Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer

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The Latest Word

"Making God Known Through Word and Deed."



Diamond Dinner Thank You!

The Great Hall was filled with laughter, incredible food and an informational program by Cathy & Bill Zubke on Saturday, Oct. 5, during LCOOR's annual Diamond Dinner. Kudos to the Fellowship Committee for planning and preparing the meal! And a special round of applause for Philip Lickei, Wendy Kruger and our high school youth who helped serve and clean up!







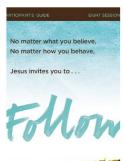


Preschool Fundraiser - Advent Calendars!

In November, the Preschool will be selling Advent Calendars for a fundraiser. We will have them available in the classroom, in the church office, at the Welcome Center, and we will also have some for sale at Ladies Night Out!!

8 Week Bible Study begins Nov. 7

This 8-week Bible Study begins Thursday, November 7 at 6:00 p.m. with Pastor Dan. Sign up at the Welcome Center. Participant guides for *Follow* by Andy Stanley are \$10.





November Circles & Gather Bible Study

Priscilla and Martha Circles will meet in November, focusing on the bible study in the Gather magazine. Copies of the study can be found at the Welcome Center. All are invited to attend!

- Martha Circle will meet at 2 p.m. Monday, Nov. 11, in the Youth Room.
- Priscilla Circle will meet at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 13, in the Gathering Space.

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Dish to Pass by Twila Schmitt

"It's the most wonderful time of the year – it's Advent!" While most folks might not be gearing up to "celebrate" Advent, we're blessed here at Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer to host an event for families and individuals of all ages to reflect on this wonderful season.

The "Advent Tour of Nativities" will be open from 1 to 5 p.m. on Friday (Nov. 29), Saturday (Nov. 30), Sunday (Dec. 1) and Monday (Dec. 2). In addition to depicting the "Good News" of Jesus' birth, each Nativity scene also has a personal story to tell.

Last year, the Great Hall was filled with well over 100 unique Nativity scenes from around the world. (We even had one nativity carved out of a coconut shell!) One family unpacked a brand new Nativity scene for the very first time to display – while another brought a stable and figures that have been treasured by their family for several generations!

We hope you'll consider bringing your special Nativity to share for our four-afternoon event. (A short registration form is available at the Welcome Center.) Whether you unpack your Nativity every year, or it's been several years since it has been displayed, we'd love to hear your story.

The next step, of course, is to invite your family, friends and neighbors to experience the "Advent Tour of Nativities." Offer to bring preschool kids and grandparents. Tell your cousins and coworkers. Each person will be able spend as much or as little time as they wish. And each will be able to experience "Advent." Come, Lord Jesus.

"Today in the city of David a Savior has been born to you, he is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign to you. You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." – Luke 2:11-12

Pumpkin Pecan Cake

1 can (15 oz.) solid pack pumpkin 1 can (12 oz.) evaporated milk 1 c. packed brown sugar 3 eggs 2 tsp. pumpkin pie spice ½ tsp. salt

1 pkg (about 15 oz) yellow cake mix

3/4 c. (1-1/2 sticks) butter, cut into thin slices

½ c. pecans

Looking for a delicious Thanksgiving dessert? Marian Neshiem's "Pumpkin Pecan Cake" has been taste-tested by Priscilla Circle – and approved!



- 1-Preheat oven to 350F. Spray 13x9-inch baking pan with nonstick cooking spray.
- 2-Combine pumpkin, evaporated milk, brown sugar, eggs, pumpkin pie spice and salt in medium bowl; stir until well blended. Pour into prepared pan; top with cake mix; spreading evenly. Top with butter in single layer, covering cake mix as much as possible. Sprinkle with pecans.
- 3-Bake about 1 hour or until toothpick inserted into center of cake comes out clean. Cool completely in pan on wire rack. Makes 18 servings.

Financial News

September 2024 Financial Report					
Revenue	\$	81,106.46			
Expenses	\$	93,623.40			
Change in General Fund	\$	(12,516.94)			
Revenue to Date	\$	876,998.58			
Expenses to Date	\$	866,299.16			
% of Budget Year Completed		75%			



November Missions of the Month

The Noisy Can and Specially Marked Offering for Mission of the Month in November will benefit these two local ministries.

Fallout Shelter Ministries has operated as a non-profit since 2016.

"Our influences have afforded us the privilege to travail with victims of Human Trafficking, Domestic Violence, and Sexual Assault as well as Addiction Recovery and Trauma Recovery. Day to day we are able to have ministry opportunities with youth and others who do not attend any church or have no other example of Christ in their life. And week to week we travel to serve, preach. We gather as a home church, breaking bread & diving into the Word of God."

Salvation Army "One Roof Program" (Churches Together Helping People in Watertown).

It is located at 621 4th Street Southeast in Watertown. The Salvation Army's goal is to provide resources that go beyond meeting immediate physical needs. There is a caseworker on site that works with those in need, helping set goals and a timeline to meet those goals. The ultimate goal is to help with lifestyle changes in order to become self-sustaining.

Mission of the Month Distributions for September

St Dysmas received \$1, 052.83 through Special and Noisy Can Offering in addition to the \$1,000 that was budgeted for this ministry.

\$1,656 in Memorials & Special Gifts given since last writing

Memorial Fund

 given in memory of Dorothy Nichols by Todd, Darci & Sophia Nichols and Scott, Sharese, Ian & Nicholas Jensen

Youth Fire Pit

given by Ken & Kim Turbak

Prayer Shawl Ministry

 given in memory Christy Barkley by Rod & Nancy Iverson

Sandwich Ministry

• given in memory of Michael Thon by Dennis & Bonnie Weippert

Care Fund

• given by Mike & Diane Madsen

Preschool

• given by Mike & Diane Madsen

Skip the Tax!

If you are over 73, there is a way to take your required minimum distribution (RMD), skip the tax and make a meaningful gift to support our ministries at Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer - the IRA Charitable Rollover. This strategy will also reduce your annual income without the need to itemize deductions. (Everyone over age 70 ½ is eligible to make a tax-free gift from an IRA even if you are not yet receiving RMDs.) Contact your financial advisor or Kathy McHenry, Director of Lutheran Planned Generosity of South Dakota (605-274-5030), for more information on these tax-efficient ideas.



Hey guys! Have you signed up?

We're still looking for a few more men to help serve during Ladies Night Out on Nov. 11th. Duties will include serving coffee and refilling water glasses at the 40+ tables in the Great Hall! Plus you get to enjoy the desserts & entertainment! Sign up sheet is located at The Welcome Center. Thanks in advance!



Get Your Ladies Night Out Tickets Now!

Tickets for Ladies Night Out, set for Nov. 11, are going fast! Our featured entertainment will be The String Showdown, a musical duo from Minnesota. Desserts and coffee prepared by the Fellowship Committee are also included in the \$15 ticket price. A portion of the proceeds will go to Sleep in Heavenly Peace. Join us for an amazing evening of laughter and fellowship!



Advent Tour of Nativities Nov. 29 to Dec. 2

Do you have a special Nativity scene that you would be willing to share during our Advent Tour of Nativities? Pick up a REGISTRATION FORM at the Welcome Center! Nativities may be dropped off November 23 (Saturday) from 5:00 to 5:30 p.m. or Nov. 24 (Sunday) from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m. Questions? Contact Twila at 605-886-2696.

The Advent Tour of Nativities will be open from 1 to 5 p.m. each day on Friday (Nov. 29), Saturday (Nov. 30), Sunday (Dec. 1) and Monday (Dec. 2). This family-friendly experience offers time to enter the season of Advent in a meaningful way. Invite your friends and neighbors to come & see this impressive display, including Nativity scenes from around the word. There is no cost to attend.



Next Meals on Wheels Delivery:

LCOOR's next opportunity to deliver Meals on Wheels will be **Dec. 2-6.** Some of our snowbird volunteers will have flown South – so we're looking for additional volunteers! If you can help, please contact Twila at 605-886-2696.

New Members Recognized in October

While we welcome everyone at all times, we "officially" received and recognized new members in October! Please WELCOME our newest members to the LCOOR family:



Krisma Dewitt 55 Sunrise Dr. Watertown, SD 57201



Shona Marshall 1114 41st St. SE Watertown, SD 57201



Sherray Hurlbert 1806 8th St. NE Watertown, SD



Cindy Solnar 218 19th St. SE #102 Watertown, SD 57201



Dalton Stack & Katlyn Gades 1213 7th Ave. NE Watertown, SD 57201



Ron and Linda Stern 503 3rd St. Box 101 Henry, SD



Robin Hall 217 19th St. SE Watertown, SD 57201



Tim & Roberta Cossette 1313 17th St NE Watertown, SD 57201



Bryan, Cassandra, Brooklynn & Ashlynn Varilek 30 Sunrise Dr. Watertown, SD



Chad & Sara Foust Kadin, Samuel & Charlie 500 16th St. NE Watertown, SD 57201

Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

Romans 15:7

Faith Formation & Youth Updates



Luther League 2.0

Luther League 2.0 will meet 1 or 2 times a month for service activities and fellowship. Most of the time we will meet on Sunday afternoons or evenings depending on the activity for that day. Please keep a look out for a "Remind" text for dates and times that we gather. For the month of November we will get together on Sunday, November 17th.



Youth Music Team

Will sing once a month for the Wednesday worship service. We will practice the Wednesday a week before we sing to go over the songs for worship.

This month, we will practice in the Chapel on Wednesday, November 13th at 7:15 pm. We will lead music at worship on Wednesday, November 20th at 6:30 pm.

Church School & Confirmation Dates for November

Sunday:

November 3, 10, 17 & 24 **Wednesday:**

November 6, 13, & 20 (No classes on Nov. 27)



Church School Christmas Program Practice & Program

Sunday Practices:

Sunday, November 17th & 24th and December 8th & 15th.

Sunday Program:

The Christmas program will take place on Sunday, December 15th at the 9:30 am Worship.

Wednesday Practices:

Wednesday, November 20th and December 4th, 11th & 18th.

Wednesday Program:

The Christmas program will take place on Wednesday, December 18th at the 6:30 pm Worship.



Junction

A youth group for 1st – 4th grade. We will meet on Thursday, November 7th from 6-7:30 pm. Join us for games, crafts, snacks and awesome fellowship. Friends are always welcome!



Route 56

A youth group for 5th & 6th grade. We will meet on Thursday, November 21st from 6-7:30 pm. Join us for games, crafts, snacks and awesome fellowship. Friends are always welcome!

Wednesday & Sunday Church Schedule Reminder

Wednesday:

4:45 pm Meal5:30 pm Church School andConfirmation6:30 pm Worship

Sunday:

8:30 am Church School and Confirmation9:30 am Worship

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November 11th-

No School-Veteran's Day

November 21st-

No School- Parent/Teacher Conferences

November 28th-

No School, Thanksgiving Break



OCTOBER FUN!







Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.

Psalm 107:1



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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED





Salvation Army Needs Canned Soup

Our friends at the Salvation Army need canned soup to help feed our neighbors. Please consider picking up a couple extra boxes while you are out doing your own grocery shopping and drop them off at the church.



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Deadline for the December 2024 Newsletter:

Monday, November 18, 2024

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November 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 8:30am Church School 8:30am Confirmation Workshop 9:30am Church School Kids Sing 9:30am Global Mission Co-Worker from Nicaragua Presentation 9:30am Worship 10:30am Praise & Rejoice Choir Rehearsal	28 8:00am Watertown Sandwich Ministry 5:15pm Mission & Endowment Committee Meeting 6:45pm Al-Anon	29 11:00am Area Pastor TEXT STUDY 1:00pm Staff Meeting 5:00pm Worship & Music Committee Meeting 5:15pm tHis Love Quilting Bible Study	30 8:00am Watertown Sandwich Ministry 12:15pm Men's Lunch 4:45pm Community Meal 5:30pm Church School 5:30pm Confirmation Workshop 6:30pm Church School Kids Sing 6:30pm Worship 7:15pm Handbell Rehearsal	31 9:00am Preschool Halloween Parade & Party 5:15pm Al-Anon	1 Church Office Closes at Noon 8:00am Watertown Sandwich Ministry 2:00pm Church Directory Photos 7:15pm Handbell Rehearsal	2 All Saints' 10:00am Church Directory Photos 5:30pm Traditional Worship with Holy Communion 6:30pm Saturday Evening Meal
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