

# *THE ST. LUKE LETTER*

## *November 2020*



Dear Siblings in Christ,

This month I often focus on giving thanks and the practice of living a life of gratitude. This year I think the practice of giving thanks and praise to God is of the utmost importance. It has been a strange year, one where I have at times had to search for the blessings among the seemingly endless challenges of what has become “2020.” Yes, this is purposefully in quotations. The year is not yet over, and I am pretty confident that we will be faced with similar challenges in 2021. The worldwide pandemic is not going to cease this month, Covid-19 vaccinations still need to be developed, tested, assured to be safe, produced and distributed so that we can begin to have more of a proactive advantage over this virus that has caused the world to hit pause and reflect on our lives.

And yet, among this odd, strange, and challenging opportunity we give thanks. We celebrate the joys and opportunities in front of us. We give praise to God that we have had the chance to adapt and change and to see the sin in the world that has become second nature and widely prevalent that we no longer question whether it is sin. We praise God that we can see the sin of hate and abuse of power in front of us and among us. We celebrate with Jesus that we have the opportunity to pause our sinful ways and return to God’s ways of love for all people, all of our neighbors. We give thanks to God for the love God has bestowed upon us – the forgiveness, grace and mercy that allows us the freedom and confidence to love all people as God has created them – in God’s image, beloved, loved, respected, honored.

It is no surprise that this season of thanksgiving will be different – this entire year has been different. But let us take hold of this opportunity to truly offer sincere thanks and praise to God for the love that is poured out for all. Let us together speak and act with love for all people. Let us care for one another even when we do not agree. Let us lift one another up and see the image of God that all of us are created with and in.

Yours In Christ,  
Pr. Becky Horn

**Pastor Becky is on Vacation November 6-8** – For pastoral emergencies please contact Pr. Paul Tomkiel at 717-440-3453.



Are you or a loved one desiring a visit from the pastor? Please contact Pastor Becky if you would like her to call or visit you at home, in the hospital, or another location. (office: 364-9154, cell: 215-208-5535, email: [stluke364pastor@verizon.net](mailto:stluke364pastor@verizon.net)) \*Also, if you desire Communion at home, please contact Pr. Becky so that arrangements can be made.

## QUESTIONS TO PONDER

# Called Forward Together in Christ

## Goal 2

**A Church Equipping People for the Baptismal Vocations in the World and this Church.**

### **Priority areas for action**

**Baptismal vocation** – Form and equip the baptized to express their faith through their life and witness as followers of Jesus.

**Faith formation and practice** – Support and provide resources for faith formation and practice with children and across the life span – within households, workplaces and communities – and share learnings across this church.

**Youth and young adults in mission** – Provide space, support and opportunities for youth and young adults to participate in ministries and pursue their calling.

Scripture: Philippians 2:4- 11, 1 Corinthians 12:4- 7, Romans 6:3- 4, Mark 10:13- 16

<https://elca.org/Resources/Future-Directions>



## **Plan For In Person Worship at St. Luke:**

### **Worship Plan:**

St. Luke is currently holding one weekly in person worship service at 10:30am; with in person Sunday School classes being held at 9:15am. There are several required procedures that we have instituted in order to provide the least risk for gathering as a group. We ask that those who plan to attend any gatherings, including worship, at the church agree to abide by the recommendations for the health of all. Currently, Gov. Wolf has recommended 20% capacity for indoor events and gatherings, and Council has agreed to follow the recommendations from the governor's office.

### **Procedure for In House Worship:**

- A. Entry to the building will be limited to the main front doors. Doors will open approximately 15 minutes before the start of the service. Requirements will include: temperature check via an infrared thermometer, answering a few questions about any symptoms or exposure to Covid-19, a mask covering the nose and mouth, and having their name recorded for the potential of contact tracing. If a person has a fever over 100.4F, we will ask them to not join us inside for worship. If a person answers 'Yes' to any of the following questions, they will be asked to not join us inside for worship. They may be given a copy of the bulletin and reminded that virtual worship is available on St. Luke's YouTube channel.
  - a. Do you have any new or worsening onset of any of the following symptoms: fever, cough, shortness of breath, runny nose, sore throat, chills, body aches, fatigue, headache, loss of taste/smell, eye drainage, congestion?
  - b. In the last 14 days have you traveled outside your normal, daily routine?
  - c. Have you or someone in your household been exposed to someone being tested for COVID-19 or who has symptoms compatible with COVID-19?
- B. If a person meets the temperature and question requirements, but does not have a mask, one will be provided.
- C. Once in the sanctuary, households will be asked to fill from the front of the church to the back in designated, space out areas. Once seated, people may choose to remove their masks; however it is recommended that they remain on throughout the service. Bulletins will be placed in the approved pews prior to the worship service; households may need to share. If a person has reason to get up during the service and when they go to leave, it is requested that masks be put back on.

- D. The worship service will be modified to limit time, congregational responses, and singing. We will have some music. People are welcome to hum along, or if so called, to sing 'lightly', but they are requested to wear their mask over their nose and mouth. Communion will be offered as the final part of the service. Elements will be pre-packaged, individual servings of wafer and grape juice. As people are leaving the sanctuary via the front door, they may pick up their Communion elements and partake in their car.
- E. Pastor Becky will wear a mask ~~and use a face shield~~ throughout the entirety of the worship service. She will lead all of her parts of the service from the pulpit. If we have lectors or worship assistants, we will only have one per service. He or She will be asked to sit near the lectern, either in the transept or the choir loft for the entirety of the service and they will only use the lectern for their speaking parts. When speaking at the lectern they will be asked to wear a mask. If they would like a face shield, one will be available.
- F. During the worship service, Air Conditioning will remain off. Prior to the worship service we can pre-cool the sanctuary. Sanctuary and external doors will be propped open to increase airflow and dissipation of potential covid-19 particles.
- G. Exiting the building: if people would like to share in Communion, they can pick up the elements on their way out of the main entry doors. Otherwise, people may leave by the West or South doorways.
- H. In the parking lot, gathering is discouraged. However, should people want to converse, we ask that they continue to wear their masks. We cannot require them to do so outside of the building.

**Worship At Home**— For those who do not feel comfortable with In House Worship at this time, the Worship At Home service will continue to be posted on the St. Luke Centre Hall YouTube Channel for the foreseeable future. If you desire Communion at home, please contact Pr. Becky so that arrangements can be made.

**IMPORTANT - Please Note**—If you do not have email or online access and would like to receive the printed Worship At Home Mailing, please speak with Pastor Becky or Patty or leave a message at the Church Office at 814-364-9154.

**Groups in St. Luke** - The St. Luke Council voted to allow groups to use the building for activities and events. Groups that wish to resume using the building must schedule through the Church office and follow the protocols established for worship including wearing masks, remaining physically distant, answering health questions, and taking attendance for contact tracing. Groups must also designate a person to be the 'Cleaning Person.' Prior to the group's use of the building, the Cleaning Person must contact Pastor Becky, Derek Shaffer or Larry Frazier to set up a time to meet and discuss where the cleaning supplies are and learn the cleaning protocols. Once this meeting has occurred, the group may proceed with in person meetings that abide by current St. Luke policy. Currently the limit is up to 20% capacity for indoor events and gatherings.



### **Sunday School Classes**

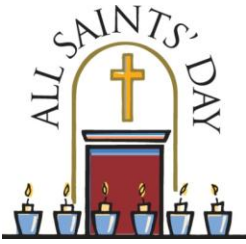
\*During class, please remember to social distance and wear a mask.

**Kids Sunday School** - Sunday mornings at 9:15am for Pre-K through 6th grade. Class will start in the classroom with Nicki Shunk teaching. A parent is encouraged to stay with their child.

**Confirmation** - meets online. Information has been sent to Confirmation student families.

**Teen Class** - Sunday mornings at 9:15am. Shari Welch is leading this class again this year with engaging discussions with youth who have completed Confirmation through senior year of high school.

**Adult Class** - Sunday mornings at 9:15am in the social hall. This class will be taught by Shawn Lehman and households are asked to sit physically distant and speak up during the discussions.



St. Luke Lutheran Church will honor those who have been baptized and those who have died in the past year with a special service of remembrance on All Saints Day on Sunday, November 1st.

**Harvest Home**—St. Luke will celebrate Harvest Home on Sunday, November 1 and Sunday, November 8. St. Luke will collect non-perishable food items and deliver them to the Centre Hall/Potter Food Pantry. Special Harvest Home envelopes are also available in the pews if you would like to make a monetary donation to support the Allegheny Lutheran Social Ministries Dietary Department in providing nutritious and appetizing meals for their residents every day. Checks should be made payable to St. Luke with Harvest Home in the Memo Line.



**IHS Furniture Needs**—Interfaith Human Services Furniture Coordinator, Harry Miller, is looking for donations to fill IHS's nearly empty storage space. He is currently in need of beds, dressers, sofas and dining room sets. Appliances are always needed. If you would like to make a donation of furniture, please call Interfaith Human Services at 814-234-7731 to make arrangements for pick-up. You may learn more about IHS at

<https://www.interfaithhumanservices.org/>

**Office Space Needed** - Interfaith Human Services is looking for space to house their offices and furniture recycling program. We are looking for at least 3,500 square feet with easy access for loading, unloading, and storing furniture and appliances as well as office /meeting space. While we would be thankful for a space donation, we are also exploring renting or purchasing a location. If you have any questions, or if you or someone you know might be able to help please contact (Curt 814-234-7731). The lower our costs, the more help we can be to our neighbors here in Centre county. Thank you for your ongoing partnership with Interfaith Human Services.

**BELL-RINGING at MEYER DAIRY IS ON!** The annual Wishing Well Campaign for Interfaith Human Services will take place at Meyer Dairy only from November 27 through Dec 23. St Luke's date to ring the bell will be Dec 23rd. Please consider signing up for one or more time slots from 9AM to 8PM. If you attend in-person worship, you may sign up on the form in the Narthex. If you worship at home but would like to sign up, call Alice Cromwell (814-531-4174) and she will add your name to the list and confirm your time slot.

## **Worship Volunteer Schedule - Thank you for your service to St. Luke!**

### **All Saints Day - November 1, 2020 at 10:30am**

Worship Assistant and Lector: Scott McAllister  
Offering Counters: Barb McAllister and Sue Royer  
Altar Flowers: Nancy and Jim Shunk  
Acolyte: Walt Schluter  
Head Usher (November): Jazmyne Shaffer

### **Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost - November 8, 2020 at 10:30am**

Lay Leader and Worship Assistant: Earl and Peg Leedy  
Offering Counters: Deb Frazier and Jim Shunk  
Altar Flowers: Ruth Luse  
Head Usher (November): Jazmyne Shaffer

### **Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost - November 15, 2020 at 10:30am**

Worship Assistant and Lector: Susan Stover  
Offering Counters: **Open and Open**  
Altar Flowers: **Open**  
Snow Shoveling 11/15-11/21: **Open**  
Head Usher (November): Jazmyne Shaffer

### **Christ the King Sunday - November 22, 2020 at 10:30am**

Worship Assistant and Lector: Shawn Lehman  
Offering Counters: Barb McAllister and Sue Royer  
Altar Flowers: **Open**  
Snow Shoveling 11/22-11/28: **Open**  
Head Usher (November): Jazmyne Shaffer

### **First Sunday of Advent - November 29, 2020 at 10:30am**

Worship Assistant and Lector: Evelyn Reeder  
Offering Counters: Deb Frazier and Jim Shunk  
Altar Flowers: **Open**  
Snow Shoveling 11/29-12/5: **Open**  
Head Usher (November): Jazmyne Shaffer

### **Second Sunday of Advent - December 6, 2020 at 10:30am**

Worship Assistant and Lector: Jim Shunk  
Offering Counters: **Open and Open**  
Altar Flowers: Virginia Struble  
Snow Shoveling 12/6-12/12: **Open**  
Head Usher (December): Larry Frazier

**If you are unable to attend the worship service you are scheduled for, please try to find a replacement and make the church office (814-364-9154) or the Head Usher aware of the change. Thank you!**







On November 1 & 8, St. Luke will collect a Love Offering for Tom Dutrow. Tom recently had brain surgery to remove a brain tumor. There is a special collection plate on the podium in the back of the sanctuary on Sundays. If you would like to mail a donation, please make check payable to St. Luke and mark Tom Dutrow Love Offering in the memo line.



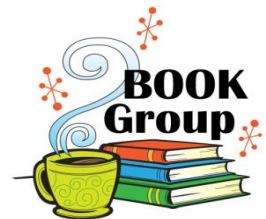
St. Luke Congregation,  
Thank you for your kindness and appreciation especially for clergy appreciation. It is always nice to have a pick-me-up and I truly appreciate the ministry we are in together.  
Thank you!

God Bless,  
Pr. Becky Horn



**Prayer Group and Lectionary Study** - We will gather in person in the social hall on November 4, 11, 18 & 25 at 10:00 am. Please wear a mask and bring a Bible so we can read through the upcoming lectionary texts before praying for those on our prayer list.

Our next book is *The Afterlife of Holly Chase* by Cynthia Hand . We will gather to discuss in person on Wednesday, November 11, 2020 at 8:30 am in the social hall.



**Sewing Group**—St. Luke's Sewing Group will ship 400 quilts and 81 School kits to Lutheran World Relief on November 1st. Currently the Sewing Group is meeting outside of the church building. If you would like to participate in the Sewing Group, please speak with Marjorie Korman for meeting details at 814-364-9189. You do not need to know how to sew, there is a job for everyone!



**FEED THE HUNGRY**

**Centre Hall/Potter Township Food Pantry** - Food Pantry Distribution will be held on **Tuesday, November 17, 2020** from 12:30-4pm at Grace United Methodist Church. If you, or someone you know, has lost their job due to COVID-19, you are welcome to attend the Food Pantry Distribution. If you have any questions, you may call the Food Pantry at 814-531-6151.

**Donations of Toilet Paper and Paper Towels are currently needed.** You may place donations in the bin in the narthex by **Sunday, November 15th.**

COVID-19 has required changes to the way the Food Pantry has traditionally worked. The orders will be prepared by a limited number of individuals to fulfill the social distancing requirement. This will remain in effect for future months until COVID-19 restrictions are lifted. We look forward to the day when we can gather as a family of community volunteers to serve those in need. God bless and stay healthy. - Erskine Cash

## ***Prayer Concerns***

*Pray for the recovery and the Lord's healing and peace on our brothers and sisters.*

Lee Kolos...back issues  
Emma Zimmerman...recov. from broken leg  
Dorothy Rudy...broken leg  
Dr. Post...diabetes issues  
Jackie Bouer...stage 4 pancreatic cancer  
Melvin and Jeanne Dutrow...strength and hope  
Melody Green...family concerns

Dorothy Chambers...brain tumor  
Family & Friends of Carl "Ed" Anderson, Jr.  
Rosemary Wherry...bladder cancer  
Tom Dutrow...recov. brain surgery  
Bob Ishler...cancer  
Jonathon Moyer...recov. back surgery

### **Ongoing Prayer Concerns:**

Paul Dietrich...cancer  
Jen Parsons...recov. from brain tumor  
Bryn Cashell...leukemia  
Greg Bohn...kidney issues  
Charlotte Miller...cancer  
Ginger...stager 4 colon cancer  
Don Brown...health concerns  
Vicki Garvin...kidney disease  
Jim Evans...health concerns  
Chuck Murphy...health concerns  
Robert Wendt...health concerns  
Ronnie Ticknor...leukemia  
Dave Ferree...continued healing  
Eileen Barnes...recov. hip replacement  
Mike Moyer...bladder cancer  
Patti Bramson...health concerns  
Linda Beiler...stage 4 colon cancer  
Michele Peese...melanoma  
Eddie...homelessness  
Staff & Residents of Care Facilities  
Belize Children...Susie Westby, Myrtle Tracy, Ashanti Obrien, Orlando Jackson, Stephanie Logan

Marvin Lehman, Jr....MS & kidney disease  
Robert Sauerwein...heart and health concerns  
Audrey Oakes...cancer  
Gordon Yearich...cancer  
Rycen Musser...leukemia  
Beverly Haines...recov. surgery  
Tanya Evens...health concerns  
TJ Coursen...cancer  
Mae Judy...health concerns  
Pat Krisch...cancer  
Will Wise...cancer  
Susie Wicker...breast cancer  
Silas Green...recov. brain surgery  
Sam Grove...recov. hip replacement  
Susan Hale...recov. hip replacement  
Brenda Stover...cancer/stroke  
All affected by Covid-19  
Heather Korman...recov. brain surgery  
Caryn Becker...health concerns

### **Please Pray for the health of our Homebound:**

Dorothy Chambers (Foxdale Village, 500 E. Marylyn Ave. State College, PA 16801—Rm 317 (814)954-8317)  
Donna Fetterolf (Wynwood House, Room 19, 122 Wynwood Dr, Centre Hall, PA 16828)  
Phyllis Kerlin (The Inn at Juniper Village, 1930 Cliffside Dr., Room 136, State College, PA 16801)  
Fred Lohr, Jr. (244 S. Pennsylvania Ave, Centre Hall, PA 16828 (814)364-9368)  
Emma Zimmerman (Lutheran Home at Hollidaysburg - Rm 213, 916 Hickory St, Hollidaysburg, PA 16648)

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADD OR REMOVE A PRAYER CONCERN:** You may fill out a prayer concern card located in the Narthex and place in the offering plate. You may also notify the church office of your prayer concerns by calling 814-364-9154 or emailing the church office at [StLuke364@verizon.net](mailto:StLuke364@verizon.net). Please remember that a prayer request will remain on the prayer list for three weeks unless otherwise noted as an ongoing concern. Ongoing prayer concerns will remain on the prayer list for three months. Also, please remember to notify the church office when someone is able to be removed from the prayer list. You may renew a prayer request as often as you wish. **Updated 10/29/2020**



# NOVEMBER

## Anniversaries

- Nov. 1 Donald and Dorothy Rudy  
 4 Robin and Liz McClenahan  
 8 Steven and Jennifer Eddinger  
 14 Thomas and Corrine Bebout  
 13 Doug and Jessica Roth  
 18 Bill and Lori Rossman  
 20 Ronald and Patricia Homan  
 28 Roy and Gay Homan

# NOVEMBER

## Birthdays

- Nov. 1 Sara Theodorous  
 Michael Sheaffer  
 Kelly Moran  
 2 Pamela Lohr  
 Sophia Parsons  
 4 Robert Long  
 6 Keith Luse, Jr.  
 Emily Sharer  
 7 Dwight Barnes  
 Deb Frazier  
 8 Lanny Johnson  
 Jameson Shawver  
 9 Travis Waltz  
 Heather Luse  
 10 Fred Burris  
 Alexandra Coen  
 Susan Wolfe  
 Shawna Begley-Peck  
 11 Cliff Waltz  
 12 Mindy Dutrow  
 David Bagrowski  
 13 Abbey Wolfe  
 14 Allene Wolfe  
 15 Jonas McClenahan  
 16 Rick Witmer  
 Gregory Reeder  
 17 Linda Sheaffer  
 18 Melissa Wolfe  
 19 Tasha Homan  
 Emma Bagrowski  
 21 Dorothy Chambers  
 22 Ruth Luse  
 23 Virginia Gummo  
 Larry Lukens

## November Birthdays Continued...

- 24 Lori Rossman  
 Sharon Musser  
 25 Dorothy Rudy  
 26 Carl Anderson IV  
 27 Jeffrey Denger  
 28 Kyleigh Brown  
 30 Peyton Homan



**Confirmation**

Congratulations to our youth who were confirmed on October 25th:

Joshua Davis Lieb  
 Colten Daniel Shunk



Dear St. Luke's Lutheran Church,

Thank you so much for your generous contribution of \$1,000 to the Penns Valley Education Foundation (PVEF). This donation will be used for our technology initiative, and will include the purchase of reliable internet connections and Chromebook laptops.

Your financial support will enable PVEF to benefit all of the students of the Penns Valley Area School District. We sincerely appreciate your generosity and dedication to our community's children, and we are very grateful for your assistance in helping to promote quality education.

Respectfully,  
 Patti Schwier, Secretary





## **Our next Council Meeting is Monday, November 9, 2020 at 7:00pm**

-Regular council Meetings are held in person on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month at 7:00 pm. Zoom is available for those who are unable to attend in person. The Council Executive Committee meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the Month (November 5th) at 6:30 pm over Zoom. If you are interested in attending a Council Meeting, please email Pr. Becky or Pres. Shari Welch for the Zoom login information.

**Council Members:** Shari Welch (21), President; Susan Stover (21), Vice-President, Kerry O'Hara (20), Secretary; Jack Sharer, Treasurer, Earl Leedy (20), Shawn Lehman (20), Evelyn Reeder (20), Don Anderson (21), Larry Frazier (21), Carla Cipro (22), Krystal Josephson (22), Jazmyne Shaffer (22) and Pat Strouse (22).

**Cemetery Association Board Representatives:** Michele Brown (20), Bob Long (21) and Joe Hammaker (22).

\*The numbers in parenthesis indicates the year their term is complete.

### **St. Luke Contact Numbers:**

Church Office	814-364-9154 or email at <a href="mailto:StLuke364@verizon.net">StLuke364@verizon.net</a>
Pastor, Rev. Becky Horn	215-208-5535 or email <a href="mailto:StLuke364Pastor@verizon.net">StLuke364Pastor@verizon.net</a>
Church Secretary, Patty Lehman	814-933-6296 or email: <a href="mailto:StLuke364@verizon.net">StLuke364@verizon.net</a>
Council President, Shari Welch	814-574-7009 or email: <a href="mailto:slg1@psu.edu">slg1@psu.edu</a>
Music Director, Susan Stover	814-349-5173 or email: <a href="mailto:smsgmnastx48@aol.com">smsgmnastx48@aol.com</a>
St. Luke Mailing Address	PO Box 331, Centre Hall, PA 16828
St. Luke Website	<a href="http://StLukeCentreHall.org">http://StLukeCentreHall.org</a>



**Looking ahead...** Please note that if you have news or articles for the **December** issue of the St. Luke Newsletter, please submit them to the church office no later than **Tuesday, November 19, 2020.**

### **ST LUKE TREASURER'S REPORT**

St. Luke's approved 2020 Budget: \$168,845.00

Income as of 10/25/2020: \$159,962.07 (94% of budget)

Expenses as of 10/25/2020: \$115,974.83 (68% of budget)

The income includes a CARES Act Paycheck Protection (forgivable) loan of \$22,182.00.



**Thank You** - Thank you for your continued contributions to our ministry at St. Luke. Pr. Becky continues to try to find different ways to serve the ministry needs. Council continues to find ways to meet the needs of the people in our congregation and our communities. Thank you for your financial support of our ministry together. You may continue to mail in your contributions to **St. Luke (PO Box 331, Centre Hall,**

**PA 16828)** or use the Vanco website by clicking the donate button on our St. Luke website

([stlukecentrehall.org](http://stlukecentrehall.org)). If you prefer to donate using your cell phone, see <https://www.vancopayments.com/giving/church-app> to download the mobile app. Thank you so much for your support and sharing of your gifts.

**\*If mailing, it is very important to use our PO Box 331 and NOT the street address. Thank you!**



Daylight Savings Time will end on November 1st.  
Don't forget to "Fall Back" 1 hour!



## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

**Council Nominations**— We are currently seeking nominations for those interested in serving on Church Council. We have 4 three-year term positions to be filled. These terms will begin January 2021. If you would like to nominate someone (including yourself), please speak with Shari Welch or Pastor Becky as soon as possible. Thank you.

**Congregational Meeting** - There will be a Congregational Meeting on Sunday, November 22, 2020 immediately following the 10:30am worship service to complete the vote for Council Elections and also to vote on a Bylaw to be added to the St. Luke Constitution that allows for digital congregational meetings as needed. Confirmed members who have communed and made a contribution of record in 2019 or 2020 shall be eligible to vote.



**Important - Please Note - Christmas Eve Survey:** We are asking the Congregation to fill out a short Christmas Eve In Person Worship Survey - Please click the below link and fill out by Wednesday, November 25th! Thank you!

<https://forms.gle/9XJWHFrMxso6cbEQ6>

**Advent Worship** - St. Luke will hold mid-week advent worship services on Wednesday, December 2, 9 & 16. We will use the Holden Evening Prayer.

## IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN...



St. Luke Lutheran Church will cancel all scheduled activities, including office hours, whenever the Penns Valley School District shuts down due to weather-related concerns. In addition to accessing weather-related closures on local television, the Penns Valley School District also posts closure information on its website which can be visited at [pennsvalley.org](http://pennsvalley.org). Should inclement weather affect Sunday worship, please check your email and Facebook page.

**Snow Shoveling**—If you are able to help with shoveling the church sidewalks when it snows, please sign up in the narthex on the sign up sheets. Sign-ups are for a week at a time; from Sunday through Saturday. Any questions, please speak with Larry Frazier or Pastor Becky.



Upper Room and Word In Season Devotionals and the Living Lutheran Magazine are available in the narthex.

# 2021 Synod Assembly Nominations

## Where is the Holy Spirit calling you?

Prayerfully consider how you can serve your Synod

### Synod Council

2 year Terms: 1 Lay Female, 1 Lay Male, 1 Clergy, 1 Youth (under 30)  
3 Year Terms: 1 Synod Vice President, 1 Synod Secretary, 2 Lay Female, 1 Lay Male, 3 Clergy

### Discipline Committee

4 Year Term: 1 Lay Female  
5 Year Terms: 1 Lay Male, 2 Clergy Male  
6 Year Term: 1 Clergy Male

### Consultation Committee

4 Year Term: 1 Lay Female  
5 Year Terms: 1 Lay Female, 1 Lay Male, 1 Clergy Female  
6 Year Term: 1 Clergy Male

### Mission Endowment Committee

3 Yr. Term: 2 Clergy/Lay, Male or Female  
2 Yr. Term: 2 Clergy/Lay, Male or Female  
1 Yr. Term: 2 Clergy/Lay, Male or Female

### Delegates for the 2022 ELCA General Assembly (August 8-13, 2022 in Columbus, OH)

1 Lay Female, 1 Lay Male, 1 Person of Color/ESL  
1 Youth (under 30), 1 Female Clergy, 1 Male Clergy

**For further questions or information about the various positions, please contact Pastor Drew McCaffery [blcpastor@atlanticbbn.net](mailto:blcpastor@atlanticbbn.net))**

## Duties of respective committees

### Synod Council (3 Yr. Term by Assembly Vote, Youth-2 Yr Term)

*Each person elected to the Synod Council shall be a voting member of a congregation of this synod, with the exception of ordained ministers on the roster of this synod who reside outside the territory of this synod. The process for election and the term of office when not otherwise provided shall be specified in the bylaws. A member of the Church Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, unless otherwise elected as a voting member of the Synod Council, may serve as an advisory member of the Synod Council with voice but not vote. Meetings are held Bi-Monthly (every other month) or if a special meeting is called by Bishop and/or council members.*

**Consultation Committee** (6 Yr. Term by Assembly Vote) *The Consultation Committee of this synod shall consist of at least six persons and not more than 12 persons, of whom half shall be ordained ministers and half shall be laypersons, who shall each be elected by the Synod Assembly for a term of six years without consecutive reelection. The functions of the Consultation Committee are set forth in Chapter 20 of the Constitution, Bylaws, and Continuing Resolutions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and in Chapter 17 of this Constitution. The size of the Consultation Committee, in accord with this provision, shall be defined in this synod's bylaws. Committee is on call at the request of the Bishop.*


### Discipline Committee (6 Yr Term by Assembly Vote)

*From the ELCA Constitution: There shall be set forth in the bylaws a process of discipline governing officers, ministers of Word and Sacrament, ministers of Word and Service, congregations, and members of congregations. Except as provided in 20.18. or 20.19., such process shall assure due process and due protection for the accused, other parties, and this church. Since synods have responsibility for admittance of persons into the rostered ministries of this church and have oversight of pastoral and congregational relationships, the disciplinary process shall be a responsibility of the synod on behalf of this church. Committee is on call at the request of the Bishop.*

# November 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> All Saints' Day Harvest Home Daylight-Savings Ends	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Election Day 	<b>4</b> Prayer Group & Lectionary Study Meeting 10am in the Social Hall.  Cub Scout Bear Den Meeting 6-7:30pm	<b>5</b> Zoom Council Executive Committee Meeting 6:30pm	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>     AA Meeting 7pm in Social Hall
<b>8</b> Harvest Home	<b>9</b>   Council Meeting 7:00pm in the Social Hall. (Zoom Available)	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Veterans Day Book Group Meeting at 8:30am in the Social Hall.  Prayer Group & Lectionary Study Meeting 10am in the Social Hall.	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>  Cub Scout Tiger Den Meeting 6-7:30pm	<b>14</b>     AA Meeting 7pm in Social Hall
<b>15</b>    Pack 20 Committee Meeting 6:30-8pm Social Hall	<b>16</b> 	<b>17</b>  Food Pantry Distribution 12:30-4pm at Grace UMC	<b>18</b> Prayer Group & Lectionary Study Meeting 10am in the Social Hall.  Cub Scout Bear Den Meeting 6-7:30pm	<b>19</b> December Newsletter Deadline	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>     AA Meeting 7pm in Social Hall
<b>22</b> Christ the King  <b>Congregational Meeting immediately following 10:30am worship service.</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Prayer Group & Lectionary Study Meeting 10am in the Social Hall.  <b>*Deadline to complete Christmas Eve Survey</b>	<b>26</b> Happy Thanksgiving! 	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>     AA Meeting 7pm in Social Hall
<b>29</b> 1st Sunday of Advent	<b>30</b> 	<b>Worship Services held each Sunday at 10:30am</b>  <b>Sunday School Classes held each Sunday at 9:15am</b>				





# Glad gatherings

The first Christians met together over a meal. Today church families still gather to break bread and thank God.

Follow the instructions below. Then write the remaining words in order from left to right and top to bottom to complete the verses.

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	They	found	broke	bread	acts	in
2	houses	their	homes	beautiful	and	round
3	ate	world	beginning	together	follow	thought
4	with	numbers	glad	happiness	leaves	and
5	thanks	sincere	disciples	gathering	hearts	tradition
6	celebrate	good	praising	Christian	God	river

Cross out all words in column E with double letters.  
 Cross out all words that are books of the Bible.  
 Cross out all words in column B that end in d.  
 Cross out all words in column A that have more than 4 letters.  
 Cross out all words in row 5 with 3 syllables.  
 Cross out all words in the table with 9 letters.  
 Cross out all words in column F with 2 or more vowels.

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Answer: They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God. Acts 2:46-47, NIV

# Puzzle!

Write the words below in alphabetical order inside the squares. Then read down the second column to discover the sentence that begins and ends Psalms 146, 147, 148, 149 and 150.

FEAST  
KHAKI  
MOUTH  
ESSAY  
LLAMA  
ORBIT  
CARRY  
UDDER  
BRUSH  
ITEMS  
APPLE  
LEARN  
CIDER

A				



Answer:

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Answer: Praise the LORD!

## Bible Quiz

After Jesus healed 10 men at one time, how many returned to thank him? What had been their ailment?

- A. five; blindness
- B. all 10; deafness
- C. one; possession by demons
- D. one; leprosy



Answer: D (See Luke 17:11-19.)



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