

The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd

Holy Eucharist Thanksgiving Service November 8, 2026

At harvest time we join the psalmist in offering thanksgiving to God: "You crown the year with your goodness, and your paths overflow with plenty." We are grateful for the abundance of the good things of God's creation. Paul reminds us that our thanksgiving overflows into generosity. As the body of Christ in the world, we give ourselves away as bread for the hungry.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude

The assembly stands at the ringing of the bell.
At the entrance of the Nave

Invocation

P In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Apostolic Greeting

P In the name of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C And also with you.

Confession and Forgiveness

P My brothers and sisters, to prepare ourselves to celebrate these sacred mysteries, let us call to mind our sins.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord, have mercy.
C Lord, have mercy.

P You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy.
C Christ, have mercy.

P You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: Lord, have mercy.
C Lord, have mercy.

P In great mercy God has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. In obedience to our Lord's command, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

GATHERING SONG **ELW 693**
Come Ye Thankful People, Come ST. GEORGES, WINDSOR

1 Come, ye thankful people, come; raise the song of harvest home.
All be safely gathered in ere the winter storms begin.
God, our maker, doth provide for our wants to be supplied.
Come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.

2 All the world is God's own field, fruit unto his praise to yield;
wheat and tares together sown, unto joy or sorrow grown.
First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear.
Lord of harvest, grant that we wholesome grain and pure may be.

3 For the Lord our God shall come and shall take his harvest home;
from his field shall in that day all offenses purge away;
give his angels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,
but the fruitful ears to store in his garner evermore.

4 Even so, Lord, quickly come to thy final harvest home.
Gather then thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin,
there, forever purified, in thy garner to abide.

Come, with all thine angels come, raise the glorious harvest home!

Entrance Antiphon

P Sing and play music in your hearts to the Lord.

C Always giving thanks for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. ***(Ephesians 5: 19-20)***

Canticle Of Praise



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Almighty God our Father, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

The assembly may be seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING **DEUTERONOMY 8: 7-18**

Times of abundance tempt us to forget God and rely on our own power and resources. But God is the one who took Israel out of Egypt, led and fed them in the wilderness, brought them into the land, and gave them power to be productive. To thank this God is to remember and proclaim God's deeds.

A reading from Deuteronomy.

7 "The LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams,
with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, 8 a land of
wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive oil and
honey, 9 a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack
nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper.
10 You shall eat your fill and bless the LORD your God for the good land that he has
given you.

11 "Take care that you do not forget the LORD your God by failing to keep his
commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes that I am commanding you
today. 12 When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in
them 13 and when your herds and flocks have multiplied and your silver and gold
is multiplied and all that you have is multiplied, 14 then do not exalt yourself,
forgetting the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of
the house of slavery, 15 who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an
arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you
from flint rock. 16 He fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did
not know, to humble you and to test you and in the end to do you good. 17 Do not
say to yourself, 'My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this
wealth.' 18 But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to
get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors,
as he is doing today."

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 65

The antiphon will be sung by the cantor and repeated by the congregation. The antiphon is then repeated as indicated **R***.*



[1] You are to be praised, O | God, in Zion;
to you shall vows | be fulfilled.
[2] **To you, the one | who answers prayer,**
to you all | flesh shall come.
[3] Our sins are strong- | er than we are,
but you blot out | our transgressions.
[4] **Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your | courts to dwell there!**
They will be satisfied by the beauty of your house, by the holiness | of your temple. R

[5] Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness, O God of | our salvation,
O hope of all the ends of the earth and of the oceans | far away.
[6] **You make firm the mountains | by your power;**
you are girded a- | bout with might.
[7] You still the roaring | of the seas,
the roaring of their waves, and the clamor | of the peoples.
[8] **Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your | marvelous signs;**
you make the dawn and the dusk to | sing for joy.
[9] You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very plenteous; the river of God is | full of water.
You prepare the grain, for so you provide | for the earth.
[10] **You drench the furrows and smooth | out the ridges;**
with heavy rain you soften the ground and | bless its increase.
[11] You crown the year | with your goodness,
and your paths over- | flow with plenty.
[12] **May the fields of the wilderness be | rich for grazing,**

and the hills be | clothed with joy.

13 May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak them- |
selves with grain;

let them shout for | joy and sing. **R**

SECOND READING **2 Corinthians 9: 6-15**

Christian fellowship involves sharing with those in need. Here Paul is gathering a collection for the church in Jerusalem from all the Gentile churches he helped found. We can be extravagant in our giving because God is extravagant in providing for our lives.

A reading from Corinthians.

6 The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the
one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. 7 Each of you must give as you
have made up your mind, not regretfully or under compulsion, for God loves a
cheerful giver. 8 And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance,
so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in
every good work. 9 As it is written,

"He scatters abroad; he gives to the poor;
his righteousness endures forever."

10 He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply
your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. 11 You will
be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce
thanksgiving to God through us, 12 for the rendering of this ministry not only
supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to
God. 13 Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to
the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your partnership
with them and with all others, 14 while they long for you and pray for you because
of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. 15 Thanks be to God for his
indescribable gift!

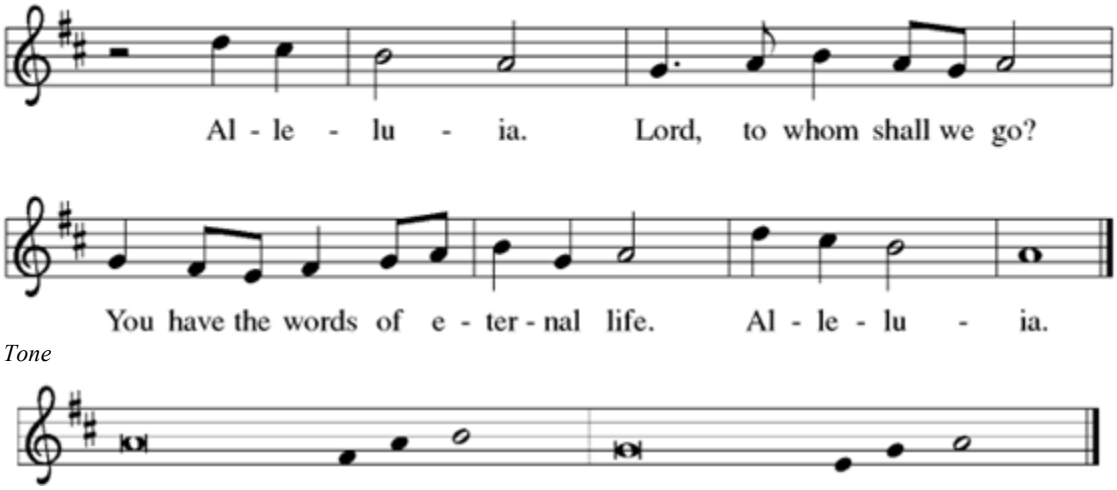
A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands to welcome the Gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The cantor introduces the acclamation. The assembly will repeat the acclamation. Following the verse, the acclamation is sung again by all.



Cantor
*God is able to provide you with every blessing | in abundance, * so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in ev- | 'ry good work. (2 Cor. 9:8)*

GOSPEL **Luke 17: 11-19**

A Samaritan leper becomes a model for thanksgiving. He does not take for granted the kindness shown to him but takes time to thank Jesus and to glorify God.

The holy Gospel according to Luke.

P The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

[11] On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria
and Galilee. [12] As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached
him. Keeping their distance, [13] they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy
on us!" [14] When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the
priests." And as they went, they were made clean. [15] Then one of them, when he
saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. [16] He
prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan.
[17] Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine?
[18] Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" [19] Then he
said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

P The gospel of the Lord.
C Praise to you, O Christ.
SERMON
Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY **ELW 694**
Sing to The Lord of Harvest WIE LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN

1 Sing to the Lord of harvest your songs of love and praise;
with joyful hearts and voices your alleluias raise;
by him the rolling seasons in fruitful order move;
sing to the Lord of harvest a joyous song of love.

2 God makes the clouds drop fatness,
the deserts bloom and spring,
the hills leap up in gladness, the valleys laugh and sing.
God fills them with his fullness,
all things with large increase and crowns the year with goodness,
with plenty and with peace.

3 Bring to this sacred altar the gifts his goodness gave,
the golden sheaves of harvest,
the souls Christ died to save.
Your hearts lay down before him when at his feet you fall,
and with your lives adore him who gave his life for all.

Profession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed **ELW P. 105**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People
Hearing the Word of God in Scripture and in Preaching moves us to pray for the whole Church, the nations, those in need, the parish, and our special concerns. The intercessor moves to stand with the assembled people of God, as a rich symbol of the petitions truly being the Prayers of the People.

Each portion of the prayers ends with these words:
A God, in your mercy,
C hear our prayer.
Response at the conclusion of the prayers of the people:
C Amen.
Peace
The words of the Peace are an ancient and solemn blessing signifying the reconciliation that we have with God and, through Christ, with one another. Please do not use this time for casual greetings or conversations.
P Jesus said: Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled. The peace of the risen Christ be with you always.
C And also with you.

Greeting: Peace be with you.
Response: And also with you.

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering

Offertory

Offering plates are located by the font and inside the West Nave entrance.

Offerings may also be made electronically by scanning the QR Code:



Offertory Song **ELW 465**

As the Grains of Wheat AS THE GRAINS

The assembly stands as the ushers come forward with the gifts.

Refrain

As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill
were gathered into one to become our bread;
so may all your people from all the ends of earth
be gathered into one in you.

1 As this cup of blessing is shared within our midst,
may we share the presence of your love. *Refrain*

2 Let this be a foretaste of all that is to come
when all creation shares this feast with you. *Refrain*

Offertory Prayer

P Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

C Blessed be God forever!

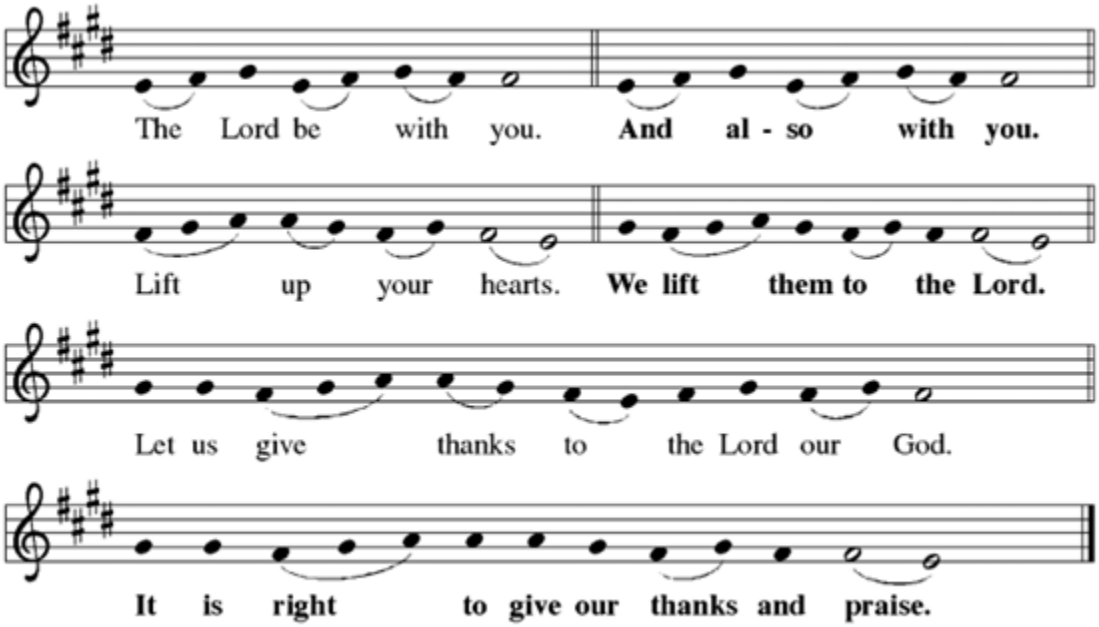
P Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.

C Blessed be God forever!

A Eternal God, our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you. Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us, until hungry no more, all the world is fed, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving
Dialogue



Preface

Holy, Holy, Holy



Eucharistic Prayer

At the Presiding Minister's invitation: "...For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes."

C



The Eucharistic prayer continues: "… Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your Holy Church, both now and forever."

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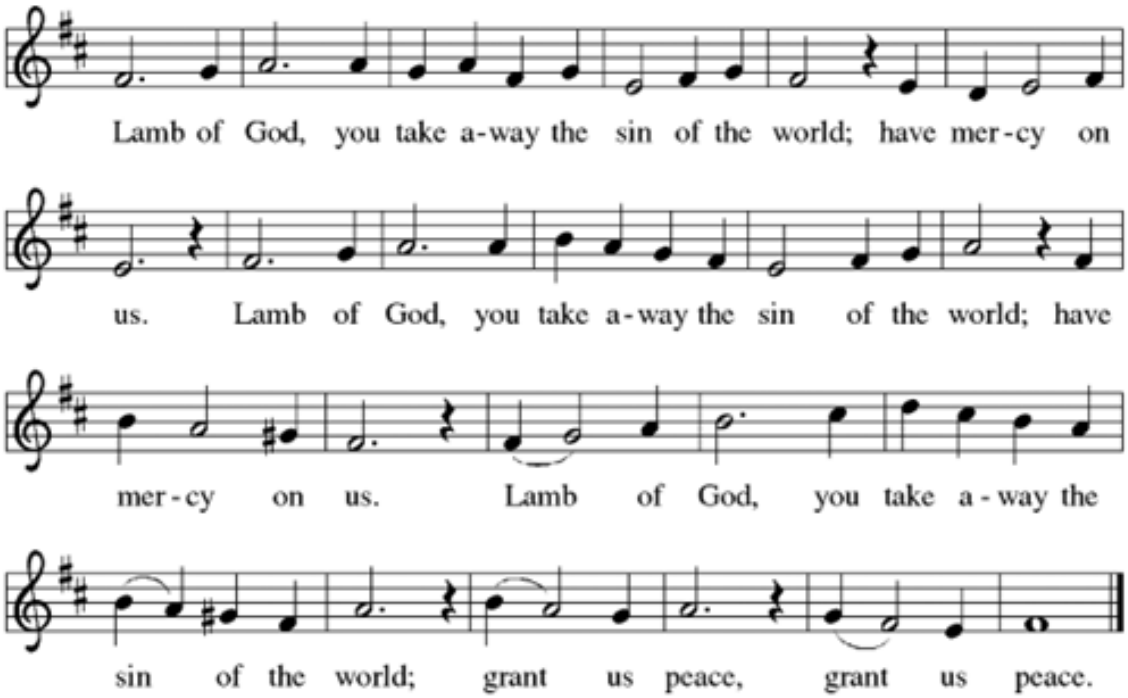


The Lord's Prayer **ELW p. 145**

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C 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.

Lamb of God



Invitation to Communion

P This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

C Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

Communion Of The Faithful

All baptized Christians are invited to share faithfully in the Holy Eucharist. In this sacrament, by the power of God's Word and the Holy Spirit, we receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ along with the bread and wine for our forgiveness and salvation, as we celebrate our unity with Christ and all the saints.

Please come by the center aisle as directed by the ushers.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say, "The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you," and each person may respond, ***"Amen."***

Music During Distribution

Song After Communion **ELW 208**

Praise to You, O God of Mercy NOW THE FEAST

1 Praise to you, O God of mercy:
thanks be to you forever!
Raising high the weak and lowly:
thanks be to you forever!

2 From of old you loved and sought us:
thanks be to you forever!
Truth and justice you have taught us:
thanks be to you forever!

3 Praise to you, O God of mercy:
thanks be to you forever!
Raising high the weak and lowly:
thanks be to you forever!
Thanks be to you forever

Bridge
Strong is your faithfulness,
strong is your love,
rememb'ring your covenant of life with us.

Prayer After Communion

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

P The holy Trinity, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God, today and always

C Amen.

Sending Song **ELW 840**

Now Thank We All Our God NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

1 Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices,
who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices;
who, from our mothers arms, has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

2 Oh, may this bounteous God through all our life ne near us,
with every joyful heart and blessed peace to cheer us,
and keep us all in grace, and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all harm in this world and the next.

3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
the Son, the Spirit blest, who reign in highest heaven,
the one eternal God whom earth and heaven adore;
for thus it was, is now, and shall be ever more.

Dismissal

A The liturgy has ended. Go in peace. Encourage one another

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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A warm welcome to our visitors in the Name of Christ.

We seek to minister to all who become a part of our community in Christ as we worship together. We are pleased to have you share in our worship and ministry and sincerely hope you will return. Please sign the guest register in the Narthex and introduce yourself to the Pastor.

- The liturgy and worship book page numbers are printed in the worship folder. Please join in the responses as indicated. You may stand as you are able where indicated or remain seated. Hymns marked with ELW are in the red hymnal, Evangelical Lutheran Worship. Hymns marked with WOV are in the blue soft cover hymnal, With One Voice.
- A rest room with a baby changing area is located off the Narthex of the Nave.
- The guest register and devotional booklets are in the Narthex.

Holy Eucharist
Saturdays at 5:00 p.m. in the Chapel
Sundays at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. (Nave)
Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel

Adult Faith Formation
Meets Sunday at 9:45 AM in the Gathering Room.

Last Week

Our praise and thanksgiving to God for our many blessings reflected in our tithes and offerings each week.

Spending Proposal	$4904.00
Total Received	$8683.85
Difference	+$3779.85

This Week

Sunday	9:30 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Nave) Annual meeting
November 8	immediately following
	10: 30 a.m. Congregation meeting (Nave)
Monday	6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Pack 42 (ASH)
November 9	6:30 p.m. Congregation Council meeting (Gathering room)
Tuesday	9:30 a.m. Workshop (St. Lydia/ASH)
November 10	11:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry (ASH)
Wednesday	9:30 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Chapel)
November 11	7:00 p.m. Keystone Concert Band (ASH)
Saturday	8:00 a.m. Clean up pay
November 14	5:00 p.m. Word and Sacrament (Chapel)
Sunday	8:30 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Nave)
November 15	9:45 a.m. Adult Faith Formation (Gathering Room)
	11:00 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Nave)
	The Call Deadline

Daily Readings

M	Psalm 63, Amos 8: 7-14, 1 Corinthians 14: 20-25
T	Psalm 63, Joel 1: 1-14, 1 Thessalonians 3: 6-13
W	Psalm 63, Joel 3: 9-21, Matthew 24: 29-35
Th	Psalm 90: 7-8, Ezekiel 6: 1-14, Revelation 16: 1-7
F	Psalm 90: 1-8, Ezekiel 7: 10-27, Revelation 16: 8-21
S	Psalm 90: 1-8, Ezekiel 7: 10-27, Matthew 24: 43-45
Su	Zephaniah 1:7, Psalm 90: 1-8, 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11



Worship Dedications
The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God
by Denny Beaver.

The bulletins are given to the Glory of God
by Denny Beaver.

The lamps are burning to the Glory of God
by Denny Beaver.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all those who, because of illness or infirmity, are unable to be with us for worship. Your prayers, cards, and visits to them are invited so that Christ may be glorified by the manner in which his people care for one another.

PRAYER CHAIN: Good Shepherd members lift up prayer requests throughout the week. If you have a prayer request you wish to share, or if you would like prayer requests to include in your daily devotions, please contact Edna Hafer or Dix McCauley.

COMMUNITY AID: When dropping off your donations at a Community Aid center, **please note Good Shepherd's partner number—10055**—so the church will receive appropriate credit for donations. Thank you!

ELECTRONIC GIVING OPTIONS AVAILABLE: Contributions may be made via eCheck or Credit Card by scanning the QR code with your smart phone or by clicking on the GIVE NOW button on goodshepherdpaxtang.com.

ANNOUNCEMENT: Annual meeting will take place immediately following the worship service on November 8.

WELCA: WELCA is inviting the congregation of Good Shepherd to join our November project - Prison Fellowship Angel Tree. It provides Christmas gifts for local children who have a parent in prison. Please, read the November WELCA Call article, check the bulletin board and display outside the main sanctuary for more information. If using a check, please make it payable to Good Shepherd Church with WELCA Angel Tree on the memo line. Reminder - our deadline is November 9 for our contribution to be doubled. Thank you for sharing God's love.

CONSIDERING THE SAINTS: The Adult Formation Class will continue its study of Martin Scorsese's DVD series on the saints this Sunday at 9:45 a.m. in the Gathering Room. Fred Sprunk will lead the discussion. The subject of this week's video is Mary Magdalene, an early disciple of Jesus who witnessed both his crucifixion and resurrection. There will be NO Adult Formation class next week due to the one worship service followed by the annual meeting.

IN-GATHERING THANK YOU: Thank you to everyone who helped make In-Gathering the success that it was! A special thanks to all the dedicated workers and members who donate their time, skills, and materials to make this possible! Workshop is a non-budgeted item and can operate only because of your time and donations! Stay tuned! A complete count will be coming shortly!

ANNUAL MEETING: On Sunday, November 8th, we will have one worship service in the Nave at 9:30 a.m. Following our worship, we will hold our Annual Meeting at which time the congregation will review the Annual Report, vote on the 2027 Proposed Budget, and elect new council members. Please plan to participate in this important event in the life of Good Shepherd.

ADULT FORMATION CLASS IN RECESS: There will be no Adult Formation Class this Sunday due to the Annual Congregational Meeting following the singles 9:30 a.m. worship service in the Nave. The class will resume on Sunday, Nov. 15, at 9:45 a.m. in the Gathering Room. John Switaj will serve as discussion leader as the group begins a new Advent series based the classic movie "It's a Wonderful Life" and associated Scripture.

Poinsettias for Christmas



We spend only funds designated for seasonal decorations. Nothing is ever spent from the general fund. Please return this coupon with your contribution (any amount would be appreciated) to the church office (or in the offering plate) if you'd like to contribute toward this effort. Dedications will be printed in the back of the bulletin at Christmas.

To the Glory of God: _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

In Celebration of: _____

Submitted by: _____ Amount: _____

Serving God's People at the Liturgies

Preaching and Presiding		The Rev. Kathleen J. Baker, STM
Organist		Nicholas P. Werner
Assisting Ministers		
	9:30 a.m.	Dixie McCauley
Cantor		Nicholas P. Werner
Ushers	8:30 a.m.	Don and Georgia Rehm
	11:00 a.m.	Greg and Karen Borzok

The Parish Staff

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