

#### FROM THE PASTOR

November brings to mind the harvest of crops and the festival of Thanksgiving. The leaves are falling from the trees and the weather is turning colder. November is also the time we go to the polls to elect leaders for our nation and state and cities.

As Christian citizens of the country, one way we can make a difference in our world and our communities is to elect leaders with Christian convictions; people with integrity, vision, and courage. While it is true in America that all people may serve in government, if the leaders for whom a Christian votes are leaders whose policies and positions are supportive of Christian values and principles, the Christian is also properly using his or her right to vote.

There are many places in our world with political unrest – places where a dictator or military leader has seized control of a country – places where it's extremely difficult to have fair and honest elections – places where people are oppressed and mistreated. What a blessing it is to live in a country governed by democracy; a country where the people have the right and privilege to elect their leaders and representatives. While many of us get a little tired of the political campaigns, the advertising, and the political rhetoric, we must admit that our form of government is a good thing. God has established government for our benefit. "Everyone must submit to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established" (Romans 13:1).

Please take advantage of your opportunity to vote on November 5. Be informed of the issues in the various elections. I pray that we will elect leaders with Christian values and convictions; leaders who will defend the right of the unborn and defenseless; leaders who will uphold the sanctity of marriage as a union between one man and one woman; leaders who will respect the traditional family.

Your vote matters. Christians voting according to their Biblical values and convictions can be the difference between a candidate who protects life and recognizes the danger of gender ideology and a candidate who will promote taxpayer-funded abortion up to birth and transgender surgeries for kids. We need to elect leaders who are Christian not in name only, but also in word and action.

If you want to know where candidates stand on certain moral issues, there are several good sources of information. The best that I have found is christianvoterguide.com which will direct you to various comparisons of the Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidates from organizations like National Right to Life and Family Research Council. If you do not have internet access, copies of these voters' guides can be made for you by request from the church office.

May God continue to bless and guide His Church and our nation!

Yours in Christ, Pastor Steve Voigt

## Loyalty Sunday November 17

November is the month in which we observe a national day of Thanksgiving. It's also the time when we work on our church budget for the next year and ask each of our members to make a financial commitment for their offerings.

Loyalty Sunday will be on November 17.

Please prayerfully consider your stewardship of the blessings God has given to you including your time spent in prayer, Bible study, and worship in addition to the financial treasures you possess.



### Church Info & Staff

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#### Official Acts

#### **Funeral**

Marjorie Sinn

December 25, 1926—October 14, 2024

Service was held at Harder Funeral Home in Brookfield on October 21.

#### **Ushers**

#### 9:30 a.m.

Phil Murphy Maria Riley Karen Winefeld

Alexander Gottsacker Jr.

Dave Valdes Marge Valdes Georgia Cucinello Steve Dasher

Traci Murphy

#### <u> Altar Guild</u>

Nancy Keck Colleen Gottsacker Judy Weiss

#### **Greeters**

#### November 3

9:30am—Sue Dettmann & Ruth Baer

#### November 10

9:30am—Dale & Leann Meyer

#### **November 17**

9:30am—Phil & Traci Murphy

#### **November 24**

9:30am—Diana Gutknecht & Nancy Keck

November 27 - Thanksgiving Eve

6:30pm—Sandra Randazzo & Audrey Wilde

November 28 - Thanksgiving Day

9:30am—Jerry & Judy Anson

#### SPECIAL GIFTS

Capital Improvement	\$305
Concordia University	\$100
DCF Grant	\$1,429
Helping Hands Food Pantry	\$40
LWML	\$40
Trunk or Treat	\$20

#### **MEMORIALS**

Susan Wendt Memorial—\$250

## Thanksgiving Worship Schedule

**Thanksgiving Eve** Wed, November 27 At 6:30 p.m.

**Thanksgiving Day** Thurs, November 28 At 9:30 a.m.

covenant Early CHILDHOOD CENTER WILL Be closed on THANKSGIVING DAY AND the friday following THANKSGIVING

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. Thessalonians 5:16-18

Birthdays

#### **November 4**

Madeline Denemark Joe Kutcher

Kaye Maletzke

#### **November 5**

Micki Hauser

Jenifer Weiler-Smith

#### **November 8**

**Bodie Weeks** 

#### **November 13**

**Emily Voigt** 

#### **November 15**

Suzanne Hurst

#### **November 16**

Malachi Borders Jen Weeks

#### **November 17**

Heidi Zoesch

#### **November 18**

**Brian Johnston** 

#### November 19

Joanne Wiedenhoeft

#### **November 21**

Natalie Remmel

#### **November 22**

**Bob Patten** 

#### November 23

Bill Campbell

#### **November 24**

#### James Kruse

Olivia Vogt

#### November 25

Ca'Marion Colson

#### **November 26**

Joe Bath



		Nove	MBer	2024		
sun	Mon	TUE	Wed	THU	Fri	Sat
					7:30pm AA Meeting	Remember! Turn your clocks back
3:30 Bible Study 9:30am Worship 10:45am Bible Study 10:45am Choir 10:45 am Sunday School	4	ELECTION DAY	6 8:30am Northwest Chapel 1:30pm Communion Service & Fellowship 7:30pm Dartball	7 10:00am Bible Study 2:00pm St. Anne's Worship	8 7:30pm AA Meeting	9:00am - 2:00pm Kops Pack Craft Fair at Beautiful Savior 9:00am - 3:00pm MLHS Craft Fair & Bake Sale
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24 3:30 Bible Study 9:30am Worship 10:45am Bible Study 10:45am Choir 10:45 am Sunday School	25 1:00pm Prayer Team	26	27 6:30pm Thanksgiving Worship	9:30am Thanksgiving Worship	29 7:30pm AA Meeting	30
Last Sunday of the Church Year	Northwest	Thanksgivi	ng Break - N	lo School No	ov 23-Dec 1	

#### THANKSGIVING FOOD COLLECTION

Are you planning your Thanksgiving dinner yet? Please consider also helping those who must come to the food pantry at Mission of Christ for their dinner supplies. For holiday cooking, we are collecting: gravy packets or canned gravy, canned sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes (box or bag), corn muffin mix, pie crust mix, pie filling, and stuffing mix.



Please take advantage of this opportunity to share Jesus' love with our community! Bring the items to Covenant and they will be delivered to Mission of Christ Food Pantry.

Northwest Lutheran's **Thanksgiving Choir Concert**Friday, November 22 at 1:30 p.m.

Come and enjoy delightful Thanksgiving songs performed by the children!



## MISSIONS

MLHS Music Boosters
ARTISAN
CRAFT FAIR

CRAFT FAIR & BAKE SALE

- One-of-a-kind Gifts Jewelry Stained Glass • Home Décor • Hand-sewn & Knit Crafts • Artwork • Woodwork
  - Soaps Candles
    Photography
    and more!



9am to 3pm

Milwaukee Lutheran Gym 9700 W. Grantosa, Milwaukee

Only \$3 Admission



We are once again participating in Operation Christmas Child. This outreach project provides gifts for children in many countries around the world who would not otherwise have any presents for Christmas. It also gives us the opportunity to share the real meaning of Christmas! Boxes are available today, along with a list of what can and cannot be put in your gift box.

Boxes must be returned by Sunday, November 10.







#### **VOTERS' MEETING**

The annual Voters' Meeting will be held on Sunday, December 8, at 10:45 a.m.

Items on the agenda include election of Mission and Ministry Council members and the 2025 Budget.





# Covenant Tidings

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