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November
2022



When I was a little girl, one of my favorite Thanksgiving activities to do in elementary school (and even at home) was to make a “hand turkey”...and I especially loved it when my teacher would let us glue on construction paper feathers! Now I can only imagine that many of you also made “hand turkeys” in school or at home when you were in elementary school...and perhaps they’re still making them in schools today ☺.

These “hand turkeys” remind me of a prayer I learned a long time ago...a prayer that I’ve taught many children (and adults) throughout my years in ministry. It’s called the “hand prayer” or “five finger prayer.” Sometimes I’ll hear children and adults say, “I’m not sure who or what to pray for” and I’ll teach them this prayer...

Thumb

Your thumb is nearest to you, so pray for those who are closest to you...family/church family, friends and neighbors.

Index Finger

The finger next to your thumb is your index or pointer finger. Pray for those who teach, instruct and heal... teachers, doctors, nurses, pastors, police officers, etc. They need support and wisdom in helping guide people.

Tall Finger

The third finger is your tallest finger and can help remind us to pray for the leaders of our nation and community and also for nations and communities around the world...asking for God’s grace and guidance.

Ring Finger

The fourth finger is called our ring finger. Surprising to many is the fact that this is our weakest finger...as any piano teacher will testify. Our ringer finger can help remind us to pray for those who are weak from illness or injury or who are struggling in any way.

Little Finger

And lastly comes our little finger...the smallest finger of all. Our pinkies can remind us to pray for ourselves and by the time we have prayed for the four other groups, our own needs will perhaps be put into a better perspective.

In this season of thanksgiving, I encourage you to get out your crayons and trace your hand and give thanks to God for all who are a part of your life, the many blessings you receive in life and to lift up your “hand prayer” to our most amazing and grace-filled God.

A blessed Thanksgiving to you all!
In Christ’s love, Pastor Laura

Council Update

Great thanks to everyone that worked on Lisa's Anniversary Celebration. Also thank you to the congregation for God's Work, Our Hands donations to Lakeside COP House. They were very grateful. Finance reported that we're somewhat behind in pledged offerings. Building and Grounds is getting quotes for sealing the parking lot and Mike Irish is making a list of top projects that need to be addressed. Personnel will begin staff and pastors' check-ins. 125th Anniversary Team has met and has plans in the works for 2023. We are tithing a portion of the very generous Nola Garey Bequest and will be making donations to Lakeside COP House, Downs Syndrome Association, Feather a Nest, and Lutheran World Relief. We will also be looking to purchase a basketball hoop and supplies for the parking lot area for neighborhood kids.



New Member Class, November 13

Anyone interested in becoming a member of HCLC is invited to join us from 11:00 - 12:30 on Sunday, Nov. 13. Lunch will be served, stories will be shared, and hopefully it will be a time of blessing for all. Please call Heidi in the church office (632-8802) or let Pastor Laura or Pastor Mark know you'll be joining us so that we can plan accordingly. (A new member installation and reception is tentatively planned for Sunday, November 27th.)

Lutheran World Relief Quilts and Kits

On October 9th many beautiful quilts (around 90) and 40 school kits loaded with supplies were displayed in the sanctuary and blessed before being packed to send to Lutheran World Relief for distribution around the world to help families in need. . New Hope Circle made the school bags and filled them. New Hope Circle members are Joni Reske, Sandy Ivanoski, Linda Godson, Susan Anderson, Patricia Kelly, Grace Deibert, Kay Krause, and Evelyn Lajiness. Those who worked with the Quilting Group included Linda Holmquist, Evelyn Lajiness, Sandy Johnson, Dianne Palmgren, Lori Neu, Selma Bednar, Gale Martin, and Darlene Krueger.

Special thanks to Ron and Sandy Johnson who took all the boxes to the Lutheran World Relief semi loading site at Mt. Pleasant Lutheran Church!

If you have any flat sheets that you do not need the quilters would love to have them. They are also running short of funds for batting to fill the quilts. You can make a donation to the group to help pay for supplies. Please mark the envelope or the check "For the Quilters".



Thanksgiving Eve Worship Wednesday, November 23rd

7:00 p.m.

After worship join us in the lounge for

"All Things Pumpkin"

a time to enjoy each other's company and eat some
yummy pumpkin treats!



The Children's Chalice



Holy Communion Lutheran Church November, 2022

HAPPY BAPTISM BIRTHDAY to the following children
who were baptized during the month of November:

Chelsea Kupper

On November 20th, Sunday School children will again be creating **REVERSE ADVENT CALENDARS** for families to collect items for the Food Pantry throughout the season of Advent.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS
AND WATCH FOR DETAILS COMING SOON...

Santa's Night Out – December 2nd

There will be **NO SUNDAY SCHOOL** on **December 18th, December 25th or January 1st.**
SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL RESUME ON JANUARY 8th.

*Happy
Thanksgiving*



All of our 2nd - 5th Graders are invited to come and join the pastors for some Popcorn and Playtime on **Sunday, November 6, from 11:00-12:00.**

**6th - 8th Grade Youth Group/Confirmation Class -
Combined for the month of November**

All of our 6th - 8th Graders are invited to join Pastor Laura and Pastor Mark on **Sunday, November 20, from 11:00-12:00** for an awesome and amazing time of fun, fellowship and learning. Snacks will be provided.



(Will usually meet the fourth Sunday)

All of our 9th - 12th Graders are invited to join the pastors for a time of fun and fellowship...and also to plan for future youth events, mission trips and gatherings. We need you and your input and look forward to hanging out, brainstorming and just having a good time with you! **This month we meet on Sunday, November 27, from 11:00 - 12:00.** Snacks will be provided.

Look For The Light

**December 11, 9:30 A.M.
Holy Communion Lutheran Church**

Calling all kids, youth, and adults who'd like to participate!

Look For the Light, HCLC's beloved Christmas program with a live nativity, is returning to our beautiful sanctuary on December 11th at 9:30 A.M. The animals, including our favorite donkey, Tina, are excited to return to see and hear the story of Jesus' birth. Because it has been a couple of years since the kids have presented this program, because I'm adding new music, and because we are still rebuilding our numbers, I would like to invite any adults who'd like to participate in the program to join us as well. Whole families, folks who love to sing or read but don't have a huge time commitment, anyone who has ever wanted to hold onto an errant sheep, goat, or llama, anyone longing to wear one of our dashing shepherd costumes, those of you who have been yearning to tell this story - are all welcome!

Xmas program special rehearsals will take place during regular church and Sunday School hours on November 13, 20, 27, and December 4. Adults who would like to participate can rehearse with the kids, or Kate will hold another rehearsal as soon as church is over on the same dates. Special rehearsals can be requested if none of these times work. Contact Kate about setting up a time that works for you and/or your kids.

A final rehearsal will take place on Saturday, December 10, from 9:00 to 10:30 A.M.

Hope to see you at rehearsals as we prepare to tell the best story ever written.

Kate

262.498.7593 (texting is the best way to get in touch with me)

kpotterbarrow@gmail.com





Poinsettia Orders

Every year we marvel at the beauty of our sanctuary as it is wonderfully decorated for the Christmas season. A special part of this is when the poinsettias make their appearance the Sunday before Christmas. You can purchase a plant in memory or honor of someone special.

Plants will be available for pick up after the Christmas Day worship service or on Wednesday, December 28th between 9:30 and 2:30.

- Orders **MUST** be in by **Wednesday, November 23rd** to be guaranteed
- Each **RED** Poinsettia plant costs \$15.00.
- Return this form with a check (separate from your regular offering)
- Please put your order form and payment in the church office or place it in the offering plate
- Feel free to order as many as you need!

YOUR NAME: _____ ENVELOPE # _____

_____ I will pick up the plant(s) _____ Give the plant(s) to a shut-in

_____ Number of Plants @ \$15.00 each = \$ _____

IN MEMORY OF:	GIVEN BY:
IN HONOR OF:	GIVEN BY:



Hanging of the Greens - Friday, December 2nd

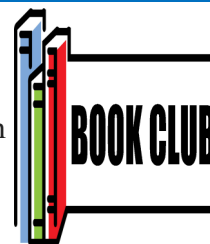
Watch for more details in the bulletin announcements!

Craft Sale November 13th

After the worship service on November 13th there will be a craft sale with proceeds going to the church's general fund. Many people have created items during the pandemic isolation and can bring those items to the craft sale. Please contact Linda Godson at 262-498-1988 if you are going to bring something so we can be sure we have enough tables.



Our book for November 9 is from an author we have read before. We will be discussing This Tender Land by William Kent Krueger. It is the summer of 1932, the four orphans are gathered to travel in a canoe on the mighty Mississippi to a place where they can call their own. The travelers are Odie O'Banion, who has committed a terrible crime while being confined to the Lincoln Indian Training School; Albert, Odie's brother; Mose, Odie's best friend; and Emmy, a brokenhearted girl. They journey into the unknown and cross paths with others who are adrift, from struggling farmers and traveling faith healers to displaced families and lost souls of all kinds. This enthralling, big-hearted epic shows how the magnificent landscape connects us all, haunts our dreams, and makes us whole.



We will be meeting at Julie Burton's home on November 9 from 10:00 to 11:30. Her home is located at 136 Steeplechase Dr. Please call (262-639-5914) her if you plan on attending. We hope you join us!

For December 14th, we will be planning on reading and discussing The Awakening by Kate Chopin. We will

Circle of Hope Cancer Support



Our next gathering will be Thursday, November 17 at 10:00 a.m. in the lounge. You do not have to be a member of church so please come and join us. If any questions or suggestions, please call Pat Barlament at 262-902-2808. See you then.

Third Tuesday Bible Study

Our study of the Gospel of Mark on November 15th will focus on chapter 3, verses 7-30. This is in William Barclay pages 80-93. "In the Midst Of the Crowds" tells us while the authorities in the synagogues plotted to kill him, the crowds flocked to hear him and witness his healings. In Mark 3:7-12 Jesus calls his twelve disciples to be his steady companions. Meanwhile, his own people believed, "He has taken leave of his senses" (3:21). And legal experts asked if he was possessed by Satan (3:22). Jesus reacts with forgiveness (3:28) but warns that when someone refuses to see their own sin and refuses to repent, they can never be forgiven (page 93).

Feel free to join us any month you would like to discuss the Gospel of Mark. Our next meeting is November 15th at the home of Julie Burton, 136 Steeplechase Drive, from 10:00 til 11:30. Bring your New Testament.

Celebrating the life of Manuel Barrera, Jr. on November 6

Sunday, November 6th, we celebrate All Saints Day. It is a time to remember and rejoice with our loved ones, friends and fellow members who have taken their place beside their loving Father. What a fitting time it is to celebrate the life and accomplishments of Manuel Barrera, Jr., a former resident of Racine, who co-authored the recently published book Humility: The Key to Greatness with our former pastor William Grimbol. Manuel was a long-time friend of Bill who lived with multiple sclerosis for 40 years and died as a result of a severe exacerbation of the disease on March 20, 2020. Members of the Racine community who knew "Manny" are invited to join our members after worship for coffee fellowship in the lounge to view/purchase the book, enjoy refreshments, and share memories in celebrating the life of Manuel.

NEW MEMBER CLASS

On Sunday, November 13th, from 11:00-12:30, we invite and welcome all who are interested in joining this community of faith. Lunch will be served, stories will be shared and hopefully it will be a time of blessing for all.

Please call Heidi in the church office (632-8802) or let Pastor Laura or Pastor Mark know you'll be joining us so that we can plan accordingly. (A New Member Installation and Reception is tentatively planned for Sunday, November 27th).

For November the pantry is asking for donations of the following items:

chicken broth
gravy
instant potatoes
canned cranberries
corn muffin mix
canned sweet potatoes
stuffing mix
jello
olives
pickles
canned pumpkin
10-12 lb. turkeys



Thanksgiving dinner boxes will be distributed on November 18th & 21st. In order to know what we need to purchase and to have time to get the boxes assembled we would like to have the items by Monday, November 14th.

We have also had requests for Bibles. If you have any Bibles you no longer use you can donate them to the pantry.

As always we are very grateful to all who contribute money and food and those who volunteer their time. We could not continue this ministry without you!

Meet The Bell Choir

After an over two-year absence the Bell Choir is back! We have three octaves of bells. As you watch the choir play, the highest (and smallest) bells will be on your left and the lowest (and largest) bells will be on the right. This year's group consists of (from left to right) Amy Larsen, Kate Potter-Barrow, Val Connor, Elaine Lewis, Mary Beth Huizinga, Kylee Albright, Barb Salvo, Laurie Knudsen, Gregg Albright, and Dave Knudson. In addition, we have six "super subs" - Nick Barootian, Ann Heide, Lynn Helmke, Steve Smith, Daryle Sturino and Gary Wee.

As the rookies have discovered and the returning players know, playing bells is not as easy as it looks. When you see them in church, please give them a ring-ding-ding of encouragement!



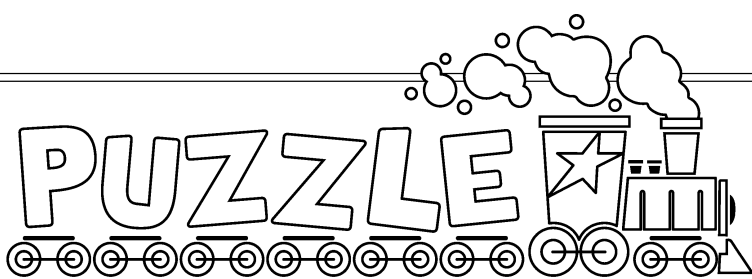
Finance Update

September

Revenue: \$36,897.33
Expenses: \$41,401.35
Net Income: (\$4,504.02)

Year to Date

Revenue: \$355,055.78
Expenses: \$407,103.55
Net Income: (\$52,047.77)

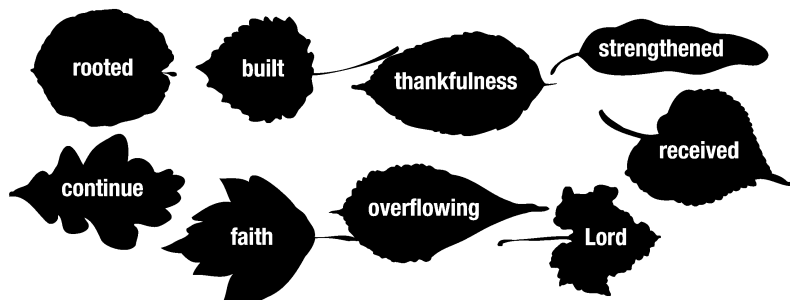


PUZZLE

Piles of praise

Every autumn, the ground is overflowing with leaves.
What does Paul encourage us to overflow with?

Directions: Use the key to match the leaves and complete the Bible passage.



So then, just as you _____ Christ Jesus as _____ ,
_____ to live your lives in him, _____ and
_____ up in him, _____ in the _____ as you
were taught, and _____ with _____ .

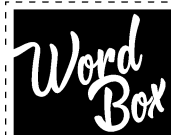
COLOSSIANS 2:6-7, NIV

Answer: received, Lord, continue, rooted, built, strengthened, faith, overflowing, thankfulness

Puzzle!

Although the Bible doesn't mention turkey feasts, the gospels do describe a miracle dinner that made thousands of hungry people thankful (see Matthew 14:13-21). Fill in the words to complete a poem about that meal.

Hint: Each pair of line endings should rhyme.



ate	faces	quest	then
began	late	ran	ton
bunch	lunch	rest	true
done	men	spaces	you

Jesus was tired and went to find _____ .
So away from the crowd he started his _____ .
It came to an end before it _____ .
The crowd followed Jesus; they walked and they _____ .
His boat pulled ashore, and he looked at their _____ .
Five thousand men, plus families, filled all open _____ .
And so Jesus spoke, and he taught until _____ .
The disciples told him it was time they all _____ .
Jesus said, "Yes, that is certainly _____ .
And feeding this crowd is now up to _____ ."
Feeding five thousand! It could not be _____ .
What would they do? They'd need a whole _____ .
But then a young boy came and offered his _____ .
Five loaves and two fish to feed this big _____ ?
Jesus gave thanks and blessed it and _____ ...
it fed all the women, the children and _____ .

Answer: rest, quest, began, ran, faces, spaces, late, ate, true, you, done, ton, lunch, bunch, then, men

A New Thanksgiving Tradition

At Thanksgiving, we give thanks for things (food, home, clothing, work) and loved ones (family, friends, pets). But if the people we name aren't present, they may never know how precious they are to us. This November, start a new tradition by writing notes of thanks to people you appreciate.

Follow Paul's model of starting letters with thanksgiving: "First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is being reported all over the world" (Romans 1:8, NIV). Notice how he thanks his addressees by thanking God for them. Paul is specific too, not writing, "Thanks for everything!"

Expressing genuine thanksgiving to God and another person, you might write something like this:

Dear Judy, This Thanksgiving I'm thinking about special people in my life. You are one! I thank God for our friendship, for your strong witness for Jesus and for your willingness to lend a hand as a substitute teacher. (Your chocolate cookies are icing on the cake!) I praise God for you! Sincerely, Joan

Dear Friends in Christ,

In these last few years, our lives have changed in extraordinary ways. Adjusting to “Pandemic Ministry” has not necessarily always been easy, but this time has provided an opportunity for us to re-envision worship and re-imagine what it means to be the church.

And throughout all of this time, you have been extraordinarily generous! You have continued to love and serve God and God’s people...and you have continued to share your financial gifts...either through Tithely (electronic giving), by placing it in the offering plate on Sunday mornings, or faithfully putting your offering in the mail. Some of you even dug down deep to give extra, knowing that in these uncertain times, others would not be able to give at all. You have helped maintain a stable financial base for this community of faith to continue ministry in an unstable world...and for that, our hearts are truly humbled and grateful and we thank you beyond measure!



We cannot know what lies ahead of us, but we remain confident in the assurance of God’s abiding and steadfast love. We are so grateful for your ongoing faithfulness and because of your *GENEROUS HEARTS THAT LOVE, GIVE AND SERVE*, this community of faith has been able to keep doing what God calls us to do by nurturing life-giving, joyful ministries both inside and outside our church walls.

This simple and powerful message reminds us that generous hearts that love, give and serve are an essential component of our ability to carry out the work of the church and to provide hope for our community and the larger world. Whether we gather for worship inside our sanctuary or online, we continue to be the body of Christ through our ministries, our witness, and our care for one another.

You have always been so supportive, generously giving of your time, wisdom, experience, passion, and financial resources to sustain and grow the ministries of Holy Communion. As we begin this year’s Annual Giving campaign, we hope we can count on your support again.

Included with this mailing is a pledge form for 2023. Please prayerfully consider the amount you pledge financially so that this community of faith can continue to do ministry with and through generous hearts that love, give and serve. Budget planning without pledges would be extremely difficult, so we appreciate both your pledge and your financial support in meeting your pledge.

We hope that you will be able to join us on Pledge Sunday, November 20. If you’re not able to join us that day, we invite and encourage you to please mail your pledge form in...thank you.

Grace and peace to each of you, Pastor Mark and Pastor Laura



Annual Pledge Form

2023

Our/my gift is \$_____ per [*week* | *month* | *year*] for an annual total of \$_____
(circle one)

Name(s): _____ Envelope # (if you know it) _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone(s): _____

E-mail: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

- ☐ I do not wish to receive pledge envelopes.
- ☐ I would like information about using Tithely (electronic transfer) to pay my pledge.
- ☐ I choose to fulfill my financial pledge electronically using Tithely.

If you would like more information about electronic giving, or other options for fulfilling your financial pledge please contact our Financial Administrator, Keri Miller, at Keri.hclc@gmail.com

Weekly Pledge as Proportion of Income

Annual Income	Weekly Income	3%	4%	5%	6%	7%	8%	9%	10%	11%	12%
\$20,000	\$385	\$12	\$15	\$19	\$23	\$27	\$31	\$35	\$38	\$42	\$46
\$30,000	\$577	\$17	\$23	\$29	\$35	\$40	\$46	\$52	\$58	\$63	\$69
\$40,000	\$769	\$23	\$31	\$38	\$46	\$54	\$62	\$69	\$77	\$85	\$92
\$50,000	\$962	\$29	\$38	\$48	\$58	\$67	\$77	\$87	\$96	\$106	\$115
\$60,000	\$1,154	\$35	\$46	\$58	\$69	\$81	\$92	\$104	\$115	\$127	\$138
\$70,000	\$1,346	\$40	\$54	\$67	\$81	\$94	\$108	\$121	\$135	\$148	\$162
\$80,000	\$1,538	\$46	\$62	\$77	\$92	\$108	\$123	\$138	\$154	\$169	\$185
\$90,000	\$1,731	\$52	\$69	\$87	\$104	\$121	\$138	\$156	\$173	\$190	\$208
\$100,000	\$1,923	\$58	\$77	\$96	\$115	\$135	\$154	\$173	\$192	\$212	\$231
\$110,000	\$2,115	\$63	\$85	\$106	\$127	\$148	\$169	\$190	\$212	\$233	\$254
\$120,000	\$2,308	\$69	\$92	\$115	\$138	\$162	\$185	\$208	\$231	\$254	\$277
\$130,000	\$2,500	\$75	\$100	\$125	\$150	\$175	\$200	\$225	\$250	\$275	\$300

NOVEMBER 2022

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4 1:00 Food Pantry	5
6 <i>Setting 3</i> 9:30 Worship & Sunday School 10:30 Manuel Barrera Celebration 11:00 2nd - 5th Grade Youth	7 10:00 Monday Morning Bible Study 1:00 Food Pantry	8 1:00 Quilters	9 10:00 Book Club	10	11 1:00 Food Pantry	12
13 <i>Setting 10</i> 9:30 Worship & Sunday School 10:30 Craft Sale 11:00 New Member Class	14 10:00 Monday Morning Bible Study 1:00 Food Pantry	15 10:00 Third Tues. Bible Study	16	17 10:00 Circle of Hope Cancer Support	18 1:00 Food Pantry	19
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27 <i>Setting 8</i> 9:30 Worship & Sunday School 11:00 9th-12th Grade Youth	28 10:00 Monday Morning Bible Study 1:00 Food Pantry	29	30			

November Volunteers

Thank you to the volunteers who help keep worship services running smoothly! If you would like to volunteer, please call the office, 262-632-8802, or talk to one of the pastors.

	November 6	November 13	November 20	November 27
Greeter	Lori Neu	Lisa Petersen	Linda Fox	Kalen Theusch
Lector	Linda Godson	Karen Larson	Marianne Jensen	John Lehman
Communion Assistant	Joni Reske	Julie Burton	Donald Lautz	Kalen Theusch
AV Technicians	Kylee Albright Barb Salvo	Todd Jansen Barb Salvo	Lynn Helmke Barb Salvo	Barb Salvo
Coffee Fellowship		Trish Jacob	Cathie Rolfson	Trish Jacob
Councilperson In Charge	Kylee Albright	JoAnne Jaeck	Andy Larson	Lynn Helmke
Ushers	Dave Barlament, Jim Buhler, Tim Krikau			
Altar Guild	Grace Deibert, Sue DiPasquale Peterson, Katie Peterson, Judy Nuter			

November Altar Flowers

November 6 - Given by Barb Maier in loving memory of her parents, Thelma & Howard Floyd.

November 13 - In honor of Taylor Knaus on her birthday, given by Tom & Tammy Knaus.

November 20 - In memory of Cornelius & Mariane Vander Brug, given by Jill Vander Brug
and in memory of Henry & Olive Maier, given by the Rolfsons & Litzaus.

November 27 - In honor of Kristin Hahner given by Heidi Komistra.

The Chalice November, 2022

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Join us at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays for in-person or live-streamed worship services. Our live-stream can be found on the HCLC Facebook page and the videos remain online to view later. Please call or email the office if you, or someone you know, would like to be added to our email list to receive the weekly bulletin and hymns.

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