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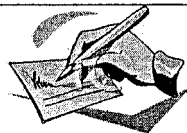


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I thought that I should take this opportunity to introduce myself to you. I have been here about one month and this is my first chance to write something for the newsletter. I was born in northwest Iowa in the town of Estherville. My father was a dairy farmer, although he also owned a service station for part of that time, so I learned to pump gas, wash, and service cars. I graduated from Lincoln Central High School in 1964. From there I spent one year at Augsburg College in Minneapolis, then back to Estherville for one year at Estherville Junior College. I graduated from Dana College in Blair, Nebraska, with a B.A. degree in history in 1968. Shortly after graduation I entered the U.S. Air Force where I served four years as a radio intercept analyst in Texas, Italy, and Alaska. In 1969 I married Barb whom I met at Dana College. Barb was able to accompany me to Italy and Alaska. After I was discharged from the Air Force I entered Northwestern Lutheran Theological Seminary, St. Paul, MN. Part of my seminary education was serving as an intern at Central Lutheran Church, Regina, Saskatchewan. I graduated with a Master of Divinity degree in 1976 and was ordained at Christ Chapel, Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter, MN on June 6, 1976. Barb and I then moved to Chariton, Iowa, to serve First Lutheran Church. From there we went to Davenport where I started All Saints Lutheran Church, then to Stanton, Iowa, and Mamrelund Lutheran Church. After Stanton we moved on to Lawrence, Kansas and Trinity Lutheran Church. While there I earned a Master of Business Administration degree at the University of Kansas in 1992. Finally we moved to Iowa City where I served Christ the King Lutheran Church, retiring in 2011 after twenty years there. Along the way Barb and I had three children: Rachel, Erik, and Sarah.

We have now added six grandchildren to our family. Since retirement I have served as an interim pastor at First Lutheran Church and Holy Redeemer Lutheran Church, both in Cedar Rapids. I am now happy to serve Faith and Our Savior's Lutheran Churches.

While I am here serving you I do ask one favor from you. I ask that you remember me each day in prayer. Each day I pray for about six families from Faith and six families Our Savior's. I also remember about six families from the congregation to which Barb and I now belong, Gloria Dei in Iowa City. Please, as you pray, remember to pray for our common mission of serving our Lord Jesus Christ. Also remember the Call Committee in prayer which has such an important task concerning the future of your congregations.

In Christ's Name

Pastor David A. Aanonson

"This life therefore is not righteousness,  
but growth in righteousness,  
not health, but healing,  
not being but becoming,  
not rest but exercise.  
We are not yet what we shall be,  
but we are growing toward it,  
the process is not yet finished, but it is going on,  
this is not the end, but it is the road.  
All does not yet gleam in glory,  
but all is being purified."  
- Martin Luther

## All Saints Sunday November 2

Sunday, November 2, the Christian Church celebrates "All Saints Sunday." On this day, we remember with thanksgiving those saints who have gone before us. At our baptism, God made us saints, as well, and wrapped us in the pure, white robes of eternal life. **There will be a sign-up sheet in both churches to add the names of those dear to you who have died this past year.** Or you may phone the names in to the church office (246-2622).

## THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP

**Wednesday, November 26  
Faith Church 7:00 p.m.**

*(There is no monetary offering -  
only paper and dry goods  
for the Carroll Assistance Center, Wheatland)*



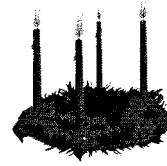
**Prepared Meal Served at 6:00 p.m.**

## Noisy Offering Collected November 16



This year's Noisy Offering goes to the Calamus-Wheatland School District with the request from the councils that the monies be earmarked for the Nutrition and Health of the students.

## First Sunday of Advent - November 30



Advent is the first season in the church year, comprising the four weeks before Christmas. We focus on the long-awaited birth of Jesus at Bethlehem, and to the second Advent, when Christ will return.

To help us prepare for the birth of Christ, in addition to Sunday worship, we will have mid-week Advent services on Wednesday evenings. A 6:00 p.m. served meal precedes the 7:00 worship service.

### Midweek Advent Schedule:

- ♦ December 3 and 10 – Our Savior's Church
- ♦ December 17 – Faith Church

## "Treat the Pantries"



"Treat the Pantries" Sundays will be November 16 and 23 at Faith and Our Savior's Churches. **Make your check payable to your congregation designated for "Treat the Pantries" and place it in the offering plate at Our Savior's Church or in the container in the narthex at Faith Church.** All monetary donations are due by November 23.

The West Clinton County Chapter of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans is sponsoring this Care Abounds in Communities project in the eleven congregations of the chapter. Thrivent Financial for Lutherans will add \$1,600 to the amount collected. The money will be divided among the four food pantries serving the area: DeWitt, Elvira, Lost Nation and Wheatland.

Thank you for your support of "Treat the Pantries," a project that has provided funds to the area food pantries since 1983.



## At the October Council Meetings

### Joint Council:

➤ Pastor Aanonson's report: Visits were made to people in DeWitt Hospital and Westwing; the first Confirmation class was held with 8 students and their parents in attendance.

➤ Worship Committee: Pastor will discuss Children's Sermons with Marsha Witte; Jason Bousselot will continue to select hymns; On Reformation Sunday, October 26, regular worship service and Sunday School times will be maintained – Seminarian Martha Harrison will preside; the 7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve worship service on November 26 will be held at Faith; Stewardship and Christian Outreach Committee will coordinate the 6:00 p.m. meal; the Hanging of the Greens service will be November 30; Mid-week Advent services will be at 7:00 p.m. using the Holden Evening Prayer service – December 3 and 10 services will be held at Our Savior's and December 17 will be held at Faith; Christmas Eve worship will be at 9:00 p.m. at Our Savior's and Christmas Day will be at Faith at 9:00 a.m.

➤ Education Committee: 20 Care Kits were mailed to Lutheran World Relief; \$500 was raised by CROP Walk; Children's Christmas Program will be held on Sunday, December 21 at Faith at 10:30 a.m.

➤ Pastor Aanonson accepted the half-time Interim Pastor position.

➤ Information on the \$4,205 purchase of a new copier was shared.

➤ "Treat the Pantries" will be held on November 16 and 23 – donations will be matched by Thrivent and then dispersed among local food banks.

➤ The 'Ministry Site Profile: Maximum Total Compensation Package' was approved as printed.

➤ Rationale regarding the two-year length of confirmation class was discussed with no action taken – course content guides the length of the class.

### Faith Council:

➤ Financial reports were accepted with a designated balance of \$214.08 and a working balance of \$23,884.59.

➤ A new service panel, outside meter and conduit will be installed by Eric Hoffmann – Alliant Energy and the state will inspect upon completion;

the installation of the on-demand water heating system and the air conditioning unit will be coordinated with this project.

➤ The older boiler pump locked up – a repair quote will be sought; the boiler service contract which expired in July will not be renewed.

➤ A key safe box has been installed by Brian Tulley near the front entrance of the church – the key will no longer be stored in the parsonage garage.

➤ Tulley will install a white board product on the face of the existing chalkboard.

➤ Dirk Braet will seek a file cabinet to replace one in the secretary's office.

### Our Savior's Council:

➤ Approved financial reports with a balance of \$2,980.26.

➤ Fire extinguishers have been updated.

➤ Evergreens have been planted on south side by Don Coobs memorial.

➤ A repair man has been contacted for low water pressure at parsonage and the church kitchen.

➤ There are extra cookbooks available for sale at church.

### Our Savior's Monthly Financial Report

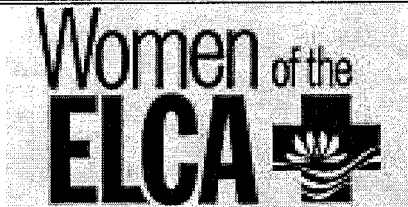
#### September 2014

Beginning Balance.....	\$1,665.58
Deposits .....	\$4,325.72
Disbursements.....	\$(3,011.04)
Ending Balance .....	\$2,980.26

## CROP Hunger Walk Results



Thanks to the generosity of the members of the community and the determination of the walkers, at the present total, \$9,100.00 was raised for the CROP Hunger Walk. Of that total amount, \$2,035.09 was received from the Calamus-Wheatland Walk which included \$521.00 from the Calamus Lutheran Parish. Thank you to all who walked or donated funds for the project.



## Transforming Life and Faith

(Theme for 2014-2015)



### Naomi Circle

**Friday, November 21 – 9:30 a.m.**



### “Transformation Takes Time”

"Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name."

- John 20:30-31

**Hostess: Diane Christensen**

**Leader: Jeannene Bousset**

## 2014-15 Confirmation Class

The following young people are in Confirmation Class this year – please lift them up in prayer:

8th graders: Noah Mullin and Beth Tulley.

7th Graders: Caleb Banowetz, Riley Bruns, Ellie Carpenter, Maia Glover, Drake Olson, Kale Whitman and Karragan Whitman.

## Choir Rehearsal

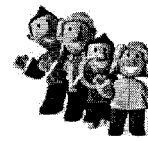


**Faith Church**

**Wednesday, November 19,**

**8:00 p.m.**

## News About Our People



Brent Matthew, son of Luke and Jessica Shelton, was born on September 26, 2014.



Ronda Koslofsky died on October 1, 2014. A graveside service, conducted by her aunt, Pastor Stacy Grau, was held on October 6 at Rose Hill Cemetery, Calamus.

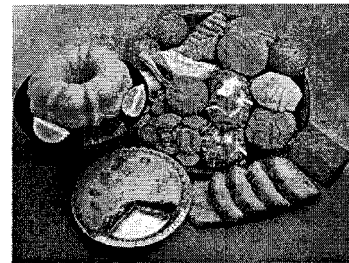


Blake Elias and Chelsea Mason were married on October 18, 2014 at Sts. Peter and Paul Chapel in Solon, Iowa.



A memorial service was held for Audrey Witte at Faith Church on Thursday, October 23, 2014. Audrey passed away on Friday, October 17.

## God Squad Bake Sale



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**Sunday, November 2**

"It is delightfully easy to thank God for the grace we ourselves have received, but it requires great grace to thank God always for the grace given to others."

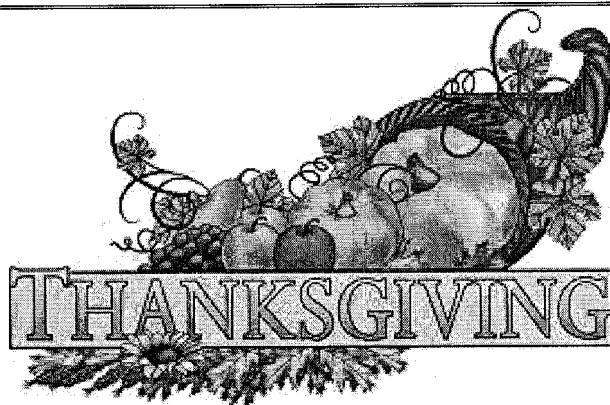
~ James Smith

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

November 1: John Ihns  
 November 4: Ryan Olson  
 November 5: Magnus Sands  
                 Benjamin Harkness  
 November 7: Brodina Bousset  
 November 8: Joe Bruckman  
                 Lance Seastrand  
                 Jason Wilhelm  
                 Scott Peters  
                 Matt Olson  
                 Tammy Olive  
 November 9: Braeden Hayes  
 November 10: Terri Bousset  
 November 12: Wendi Seastrand  
                 Nathaniel Cunningham  
                 Jacob Montover  
 November 13: David Lahann  
 November 15: Brandon Seper  
 November 18: Adam Wilhelm  
 November 20: Chayse Griebel  
 November 21: Florence Petersen  
                 Colette Christensen  
 November 23: Sherri Brady  
                 Debra Dillon  
 November 24: Linda Lindaman  
                 Conrad Dosland  
                 Makenzie Garrett  
 November 25: David Burke  
 November 26: Vera St. John  
                 Shelley Weiss  
 November 27: Eldon Pewe  
 November 28: Evelyn Stueland  
                 Macailah Jacobsen  
 November 29: Tina Braet-Thomas  
                 ♥  
 November 11: Terry & Julie Steines  
 November 12: Leonard & Linda Elsner  
                 David & Hilda Hellyer  
 November 17: Tom & Judy Olson  
 November 18: William & Janice Berger  
 November 22: Pr. Rick & Marlene Miller  
 November 28: Dave & Linda Lindaman

If there are errors or omissions in the birthday or anniversary list, please notify the church office.

**December Newsletter Items  
Due November 20, please.  
Thanks for your cooperation!**



Much like the turkey, cornucopias are a staple at the Thanksgiving table. But, where did these horned vessels overflowing with goodies come from?

Cornucopias have a surprisingly rich history, going all the way back to 5th century BC. The mouthful of a name derives from two Latin words: "cornu," meaning horn and "copia," meaning plenty. That's why cornucopia and horn of plenty are often used interchangeably; we prefer cornucopia because it's just plain fun to say.

Originally, the cornucopia was made of a real goat's horn and filled with fruits and grains and placed in the center of the table. So, what's with the goat's horn? Well, the Greek legend states that Zeus, the Father of Gods and men, had to be banished to a cave so his cannibal father didn't eat him. While hiding out in the cave, a goat named Amalthea watched over Zeus and as she was nursing him, he accidentally pulled off her horn. Zeus promised that the horn would always bring her what she wanted and from then on, it represented endless bounty.

*Happy Thanksgiving!*



## Calamus Lutheran Parish Site Profile Survey

The following questions represent information needed by the call committee in identifying the needs of our congregations. These answers will be used to complete our Ministry Site Profile which will aid in identifying pastor candidates. Please complete only one survey per family.

Please return these during the September 28<sup>th</sup> services or to the church office no later than **Monday, September 29<sup>th</sup>**.

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*How much experience would you like the future pastor to have?*

☒ 0 to 3 years    ☒ 4 to 9 years    ☐ 10 to 15 years    ☐ 16-20 years    ☐ 21+ years

*What would you list as the most critical skills for the future pastor? Select up to five.*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Administration                          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building a Sense of Community  | <input type="checkbox"/> Campus / Young Adult Ministry    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chaplaincy                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Ministry                       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Christian Education   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications/Media                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Organizing                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Conflict Management              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Counseling/Social Work                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Early Childhood Administration            | <input type="checkbox"/> Ecumenical Work                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Evangelism/Mission                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Financial Management                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Global Service                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Innovation/Creativity                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Interim Ministry                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Interpret Theology               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Inter-personal Climate                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Ministry in Crisis                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Ministry in Daily Life           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ministry with Seniors                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Multicultural Ministry                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Music / Worship Arts             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor/Camping Ministry                | <input type="checkbox"/> Parish Nurse / Health                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Participant in the Larger Church |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pastoral Care and Visitation | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preaching / Worship Leadership | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Policy / Advocacy         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recruit and Equip Leaders               | <input type="checkbox"/> Self Care / Family Life                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Small Group Ministry             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social Ministry                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Spiritual Formation / Direction           | <input type="checkbox"/> Stewardship                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Strategic Mission Planning              | <input type="checkbox"/> Teaching                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer Coordination           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Youth and Family Ministry    |  |   |

*Of the following statements which would be gifts desired in the future pastor? Select up to five as a Top Priority and five as Very Helpful*

Top Priority	Very Helpful	
	X	Help people develop their spiritual life
		Help people understand and act upon issues of social justice
		Provide care and nurture
X		Be active in visitation of members and non-members
		Be effective working with children
X		Build a sense of community among the people with whom he/she works
		Help others develop their leadership abilities and skills for ministry
		Be an effective administrator
X		Be an effective communicator
X		Be an effective teacher
		Encourage support of the Church's wider mission
		Work regularly in the development of stewardship growth
		Be active in ecumenical relationships
X		Be effective in working with youth
		Organize people for community action
	X	Be skilled in planning and leading programs
		Have a strong commitment and loyalty to the Lutheran Church
		Understand and interpret the mission of the Church from a global perspective
	X	Deal effectively with conflict
	X	Bring job and good humor to relationships
	X	Be able to share leadership and work in a team
		Be creative and innovative about his or her tasks
		Be able to use technology and media
		Appreciate cultural diversity in language and customs
		Have talents in the areas of music, arts, and writing

*List an area or focus that you wish the future pastor to give special attention to during the first year of their ministry.*

- A. We would like the Pastor to be involved in the community and getting members of the community involved in the church.
- B. We would like the pastor to keep youth and young adults motivated and interested in church.
- C. We would like the Pastor to be visible in the community.
- D. We would like the Pastor to gain an understanding of the different needs of a small rural community.
- E. We would like a Pastor who is willing to work within a strong, committee-oriented parish.

*How would you aid the future pastor in accomplish this?*

- A. We will help by continuing to help plan and participate in church functions designed to draw the community in.
- B. We will help by continuing to encourage youth via activities and continue activity and education planning already handled by committees; we will encourage youth participation as both parents and leaders in the church.
- C. We will be welcoming and inviting to the new Pastor at our local shops and community functions.
- D. We will help by continuing to be active in the church and bring our rural perspective to issues and changes in the church.
- E. We will involve the new Pastor in our planning activities and request input of decisions.



# CLP God Squad



## NEWS

~ NOVEMBER 2014 ~

Good Morning God Squad & Parents!

Thank you to everyone who has been attending and supporting our new Sunday School Class... we have new topics every week which reflect on how our faith relates to current events. Yes, current events!

Last month we discussed the 3 T's, when it comes to giving to God... Time, Talents and Treasures. We have tasked our youth selecting a cause that we can commit to support this year... Do you have idea? Please share!

### November Fund Raising

#### **Bake Sale:**

Our Saviors, meet at 8:45am (after service)  
Faith, meet at 9:15am before Sunday School  
and 10:15am (before service). Food  
donation can be left at either church in  
kitchen prior to service or night before.

### November Service

#### **Angel Tree:**

We should be receiving our Angels towards the end of the month. Last year our church provided gifts to 23 local kids... 14 supported by our youth group. This is a great tradition the CPL Youth will continue this year. Once we have our list, we will plan a shopping date in December... So watch for more details!

#### **Helping Hands Crew:**

Contact Heather Grau to be added to the list of CPL Youth, interested in volunteering to help church members or community with seasonal yard clean up or holiday decoration setup/tear down.

### November Fellowship

\*We will plan something for December!!!

### Coming Up in December

- Advent Meal, December 3
- Angel Tree shopping

#### 2014 Youth Leaders:

President, Makenna Christensen  
VP, Noah Gronewald  
Secretary, Katie Banowetz  
Treasurer, Beth Tulley

**T-SHIRTS!** God Squad has it own t-shirts, designed by us for us... T-Shirts will be available at the next monthly meeting (November 2<sup>nd</sup>), cost is \$11 each

**REGISTRATION IS OPEN** for the **2015 Rise Up TOGETHER ELCA National Youth Gathering**, in Detroit, Mi on July 15-19. This national gathering is for 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> Graders. Please contact Heather or Ashley if you have questions or are interested in attending this year by **DECEMBER 7<sup>th</sup>**.

### November Happenings!

- † Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> - Bake Sale at both Services
- † Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> - 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday School Session,  
Monthly Planning Meeting

\*We will be assigned Angel Tree charges end of the month

### CONFIRMATION CORNER:

Confirmation is now in full swing, Pastor David Aanason has selected "Free to Be" as the literature this year.

Please remember to attend:

**Class Time – Wednesdays at 6pm, Faith**  
**Sunday School – Sundays at 9:25am, Faith**  
**Worship Time – Sundays at 8:30am, Our Saviors**  
**or 10:30am, Faith.**

**Camp Riverside...** There where lots of "?"s, next month we will provide more information concerning camp to help.

Adult Advisor: Ashley Steffens 563.210.2540

Colette Christiansen 563.212.2865

Heather Grau 563.424.0507

# LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE

## EBOLA OUTBREAK RESPONSE

SEPTEMBER 2014

[www.ELCA.org/disaster](http://www.ELCA.org/disaster)

In the last several months, the Ebola outbreak has claimed thousands of lives. The virus has spread rapidly and the World Health Organization is now calling it "one of the world's most lethal diseases." Ebola has spread to multiple countries, the hardest hit being Liberia, Sierra Leone and Guinea.

In addition to health care, one of the most urgent needs is food. As people in affected areas are quarantined to their homes, towns are being shut down and people are not able to work, harvest crops or purchase food. Food shipments have stopped because people fear contracting the virus.

You can help. Your gifts to the Ebola Outbreak Response will be used – 100 percent – to assist those

impacted by this crisis. Our partners and companion churches have requested our help in responding to the outbreak with food distributions, shipment of personal protective equipment, training health workers, outreach through education about prevention, and construction of an isolation unit at Phebe Hospital and School of Nursing in Liberia.

The ELCA and its predecessor church have walked with the people of Liberia for more than 150 years. Our long-standing relationship with our companions in Liberia and Sierra Leone provides a strong foundation to respond holistically to the needs of those who are suffering and living with the threat of Ebola.

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### Yes, I want to help!

☐ Lutheran Disaster Response: *Ebola Outbreak Response* \$ \_\_\_\_\_ IDG0090

☐ Lutheran Disaster Response: *Where Needed Most* \$ \_\_\_\_\_ IDG0016

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP code \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Give through your congregation or send your check directly to:  
**Lutheran Disaster Response, 39330 Treasury Center, Chicago, IL 60694-9300**  
write "*Ebola Outbreak Response*" or "*Where Needed Most*"  
on your check's memo line.



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## MINISTERS FOR NOVEMBER 2014

### FAITH

#### Ushers:

Marilyn Schau  
Larry Schau  
Diane Wilhelm  
Herb Wilhelm

#### Acolytes:

Kale Whitman  
Karragan Whitman

#### Altar Ministry:

Larry & Marilyn Schau

#### Communion Assistant:

Mark Witte

#### Greeter:

November 2: Judy McMahon  
November 9: Laurie Storjohann  
November 16: Lois Wessels  
November 23: Marilyn Steward  
November 30: Keith Steward

#### Lectors:

November 2: Heather Whitman  
November 9: Laurie Storjohann  
November 16: Lois Wessels  
November 23: Heather Whitman  
November 30: Kevin Henning

### OUR SAVIOR'S

#### Ushers:

Art Boussetot  
Shane Glover

#### Acolyte:

Drake Olson

#### Communion Assistant:

Brian Boussetot

#### Lector:

November 2: Jason Boussetot  
November 9: Amy Glover  
November 16: Cindy Burke  
November 23: Brian Boussetot  
November 30: Katrina Harkness

#### Cleaners:

Dan & Cindy Burke

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2 All Saints Sunday God Squad Bake Sale 8:00 Worship – OS 9:30 SS/GS/AD – F 10:30 Worship – F	3	4	5 6:00 Confirmation Class – F	6	7	8
9 8:00 Worship – OS 9:30 SS/GS/AD – F 10:30 Worship – F	10	11 7:00 Committee Night – F	12 6:00 Confirmation Class – F	13 6:00 Worship Committee – F 7:00 Joint Council – F	14	15
16 Noisy Offering Treat the Pantries 8:00 Worship – OS 9:30 SS/GS/AD – F 10:30 Worship – F	17	18	19 6:00 Confirmation Class – F 8:00 Choir Rehearsal – F	20	21 9:30 Naomi Circle H-Diane Christensen L-Jeannene Bousselot	22
23 Treat the Pantries 8:00 Worship – OS 9:30 SS/GS/AD – F 10:30 Worship – F <hr/> 30 Hanging of the Greens 8:00 Worship – OS 9:30 SS/GS/AD – F 10:30 Worship – F	24	25	26  6:00 Thanksgiving Eve Meal – F 7:00 Thanksgiving Worship – F	27	28	29



# Autumn Leaves

by Lois Wessels

I stand and look up thru the trees  
And watch the slowly falling leaves  
Tumbling, twirling all around,  
Whirling high and floating down,  
To lie in drifts upon the ground.

Piles of bronze and red and gold  
They make me wish that I could hold  
Time, in my hand, and keep it still  
To let my soul drink in its fill,

Of the beauty God creates  
To show to everyone who waits,  
That, like the dying summer's glory,  
There is no end, only the beginning,  
Of a beautiful new story.

thanksgiving  
gather family  
thankful  
blessed grateful  
together blessings  
november