

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



**NOVEMBER 2020** 

### **OUR SAVIOR'S MESSENGER**

No. 10

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Dear Saints of Our Savior's:

Most people are familiar with the song "Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Wolf." The song became popular with Americans during the 1930s Great Depression. Walt Disney featured it in one of his animated cartoons "Three Little Pigs" which opened at New York's Radio City Music Hall in May 1933. Disney expected a good response to the cartoon, but critics were not all that excited about it. Then suddenly it caught on. Radio stations and band leaders began asking Disney for permission to play one of the songs featured in the film: "Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Wolf?" Disney hadn't arranged to publish the music, so to meet the demands for sheet music, he sent musicians with flashlights into darkened theaters to copy down words and music from the screen. The song swept the country as a response to the grim economic times.

What is the "big bad wolf" in your life? For many these days it's the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic. Maybe it's something else for you. Is it a nagging fear of punishment from God for a misspent life? Is it unwillingness to do what is right because it will mean sacrifice? Wouldn't it be wonderful to never be afraid again? Where shall we go where we will be safe? Where shall we turn so that we never live in fear again? The psalmist said in Psalm 46: "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling..... 'Be still and know that I am God.""

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 25<sup>th</sup> - 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.



#### **MEMBERSHIP CHANGES**

TRANSFER OUT

Deb Kuitert to Trinity Lutheran Church in Wautoma, WI



## **Worship Services Available on YouTube**

Our Savior's now has a YouTube page. Each week the service will be uploaded on Monday morning for you to watch if you are unable to worship in person on a given Sunday. Just go to youtube.com then search Our Savior's Lutheran Church Sheboygan Wisconsin then click SUBSCRIBE. Once you subscribe you will be notified when a new service is uploaded.



The Apostle Paul, in 2 Corinthians 8-9, was encouraging the Corinthian congregation to join with other congregations Paul had planted, in a gathering of gifts to share with the saints in Jerusalem who were suffering because of persecution and famine. In that appeal, Paul wrote, "You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God." We may not realize that when God moves us to give gifts, beside providing for ministry needs, our gifts cause thanksgiving among God's people.

On Thanksgiving Day, it might be your family tradition to go around the table naming something for which you are thankful. What would happen if we changed our focus to: Who has shown thanksgiving because of something God empowered me to do with his gifts? While giving is never meant to be bragging, the giving of our gifts can be an inspiration for others to give.

With that in mind, if you have put a Lifetime Plan for Giving in place from your estate, to family and ministry, have you shared that plan with those closest to you? By sharing, they get to rejoice in God's indescribable gifts, and they get to begin considering how they can do the same. May the Lord bless your sharing! If you would like assistance in setting up a family meeting for this purpose, your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help. Contact Craig Toerpe, Gift Planning Counselor of the LCMS Foundation to answer questions regarding setting up your family meeting, or how you can bless family and impact ministry at 262-707-3005 or craig.toerpe@lfnd.org





# Sheboygan County Interfaith Organization November 2020

- 1. The Pop-up Winter Farmers Market returns for the month of November! Once again, we will meet in the First Congregational Church UCC parking lot. Market hours will be every Saturday (weather-permitting) from 9:30-11:30am. See you at the Market!
- 2. SCIO could use the following items: Multi-purpose printer paper, paper towels and dishwasher pods. Thank you for your continued support!
- 3. Bridgeway & Beyond Update: Room 1, 4, 5 This mom of 4 children has been doing very well. Within the first month of full-time employment, she was promoted to shift lead/assistant manager which included a nice pay increase! To say the least, she is proud of herself. On top of this, she truly loves her job and the people she works with. Mom has shown improvement in ensuring her kids attend school on a regular basis however with school going virtual, plans have been adjusted. Staff is planning on assisting to make sure the children are logging into their virtual classes because mom will be at work. Unfortunately finding a daycare for the kids is next to impossible at this time.

Room 6 - This mom and her 2-year-old daughter continue to do well in the Bridgeway program. Mom is very eager to face her issues and traumas and welcomes homework and honest reflection. She continues to attend substance abuse counseling weekly and just celebrated 8 months clean and sober! Along with this, she actively participates in the W2 program. Mom has also begun the process of checking into going back to college as she aspires to work in the psychology field. Mom recently celebrated her 33rd birthday surrounded by Bridgeway residents and staff. We had a nice celebration complete with birthday decorations, a great meal, games and 2 birthday cakes!

<u>Outreach/Aftercare</u> - Claudette has consistent contact with 8 families between outreach and aftercare. Some mothers call for support and assistance with outside resources whereas others need food, bus tokens and hygiene products. Due to these uncertain times, many families are struggling with child care and employment instability. Claudette has seen an increase in referrals from various social workers as well.

- 4. Family Pathways is pleased to be growing in these uncertain times. We are increasing our communication with families and professionals in the community every day. It is heartwarming to see parents and their children create a new and improved relationship through our program. We are proud to serve this community and we hope our program name can be spread even further to better help families in need. We can be reached at <a href="mailto:familypathways@sheboygancountyinterfaith.org">familypathways@sheboygancountyinterfaith.org</a>.
- 5. Mark your calendars! Giving Tuesday will be a virtual year-end event for SCIO, scheduled for December 1<sup>st</sup>. Your generous support will get us through this difficult COVID season!

| Sun                                                                                        | Mon                           | Tue                  | Wed                                                  | Thu                                                       | Fri | Sat |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|
| 1<br>8:00am Divine<br>Service<br>9:15am Family<br>Bible Hour<br>10:30am Divine<br>Service  | 2<br>6:30pm Board<br>Meetings | 3                    | 4:00pm CEP<br>5:45pm Handbells                       | <b>5</b><br>6:00pm Divine<br>Service                      | 6   | 7   |
| 8 8:00am Divine Service 9:15am Family Bible Hour 10:30am Divine Service                    | 9                             | 10<br>6:30pm Council | 11<br>4:00pm CEP<br>5:45pm Handbells<br>6:45pm Choir | 12<br>6:00pm Divine<br>Service                            | 13  | 14  |
| 15<br>8:00am Divine<br>Service<br>9:15am Family<br>Bible Hour<br>10:30am Divine<br>Service | 16                            | 17                   | 18<br>4:00pm CEP<br>5:45pm Handbells<br>6:45pm Choir | 19<br>6:00pm Divine<br>Service                            | 20  | 21  |
| 22<br>8:00am Divine<br>Service<br>9:15am Family<br>Bible Hour<br>10:30am Divine<br>Service | 23                            | 24                   | 25<br>6:00pm<br>Thanksgiving<br>Worship<br>NO CEP    | 26 THANKSGIVING NO THURSDAY WORSHIP SERVICE OFFICE CLOSED | 27  | 28  |
| 29<br>8:00am Divine<br>Service<br>9:15am Family<br>Bible Hour<br>10:30am Divine<br>Service | 30                            |                      |                                                      |                                                           |     |     |