



November/December 2021

Campus Sojourner



THE THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP SERVICE will be held at Campus Lutheran Church at **5:30 pm on Wednesday, November 24th**. Come and join with God's people in giving thanks unto the Lord for all His blessings. Please plan to stay after the service to help decorate the church for Christmas and enjoy the annual **chili supper!**



CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Our Christmas Eve Services will be held on **Friday, December 24th**. We will have **two evening services at 5:30 and 7:30 PM**. The evening services will include Communion and candle lighting. We will also live-stream the 5:30 service.



ADVENT MIDWEEK SERVICES - 7:00 PM on **Wednesdays, December 1st, 8th and 15th**. The Spring Break Mission Team will be providing dinner before the services at 5:45 pm.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday

7:45 am Choir Rehearsal
8:30 am First Service
9:45 am Education Hour
11:00 am Second Service

Monday

Tuesday

8:30 am Staff Meeting

Wednesday

4:00 pm Monthly Mid-Week Communion Service (2nd Wednesday)
5:30 pm Praise Team Rehearsal
8:30 am The Gathering

Thursday

Craig Busseau's Day Off
7:00 am Early Thursday Morning Bible Study: 2nd & 4th Thursdays (In-person & Zoom Meeting)
10:00 am "Son"shine Ladies Bible Study (Zoom Meeting)

Friday

Pastor Kent's Day Off
10:00 am American English for Internationals (Zoom Meeting)



It's Time to Order Christmas Poinsettias

Beautiful Christmas poinsettia plants honoring the birthday of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will again be available for you to purchase.

These plants will be placed in the chancel area from December 1st through Christmas Eve, when you can take your plant home. Forms are available on the counter in the Connect Room and online.

Poinsettias need to be ordered by **November 28th**. The cost is **\$16.00** per plant.

NOTE: The church office will be closed Wednesday, November 24-26, 2021,



Advent & Christmas

In just a short time the current church year will come to an end and a new year will begin with the season of Advent. Our midweek Advent series this year is called "Symbols of Salvation: The Story of Jesus' Birth." What makes this series unique is its demonstration of God foreshadowing and foretelling Jesus' advent among us in the flesh throughout the Old Testament.

The first lesson in the series, based on Exodus 3:1–14 will show that God's appearance in the burning bush revealed that the Old Testament shepherd Moses was a foreshadowing of the New Testament Good Shepherd Messiah. The second week, based on Exodus 40:17–21, 34–38, will focus our attention on the Messiah, who dwelt among His Old Testament people in a tent made of animal skins and among the New Testament people in our human skin to reunite us with God. The third week will focus on Judges 6:11–24 and Micah 5:2–5 and will draw the parallel between Gideon and the Messiah, both of whom, although seemingly weak, fulfilled God's will to rescue His people from their enemies. The fourth and final week will focus on the Luke 2:1–20 account of the Messiah's birth.

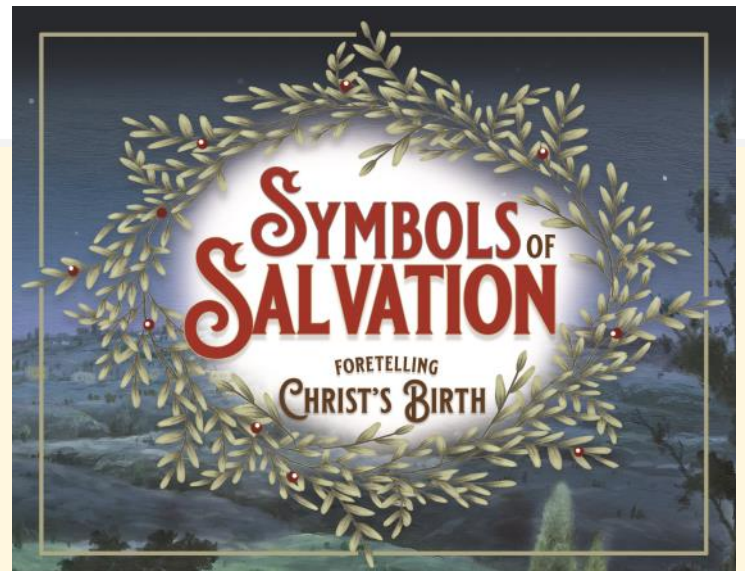
In addition to the midweek services each Wednesday at 7:00 p.m., there are also small group Bible studies that expand on the weekly themes. If you or your small group would like copies of the study materials, please contact the church office. We can provide them in either print or electronic form.

This year's Advent devotional series from Lutheran Hour Ministries, *Child of Promise*, will be available in print form in the Connect Room at church.

I encourage you to welcome this Advent season as a time not only to prepare for Christmas, but also to be renewed as Christ comes to you now in His Word and Sacrament!

+Serving Christ with you+

Pastor Kent



THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE

Wednesday, November 24 at 5:30 p.m.

MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICES

December 1—7:00 p.m.

December 8—7:00 p.m.

December 15—7:00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

December 24 at 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

UPCOMING SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Children's Christmas Service – Sunday, December 12 at 11:00 a.m.

One Service – Sunday, December 26 at 10:00 a.m.

New Year's Eve Service – Friday, December 31 at 7:00 p.m.

One Service – Sunday, January 2 at 10:00 a.m.

Discipleship and Family Life Ministry



The Greatest Gift

People in many churches repurpose their used Christmas trees into crosses by removing the foliage. The greenery is stripped away leaving only the bare wood to make a cross to use on Good Friday. We have a small tree decoration that illustrates both church holidays. Looking at it from one side shows a beautifully decorated evergreen tree. By turning it 180 degrees, it reveals a cross. One tree – two purposes. Both of the above holidays point to Jesus. Yes, they both relate to our sins.

The apostle Paul writes in his letter to the Romans, “Sin came into the world through one man (Adam), and death through sin.” (Romans 5:12) He continues, “But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man’s trespass, much more have the **grace** of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. And the free gift is not like the result of that one man’s sin. For the judgement following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought **justification**. For if, because of one man’s trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of **righteousness** reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.” (Romans 5:15-17)

The name Jesus means “the one who saves.” Christmas is the celebration of the coming of our Savior into the world. We who would be lost in our sins and trespasses are instead given the greatest gift of righteousness through Jesus Christ.

Soli Deo Gloria - To God be the Glory

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Craig Basseau".

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Student Ministry

By Morgan Jennings



On Sunday, October 31, the LSF held their annual “Trick-or-Treat for Canned Goods” event. Members that participated campaigned the week before to hand out flyers and raise awareness of the collection. During Trick-or-Treat for Canned Goods, the LSF went door to door through the neighborhood and collected canned goods. There were almost 200 cans collected! All of the cans will be donated to the Food Bank for Central and Northeast Missouri. As part of the event, there was a costume contest as well as a party to celebrate (thanks to the Pierce family)!



MEET ME AT THE MANGER

The pandemic is waning and it's time to start making plans for **Meet Me At The Manger 2021**.

God-willing, our congregation will once again display our personal nativity treasures as our gift to the community and as a fund-raiser for our short-term mission programs. In 2019, we displayed over 400 nativity sets including traditional crèches, mementoes collected during world travels, home-made family treasures (especially popular), collectible heirloom sets that are expanded each year, funky contemporary conceptions, original creations, and touchable children's sets. These nativities are of exceptional interest to our Internationals. We know you will want to participate.

Set-up after Advent services Wednesday, December 1 and all day Thursday, December 2

Display open to Speaking American English class Friday morning, December 3

Display open to members of The Department of Asian Affairs Friday morning, December 3

Display open to Senior Living residents 10:30am-3:30pm, Friday December 3

Displays open to the public 5:30-8:00 pm Friday, December 3

Display open to the public 11:00 am-5:00 pm Saturday December 4

(Parents are encouraged to visit the display with your children after their program rehearsal.)

Take-down 5:00 pm Saturday, December 4

Watch the bulletin announcements for ways you can get involved:

- Bring your nativity sets to display no later than Thursday, Dec 2
- Distribute postcard invitations to friends, family, co-workers, and neighbors
- Publicize through social media
- Offer your time to act as hosts to greet at the door, sign-up guest names and emails for future notification, and mingle with visitors in the display or in the Community Life Center
- Welcome and mingle with Internationals and/or Senior Living residents on Friday, Dec 3
- Work in the Kid's Corner
- Bring cookies and other tasty goodies and/or help serve
- Attend the display
- Help with set-up and take-down

Contact any of the following to volunteer and to let them know you will be bringing your nativities:

- Mary Ann Wolfmeyer (mwolfmeyer@cpsk12.org),
- Beth Greimann (basketsub@yahoo.com)
- Sharon Kinden (sharonkinden@yahoo.com)



Youth Ministry Team - Mary Anne Wolfmeyer



In October, we shared the tenets focused on by the youth ministry. This month we share what you can do as a congregation to have a healthy youth ministry.

Our congregation needs:

- 1) To help each young person Deeply Understand Their Baptismal Faith. *Worship regularly with our youth. Study the living and active Word of God with our youth. Pray with them and for them (and their families). Go to communion with them. BE DELIBERATE!*
- 2) To help each young person Develop a Resilient Identity in Christ. *Model the life and mission of the church for and with our youth. Be HUMBLY CONFIDENT in your faith along side of our youth. Build relationships with them. Invite them to be lifelong learners, turning to God's Word, with you.*
- 3) To help each young person Live Out Their Unique Vocation. *Show them our youth how you are Christ's hands and feet in church, home, community, and your area of vocation. Invite them to be a part of serving and leading in the congregation and community. Be warm, challenging, and grace-filled with them. (They're teens remember!)*
- 4) To have Warmth, Challenge, and Grace. *Foster an open and honest environment. Speak God's Word in love. Share personal stories of grace, failure, challenge, and joy. Engage in tough spiritual conversations.*
- 5) Supportive Adults. *Thank Luke, Jen, and Chris Vaughn! Don't stop there – be one! Invest and value long-term, intergenerational relationships. Dedicate time and energy to developing teens as disciples of Jesus Christ for life.*
- 6) Engaged Parents. *Invest in our parents from the cradle up! Each generation must engage in the next. Prioritize, encourage, invest, participate, and support – in, with, for – our parents, so they can be involved in faith development and understanding at all stages and times.*
- 7) Opportunities to Serve and Lead. *Identify gifts and skills of our youth. Provide consistent opportunities for meaningful contributions. Engage and support youth in service. Empower youth to be load-bearing leaders by providing training, mentors, and space to learn.*

How's our report card looking? Some As. Some Bs and, well, we are making progress.

November's tenet theme is HUMBLE CONFIDENCE. Let just focus on growing there this month.

How can you help a youth or the whole youth group develop a resilient identity in Christ so that together we can say, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes." (Romans 1:16)

- Are you, your family, or your church group involved in a specific mission in which the youth could be invited to participate?
- Would you agree to adopt a youth or youth family to pray for every day? To make regular contact with to ask for specific prayer requests and to celebrate answered prayers with.
- Are you available to be a listening ear? Our youth need relationships with those who can help navigate in a humble, loving way.
- Is your small group inviting a youth to become a lifelong learner, turning to God's Word, along with you?
- Didn't hit on the right fit? Let us know where you're at and let us help you grow too. We have pray opportunities, mentoring opportunities, helping hand opportunities, and funding opportunities always available.

Let Luke or Jen know that you want to set up a date to come to GIFT time and talk to the youth about your opportunity. If it's more of a one-on-one opportunity, talk with the youth and a parent on your own. (They love that – They're teens remember!)

I've been addressing this as youth, but really it starts at birth. Child of God, where are or how are you being called to be Christ's hands and feet?

What's to come?

- **Leaf Raking: November 6th, 13th, and 20th**
- GIFT Time: November 7th and 21st
- Youth Gathering Meeting: November 14th
- GIFT Time: December 5th and 12th
- Youth Baking Day December 18th
- **Youth Bake Sale: December 19th**

The youth held a carnival for their GIFT time to raise money in order to adopt a monkey. They raised \$91 to go towards an adoption.



Community Use of Our Facility

On the evening of October 9, the sanctuary of Campus Lutheran was filled with the glorious voices of the University Singers. Following the concert, the capacity crowd of families and friends streamed into the Community Life Center for food and fellowship. A small group of dedicated members including Danielle Dart, Cindy Craig and grandson Ryan, Barry and Kay Steevens, Ashtyn Howard, Luke Lilienkamp, Hannah Lilienkamp Nacarato, choir member Morgan Jennings, and Sharon Kinden organized and hosted this reception. Dr. Crabb and others expressed their sincere appreciation. One parent of a senior choir member stated this was the first of numerous venues in her four years that had ever openly welcomed the choir and its fans with warmth and genuine hospitality.



INSPIRED IN FAITH

Members of Campus Lutheran gathered for a Thanksgiving meal and a special presentation on Sunday, November 14th. This event, called “Inspired in Faith,” was a capstone to our Fall “Onward in Faith” worship and Bible study series. At their tables, participants discussed what it means for God’s people to be stewards of all God has entrusted into our care. Following the meal and table conversations, members of the congregation adopted a new, balanced spending plan for 2022 and authorized the Council to move forward in developing a new “Aligned Governance” structure for Campus Lutheran Church.





Elders' Prayers:

NOVEMBER 20 - Jacob & Heather **VAUGHN**; Matthew **VAUGHN**; Rob, Chris, Kaleb & Levi **VAUGHN**; Riley **VOGLER**; Scott & Laurie **WALLACE**; Rose **WARD**; Gary **WARNER**; Yvonne **WARNER**; Lynn **WHEELER**; Steve & Gail **WHITE**; Bill & Geri **WILSON**

DECEMBER 18 - Mary Anne **WOLFMAYER**; Tina & Gerry **WORLEY**; Andrew **YANEZ**; Morgan **YANEZ**; Prescott & Robin **YANEZ**; Paul & Peggy **YOUNG**; Chris **ZACHARY**; Iris & Abraham **ZACHARY**; Isaac **ZACHARY**; Amy **ZIMMERSCHIED**; John, Julie & Emily **ZIMMERSCHIED**

Happy Birthday!

November:

- 1 - Jenny Coon
- 2 - PJ DiBiasi, Riley Vogler, Emeri Burgher
- 7 - Mary Anne Wolfmeyer
- 8 - Mark Brakhane, Luke Lilienkamp
- 11 - Miles Forney, Marilyn Beissenherz
- 12 - Teague Brown
- 13 - Valerie Holley, Joy Lilienkamp
- 14 - Dave Berg
- 17 - Curt Morgret
- 18 - Heather Duque, Bruce Hibbard, Stephen Dupre

- 19 - LaDonna Telle
- 20 - Clara Telle
- 21 - Landon Giboney, Mike Gallagher, Kaiden Haley, Sharon Peirce
- 22 - Chris Lohmann
- 23 - Paul Forney, Jr., Tyler Brown
- 26 - Tim Sullivan
- 28 - Tracy Sill

December:

- 1 - Dennis Reith, Iris Zachary
- 5 - Chris Zachary, Ken Greimann
- 6 - Benjamin Dupre
- 8 - Reagan Arnett
- 9 - Jessica Baird, Kelsey Morgret
- 10 - Emily Zimmerschied, Erin Barchet
- 13 - Angela Hubert, Ann Hughes

- 15 - Caleb Brown
- 16 - Dana Hibbard, Brian Marcum
- 17 - Bennie Ruth Gilbert
- 20 - Dan Schoenherr, Zachary Group, Ron Hein
- 23 - Jackie Garvey, Robert Lee
- 24 - Rachel Skrabal, Mark Garvey
- 28 - Kaleb Vaughn
- 29 - Betty Stuenkel
- 31 - Isaac Zachary



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Emilia & Blake Trickey, Harold Bland, Eric & Ruth Kincanon



Sam & Adam Koenig



November:

Kathy Schoenherr, Rod Hartwig,
Gail Sponaugle, Jim Sharon,
Kristy Kruse, Paula Morgret,
Curt Morgret, Jon Boldt,
Melissa Slatinsky, Allen Huggins,
Kelly George, August Garvey,
Abby Mirly, Ainsley Roth,
Beckett Roth, Graham Roth,
Samantha Huber, Emeri Burgher

December:

Dave Berg, Janice Baird,
Yvonne Warner, Sharon Peirce,
Marilyn Beissenherz, Wanda Horn,
Joy Lilienkamp, LaDonna Telle,
Jenny Coon, Mary Anne Wolfmeyer,
Lindy Holley, Tracy Sill,
Angela Hubert, Chris Lohmann,
Regina Bruner, Luke Lilienkamp,
Clara Telle, Robert Lee,
Paul Forney, Jr., Kyler Haley

Wedding Anniversaries



November:

Tim & Mandi Giboney celebrate 11 years on November 6
Colin & Angela Hubert celebrate 17 years on November 27
Steve & Chris Brown celebrate 26 years on November 18
Mark & Jackie Garvey celebrate 29 years on November 7
Lindy & Valerie Holley celebrate 50 years on November 6
Richard & Hannah Ingmire celebrate 54 years on November 22
Gene & Barb Buchholz celebrate 64 years on November 9

December:

Alan & LaDonna Telle celebrate 25 years on December 21
Ken & Beth Greimann celebrate 40 years on December 19



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For more accurate and up to date activity schedule information, please check the calendar on our website www.campuslutheran.org.