

American Lutheran Church (LCMC)

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→ Please stand as you are able. WOV: With One Voice, the blue hymn book.

LBW: Lutheran Book of Worship, the green hymn book.

Prelude Music

We prepare our hearts for worship.

Recognition of Veterans

Welcome and the Sharing of God's Peace

+ Confession and Forgiveness

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LEADER: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

LEADER: Almighty God, to Whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

LEADER: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for personal reflection.

LEADER: Most merciful God...

ALL: ...we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart: we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy Name. Amen.

Announcement of forgiveness.

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Greeting Page 57 LBW

LEADER: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

ALL: And also with you.

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LEADER: In peace, let us pray to the LORD.

ALL: LORD, have mercy.

LEADER: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the LORD.

ALL: LORD, have mercy.

LEADER: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the LORD.

ALL: LORD, have mercy.

LEADER: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the LORD.

ALL: LORD, have mercy.

LEADER: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious LORD.

ALL: Amen!

Pages 58-59 LBW

LEADER: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth!

ALL: LORD God, heavenly King, Almighty God and Father: We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, LORD God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

□ A Hopeful Blessing

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LEADER: The LORD be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

ALL: We give You thanks, LORD God, for all the saints who ever worshiped You — whether in forest clearings or towering cathedrals, weathered wooden churches or crumbling clay meeting houses — wherever Your name was lifted and adored! They left their mark on this world for You, for us, and for our children to come. Thank You, Christ Jesus, for encouraging them to sacrifice, to share Your perfect love by following Your example. Bless our memories of these saints, O LORD. May we learn to walk wisely from their faith, dedication, worship, and compassion! Amen.

First Reading

Zephaniah 2:1-3

Psalm 25:8-12

READER: 08 The LORD is good and does what is right; He shows the proper path to those who go astray.

ALL: 09 He leads the humble in doing right, teaching them His way.

READER: 10 With unfailing love and faithfulness, the LORD leads all who keep His covenant and obey His demands.

ALL: 11 For the honor of Your name, O LORD, forgive my many, many sins.

READER: 12 Who are those who revere the LORD? He will show them the path they should choose!

Second Reading

Philippians 2:1-5

→ 1 Reading Response

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ALL: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia!

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LEADER: This is the holy gospel of Matthew, the eleventh chapter.

ALL: Glory to You, O LORD!

Matthew 11:28-30

LEADER: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to You, O Christ!

Children's Sermon

Sermon "A Slice of Humble Pie"

→ The Apostles Creed

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ALL: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of Heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into Heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

A Moment of Silence Honoring the Saints

- † Sophie Abrahamson, aunt of Deb Fearing and Marlyne Klinder
- † LeRoy Chapin, father to Bob and Tammie Chapin
- † Esther Christensen, sister of John Hasse
- † Wendel Christensen, brother-in-law of John Hasse
- † Harlan and Lulu Darkenwald, who the LORD called Home together

- † Harriett Dewley, sister-in-law of Gloria Larsen
- † Eugene Epling, husband of Vickie
- † Norma Fox, wife of Bob Fox
- † Ryan Hall, son of Blain Hall
- † Joshua Holman, son of Pat and Jenna, grandson of Mary and Al
- † Dorothy Hortness, wife of Stan
- † Clara Johnson, aunt of Jane Hasse
- † DelRay Johnson, sister of Sy Thole
- † Evelyn Kratzner, mother of Karen Bakewicz
- † Lee Olson, brother of Kirk Olson
- † Nettie Pederson, mother of Vicki Simpson
- † Sonny Peterson, nephew of Donna Schneekloth
- † Laurie Poegel, wife of Marvin Poegel
- † Marilyn Schaefbauer, sister of Jan Richter
- † James Schrader, brother of Frank and uncle of Teresa Pachan
- † Leroy Schultz, brother of Donna Schneekloth

□ Offering Hymn "For All the Saints" (verses 1-4)

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→ 1 The Offering Response

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ALL: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence, and take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

The Words of Institution

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□ Communion Hymns

"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"	#467 LBW
"My Country, 'Tis of Thee"	#566 LBW
"Rise, O Children of Salvation"	#182 LBW

Prayers of the People

LEADER: LORD, in Your mercy...

ALL: ...hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

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ALL: Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever! Amen.

Benediction

A word of blessing.

☐ Closing Hymn "For All Your Saints, O Lord"

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Postlude

We depart in peace, ready to serve the LORD!

The Mission Statement of American Lutheran Church

Led by the Holy Spirit and strengthened by the Gospel of Jesus Christ, we seek to make the Kingdom of God real and present in our world through ongoing worship, witness, and service.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

Visitors are welcome to sign our guest book in the narthex gathering area. If you are looking for a church home, please contact Pastor Ethan or talk to one of the ushers about our American Lutheran Church family!

Our current prayer list includes Deb Adamek, Marlys Arenson, Lee Fearing, Stephanie James, Kay Larson, Linda Maus, Karen Ness, Rose Thorp, Sharon Wiegers, and Tom Wiegers.

Today's KEYL Radio Broadcast of our worship service is sponsored by Joan Faust in memory of Harlan Faust. Thank you for ensuring God's Word can reach people over the airwaves!

If you would like to sponsor a broadcast, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex. The cost is \$75. Thank you!

Please consider signing up to serve as an usher or greeter. Sign-up sheets are on the wall in the back of the sanctuary. See Mark and Teresa Pachan, Head Ushers, with any questions.

Bible Readings for Next Week: November 14, 2021

Jeremiah 18:1-6, 11-12 2 Corinthians 4:5-7

Psalm 139:13-17 John 3:3-6

Sermon by Chaplain David Greaver

Worship Leaders

Pastor: Ethan Fearing Organist: Ruth Zinter

Altar Guild: Marlyne Klinder Acolyte: Hunter Katterhagen

Deacon: Larry Adamek Reader: Julie Schultes

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All boards and committees, please submit your 2020 budget requests as soon as possible so that the Trustees can begin preparing the budget for 2022.

Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service will be Wednesday, November 24th at 6:00 pm.

Mama Marla's Hike-It or Bike-It Sign-Up Sheets are on the easel in the narthex. Sign up to purchase gifts for children in Todd County that are less fortunate.

Have you noticed the Daily Text 2022 poster? Have you reserved your copy by signing your name? What about ordering one for a friend? Read and share together? Deadline soon...next Sunday!!

The November issue of The Daily Walk and copies of Our Daily Bread are on the small table at the rear of the sanctuary.

Help! We need people to help usher on Sunday mornings. Please sign up on the sheet at the rear of the sanctuary. Thank you!

REMINDER, for record keeping purposes as per our ALC constitution: Please fill out a communion card once each year. The cards are found in the racks in the pews. Filled out cards can be placed in the offering plate or given to an usher. THANK YOU!

From the Nominating Committee, if you are asked to serve in one of our church's elected positions (President, Vice-President, Secretary, Financial Secretary, Treasurer, Deacon, Trustee, Youth & Family committee, Board of Education, etc.) please pray about it and ask for the Lord's guidance.

Shoebox Announcements

Our Sunday School Shoebox Packing Party *is toda*y during Sunday school time. Children will prepare "Let's Be Friends" coloring sheets, fill

boxes & have snacks! Parents, grandparents, older siblings or even friends from other churches are all welcome to help!

<u>Items sorting & packing day is tomorrow!</u> Preparation/organization for final packing will begin at 10:00 AM. It is also my 80th birthday & *I* want to celebrate throughout the day by having birthday cake! If you can just drop in or if you can help for awhile, please come! If you want

to bring a "gift" please make it an donation for our Shoeboxes! Any filler item or \$\$ donations for shipping/Greatest Journey/education costs would be appreciated! My birthday wish / anticipation is for our greatest ALC year ever!

If you can help throughout the day, let's plan a potluck lunch at 12:30! Filling boxes will begin at 5:00 PM. Elementary-age children through Octagenarians OR OLDER can help!!

For the 8th year, ALC will serve as a Drop-off Center. The following ALC Center information is given on the Samaritan's Purse website:

Mon, & Wed. Nov. 15 & 17: 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Tue & Thur Nov. 16 & 18: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Fri, Nov. 19: 2:30 PM-5:30 PM Sat, Nov. 20: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM
Sun, Nov. 21: 10:30 AM - 2:00 PM
Mon, Nov. 22: 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

A sign-up schedule is posted in the narthex for 1-2 volunteers to help during Drop-Off Center collection times on November 15-22. Time slots on the week days & Saturday are 2 hrs, 3.5 hrs Sunday following worship or 2 hrs on the morning of the 22nd. Please sign up to help or contact Blanche Tirk!

We have been assured that transportation for the Shoeboxes to Monticello on Nov. 22 will again be provided by our AWESOME Mark Hasse. He has once again challenged us to FILL his truck. Share the Shoebox news with friends and family outside of ALC to help us meet Mark's challenge.

If you want to volunteer in <u>any way or have ideas to share</u>, please contact Blanche Tirk at 732-3765!

CHURCH OUTREACH

Missionaries: Dan and Nancy Butkowski; Dwight and Dorothy Hazard; Chris Mikkelson.

Prayer Partners is our confidential chain of prayer. To request a prayer, send an e-mail to prayer@americanlutheranchurch.org. If you would like your name added or removed from the Prayer Partners' e-mail list, contact Patty Ostendorf or Becky Hillig.

Our Mission Focus for November....is Dan & Nancy Butkowski with CRU.

Weekly Report:

Worship Attendance for last week: 145

General Fund receipts for last week: \$5,566.00 General Fund budgeted weekly needs: \$4,617.37 General Fund Year to Date (YTD) as of 9/30/21:

Budgeted needs: \$180,451.26

Receipts: \$168,600.54

Actual expenses: \$157,162.59

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YOUTH & FAMILY

November 7th, 2021

SAVE THE DATE November 10th and 17th: Quest Kids at First Baptist

November 21st: Mission Trip Interest Meeting

November 24th: No Quest Kids due to Thanksgiving Holiday

November 28th: Church Family Advent Festival



Church Family Advent Festival

November 28 at 10:15

Stay after worship to help decorate the church for Advent!

Bring something to share for a potluck meal at noon.



How's life? Want to talk about it?
Feel free to contact me.
Kari Christians (320)533-3021
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Mission Trip Interest Meeting

We will have a brief mission trip interest meeting after worship on November 21st. We will meet in the basement. Bring a parent and your questions!

This trip would be for current 6th-12th graders and would take place summer of 2022.

CALLING ALL PEOPLE OF GOD!

9.12.2021

SUNDAY SCHOOL IS BACK AND WE ARE LOOKING FOR TEACHERS!

YOU CAN TEACH FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR OR A 3 MONTH PERIOD FOR THE FOLLOWING AGE GROUPS:

2 YEARS OLD — KINDERGARTEN IST GRADE — 3RD GRADE

IF GOD HAS PUT IT ON YOUR HEART TO TEACH,
PLEASE REACH OUT TO A BOARD OF ED MEMBER (JODY ELLINGSON, JULIE
ATKINSON, LAURIE BARTHEL, ALYSSA FEARING) OR CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE.

SIGN UP FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL AND SALT & LIGHT CARE PACKAGES

ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN A CLASS FROM AGE 2-18. CHILDREN AGES 2-3 SHOULD ATTEND WITH AN ADULT. SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS SEPTEMBER 12TH AND WILL RUN FROM 10:15-11:15AM THROUGH MAY.

WE LOVE OUR ALC KIDS!

CREATE GODLY RELATIONSHIPS AND SIGN UP YOUR SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDENT TO RECEIVE CARE PACKAGES FROM AN ALC MEMBER!

REGISTER YOUR CHILD FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL AND SALT & LIGHT BY SCANNING THE QR CODE WITH YOUR PHONE'S CAMERA



Weekly Schedule at American Lutheran Church

Sun. Nov. 7th Daylight Savings Time Ends

9:00 am Worship Service with Communion

10:15 am Sunday School Shoebox Packing Party

10:15 am What About ?" Adult Bible Study

Mon. Nov. 8th 8:00 am Organizing Shoeboxes

12:30 pm Shoebox Potluck

5:00 pm Packing Shoeboxes

5:30 pm Audio-Visual Committee Meeting

6:30 pm Youth Worship Team Practice

Tue. Nov. 9th 9:00 am Staff Meeting

Wed. Nov. 10th 9:30 am Esther Circle

5:30 pm Family Night Supper

5:50 pm Confirmation Class

6:00 pm Quest Kids at Baptist Church

6:30 pm Choir Practice

8:00 pm Church Council Meeting

Sun. Nov. 14th 9:00 am Worship Service

10:15 am Sunday School

10:15 am What About ?" Adult Bible Study

11:15 am Board of Education Meeting

7:00 pm Bible Readers Meeting

Sunday worship services are radio broadcast on KEYL 1400 AM and 103.1 FM, live-streamed on Facebook, and posted with video recordings of services later on website.