to see the King, 3 No more dy - in' there, 4 Soon and ver - y soon soon and ver - y soon more cry - in' there, no we are goin' to see the King, more dy - in' there, no soon and ver - y soon soon and ver - y soon no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King. no more dy - in' there, soon and ver - y soon 1, 2, 3 Hal-le - lu - jah, hal-le - lu - jah, we're goin' to see the King! Coda after stanza 4 0 0 Hal le lu jah, hal le lu _ _ -ð 6 $\overline{\mathbf{0}}$ jah, hal - le - lu jah, hal - le - lu jah. ÷ -

Hymn ELW 439 Soon and Very Soon



Hymn ELW 884 Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow (sing 3 times)

The assembly rises in body or spirit.

BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in eternal life. **C: Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special Announcement: Caroline Hicks, Food Pantry

BLESSING

P: The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.

Amen.

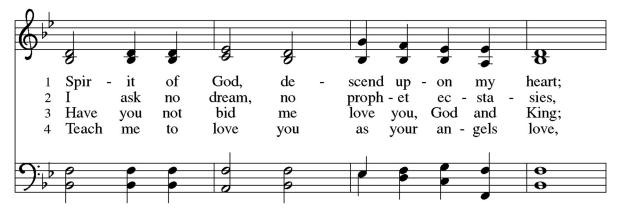
P: The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,

so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

P: The God of all grace + bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN ELW 800 Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart





P: Go in peace. Share the good news. C: Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>All Saints Sunday</u>—Today! Thank you for participating in this holy day as we believe and trust in the communion of saints who gather and rest in God's presence and promises.

<u>11/5</u>—6PM Words with Women. For more information, contact Mandy Peters-Spediel at (563) 370-8262 or mandypeters8720@gmail.com.

<u>11/13</u>—Supper at St. James. All are welcome and encouraged to come! For more information, contact Mandy Peters-Spediel at (563) 370-8262 or mandypeters8720@gmail.com.

11/16—Potluck after Saturday service! Come join us for the last potluck of 2024!

<u>11/26</u>—Thanksgiving Service. There will be a Pie Potluck before the Thanksgiving service on Tuesday, November 26 at 6:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. Please bring your store-bought or homemade pies at church by 5:00 pm to allow time for cutting and plating. As in the past, extra pie will be packaged for our food pantry patrons.

Food Pantry—Caroline Hicks would like to thank everyone who donated to the food pantry during the month of October—it was a huge success!

<u>Adult Prayer and Learning Groups</u>—11/13 at 2PM and 11/14 at 6PM. See bulletin insert for more information. Sign up in the Narthex.

<u>Live Nativity</u>—We will have another Live Nativity December 14th from 5PM-7PM. Sign up sheets are located in the Narthex—we have one for carolers, one for nativity actors, one for setup and kitchen help, and one for soups, sides and desserts to share! For questions, contact **Ellen Hogbin at ehogbin65@gmail.com**.

<u>Fall 2024</u>—In the past weeks, you may have received a Member Information Census form in the mail to update our member records. We only contacted those where there are gaps in your record. Participation in this project is voluntary, of course, but we encourage you to participate as fully as possible so we can keep our records current. If you have any questions you can contact the church office at (563) 355-4161.

Flower Vases— If you have any brown flower vases, we ask that you please bring them in so we can return them to the Milan Floral Shop.

*Martín de Porres—Born 1579, Lima, Viceroyalty of Peru (now in Peru)—died November 3, 1639, Lima; canonized 1962; feast day November 3. He was a Peruvian friar noted for his kindness, his nursing of the sick, his obedience, and his charity. He is the patron saint of social justice, racial harmony, and mixed-race people.

We livestream our services on YouTube each week to help us worship together and stay connected even when we are not at full health. Please take advantage of that option if you need it - even if it's just for one Sunday!

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Attendance last week:	Saturday Evening	27		
	Sunday Morning	71	Youtube	5
This week's birthday:				

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11/7 Emily Hicks 11/7 LaVonne Meinke

There are no anniversaries this week.

The flowers are given today by Jay & Judie Brooks for November Birthdays.

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Worship Assistants

November 3

9:00 AM Worship with Holy Communion

Presider Assisting Minister Acolyte Usher YouTube Assistant Altar Guild Counters

Bryce Hewlett, SAM Caroline Hicks Edi Southwell Ellen Hogbin & Ann Larson Ron Mekalson

Mary Meumann & Terry Martens Erik Bakken & Joleen Bakken

November 10

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Bryce Hewlett, SAM Janet Brakel Mary Meumann Lillian Speidel Jerry Nichols & Yvonne Nichols Deb Crooks Mary Meumann & Terry Martens Erik Bakken & Joleen Bakken

9:00 AM Worship with Holy Communion

Bryce Hewlett, SAM Tom Sladky Lennox Abel Fritz Voss & Judy Larson Deb Crooks Shirley Richlen & Mary Meumann Erik Bakken & Joleen Bakken

Prayers for Healing and Support Congregational Members

Lynn Chamberlain, Bev Chappen, Sherry Germanio, Lora Gwin, Sandy Henry, Frieda Houldsworth, John Leder, LaVonne Mienke, Jeanne Peters, Minhon Ridenour,

Family and Friends

Addie (Diana Worley's co-worker's daughter), Amy (friend of Jenny Martin), Barry (cousin of Ellen Hogbin), Carol (friend of Joleen & Erik Bakken), Connie (friend of Maggie Bayliss), Drew (Pat Larson's friend), Dotty (friend of Joleen & Erik Bakken), Donna (Ed Arp's sister), Grant (grandson of Carol Leacox), Jason (Lynn Chamberlain & Sherry Germanio's son), Jerry (friend of Joleen & Erik Bakken) Jon (Joleen Bakken's nephew), Julia (Keegan's girlfriend), Konnor (Bert Leder's grandson), Lon (friend of Deb Crooks), Michelle (friend of Joleen & Erik Bakken), Michelle (friend of Jason & Melissa Forari), Phil (Steve Miller and Pat Sorensen's brother), Russ (friend of Steve & Sue Miller, husband to Chris), Ruthann (Justina Pessein's mom), Tana (friend of Joleen Bakken)

Military Personnel

Anthony Karasek (Judy Larson's great nephew) Lt. Col. Brandon Sandoval USAF (Pat Larson's grandson) CPT Eli Smith (Jerry and Myrna Mattly's grandson) Nathan Pearson USAF (Jenna & Kane Schmidt's friend) Samantha Richard (friend of Larson family)

In Memoriam

Mary (friend of Pat Larson, Ann Larson & Ellen Hogbin)

If you have anyone who needs to be taken off or added, please notify the church office.

November 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 5:00PM Saturday Service
3 9AM Worship All Saints Day Daylight Savings Time Ends	4 4PM Social Ministry Mtg. 4:30PM Personnel Mtg.	5 6-8PM Words with Women <i>Election Day</i>	6 6-8PM Food Pantry	7 9-11AM Food Pantry	8	9 5:00PM Saturday Service
10 9AM Worship	11 9:30AM Monday Morning Fellowship Veterans Day	12	13 2PM Adult Prayer & Learning group 4:30 Finance Mtg. 6-8PM Food Pantry 6PM Supper at St. James	14 9-11AM Food Pantry 6PM Adult Prayer & Learning Group	15	16 5:00PM Saturday Service & Potluck
17 9AM Worship	18	19 1PM Sarah Circle	20 6-8PM Food Pantry	21 9-11AM Food Pantry 11:30AM St. James Gang 2PM Bingo at Bett Health Care	22	23 5:00PM Saturday Service
24 9AM Worship <i>Christ the King</i> 10:15 Choir Practice	25 9:30AM Monday Morning Fellowship Meal at Zion Lutheran	26 NO QUILTING 6:00PM Pie Fest 7PM Thanksgiving Service	27 6-8PM Food Pantry	28 9-11AM Food Pantry Thanksgiving	29	30 5:00PM Saturday Service