



OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL

"Serving Christ—Serving Others—Changing Lives"

November 17, 2019

Weekly Newsletter

In Sympathy

Our Christian sympathy is extended to the family and friends of **CORINNE STOKES** who died suddenly of a massive heart attack on November 10th at the age of 75.

Also, to Rose and Bob Johnson as they mourn the death of Rose's mom, **MELROSE DIEKMAN**, who died in the Lord on November 9th at the age of 96.

Recently Hospitalized or Surgery

Bill Burkhardt hospitalized this past week with heart issues.

Rev. David Meier, recovering from knee replacement surgery and experiencing a fib heart issues. (father of Carisa Meier)

Alicia Boatwright convalescing following knee replacement surgery.

Please Keep the Following Members in

Prayer: David and Marianne DeMinck, Roger Detwiler, Debbie Holub, Jodi Waldron, Laci Vonada, Al Perry, Joe Mazzara, Bill May, Michael Aldrich, Barbara Fischer, James Leone, Bob Johnson, Ellen Clark,

Assisted Living: Lillian Velez, Shirley Ray, Dorothy Hanser, Ken O'Brien, Al and Melba Wilkat, **Rehabilitation:** Aunt Joan LaSharr at Springtree Rehab, Dorothy Schawk at Holy Cross. **Rehabilitation at home:** Sarah Tabor, Dolores Bethmann, Marilyn Gruenbaum,

Hospice Care: Michael Hea, Wayne Reinhardt, Beth Wies,

Other Prayer Requests

Mika Durante teaching in Japan and Angela Hackney teaching in China, Church leadership. All former pastors and vicars of Our Savior, missionaries, chaplains, police, & firefighters. OSLS and Mirror Lake Elementary School, LifeNet4 Families, Food for the Poor, Mission Haiti, Alzheimer's Association, Bold Justice, Our nation, leaders, president and all people in armed services.

Flowers that adorn our chancel were given by:

John Waldron in memory of E. Waldron.

Steve and Mary Stephenson in memory of Christopher's angel date 11/22/08.

Members & Family in the Armed Services

R.J. Warfel (nephew of Brian Warfel-undisclosed), **Austin Simms** (nephew of Mitch and Kim VanSant) in North Carolina, **Anthony Valladares** in Parris Island, **Jessica Lee** (niece of Randy & Lynne Steinbeck) in Germany.

Jonathan Riley (Nephew of Tammy Weidner) Private First Class, Marines, training in North Carolina.

Members: **Brian Strang** in USA West Point, US Army Garrison. **Jonathan Brown** has been deployed to an undisclosed base. **Scott Tucek** in Germany. **Troy MacLean** in Japan.

Our annual Trashcan Turkey Potluck Lunch is always a highlight of our year and we can't wait to have you join us!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH

12:15 pm

PLEASE SIGN-UP IF YOU PLAN ON ATTENDING.

Sign-up sheets at the guest center

A free will offering will be collected for the Roof Fund!

This Week at a Glance

Sun. 11/17

Confirmation Sunday

Fellowship Breakfast

Services 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Adult Bible Study 9:20 a.m.

Kids Connect 10:30 a.m.

Mon. 11/18

Women's Group Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Tues. 11/19

Properties Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Wed. 11/20

Bible Brunch 10:00a.m.

Handbell Practice 6:30 p.m.

Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.

Thurs. 11/21

Church Planning Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.

Praise Team Practice 7:00 p.m.

Fri. 11/22

Church Office Closed

Sat. 11/23

Sun. 11/24

Trash Can Turkey Lunch

Services 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Adult Bible Study 9:20 a.m.

Kids Connect 10:30 a.m.



THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27TH

7:00 P.M.

Let us worship together and center our hearts on giving thanks to the giver of all good gifts, the almighty and ever-living God.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE IN CHRIST

As measured by our church attendance:
These numbers represent Jan. – Dec.

Average Sunday Attendance	218
Average Last Year	209
Attendance 11/10/19	216

Looking Ahead

Sunday, November 24

3rd-5th Grade Students Singing at 10:30

Trash Can Turkey Lunch 12:15

Monday, November 25

Thanksgiving Basket Delivery 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 27

Thanksgiving Eve Service 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 1st

First Sunday in Advent

Thursday, December 5th

Elementary/Middle School Christmas

Program 7:00 p.m.

COOKIE WALK 8PM

Saturday, December 7th

Hanging of the Greens 9-noon

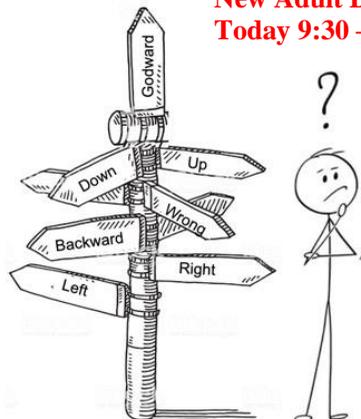
Sunday, December 8th

COOKIE WALK after services

WOMEN'S GROUP MEETING

Monday, November 18 at 7:00 P.M. It will be the Thanksgiving Holiday Social. All women are invited. We will be playing games and refreshments will be served. All women welcome --come and join the fun.

**New Adult Bible Study Starts
Today 9:30 – LV Room**



**Does man have
free will or not?**

Study on Nov. 17,
Nov. 24, Dec. 1



Confirmation Joy

We celebrate many special occasions in the Church from births and deaths, to baptism, communion, and marriage. When parents bring their children to be baptized, they profess their child's faith in Jesus Christ, promising to raise them in that faith. Today during the 10:30 service, thirteen of these young men and women will stand before the congregation and claim that faith as their own, confirming what was spoken for them at their baptism. As they prepare their hearts, we ask that you keep them in prayer.

**IAN JOSEPH BURKE, IAN THOMAS BHALAI, KAI-ZOE FELLOWS,
MARLEY GLEN FELLOWS, HAYDEN VIDYA HEWITT, KATE ALEXA KOONTZ,
KASHMERE RACHEL LEVY, KAYMAN LEONDARD LEVY,
GERMAN MICHAEL MARTINEZ, LUCIUS MORALES, ELLIOTT MORALES,
NICOLE ALEXANDRA SANCHEZ, MAXWELL ALAN WILLIAMSON**

A LICENSE TO PRACTICE FAITH

Who gets a driver license and then immediately gives up driving? When a person gets a driver's license it permits them to legally operate a motor vehicle on the public road ways of the state. Similarly, when people become members of a Lutheran congregation, they are officially permitted to "operate" their faith in the church; they may receive communion, vote on matters and serve in offices of ministry. So, it begs the question: who becomes a member and immediately gives up coming to church?

Our hope with be celebrating the Rite of Confirmation is that our youth will start *driving*; that they and their families will not give up coming to church but that they will be permitted to receive confirmation, be leaders in this congregation and serve as God allows in accordance with their gifts and maturity. Reception into membership is formally called "adult confirmation." When youth are confirmed they are becoming members of the congregation by their own right and confession of faith. It isn't graduation. And the certificate they receive isn't a diploma but a license to practice their faith in Jesus Christ. They stand before the church to profess their commitment to being in worship and the word and regular reception of the Lord supper. Confirmation is about becoming an active part of their congregation. This is a *lifelong* pursuit that doesn't end with the confirmation rite but begins with it. Therefore, to reinforce this understanding this year we are having the Rite of Confirmation rite as youth who are coming of age enter catechetical instruction with all of us in the daily life of the church. You will be witnesses as they commit themselves before God and His church to regularly worshipping and serving with us. Please keep these confirmands in your prayers as they join us in our walk with the Lord.



Cookie Walk & More!

Will Include:

Cookies

Cakes

Pies

Ice Cream

DEC. 5TH • 7 PM, AFTER SCHOOL
CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

DEC. 8TH • AFTER EACH CHURCH SERVICE

Live Plants for Altar

By Laci Vonada

“The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God endures forever.” – Isaiah 40:8

To quote Martin Luther “God writes the gospel not in the Bible alone, but on trees and flowers and clouds and stars.” Each week we have two flower arrangements on our altar. Some weeks these are paid for by the members of our church in honor or memory of loved ones or special events, but other weeks the church must pay for them with funds from the budget. To save some of those funds, which adds up to about \$1500 a year, for use on maintenance, repairs or to put towards our roof, we are going to purchase two live plants to place on the altar on weeks that a member has not signed up to pay for the flowers. We are looking for members that would like to donate funds to go towards these plants and the decorative planters they will be going in. The up-front cost for this project is between \$100-\$125. I will take care of purchasing, transplanting, and maintaining these plants each week. If you feel the desire to help us with this project, please donate the funds and note that they are for the altar plants. Please see the photo of the beautiful plants we are looking to have for our altar. I will have a table set up once per quarter in the breezeway on the Sundays we have our fellowship breakfast for those who wish to pay for altar flowers, or you can note that you would like to provide the flowers for a service on your connect card each week.



SIGN UP TO PUT FLOWERS ON THE CHANCEL AREA ON SUNDAYS!

If you would like to have flowers on the altar on a given Sunday in honor of someone, in memory of a loved one, someone’s birthday, etc. All you need to do is fill in this form and put it in the offering plate. The cost is \$20.00 per order 2 pieces would be \$40.00 (on the same date). Call the church office with any questions. 954-473-6888.

Name _____

Date you would like flowers _____

In Honor, Memory or Thanksgiving for _____

ROOF REPLACEMENT COMMITTEE

(RRC)

Congratulations to Our Savior

We started a journey, to maintain Our Father's House, less than two years ago. It was by the faith of the congregation that we voted to replace the roof and allocate \$275,000 for repairs. Many leaks were causing severe damage to the structure and the ceiling in the back of the sanctuary plus costing thousands of dollars for leak repairs. We are happy to inform the congregation that we were able to do more than just replace the church's roof while staying under budget. The following is what has been accomplished:

- Replace the shingle roof over the sanctuary
- Replace the metal roof over Luther Hall
- Replace the roof over the church office, breezeway, and first classroom with high-efficiency materials
- Replace the gutters
- Repair the stucco over Luther Hall
- Repair and paint the ceiling in the back of the sanctuary
- Paint exterior church building
- Replace ceiling tiles in the church office
- Replace lightning rods over the sanctuary roof

In fifteen months we raised \$170,000. This was due to the hard work of many people that volunteered hundreds of hours and of course all those that made contributions to the roof fund and supported the fundraisers. Additional funds were needed and we approved using \$44,000 from the reserve fund and a \$75,000 loan from LCEF at a very favorable rate. We have been making payments on the loan and the balance is now \$69,000 and soon we will apply \$25,000 in unused funds to the loan. The goal is to pay off the loan in less than one year from now. This can only happen if we continue with contributions to the roof fund and support upcoming fundraisers.

By the Grace of God we have accomplished much in the last few months. The entire roof committee would like to thank everyone that has supported this very worthwhile project.

Dorothy Schawk
Chairperson

John Strang
Leader Contractor Team

Our Beautiful Church



THANK YOU TO THE ROOF REPLACEMENT COMMITTEE AND MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WHO SUPPORTED THIS PROJECT AND CONTINUE TO WORK ON PAYING THE LOAN OFF IN 2020!!

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STARS OF THE WEEK

K - Kennedy McCook

1 - Vladimir Leonardo-Santos

2 - Skylar Hodge (not pictured)

3 - Mahnila Entezari

4/5 - Amanda Suarez

MS - Kai-Zoe Fellows

DO YOU NEED HELP AT HOME?

All Projects:

Ivan Swartsfigure 954-865-2206

Windows and Screens:

Todd Zenchak 954.801.4226

Swim Lessons: Cheryl Moore –

954.562.1695

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BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES

November 17th – 23rd

Happy Birthday!

17th Lynn Diamond, Katrina Holub,

Steven Morrison, Bob Slater,

19th Ismael Vega, Lois Voith,

20th Jo Menken,

23rd Melinda Fernandez, Angie Rodriguez

Happy Anniversary!

17th Tom and Sue Christensen 46 years

20th Carol and Ted Dieck 28 years

22nd Jeff and Sandy Huff 41 years