

ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH

November, 2020

BREATHE..... and GIVE THANKS

Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

This letter may be more of a devotion that I needed to hear, but I pray it is one that you are needing in your life also. By the time you receive this letter, it will be days before the election. The pace of life with the election process, the weightiness of the Corona Virus, the buzz in the stores as they ready for a fast-paced frenzy for the holidays is all too much. I got into my car behind the wheel and before starting the ignition, I took a deep, deep breath to slow myself down and let God back in the driver's seat. As I started the car, the radio blasted a quiet message into my head and on my heart, the very words I was speaking to myself – “Be still and know that I am God.”

Autumn has finally fully arrived. The days begin with a little later sunrise and a cool, crisp nip to the air can be felt and breathed in. We can again throw open wide the doors to our homes, workplaces and worship spaces. It is a time to breathe in the renewing breath of the Creator of Life and exhale with the whisper of praise on our lips.

Early mornings can now find me throwing open the front door, opening the windows in my room and taking in a deep, hungry breath of fresh air. It is a breath so craved it might be diagnosed by the right (or wrong) physician or psychiatrist as a fresh air addiction. But, this hunger, this desire to take in this deep breath is so much more. It is my morning offering of worship and praise to Creator God and Father and my Savior, Jesus Christ. It is my breathing in of the Holy Spirit to guide my words and actions for the day. It is the moment each day I am sure to experience sacred joy.

This same sacred joy can be witnessed on autumn Sunday mornings at places of worship. The doors to our churches are opened wide (I pray) to bring in refreshing, renewing air and to welcome in all those looking forward to breathing in Father, Son and Holy Spirit. These open doors add an extra vitality and loving joy to the greetings exchanged between brothers and sisters in Christ as we enter into corporate worship. Within the sacred joy of worship, we gather together confessing our heartfelt indiscretions, hearing God's word, both read and preached, and singing hymns of praise. The whispers on lips become voices raised in song. The breath of God of all Creation is inhaled and thank you is exhaled. Grace is present and Christ literally enters into us in bread and wine.

How can we not give thanks!

As we enter into the celebration of our American Thanksgiving, I encourage you to take time to breathe, to breathe deeply. Throw open the doors to your spaces and to your heart and spirit. Breathe in the refreshing, renewing goodness of God, the spirit of sacred joy and the promise kept. Give thanks for every life sustaining breath and for the gift of God's holy breath within you.

OK, are you ready? 1...2...3..... Take a deep breath..... Breathe..... and Give Thanks!
Servants together,
Pr. Paul <><

p.s. Did you know? The turkey was almost our national bird. Wild turkeys are the direct ancestors of the domestic turkey many of us eat for Thanksgiving. Had it been up to Benjamin Franklin, the turkey we carve for Thanksgiving dinner might have been our national bird.

p.s.s. - Did you know that Luther said. . . . ??? For what God gives I thank indeed; What He withholds I do not need

Thursday, November 19 @ 6:30 p.m. – ASLC Night at the Movies presents –” The Blind

Side” - Faith, family, football: Sounds like the trappings of a sincere Thanksgiving movie. Disney's retells the real-life story led by stalwart matriarch Leigh Anne Tuohy (Sandra Bullock) as she assumes guardianship of Michael Oher, who goes from homeless teenager to first-round draft pick.



Personal Worship continues in November!

All Saints Lutheran Church will continue to worship in person with less than 50 persons in attendance.

Procedures for worship:

- ◆ **Please come to worship before 10:00. Since seating distance is important, arriving on time helps all of us stay safe. Please do not visit before or after worship in the sanctuary or narthex.**
- ◆ **Masks are mandated by the state for the next 30 days. Please enjoy worship with your mask in place. Beverage only fellowship will resume after the mandate has been lifted.**

Please understand that the council and worship committee are working to provide a safe environment for each of you. You may be asked to do things a bit differently. Please have patience and understanding as we navigate our new procedures. Most importantly, **if you do not feel comfortable joining in person OR if you feel ill OR have a temperature, stay home.** We will pray for you in your absence. Please follow the guidelines that the council has established. Each of us is responsible for our own health, so please exercise common sense.

- ◆ When arriving at church, expect the greeter to have hand sanitizer for you to use before entering.
- ◆ You may be asked to pick up your bulletin.
- ◆ Your offering may be dropped into offering plates at the sanctuary door before worship begins. In this prolonged closure, regular giving is needed now more than ever. The usher will present the offering as usual.
- ◆ The ushers will direct you and your family to a specified seat. Even if it is “not your seat,” please sit as the ushers direct you.
- ◆ Communion, as always, is optional. Communion will begin from the back rows of the church. Please stay seated until the usher allows you to enter the center aisle. Please maintain distance in the center aisle. You will be offered hand sanitizer before taking communion.
- ◆ At the end of service, ushers will dismiss the congregation by rows. Please wait until your row has been dismissed. Maintain distance from others when exiting.
- ◆ Leave the Sanctuary and the Narthex immediately after worship. Visit outside of the church and follow recommended spacing.

Please do not bring any food or beverages into the sanctuary.

**GIVE THANKS
TO THE LORD
FOR HE IS GOOD**
His LOVE endures FOREVER!!!

Council Meeting Highlights October 13, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Don McMillan.

Members present: Sharon Johnson, Joel Magnuson, Don McMillan, Don Ranta, Marj Seely, and Michelle Specht

Individual silent prayers were followed by devotions by Pastor Paul.

The meeting agenda was presented and approved. New business was moved to the beginning of the agenda.

The September minutes were approved.

New Business:

- ◆ The council entertained a request for the use of the church for the Rose Garden Club. Guest speakers would be a regular feature at these meetings.
- ◆ A guest speaker from the Synod via Zoom discussed new ventures for All Saints. The council will be discussing these possibilities.
- ◆ We will host a special fellowship for Reformation Sunday to welcome new members. Marj will prepare the cake and Marilyn will assist. Janell will organize. We will then continue with no fellowship until the mask mandate is lifted.
- ◆ Budget items are needed for the next meeting..
- ◆ Annual committee reports are due for the annual meeting.

Old Business:

- ◆ November 14 from 9 to noon has been set to clear weeds before winter. Please volunteer.

Committee Reports were given.

- ◆ Worship Committee continues to meet.

Sharon Johnson presented the treasurer's report. It was moved and seconded to approve. Motion passed.

Financial Report

January 1, 2020 through September 30, 2020

Total Income: \$70,533.00

Total Expenses: \$67,948.00

\$2,585.00

September, 2020:

Total Income: \$7,940.00

Total Expenses: \$6,729.00

\$1,211.00

Praises and prayers followed.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Next council meeting is November 10, at 6:00 p.m.

Yours in Christ, Don McMillan, President

Seeking New Council Members

Joel Magnuson is leaving the council this year. Thank you, Joel, for your past six years of service! The Nominating Committee, Glenn Haupt, Duane Johnson and Niles Riese, would be willing to answer your questions about volunteering to be placed on the ballot for this important position in our church. The by-laws allow for nine members. Two new council members could be elected at the December annual meeting to bring the council to full force.

Craft and Bake Sale November 6 and 7

Volunteers are needed to help move tables, organize and reorganize sale items, price sale items including baked goods, assist customers; and restore the Fellowship Hall at the conclusion of the sale. Please sign up on the sheet in the fellowship hall or **call Janell Riese to volunteer.**

Items are needed for the craft fair! In the past we have sold jewelry, quilts, cards, fire starters, original art work, wood crafted toys, furniture, cutting boards, wall hangings, birdhouses, plant stands, home-canned jams and jellies, and knitted and crocheted hats, scarves, potholders, etc. We are also looking for antique items, including Christmas décor. **If you have hand-crafted items that you would like to donate to the craft fair, please tell Janell Riese.**

Traditionally, the monies generated from the craft fair have been used to assist non-profits in the community. The monies generated from the yard sale were used to support All Saints with paper and kitchen supplies and special purchases. Since we did not have a yard sale this past spring, the decision about allocating the funds raised from the craft sale will be made at the January meeting.

Set up for the craft fair will begin on November 3. The fair will begin on November 6 at 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. It will continue on Saturday from 9:00 until 1:00. Plan now to help with this event.



Stewardship

Pledge cards and letters were given to or sent to approximately 48 giving units within the All Saints Lutheran Church family. In addition testimonials/temple talks were provided during services for five Sundays prior to Consecration Sunday. At this time 27 pledges for 2021 with a total amount of \$61,076 have been received. There is a chance that another pledge or two might still be coming. The number of pledges is up from 2020 but the total amount pledged is less by a few thousand dollars. Thank you for pledging to All Saints!



**WORKDAY AT THE
CHURCH**

**November 14
Outside Work Day
9:00 to noon**

Help pull weeds and spruce up the outside of the church before winter sets in.

Looking For a Way to Deepen Your Worship Experience?

For many people, looking at the Bible readings before Sunday helps put the message in the context of their lives. As you read the lessons, ask yourself: Is there anything in the readings that relate to your life right now? Is there anything that surprises you in the readings? Disturbs you? Try doing this and see if following this on a weekly basis strengthens your personal faith life, and deepens your worship experience.

The Lessons for Worship in November

These are the Bible readings that we will hear during our worship services this month. They are provided that you might use them for personal devotion and meditation.

November 1, All Saints Day

Revelation 7:9-17
Psalm 34:1-10, 22
1 John 3:1-3
Matthew 5:1-12

November 8, 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

Amos 5:18-24
Psalm 70
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Matthew 25:1-13

November 15, 24th Sunday after Pentecost

Zephaniah 1:12-18
Psalm 90:1-12
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
Matthew 25:14-30

November 22, Christ the King Sunday

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24
Psalm 95:1-7a
Ephesians 1:15-23
Matthew 25:31-46

November 26, Thanksgiving

Deuteronomy 8:7-18
Psalm 65
2 Corinthians 9:6-15
Luke 17:11-19

November 29, First Sunday in Advent

Isaiah 64:1-9
Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Mark 13:24-37



Position Open

Interested in coordinating the decorating of the Sanctuary and Narthex for Advent? Decorating will take place November 27 or 28 to be in place by November 29. This includes decorating two Christmas trees in the Sanctuary and one in the Narthex, setting up the Nativity scenes, placing the wreaths at the entrance. The coordinator will have volunteers from the church to assist. Tell a member of the Worship Committee, Joel, Olinda, Pastor Paul or Janell if you are interested.

Please pray for those from our congregation and our friends

From Our Congregation:

Sonja Anders Roger Grudt
Joyce Jensen Claudia Kellogg
Ardis Kelly Marilyn Liebetrau
Lee Martinson Nancy Mills
Jack Prosser Pastor Paul
John Realph Peggy Saxton

Our Family and Friends:

Robert Cederberg (Son of Nelson and Marilyn)
Dick Hamilton (Friend of Pastor Paul and Jesse)
Barbaral Howdershell (Paul Howdershell's daughter)
Kathleen Yeater (Carolyn's friend)
Rev. Ralph Nelson (Reever's friend)
Stacy Brady (Patzner's daughter)
Everette Johnson (McKinney's friend)
Marilyn McDonald (Friend of All Saints)
Fire Victims
Alice Briggs (Marj's sister)
Hatsuko West (Shannon's mother)
Cristi Rivero (Barb's daughter)
Nadine Bell (Doris Babbel's aunt)
Sherrie Foster (Elaine and Arlene's niece)
Maria Martinez (Wendy Harrah's friend)

Jody Seely (Marj's daughter-in-law)
Craig Tutura (McMillan's friend)
Gary Erbes (Pastor's cousin)
Shirley Hughes (Rosalee's daughter-in-law)
Mandy Colbaugh (McMillan's friend)
Mark Hausman (Marj's son-in-law)
Adam Kamerzell (Pastor Paul's cousin)
Father Tom
Ernie Puls (Arlene's husband)
Bill and Carol Braun (Kellogg's friends)
Lyle Moldrem (Sharill's brother)
Susan Martin (Mindy's mother)
Lee Ann Brewer (Gigi's friend)
Dallas Jensen (Joyce's husband)
Mike Calhoun (Kellogg's friend)

Our Service Men and Women:

Austin Applekamp (Scott and Gail's son)
David Boyd (Don & Gigi McMillan's nephew)
Jeremiah and Joshua Specht (Specht's sons)
William Westcott (Marj's grandson-in-law)

Traveling:

In Mourning, Family and Friends of:

Ada Boelter



**Movie Night,
November 19, 6:30 p.m.
Faith, Family and Football**

The remarkable true story of Michael Oher, a homeless African-American youngster from a broken home, taken in by the Touhys, a well-to-do white family who help him fulfill his potential. At the same time, Oher's presence in the Touhys' lives leads them to some insightful self-discoveries of their own. Living in his new environment, the teen faces a completely different set of challenges to overcome.



**Book Bible Study
November 10, 2:00 p.m.**

For the next three months, we will join in a study of the Book of Isaiah. The book is divided into three parts: judgement, comfort, and justice. Come to share and learn. We will start with judgement, Chapters 1—39.

NOVEMBER SUNDAY WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

	1 Communion	8	15 Communion	22 Communion	29
Worship Leader	Pastor Paul	Pastor Paul	Pastor Paul	Pastor Paul	Pastor Paul
Liturgy Assistant	Joel	Don	Marj	Diane Haupt	Joel
Communion Assistant	Joel		Marj	Diane Haupt	
Communion Bread	Marj		Marj	Marj	
Organist	Don	Don	Don	Don	Don
Pianist	Olinda	Olinda	Olinda	Olinda	Olinda
Altar Guild	Shannon		Alice		
Readers	Joel	Marj	Jesse	Wilma	Shannon
Ushers	Bret	Lloyd	Niles	Don	
Greeters	Michelle	Marilyn	Janell	Linda	
Stewards	Erich/Janell	Glenn/Don Mc	Karen/ Don R	Lloyd/ Michelle	Don Mc/ Janell
Fellowship					

To provide refreshments for Fellowship, please sign up on the white board by the kitchen window or call Janell, 835-3928. To usher or greet at worship, sign up on the white board on the cupboard in the back of the sanctuary. Help your congregation by offering your time.

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All Saints Special Occasions for November

Birthdays: 11/4, Janell Riese 11/5 Rosalee Ring 11/12 Robert Young 11/12 Marilyn Liebetrau
11/27 Ron Nielsen 11/30 Don Ranta

Baptismal Birthdays: 11/15 Jordyn Huff 11/16 Wyatt Smith

Anniversaries: 11/27/1999 Lee and Carol Martinson



ALL SAINTS QUICK INFORMATION

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Council Officers & Committee Chairs:

Don McMillan, President and Building and Property Chair

Joel Magnuson, Vice President and Worship Chair

Michelle Specht, Secretary

Sharon Johnson, Treasurer

Marilyn Liebetrau, Outreach Chair

Don Ranta, Stewardship Chair

Wyatt Smith, Education Chair

Marj Seely, Financial Secretary

Memorial Fund: Executive Committee

Finance Committee: Treasurer, Financial Secretary, and Executive Committee

Non-Council Committee Chairs:

Fellowship, Janell Riese

Readers, Olinda Patzer

Ushers and Greeters: Niles Riese and Bret Specht

Altar Guild: Alice Spika, Shannon Fritchman, Claudia Kellogg

Prayer Chain, Claudia Kellogg

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Janell Riese, Carolyn Goller and Claudia Kellogg

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Joel Magnuson

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**Please notify Pastor Paul if you or someone
in your family is entering the hospital or needs pastoral care.**

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