

WORSHIP WITH US!

Thursdays at 6:00pm w/Communion
Sundays at 8:00am & 10:30am
9:15am Sundays - Family Bible Hour for all ages



NOVEMBER 2017

OUR SAVIOR'S MESSENGER

No. 10

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Dear Saints of Our Savior's:

There are dozens of verses in the Bible that talk about giving thanks to God. St. Paul summarized them all in his first letter to the Thessalonian Christians: "Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you" (5:18).

We need the encouragement to give thanks because it is so easy to complain. We complain about the weather, we complain about our aches and pains, we complain about what we don't like about others, we complain about what we think we should have, but don't. Sometimes, it's even fun to complain.

But is that the best way to go through life – complaining? America's most famous literary icon Mark Twain once said, "Don't complain and talk about all your problems. 80 percent of people don't care; the other 20 percent will think you deserve them." Maybe even your Mom or Dad once told you, "No one likes a complainer!"

Rather than gripe about your problems, see how giving thanks to God is good for you and others. Remember Jesus who gave thanks and good things followed. When he saw thousands of people without food for dinner, he gave thanks and miraculously fed them with just a few pieces of fish and bread. When Lazarus died, he gave thanks to his Father for hearing his prayer and then raised his friend from the dead. On the night before he would suffer and die for the sins of the world, he gave thanks over bread and wine and so to this day gives us his body and blood in that Supper he instituted for our forgiveness, life, and salvation.

Giving thanks centers our soul back on God from whom all blessings flow. Giving thanks brings joy to others who need the encouragement of a good and

gracious God who loves us in and even through the difficulties of life. When you face the problems of body and soul, give thanks to God because in His Son Jesus is the eternal good of everlasting life for you in his name.

"Do all things without grumbling or disputing, that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, holding fast to the word of life" (Philippians 2:14-16).

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

The Lord be with you!

Pr. Jim Schulz +

THANKSGIVING SERVICE:

Because of Christ's blessings to us, it is fitting that we annually observe a day of thanksgiving. This is certainly in accord with the Bible's directive to "give thanks unto the Lord." (Psalm 118:1)

In conformity with this scriptural command, we will hold Thanksgiving service on:

November 22nd - Thanksgiving Eve - 6:00pm

This service is an opportunity to gather your family together to worship and thank the Lord who gave us all good things.

There will be **no service** on Thanksgiving Day.

Newly Elected Leaders

The voters of Our Savior's have chosen the following people to serve in leadership roles:

Vice President: Dave Schlieder

Secretary: Kelly Jaeger

Elders: Jim Murphy, Mike Dekarske

Board of Education: Michele Mickelson, Billie Jo Steffen, Amy Thelen

Trustees: Ken Halverson, Bob Nienhuis

Endowment Committee: Don Schmidt, Jean Brauer

We ask God's richest blessings on our new leaders and give thanks for the service and dedication of out-going officers.

Newly elected officers and board members will be installed at the late service on January 7th.

Rummage Sale, 2017

The sale was a success, not only financially, but also with the cooperation received from members in helping as well as donations. Mike Feudner and Clara Murphy are already talking about how to improve for next year. We would like to see more members getting involved in volunteering for the event, but sincerely appreciate all who did help. After the official deposit was made this week, there was a slight difference in the total from what was reported at the quarterly meeting. The total earned from the sale was \$6316.58. The bake sale which was phenomenal this year earned \$441.06...this was pure profit. The brat fry grossed \$588.62. Total expenses was \$440.95 for the event so the net profit is \$5874.98. We received many positive comments from individuals coming into the church about the friendliness and kindness of the volunteers as well as the quality of items offered. So kudos to you all for your efforts! Start saving items now for next year's sale!

Ladies Night Out:

Thursday, November 16th at Riverdale Country Club has been selected as the next Ladies Night Out event. We will gather at 6 PM and plan to sit down to eat at 6:30 PM. If you have any questions or need transportation, please contact Clara Murphy at 920-457-2658.

Social Activities Group News

Soup and Sandwich Luncheon

Join the Social Activities Group for a soup and sandwich lunch following the late service on Sunday, November 19th. The bread, meat, cheese and fixings for sandwiches will be provided by the SAG. We are asking for donations of soup or dessert from congregation members.

Ryan Kautzer, an accordionist/one-man-band, will provide entertainment during dinner by playing polkas, waltzes, and other oldies. Come with your dancing shoes on and be prepared to be entertained. Be sure to sign up on the sheet in the narthex and let us know if you are able to help by bringing your favorite soup or dessert. A free will offering will be taken.

Memories Dinner Theater

Additionally, the Social Activities Group has reserved 30 seats at Memories to see *The Purfekt Family's 1st Annual Yuletide Letter* on Sunday, December 3rd. We will be leaving from church following the late service. Join us for this uplifting and comical story, which takes a candid and knowing look at a seasonal tradition, the family holiday letter. The cost is \$38/person which includes a plated meal and the show.

Please sign the sheet in the narthex if you wish to attend. Payment must be received no later than Sunday, November 12th and given to Jane Woodard or dropped off in the church office. Checks should be made payable to Jane Woodard.

Future Activities

The Giving Tree (more details to come)
Saturday, December 9th – Christmas caroling beginning at 3 p.m.
Saturday, January 6th – Epiphany service and dinner

Did You Know.....?

Singing hymns in church, by the entire congregation, did not begin until about the eighth century. Before that time, music in the church was entirely in the hands of the church choir.

Martin Luther was one of those leaders of the Reformation who felt the congregation should sing praises to God during the worship service. He wrote his first song in 1523. Writing words that would share the truths of the Bible, so the people attending could better understand pure Bible doctrine. He wrote melodies that set other writers words to singable tunes for worshipping.

The Reformation began a "golden age" in the writing of hymns. Around 1524, when the Reformation was introduced into Prussia, poet Paul Speratus worked with Luther to create the first Lutheran hymnal.

By the grace of God, poets and composers were given the ability to share the true understanding of God's mercies through His Son, Jesus Christ. These early hymns, though sometimes lacking polish, are the heritage of the Church and have lasting value for us.

We all recognize Luther's most famous hymn, "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God". We sing it at every Reformation Celebration. But there are many other songs of Luther that have been passed down to us. If you look at the words below the hymns in our hymnal, you will find which ones are attributed to Luther, either for words or melody. One of my favorites is, "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word". At Christmas time we often sing, "From Heaven Above to Earth I Come".

Our Heritage of Hymns, contained in our current hymnal, is a wealth of Biblical truth. Spend some moments before a service by opening your hymnal and reading through the words of our hymns. I hope you find them inspirational. May you be blessed as you become more acquainted with what the Lutheran Church teaches and professes through our wealth of hymns.

Submitted by Elaine Phillips, choir director

PARISH NURSE NEWS

Dear Friends in Christ,

Thanksgiving blessings.

This & That

Rinsing nasal passages with a neti pot or squeeze bottle may alleviate congestion and runny nose by washing thick mucus that can trap allergens and bacteria. Make sure to use distilled or sterile water (never tap water) mixed with a tsp of salt. Be sure to clean device with sterile or distilled water between uses.

Washing reusable grocery bags should be done routinely as bacteria such as E coli and other coliform can grow in unwashed bags. The CDC recommends machine washing cloth bags with detergent and scrubbing plastic-lined bags with hot water and soap. Use plastic bags on raw meats, poultry and fish and reserve a bag just for these items.

Apple cider vinegar has been touted as a way to lose weight and control blood sugar but few studies show that it helps in weight loss. It may help with type 2 diabetes by slowing digestion of carbohydrates. Frequent consumption can irritate your throat, interact with medication, and harm tooth enamel, if undiluted.

(Info from CR on Health, Nov 2017)

Prayerfully submitted,
Deb Kuitert

Blood Pressure Screening, Sunday, November 5.

Office Hours
Mondays – 9:00-11:00am
Thursdays – 3:45-5:50pm

No office hours on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 23.

Thank you! . . . Thanks to Mike Eitel for diligently volunteering to water the plants outside the church this summer and fall. He also repaired and reinstalled the basketball hoop so the youth will be able to enjoy it for years to come.

Mary Martha November News

Pastor Schulz opened our meeting with an inspirational message about salvation through grace alone.

Our guest speaker, Lu Ann Travis of the Sharon Richardson Hospice, brought with her two Hospice Social workers – Rachael Kummer and John Martin – and the three discussed with us the many things that we all should know about the advantages of hospice care.

Hospice care can start when you or a loved one has a life expectancy of six months or less. The youngest member and his family helped through the Sharon Richardson Hospice was 2 months old. The oldest was 104 years. Just a short time ago, hospice care was limited to hospitals and nursing homes but it has evolved to include ANYPLACE the person needing it calls home. Medicare and Medicaid cover most expenses when a doctor certifies that the health of an individual indicates this need. Family and loved ones also need emotional support and compassionate care and that is also provided. It was a truly inspirational presentation!

Lovely Fall decorations as well as cake, tea, and coffee were provided by our hostesses, Joanne Bartzan and Diane Fisher.

Bill Wangemann, well known as a very gifted and humorous speaker, as well as being our Sheboygan County Historian, will talk to us and show us slides about Life in Old Sheboygan at our November 7th meeting, beginning at 1:00pm. As always, any members of the congregation are invited to join us for his presentation.

As the winter season approaches . . .

procedures are in place for dealing with inclement weather. If worship services are to be cancelled the stations below are notified as soon as possible. There is no need to risk the safety of our members when travel, even short distances, can be a risk. Please check the church answering machine at 452-4005 or check with: radio station, WHBL (1330 AM); or television station, WTMJ (Channel 4). For our confirmation students and parents, if the public schools cancel classes or have early release due to inclement weather on a Wednesday there will be NO CEP classes that day.

MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

TRANSFER OUT

Rhonda Schulze to St. Paul Lutheran Church, Janesville, WI

Tyler Schulze to Trinity Lutheran Church, Sheboygan, WI

REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Doreen Schultz

RELEASED

Chantel (Schulze) Betzer

Terin Mueller, Kamsley and Tayson Kaufman to Pentecostals of Sheboygan County, Sheboygan Falls, WI

Brian Pantel to First United Lutheran Church, Sheboygan, WI

SELF-REMOVAL

Jill Zschetzsche

Steen Grams

Pastoral Acts

Baptism

Emerson Trinity Powell

Daughter of Collin and Katie Powell

October 8, 2017

Changes to the Newsletter

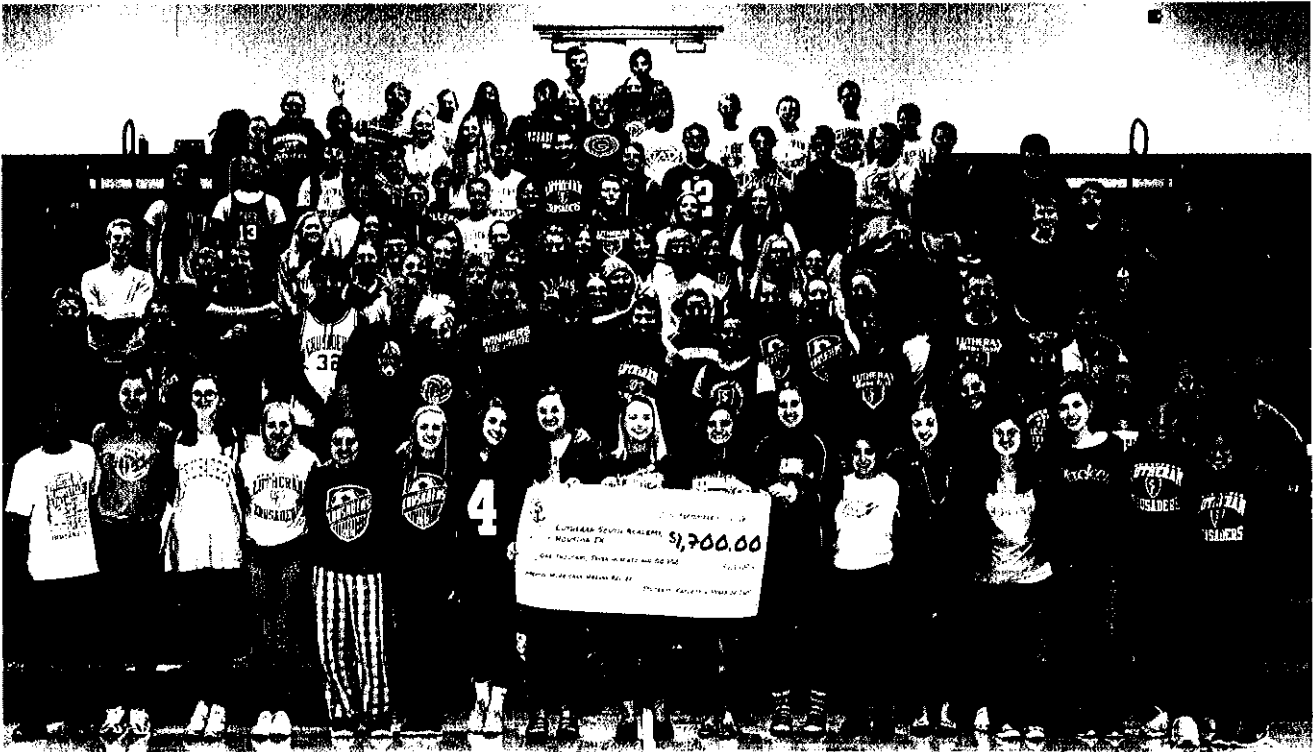
As of January 2018 we will no longer be mailing out Our Savior's monthly newsletters. However, we will continue to mail them to our shut-ins. We are asking the congregation to inform us of a updated or current email address. The monthly newsletter will be sent out VIA email. Please contact the church office at 452-4005, or contact us through the church email at oslcsheboygan@gmail.com. Church members without an email address can still pick up a copy in the Narthex while the supply last. As always the newsletter is always available on the church website. Our goal is to eliminate the extra cost involved and communicate with our members electronically

HighLites

"Preparing Christian Leaders—One Student at a Time"

A Monthly Newsletter

November 2017



In September, the students of Sheboygan Lutheran participated in a Jeans Day for Hurricane Harvey Relief for Lutheran South Academy in Houston, Texas. Students were able to wear jeans to school (otherwise not a part of our dress code) for a day by donating \$5 to the cause. Donations were also received from parents and friends of LHS who saw the effort posted on our Facebook page. Together they raised \$1,700.00! Lutheran South Academy sent LHS a very nice thank you letter saying, "Great things are accomplished when God's people work together with a shared vision. We are blessed to have your support! Thank you friends!"

A second Jeans Day in late October was planned to help residents in Puerto Rico, who lost most everything to Hurricane Maria just weeks later. One LHS student, David Blas, has a grandmother on the island who was left with only one change of clothing. His father, Vicar David Blas, who is leading our LCMS Sheboygan County Hispanic Ministry, is from Puerto Rico and will receive a free-will offering to help his mother recover. If you would like to contribute to the Hurricane Relief Effort for the Blas Family, drop your donation off at the LHS office.

Great things are accomplished when God's people work together!

Lutheran High's Student Leaders of the Month

have been chosen based on their service, behavior, leadership, attitude & academic achievements.

Senior - Rebecca Mendez

Crossroads Community Church - Sheboygan

Junior - Caleb Yurk

St. Paul Lutheran - Grafton

Sophomore - Josh Werth

Evangelical Free Church - Sheboygan

Freshman - Kirsten Solle

Calvin Christian Reformed - Sheboygan

Neat Repeats Thrift Shop

The shelves are stocked for the holidays. Check out their supply of greeting cards, linens, dishes, artificial trees, lights, and decorations for indoor and outdoor use.

Squeak in the Black Friday Sale and Bag Sale!
Friday, Nov. 24 ~ everything in the store is 50% off.
Saturday, Nov. 25 ~ Fill a bag of clothes for only \$5.
Sales throughout the months of Nov. and Dec.



Store hours:

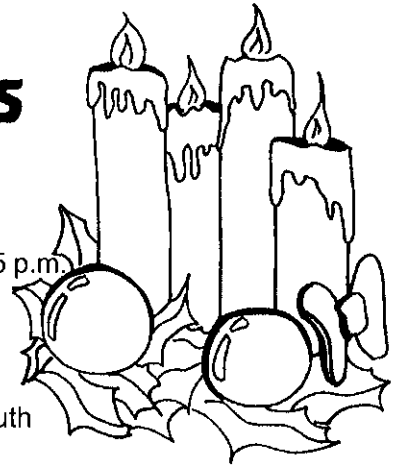
Mondays: 9:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Tuesday - Friday: 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturdays: 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Closed Sundays

Located in the Plymouth -
Commons Shopping Center
2627 Eastern Avenue, Plymouth
(920) 892-9100



The LHS Comedy Cafe: A Night of One-Act Plays

On Friday, November 3 and Saturday, November 4, beginning at 7 p.m., Lutheran High will present a series of three, one-act plays. Selected plays include: "This is a Test", "It's Not You, It's Me", and "The Brother's Grimm, Spectaculathon".

The skits will feature over 30 Lutheran High students performing in a number of roles throughout the night.

Tickets are on sale now for the performances in the LHS gymnasium. General Admission tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for students. Stadium seating, which is limited, is \$10 in the padded seats! Purchase your tickets at the LHS School office in advance or at the door.

Be prepared to laugh out loud! Thank you for supporting our students and the arts at Lutheran High School.



November 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 3:30pm CEP 5:05pm Youth Night 5:45pm Handbells 6:45pm Choir	2 3:45-5:50pm Parish Nurse 6:00pm Divine Service	3	4
5 7:30-10:30am Blood Pressure Screening 8:00am Divine Service 9:15am Family Bible Hour 10:30am Divine Service	6 9:00-11:00am Parish Nurse 10:00am Bible Class 6:30pm Board Meetings	7 1:00pm Mary Martha	8 3:30pm CEP 5:45pm Handbells 6:45pm Choir	9 3:45-5:50pm Parish Nurse 6:00pm Divine Service	10	11 Youth at Bridgeway
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19 8:00am Divine Service 9:15am Family Bible Hour 10:30am Divine Service 11:30am Soup & Sandwich Luncheon	20 9:00-11:00am Parish Nurse 10:00am Bible Class	21	22 6:00pm Thanksgiving Worship NO CEP	23 Thanksgiving NO THURSDAY WORSHIP SERVICE. OFFICE CLOSED.	24	25
26 8:00am Divine Service 9:15am Family Bible Hour 10:30am Divine Service 4:30pm Jaycees Christmas Parade	27 9:00-11:00am Parish Nurse 10:00am Bible Class	28	29 3:30pm CEP 5:45pm Handbells 6:45pm Choir	30 3:45-5:50pm Parish Nurse 6:00pm Divine Service	Notes:	