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...no really!

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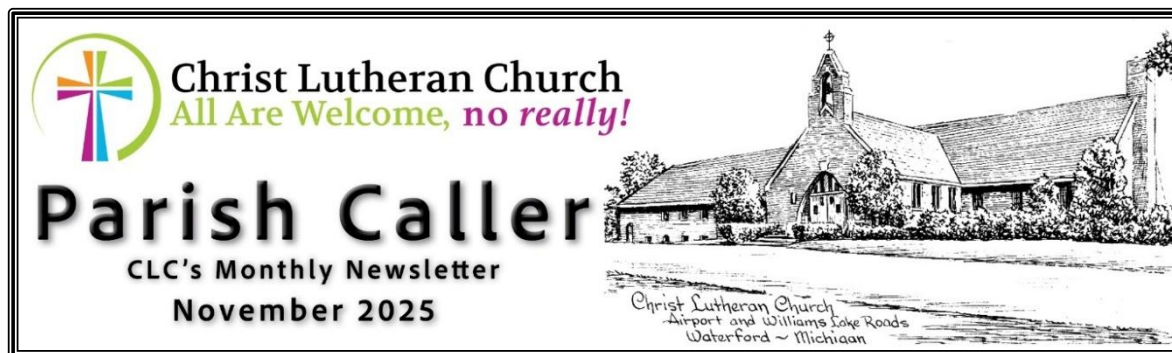
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November
2025



Dear Church,
As the season turns and our thoughts lean toward gratitude, I am reminded of the psalmist's words:

"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, his love endures forever."
(Psalm 107:1)

We gather in thankful hearts — for God's unending grace, for the gift of community, and for every small blessing that has marked our days.

This past month, we opened our doors wide with **Trunk or Treat**, inviting families in the neighborhood to come, laugh, and walk through our parking lot lined with festive trunks, treats, and shared joy. We had a chance to interact with over 400 of our neighbors from the community. It was a beautiful moment of outreach—seeing neighbors, children, and church members mingling, and hearing the laughter of young ones walking with candy bags in hand. It reminded us of one of the church's deepest callings: to be a beacon of welcome in our community, shining Christ's light into everyday life.

Now, as we approach Thanksgiving, we are planning a **Thanksgiving Meal** at the church, open not only to our congregation but to the wider community. We invite you to be part of this offering of hospitality:

- Cook a full turkey or ham
- Bring a side dish to pass
- Help serve or assist with cleanup

If you are interested in helping, please sign up or speak with Edelyn in the church office. Your hands and heart will help make this feast a true celebration of gratitude.

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Speaking of seasons, don't forget that **Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday, November 2, 2025** when we "fall back" an hour. On that same day, we also observe **All Saints' Day**, a time to honor all the saints who have gone before us in faith and to give thanks for those who walk beside us now. As we adjust our clocks and the days grow shorter, we are reminded that time moves on, life changes, and yet **God's promises remain unchanging and sure**. The One who holds our past also holds our future, and in Him we find the hope and assurance that nothing — not even death — can separate us from His love.

And then — can you believe it? — **Advent and Christmas** are just around the corner. In preparation, I am especially excited to announce a **new daily Advent devotional** I wrote, centered on the *Magnificat*, Mary's song of praise upon learning she would carry the Christ child. (Luke 1:46–56) Mary's words overflow with gratitude, trust, and wonder — a beautiful frame for the season of waiting and hope.

To make sure you do not miss a single reflection, please verify your contact information with the office and sign up for our email list. I hope these short daily meditations become a companion to your season of preparation.

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In Our Prayers

Members lifted in prayer Annie Chachich, Karen DeRousse, Joan Dort, Cindy Edwards, Steve Fante, Dale Folsom, Robin Hansen, Barbara Harris, The Hess Family, Carol Hollis, Fred Jones, Nadine Keway, Norm & Pat Kinnison, Erwin Klopfer, Jane Madsen, Andy Nestor, Lynn Norton, Butch Reddeman, Ashley Wichtman, Rita Zettel.

Our Armed Service and support personnel: Aaron Butora; Cole Nichols (Fred & Jill Jones), Kurtis Barney (Terry Young)



TRUNK OR TREAT FUN!!!!

Bible Study

1pm Wednesday in person

7pm Thursday via Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88953316710>

Men's Food and Fellowship is the 4th Monday of the month at 6:30pm. All men are welcome .Come join the fun!!

Noisy Offering this month goes to: **Fueling Kids Future** Fueling Kids' Futures is a "neighbor-helping-neighbor" program that is designed to help meet the nutritional needs of school-age children. The goal of the Fueling Kids' Futures program is to keep these children from going hungry on the weekends and remove barriers to academic success.

Please remember to be patient and kind with one another. Everyone you meet may be going through challenges or struggles that you have no knowledge of. A simple act of kindness, a gentle word, or a caring gesture can have a profound impact on someone's day or even their life. Let us strive to create an environment of compassion and understanding, offering support and encouragement whenever we can. By showing patience and kindness, we reflect the love and grace that are at the heart of our faith

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One last piece of exciting news: the new and improved parking lot should be completed by month's end. The **"Pave The Way"** campaign is making progress - thanks to **your** generosity. The congregation's commitment to this project is still a little short, so we ask you to prayerfully consider making a donation to this important project. This upgrade will help make coming to church safer and more welcoming for everyone.

As autumn deepens and leaves fall, I'm reminded how the season mirrors our own journey: letting go, trusting in what remains, and looking ahead with hope. I want you to know how deeply grateful I am—grateful to God for this call, grateful to you for being the church I am blessed to serve, and grateful for the love and commitment I see in you as you live out your faith in such real and beautiful ways. I am proud of this congregation and the amazing things God is doing through us.

May this fall season find us filled with thanksgiving—for our church family, for neighbors new and old, and for God's daily faithfulness—so that together we are ready to step into Advent with hearts wide open.

And may the God of harvest and hope bless you—filling your days with gratitude, your nights with peace, and your hearts with joy in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Blessings to you all,
-Pastor Steph

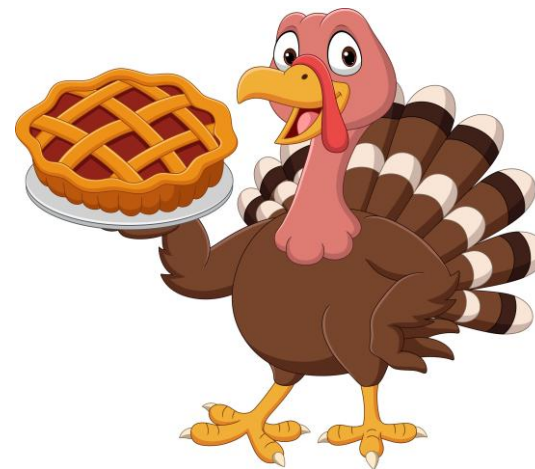
Friendsgiving 2025

Wednesday, November 26th
5:30pm

Join us as we celebrate the season of gratitude together!
We need your help to make this a wonderful meal for our church and community.

Sign up today to bring a turkey, ham or side dish.

Let us share the joy, love, and blessings of the season.



Our regular WELCA meeting will be on Sunday, November 16th at 11:30 am

WELCA Quilt Raffle

Is Sunday, December 7th

Tickets go on sale

Sunday November 9th

Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5



WELCA is also collecting items for the women at Grace Center of Hope in Pontiac. They need the bare essentials such as regular size shampoo and conditioner, deodorant, lotions, feminine hygiene items. etc.. A complete list is on the collection bins next to pastor's office.

Your help is greatly appreciated

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

11/1 Fred Jones
11/2 Scott Regentin
11/4 Joan Dort
11/5 Maryellen McKnight
11/6 Jill Jacobson
11/12 Kerri Kinneberg
11/15 Kris Goetze
11/19 Rita Zettel
11/21 Emmet Morse
11/24 Nicole Middleton
11/24 Evelyn McGran
11/27 Anne Anderson
11/29 Don Scott
11/30 Mary Bratun

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

11/18 Diane & Roger Newman



Thank you, Veterans, for your courage and sacrifice in serving our nation, Your bravery and dedication inspire us all. We honor and deeply appreciate you

Tech Team

Please check your email!

11/2 Switcher Brent Gobler
Projection: Kerri Kinneberg
Sound Up: Charlie Moritz
Cameras: Tracey Barney
Julie Hannemen-Schoenbach

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Worship Servants for November

If you cannot be here on your scheduled day, please switch with someone or find a substitute and let the church office know of the change.

Lay Assistants

11/2 Edelyn Rose
11/9 Donna Butora
11/16 Ryan Christensen
11/23 Brent Gobler
11/30 Julia Hanneman-Schoenbach

Ushers

11/2 Ron & Kris Goetze
Todd Cooper, Gerry Cleasby
11/9 Jacen Schnitzer, Sharon Morse
Jim Austin, Emmet Morse
11/16 Hanna & Riana Forbing
Cathy Roller, Vickie Hill
11/23 Anna Findley, Julie Zaremba
Ron & Kris Goetze
11/30 Jill Jones, Vickie Hill
Todd Cooper, Jerry Cleasby

Altar: Cindy Edwards
Kystal Edwards/Kerri Kinneberg

Counters: Norm Kinnison
Mary Bratun, Sharon Morse

Greeters

11/2 **Cindy Edwards**, Elisabeth Nestor
Cathy Roller, Julie Zaremba
11/9 Gerry Cleasby, Jim Austin
Linda Jensen, Norm Kinnison
11/16 Linda Martin, Elisabete Nestor
Emmet Morse, Sharon Morse
11/23 Hanna & Riana Forbing
Cathy Roller, Roland Jakel
11/30 Vickie Hill,
Karen Hillestad, Anna Findley

Coffee Hour

11/2 Geri Moritz, Doug Keisman
Melanie Keisman
11/9 Charlie Moritz, Edelyn Rose
Stephen Cooperrider, Kathy Reddeman
11/16 WELCA-Kris Goetze chair
11/23 Men's Group
11/30 WELCA Joan Kossman
Julie Zaremba, Cindy Edwards

Communion Assistants

11/2 Karen Hillestad, Cindy Edwards
Ryan Christensen
11/9 Phyllis Folsom, Marsha Fante
Stephen Cooperrider
11/16 Joan Kossman,
Karen Hillestad, Ryan Christensen
11/23 Vickie Hill, Marsha Fanta,
Linda Jensen
11/30 Hanna & Riana Forbing
Cindy Edwards

Presidents Message

In the coming year, Council will be focused on working with Pastor Steph and our staff to carry out the day-to-day activities of the church, take a closer look at what makes Christ Lutheran Church, Christ Lutheran Church, and to help us better recognize the fantastic ways the spirit is leading our community. This is where the Good News Announcements come in. Too often we are stuck on the negative things in our lives and in our community. These are things we should pray for, pray for healing, pray for peace, but let us also celebrate and thank God the positive things in our lives and in the lives of our congregational community. New visitors, ringing the bell after cancer treatment, making the team, getting accepted into a program, making dean's list, landing that dream job, retiring, etc.

If you have Good News you would like to share, please let me know. Tell me in person, tell anyone on council, tell Pastor, write a note and drop it off at the office, send me an email or a text message. My information is in the church directory.

Charlie Moritz
CLC Council President

Belong
Believe
Become



Congregational Care Ministry

We encourage members in need of assistance to contact us so we can attempt to help. If you need help or wish to serve on a team, please contact Vickie Hill
Contact info is in directory

Thank
you

Many thanks to everyone for all of the visits, cards, and especially prayers for the last year and a half. Your support really boosted my strength during this time. Satan has been regularly knocking at my door, and I keep kicking him out! I am so very happy to be physically back in church, so good to see so many familiar faces, and meeting many new ones. A truly heartfelt thank you!

Robin Hansen

Gerry's Shoutout

To all our Church Family here at CLC who made Virla's celebration of life an outstanding event. To those who worked to put the celebration together, the luncheon and clean up crews, the tech team members, those who attended, sent flowers and cards. This is what we are all about here!

See you soon
Gerry



THERE'S
always
SOMETHING TO BE
THANKFUL
for

**Daylight Savings Time Ends on
Sunday, November 2nd.**

Remember to turn
your clocks back 1 hour!
(and change the batteries in you
smoke detectors)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
NOVEMBER 2025						1 1:00pm Beading Group 8 pm AA
2 10 am Service All Saints Day	3 7 pm Boy Scouts	4	5 1 pm Bible Study 6:30pm Rock Club 7 pm Chancel Choir 8 pm AA	6 9 am Quilt Team 11 am Yoga 7 pm TOPS	7	8 1:00pm Beading Group 8 pm AA
9 10 am Service 11:30 am WELCA meeting	10 7 pm Boy Scouts	11 7 pm MS Group	12 1 pm Bible Study 7 pm Chancel Choir 8 pm AA	13 9 am Quilt Team 11 am Yoga 7 pm TOPS	14	15 1:00pm Beading Group 8 pm AA
16 10 am Service Noisy Offering	17 7 pm Council 7 pm Boy Scouts	18	19 1 pm Bible Study 6 pm SCSA 7 pm Chancel Choir 8 pm AA	20 9 am Quilt Team 11 am Yoga 7 pm TOPS	21 Boy Scout Overnight	22 1:00pm Beading Group 8 pm AA
23 10 am Service	24 6:45 Grief & Loss Group Men's Food & Fellowship 7 pm Boy Scouts	25	26 5:30 pm Friendsgiving 7pm Service 7:30pm Pie Reception	27  Thanksgiving	28	29 Hanging of the Greens 1:00pm Beading Group 8 pm AA
30 10 am Service Advent 1						