



Sunday, October 15, 2023
“Stop Going to Church: Be the Church
Lifelong Faith Through the Phases”

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**American Lutheran Church walks in the faith of Jesus
as we walk with others.**

All are welcome to be a part of God’s Church. There is a place for you here at American Lutheran Church. Our mission is to “share the good news of what God has done for us through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ!”

September Birthday Greetings this week . . .

- If your birthday is missing or wrong, please let Kelly in the office know or write it on the slips inserted in the Bulletin. Thanks!

- 15) Anthony Quintanilla
- 16) Weston Hallquist, Jim Johnson
- 18) Grant Sorensen
- 21) Joshua Horn
- 22) Laurie Maras, Clara Solma, Zachary Thier

Today’s Flower arrangement is given by:

*Craig and Karen Pfeifer
Honoring Evie Hamlin, Karen’s aunt, on her 100th Birthday*

Open dates are Nov. 19 - Dec. 17 - Jan. 7, 14, 28 – Feb. 4, 11

If you would like to sponsor altar flowers for 2023-24, contact Kelly Henkels in the office or Dee Hale at (507) 372-2786. The cost of a bouquet of flowers is \$30.00. You can keep them or donate them. Please remember to pay for your flowers in the office.

Scripture Readings for next Sunday’s worship services:

*Hymns, prayers, and preaching will be drawn from the themes in these stories.
Theme: Stop Going to Church: Lifelong Faith in Jesus Christ
Reading: Mark 2: 1-17*

8 AM | First Word Worship Order
FM Ministry for this service is 88.3

GATHERING

Prelude		
Welcome		
Confession & Forgiveness		
Gathering Hymn:	<i>Borning Cry</i>	ELW 732
Greeting		
Kyrie		ELW p. 147
Prayer of the Day		

WORD

Scripture Song:	<i>God's Word is Our Great Heritage</i>	ELW 509
Scripture Prayer: Ps. 118: 15-24 (prayed responsively by whole verse)		
Sermon		

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn:	<i>Bless O God the Journey</i>	ELW 326
Affirmation of Faith		
The Prayers of God's Church		
Sharing the Peace of Christ		
Offering Invitation		
Community News		
Offering Music (<i>Instrumental</i>)		
Offering Prayer		

MEAL

Invitation to the Table		
Words of Institution		
Lord's Prayer		
Communion Instructions		
Communion Hymn:	<i>Lamb of God</i>	ELW p. 154
Hymn during Communion	<i>We Walk By Faith</i>	ELW 635
Communion Blessing		
Prayer After Communion		

SENDING

Blessing		
Sending Hymn:	<i>How Firm A Foundation</i>	ELW 796

Dismissal
Postlude

8 AM | First Word Worship Leaders

Ministers: All people of the American Lutheran Church

Pastors: Anne Hokenstad and Jeremy Hallquist

Musicians: Sherri Isder, Jocelyn & Dan Horn

Ushers: Paul Landberg, Diane Levine, Lori Ailts, Justin Graff

Greeters: Bruce & Karen Juber

Caring News | Prayer Ministry

Health Concerns: (Short and long-term sickness and illness)

- Ruth Rusche
- Maci Their
- Gabby Peterson
- Gerald Fuerstenberg
- Dorothy Koehn
- Cheryl Martinez

In Sympathy: (Grieving the death of family).

Jo Strube mother of Cathy Buxengard.

David Gehrke brother of Lois Harberts.

Praise the Lord: (Joys and Answered Prayers):

- Those who step forward to lead
- Caregivers for family members

For Support: (On-going life circumstances)

- Mitchell Wagner- Grandson of Keith and Kathy Harberts
- Marvella- Mother of Sherrie and Kevin Adolph
- Montana Scholten- Granddaughter of Sherrie and Kevin Adolph
- Ruth Weiland- Granddaughter of Dee Weiland
- Patrick Weiland- Son of Dee Weiland
- Buddy and Sylvia Richter- Parents of Laura Bourquin
- Mary Hamlin-Palmer- Aunt of Jeremy Hallquist
- MaryJo Duerksen- Aunt of Shirley Rempel
- Myron Grams- Brother-in-law to Herman & Rose Bakker, Ronnie & Ruth Norenberg

Our prayer list will be updated every two weeks. Please notify the office or pastors if you wish to have someone remain on the list.

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

Gathering Hymn:

Borning Cry

ELW 732

Confession & Forgiveness

Song of Praise:

Salvation Song

Prayer of the Day

WORD

Scripture Prayer: Psalm 118::15-24 (prayed responsively by half verse)

Scripture Song:

Listen

Scripture Story: Romans 12:3-6 (MSG)

Message

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn:

By Faith

Affirmation of Faith

The Prayers of God's Church

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Offering Invitation

Community News

Offering Music (*Instrumental*)

Offering Prayer

MEAL

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Communion Instructions

Communion Hymn:

Lamb of God

ELW 336

Communion Blessing

Prayer After Communion

SENDING

Blessing

Sending Hymn: *Oceans (Where Feet May Fall)*

Dismissal

Postlude

10:15 AM | Journey Worship Leaders

Ministers: All people of American Lutheran Church

Pastors: Anne Hokenstad & Jeremy Hallquist

Musicians: Sherri Isder, Jocelyn & Dan Horn

Ushers: Lyle Oberloh, Gary Brandt, Megan Prins

Greeter: Roger & Clasine Lester

This Sunday 10/15	Next Sunday 10/22
Fill: Connie Voss	Shari Dale
Refill: Harlan & Pam Handevidt	Vern & Val Correll
Clean up: Dennis & Dee Hale	Paul & Marlys Busse
Communion Servers: 8:00- Mike & Lisa Peterson, Russ Obermoller, Dee Hale 10:15- Aubrey Anderson, Clasine Lester, Jill Cuperus, Laura Hoffman	8:00- Gordy & Lori Heitkamp, Lola Lindquist 10:15- Mike & Lisa Peterson, Mary Turner
Coffee Servers: Paul & Marlys Busse, Marlyn & Corrine Mammen	Church Lock-up: Dennis Hibma

Announcements | Oct. 15-22, 2023

New Member Sunday: Welcome Cindy Scott & Matt, Steph, Rylan, Ellie & Bella Fletcher

Adult Faith Forum on Sundays- Between worship services, join the conversation as we take a deeper dive into the scripture and sermon. 9:15-10:00 am in the Conference Room. Materials provided. Get coffee and a morning snack before you come to the table.

Help Refill Care Items for Love Inc.- The care items needed are Deodorant, Lotion, and conditioner. You can drop them off in the office.

THERE IS STILL TIME.....Write an Entry in the ALC November Devotion Booklet –

Calling writers to compose a short devotion similar to those in *Christ In Our Home*. There is a signup sheet at the Welcome Center and near the bulletin board in the Kitchen Hallway. There is information and an example available, too. See Pr. Anne, for details and questions.

Sourdough Bread Baking Class- One of the activities during Stewardship months (November) will be a sourdough bread-making class led by Pr. Anne. Save these dates: Friday, November 17, from 5:30-6:30 pm and Saturday, November 19 from 9:00am to 12:00pm. Class size is limited to 10-12 students. The cost is \$10 dollars. Sign-up is at the Welcome Center. If you have a cast iron or enamel Dutch oven that can be used in this class, please connect with Pr. Anne.

Operation Christmas Child- Shipping each box for a child through this ministry costs \$10 to ship. Please consider donating a gift of \$10, \$20, or even \$30 to aid the Lutheran Women and others who have purchased and packaged nearly 140 boxes. Checks can be written to ALC with Operation Christmas Child written in the memo line.

Coffee Servers ARE NEEDED: Consider engaging in the role of a “Coffee Server” between worship services in the Fellowship Hall and the Gathering Space. Both need a strong group of people to sustain this ministry. More hands make light work. This ministry is vital to our hospitality to others and sustaining relationships with each other.

Looking Ahead

October 20, Hang Night with Pr. Jeremy, Grades 6-12 from 6-10pm

October 25, *Fall Festival* at the Barn, 5:30-8:00pm

October 29, Reformation Sunday

October 29, Affirmation of Baptism Rite at the at the 10:15am Journey Worship

November 5, All Saints Sunday

November 4, Set up for the Arts & Crafts Sale

November 5-6, Arts & Crafts Sale

November 11, 8:30am – 4: 30pm, Church Council Retreat

Fall Festival

Food | Games | Crafts

Pumpkin Bowling

Cookie Painting



Scarecrow Contest

Gel Printing

Roasting
Marshmallows

Candy Corn Floats

Scarecrow Tag

Face Painting

Ring-a-Pumpkin



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5:30-8pm

Meal, followed by
activities for ALL AGES!

October 2023

Free

At The Barn - 1815 East Avenue



Fall Festival! Fun for all Ages. Sign up to help with the different station by going to the link below or scan the code with the camera on your phone.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4FA8AA2FA6FBCF8-fall2>

Oct. 15-22 Calendar

October 15 **New Member Sunday**

8:00am First Word
9:00am Constitution Meeting
9:15am Coffee & Kinship
/Contemporary CH
Sunday School/Faith
Formation

10:15am
Journey Worship

October 19

6:30pm Church Council

October 16

9:30am Staff Meeting

October 20

6-10pm Hang Night 6-12th grade

October 17

7:45am Men's Fellowship
11:00am Worship Planning
1:00pm Bible Study
2:30pm South Shore
3:30pm Crossroads
6:30pm Prayer Shawl
7:00pm Bell Choir

October 21

October 22

MEA Break
8:00am First Word
9:00am Coffee & Kinship
/Contemporary CH
9:15am **SS, FF-No Sunday School**
10:15am Journey Worship

October 18

9:00am Quilt Tying
1:00pm Prayer Shawl
5:30pm Meal- Pancakes, Egg, Sausage
6:30pm Service- **Starry Night**
7:00pm Faith Formation

Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday

8:00am – 12:00pm

Monday – Thursday

12:30pm – 2:30pm

Friday

Pastors' Sabbath Day
