



THE SHEPHERD'S CALL

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A Word of Thanksgiving

A missionary tells the story of their work in a remote village and among a people with an unfamiliar language. One of the real frustrations for the missionaries in teaching the truths of the Bible was that there was no word in their language for the concept of "thanksgiving." So, it became even more challenging to convey the truth of God's Word as it relates to thankfulness and responding to God's goodness.

In our English language we say "thanks"; in the German language we say "Danke"; in the Spanish language we say "Gracias." Most languages have a word for that concept.

Think for a moment how strange it would be if we had no word to express the concept and emotion of thanksgiving. We can be thankful that our language has such a word for thankfulness. However, even if we have the word with those familiar syllables that we speak and receive on a regular basis, would there be any difference from the primitive tribe if we didn't have the spirit of thankfulness in our hearts?

Indeed, the month of November reminds us that we need to learn and practice thanksgiving in our day to day lives and among our family and friends. Holy Scripture impresses this upon us with the familiar gospel reading of the healing of the ten lepers, and the one person out of ten who returned to the Lord Jesus to give thanks for the healing. The apostle Paul could write to the Philippians and to us, "...in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."

Thanksgiving as a national holiday should impress upon us the lively spirit and response by former generations of Americans who recognized and celebrated God's hand and plan in their destiny, whether it be immigrants coming to America in hope of a brighter future, or whether it be families who fought and sacrificed for freedom in a hostile

world, or whether it be parents striving to support their families.

Jo and I are reflecting on the one-year anniversary of the formal Call to be your pastor here at SOTL. We are thankful to God and to you for receiving us in the gracious way that you have, and for your care for us as we strive to care for you in the name of our Lord and Savior.

A word of thanks for your thoughtful gift and expression of thankfulness to us in this month of October, pastor appreciation month. Thank you!

Peace in the Lord,
Pastor Tom and Jo



NOTE FROM THE PASTOR... If you have any time sensitive information such as prayer requests, hospitalizations or any emergency situations please use Pastor Petersen's mobile phone number and voice mail at 608-334-5718, or email him at sotlpastortom@gmail.com. Either of these will allow timely response.



PRAYER REQUESTS: If you have someone or something that you would like Pastor Petersen to include in either his personal prayers or in our public Prayer of the Church on Sunday morning, please fill out a prayer request card, located on the guest book stand, and place it in his box or contact him at the Church Office. It is important that all of our members receive pastoral care when it is needed, especially during times of sickness or other difficulty. If you know of an individual, even if it is a non-member, who would appreciate and benefit from a pastoral visit, please contact the church office or Pastor Petersen.



ELDER OF THE MONTH

Steve Lawrence
218- 839-4771

USHERS FOR THE MONTH

Ken Stokes
Jean Stokes

ALTAR GUILD:

Marge Berndt

FELLOWSHIP SERVERS

05th Marge Berndt
12th
19th Larry & Jessica Collison
26th

Many thanks to all our volunteers! If you are able to help, please see the bulletin board for opportunities. Thank you!



BIRTHDAYS IN NOVEMBER

03rd Terry Drahosh
LaNette Thorson
05th Kristi Risnes
06th Scott Lennander
08th Randy Feltmann
11th Todd Smude
15th Jerry Siemers
16th Vern Lemke
19th Beth Lawrence
25th LeRoy Lassard
26th Messena Smude
30th Shari Beck



ANNIVERSARIES IN NOVEMBER

02nd Ken & Jean Stokes
25th Jerry & Barb Scherfenberg



YOUTH BIRTHDAYS IN NOVEMBER

08th Kolbe Sahr
18th Raija Gustin



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Sundays

Adult Bible Study: 8:30a.m.
Sunday School: 8:30 a.m.

Wednesdays

Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.
Jr. Confirmation Class: 6:30 p.m.



THANK YOU: Thank you to everyone who helped in any way to make our Fall Bazaar another success. We wish to thank everyone who helped with frying the Lefse, donated items for Grandpa's Shed and Grandma's Attic, made and donated craft items, baked and canned goods, pies for the lunch and to everyone who helped with setting up, all of your help was greatly appreciated.



SHEPHERD OF THE LAKE'S WEBSITE:

We invite you to check out our website at shepherdofthelake.org. We are now offering live streaming for Sunday's message through Shepherd of the Lake face-book, linked to our website. Lee Lennander is serving as our web master. Please ask Lee if you have questions.



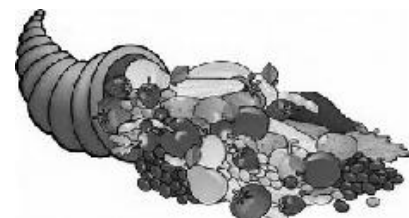
DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS: Just a reminder that you need to turn your clocks back one hour on Saturday November 4th.

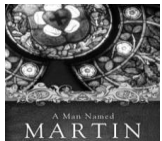


2018 ENVELOPES: We are in the process of figuring out the 2018 envelope list. If you are receiving envelopes but don't want them; or if you don't have them but would like them, please contact the church office and let us know.



CHRISTMAS DECORATING: We will be decorating the church on Sunday, November 26th following fellowship. All help with this project will be greatly appreciated. We could use some younger members to help with the decorating (and getting the decorations out).





STUDY OF LUTHER: We have begun a new Bible Study Series on Sunday mornings and wish to invite everyone to come.

In *A Man Named Martin - Part 1: The Man* viewers encounter a 15th-century religious reformer from Germany who broke ranks with the Catholic Church. This Bible study is the first of a three-part series devoted to Martin Luther -- a monk whose Spirit-inspired grasp of God's justification of sinners through faith in the Savior was the cornerstone of the Protestant Reformation.

A Man Named Martin-Part 2: The Moment examines the errant teachings and wayward traditions of the Late Medieval Church that eventually sparked the Protestant Reformation, a theological overhaul set in motion most notably by Martin Luther's nailing of the 95 Theses to the church door at Wittenberg.

A Man Named Martin - Part 3: The Movement will show how the Reformation accelerated the transformation of a world already in flux. While armed conflicts, theological disputes, and heated controversies marked segments of society throughout medieval Europe, the march of the Reformation left its imprint on the face of culture and citizen alike. Everything from education, politics, science, theology, marriage, and the family-and even extending to one's view of vocation and his relationship to God-came under the shaping and seminal influence of the Reformation.



UPDATE ON SUE'S CONDITION: On October 10th I had my surgery and was home by 3:00p.m. that same day. My sister, Berd, stayed with us from Monday evening to Saturday morning. On Thursday, October 19th I went back for my post-surgical check-up and everything is healing just fine. The surgeon told us that my cancer was a Stage 1 Cancer, but that all the tissue around the area and in the lymph-nodes attached to the cancer area came back as cancer free, so we caught the cancer early. On October 25th I will be going in to talk to an Oncologist about my next step. They said it will take about 4 to 6 weeks for my body to completely heal.

Mike and I would like to thank everyone for all the cards and prayers for me during this scary time. Knowing that I have so many people who care about me and say prayers for me has helped me to get through this time. I am still working at home, but not pushing myself, so my body can heal, but if you need anything from me please let me know. Thank You so much!

God's blessing to all of you, Sue & Mike Raddatz.

EMERGENCY CHURCH CLOSING: It is that time of year again when we start thinking about bad weather, etc. The emergency closing of the church because of bad weather will be decided by Pastor and the Elder of the month. Members can check about closing of the church because of weather by listening to radio station KKIN 94.3FM in Aitkin, checking out our website, or calling the church.



THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE: There will be a Divine service with the Lord's Supper on Wednesday, November 22nd at 6:00 p.m. All are welcome to come and bring family members and friends.



"A Friend is someone who reaches for your hand, but touches your heart."



History of Veterans Day

World War I – known at the time as “The Great War” - officially ended when the Treaty of Versailles was signed on June 28, 1919, in the Palace of Versailles outside the town of Versailles, France. However, fighting ceased seven months earlier when an armistice, or temporary cessation of hostilities, between the Allied nations and Germany went into effect on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. For that reason, November 11, 1918, is generally regarded as the end of “the war to end all wars.”

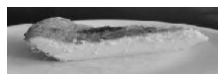


CUSTARD PIE WITHOUT CRUST

From the kitchen of: Jan Sorell

- 6 Tbsp. Sugar
- Pinch of Salt
- 6 beaten Eggs
- 6 Tbsp. Flour
- 3 c. Milk
- Nutmeg

Blend sugar, flour, and salt. Add milk and stir in eggs. Pour in well buttered 9” (inch) pie pan. Sprinkle nutmeg on top. Bake at 325° for 40 minutes or until set (a knife inserted in the middle comes out clean). There will be a delicate crust on the bottom.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

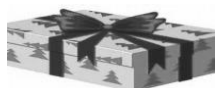
Pack a shoebox

1. You will find shoe boxes in the Fellowship Hall; just pick up what you need.
2. Determine whether your gift will be for a boy or girl, and the child's age category: 2-4, 5-9, or 10-14. Mark the correct age category on the label (found here), and tape the label to the top of your box.
3. Fill the box with a variety of gifts that will bring delight to a child. Use the gift ideas provided on the bottom of this page.
4. Please donate \$9 or more for each shoe box you prepare to help cover shipping and other project costs. You can write a check to Samaritan's Purse (note "OCC" on memo line) and place it in an envelope on top of the gift items inside your box. If you or your family are preparing more than one shoe box, please make one combined donation.
5. Place a rubber band around each closed shoe box and drop off in the basket under the cross in the Fellowship Hall. We will be collecting the shoe boxes until November 24th.

GIFT IDEAS:

1. **Toys:** small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoo's, harmonicas, yo-yo's, jump ropes, small Etch-A-Sketch, toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), slinky, etc.
2. **School Supplies:** pens, pencils and sharpener, crayons or markers, stamps and ink pad sets, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, etc.
3. **Hygiene Items:** toothbrush, toothpaste, mild bar soap (in a plastic bag), comb, washcloth, etc.
4. **Other:** Hard candy and lollipops (please double bag all candy), mints, gum, T-shirts, socks, ball caps; sunglasses, hair clips, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries).
5. **A Personal Note:** In a separate envelope, you may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself or your family. (If you include your name and address, the child may write back.)

Do Not Include: Used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures; chocolate or food; out-of-date candy; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow-globes or glass containers; aerosol cans. No toothpaste or candy, as these items are no longer allowed in shoeboxes due to customs regulations.



We Wish to Invite Everyone!



Thanksgiving Dinner

Thursday,

November 23, 2017

11:00 to 2:00 p.m.

Or until food is gone!

**At SHEPHERD OF THE
LAKE
LUTHERAN CHURCH
Garrison, Minnesota**





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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 9AM-Nursing Home Services No Bible Study 6:30p.m.- Confirmation Class	2	3	4 Turn Your Clocks Back One Hour
5 Daylight Savings Ends 8:30 a.m.-Bible Study & Sunday School 10AM-Divine Service w/LS 11AM- Fellowship Hr	6 9AM-Circuit Pastor's @Crosslake	7 Election Day	8 9:30 a.m.-Bible Study 6:30p.m.- Confirmation Class	9 12:00PM- Ladies Winter Luncheon @ Our Lady of Fatima	10	11
12 8:30 a.m.-Bible Study & Sunday School 10AM-Divine Service w/LS 11AM- Fellowship Hr	13	14 1PM-LWML Meeting	15 9:30 a.m.-Bible Study 6:30p.m.- Confirmation Class	16	17	18
19 8:30 a.m.-Bible Study & Sunday School 10AM-Divine Service w/LS 11AM- Fellowship Hr	20	21 9AM-Board & Committee Meetings 10AM- Church Council	22 6PM- Thanksgiving Eve Service	23 Thanksgiving Day 11AM-? Community Thanksgiving Dinner	24	25
26 8:30 a.m.-Bible Study & Sunday School 10AM-Divine Service w/LS 11AM- Fellowship Hr Decorating for the Christmas Season	27	28	29 9:30 a.m.-Bible Study 6:30p.m.- Confirmation Class	30		





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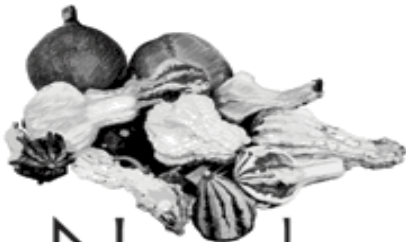
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To Those Loved by Christ:



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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday Education Hour: 8:30 a.m.

Sunday Divine Service: 10:00 a.m.

Fellowship Hour: 11:00 a.m.