

GIFT of GRACE

LUTHERAN CHURCH

GRACE NOTES

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 16, 2022

A WORD FROM PT

Called to the ministry of evangelism by giving witness to Jesus we rightly recognize that we witness to Him by word and deed. The way we live our lives matters greatly. And here we are not just talking about moral rectitude, the avoidance of all manner of evil, but we are speaking about what we do positively. That is, the love, charity, and compassion that we show forth. Our actions are important. That said, we also need to give verbal witness. Yes, walk the walk. But it will be necessary also to talk the talk.

It is in verbally giving witness to our Lord and Savior that we benefit by becoming practiced in doing so. Let's

agree to call that 'faith talk'. Like any language it takes practice and usage to become more fluent.

I commend our brothers and sisters in the Evangelical Wing of the Protestant Church for usually being much better at 'faith talk' than are we. Part of the reason is the expectation in their fellowships for doing so, and the modeling of such talk by of all members, not just the clergy.

If I had any criticism of their fine example, it might be that it sometimes sounds a little canned and that there is a unique lingo that gets imitated and becomes repetitive. But hey, more of them are doing it.

What I would encourage our congregation to do is be intentional about talking more often of the Christian Faith and what you are hearing and learning God speak to you in His Word. Share this with believers, in your home and in and around the congregation. Get used to discussing such things where it is more comfortable so that you gain fluency that will help you to open up to those who are not a part of the Christian Faith Community. Become accustomed to saying Jesus's name aloud and speaking of what Christ has done for you and all people. Practice 'faith talk'...

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday - Tuesday, 11/14-15
PT at STS Chapter Retreat

Thursday, 11/17
10am LCMS Ministerium at Olivet Lu

Friday, 11/18
7am Men's Breakfast Bible Study

Sunday, 11/20 Christ the King Sunday
8am Choir Practice
9am Divine Service with Communion
10:15am Fellowship
10:45am Adult Christian Education

Tuesday, 11/22
7pm Thanksgiving Service

SINCE YOU ASKED...

What is the significance of Christ the King Sunday?

The Festival of Christ the King marks the end of the long season after Pentecost, and it anticipates the day when Christ will return and be revealed to everyone as

the rightful ruler of the world. The appointed lessons for the day make it clear that at the end of the age Christ will come in power and great glory. Previous to this we have known his gentle rule. We have known King Jesus as the one who shed his blood to

free us from the grips of sin and death. But when he comes again in glory he will come to judge the living and the dead. There will then be no doubt as to who the sovereign of the cosmos is!



Making Disciples for Life

LCMS (Lutheran Church Missouri Synod) (LCMS.org)

- we are in the process of becoming an official member congregation of the LCMS pending adoption of a new and approved Constitution.

THIS AND THAT...

Coming up in just a week! A Thanksgiving Divine Service a couple of days ahead of the National Day of Thanksgiving. We will gather on Tuesday, November 22 at 7pm. And then we will enjoy a slice of pie after the service.

The **Men's Breakfast** meets at 7am on Fridays over a hot breakfast and stimulating Bible Study.

The **Prayer Gathering** will not come together this week, November 17 or next week

on Thanksgiving Day, November 24.

The continued **livestreaming** is for those who cannot otherwise attend in person! It is a good outreach tool and a way for shut-ins to connect.

Don't forget non-perishable **Food Donations** for the Food Basket!

The Molstads are scheduled to clean the church the week of November 20. And the

Hansons will clean the week of December 18.

The November **Designated Benevolence** is for The Family and Children's Center.

Practice talking about our Lord Jesus and what you are being taught in Scripture with those who share the Christian with you. That way, you will become more fluent and better able to share the same with those who may be outside the Christian Faith.

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For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God. - Eph 2:8

HUMOR DEPARTMENT

Celebrations

Birthdays

Nov 22 Merl Wangen
 Nov 28 Heather Roll
 Nov 29 Sydney Hanson
 Nov 30 Cyndi Molstad
 Dec 1 Brad Benrud
 Dec 8 Sarah Kernan
 Dec 9 Cole Warner

Anniversaries

Recall Notice Part 1

The Maker of all humans is recalling all units due to a self-inflicted injury to the central component of the heart.

This disease is identified as "Sub Sequential Internal Non-Morality", more commonly known as S.I.N.

Some of the symptoms include:

1. Loss of direction
2. Foul and injurious vocal emissions

3. Amnesia of origin and identity
4. Lack of peace and joy
5. Self-centered, violent, and destructive behavior
6. Depression or confusion
7. Fearfulness
8. Idolatry
9. Rebellion with resistance to manufacturer's repairs and reprogramming

The Manufacturer, who is neither liable nor at fault for the self inflicted injury causing a defect, is providing factory authorized repair and service free of charge to correct the defect.

Next week the Recall Notice will continue with the Repair Technician, Jesus' role in the correction...

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

tbd (to be determined)

11/20 Christ the King Sunday
Asst Minister: Jeremy Schoonover
Reader: Jarrod Roll
Crucifer: Stella Roll
Acolyte: Jed Roll
Ushers: Dan Molstad
Counters: Naomi R/Cheryl R
Comm Asst: Tom Rislow
Accompanist: Leslie Duesenberg
Fellowship: the Rolfs
Livestreamer: Mike Meunier

11/22 Thanksgiving Service
Asst Minister: Leslie Duesenberg
Reader: Brad Benrud
Crucifer: not needed

Acolyte: not needed
Ushers: Cheryl Ruud
Counters: not needed
Comm Asst: Jeremy Schoonover
Accompanist: Tom Rislow
Fellowship: people brining pies
Livestreamer: Jeremy Schoonover

11/27 First Sunday in Advent
Asst Minister: Naomi Rislow
Reader: Paula Betlach
Crucifer: Benjamin Roll
Acolyte: Asher Roll
Ushers: Tim Betlach
Counters: Dan M/Paula B
Comm Asst: Jarrod Roll

Accompanist: Leslie Duesenberg
Fellowship: the Schoonovers
Livestreamer: Jarrod Roll

12/4 Second Sunday in Advent
Asst Minister: Mike Meunier
Reader: Craig Bartos
Crucifer: Dawson Staff
Acolyte: Drew Staff
Ushers: Paula Betlach
Counters: Jeremy S/Tim B
Comm Asst: Tim Betlach
Accompanist: Tom Rislow
Fellowship: Heidi Traver
Livestreamer: Cole Warner

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 a block west of King Furniture