

The Announcer
November 15, 2020

In your prayers, remember . . .

- . . . Jen Zebuhr, wife of Jake.
- . . . Scott.
- . . . Don.
- . . . Evelyn.
- . . . John, husband of Lois.
- . . . Maynard & Janet.
- . . . Rev. Dr. Brian Saunders, IDE President, recovering from heart surgery, at home.
- . . . two families of Our Savior: Ron & Diane; Vera.
- . . . the Iowa District East congregation of St. Paul Lutheran Church – Artesian in Waverly, with Rev. Larry Feldt serving as pastor.
- . . . give thanks as you pray thank God for the Holy Spirit.
- . . . our shut-ins.



Altar flowers are provided by Dan & Beth to the glory of God in loving memory of Emma. Thank you.

It is good to see more people in the pews! As you come to worship, please be mindful of those gathering with you. We still encourage the wearing of masks for your well-being and that of those around you. If you are attending by yourself or as a couple, please consider sitting at the end of the pew. This will allow someone else to sit at the other end. We want to maintain social distancing, but also have room for everyone to sit. Thank you from the Lay Ministers.



This week's birthdays: Nov. 16: Joel; Nov. 18: Lane;
Wedding Anniversaries this week: Nov. 16: Ken & Kathy; Nov. 17: Kurt & Jill; Maynard & Janet.

Please consider generously filling a shoebox for a child. The shoeboxes, directions, and starter of soap/washcloth and toothbrush are available for pick up on the back table in the narthex. It is the goal of our area collection site to make up 2020 boxes to be delivered to children around the world. If you have any questions, please talk to Darla. Boxes need to be returned by November 20th.

American Red Cross Fall Blood Drive is scheduled for Monday, November 16, 2020, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Delaware Co. Fairgrounds. By donating at this drive, you are helping one or more West Delaware graduating seniors earn a scholarship. For an appointment, please call 1-800-RED-CROSS or visit redcrossblood.org. Due to COVID-19, the West Delaware Student Council is helping promote and organize the blood drive but will not be working the day of the event.

The Delaware Co. Food Bank will be distributing “**Thanksgiving and Christmas Baskets**” to families in need. Forms are on the guest registry table in the narthex. These must be returned by **November 16** for Thanksgiving and **December 14** for Christmas. Thank you.

Church Properties Contact Person for November is Bill Hermes (563.927-4953). Contact him with any items that need the attention of the Board.

The Good Neighbor Society is looking forward to the fast approaching holiday season and is excited to announce the kickoff of our 2nd Annual Christmas Wishes program! Although Christmas may look different this year, we are dedicated to making the season special for residents. Each resident has provided what they would like for Christmas which has been recorded on a Wish Ticket.



We are reaching out to our loving community to help make these wishes come true! Last year the community came in to get wish list scrolls off a Christmas moose, however, this year we will be going online with a new Wish Ticket system.

If you are interested in making resident wishes come true, please send an email to Paris at pschaul@goodneighborsociety.org or call 563.927-3907 ext. 309. Thank you for your generosity this holiday season.

This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

TODAY, November 15:	5:30-7:00 p.m.	SONshine Center reserved
	6:00-10:00 p.m.	SONshine Center reserved
WEDNESDAY, November 18:	1:30-3:00 p.m.	SONshine Center reserved
	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation
	7:00 p.m.	Sr. ACTs
THURSDAY, November 19:	9:00 a.m.	Bible study at St. Paul's, Delaware
	6:00-9:00 p.m.	Hall classroom reserved
	6:30-9:30 p.m.	SONshine Center reserved
NEXT SUNDAY, November 22:	8:45 a.m.	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class
	10:00 a.m.	Worship/Communion
	5:30-7:00 p.m.	SONshine Center reserved
	6:00-10:00 p.m.	SONshine Center reserved

"Politics in Perspective" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Political turmoil is nothing new and political security is only temporary. We can't escape politics. However, Dr. Michael Zeigler offers good news of a kingdom that cannot be overthrown and will never pass away. (Daniel 7:1-14) Listen to "The Lutheran Hour" next Sunday morning at 9:00 on radio station KMCH 94.7 FM.

Mission News: The Ten Commandments and the Apostles' Creed. This month, The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LCMS) gives thanks for God's abundant grace we have received through Jesus Christ's sacrificial death and resurrection. In all things we give thanks for His love and mercy. *Give thanks as you pray thank God for the Holy Spirit*, who calls, gathers, enlightens and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

Generosity Moment. Matthew 25:30a – **"And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness."** Why did they take flasks of oil with them? Because they listened to the bridegroom's words and believed what He told them. Our actions always start with and flow from our beliefs. What do your actions in the realm of financial stewardship say about what you believe?

Life Quote. "To be sure, our God Father does not give the vocation of a large family to everyone. (And, of course, any quantity of family and offspring He bestows is a great benefit.) But we need not despise proliferation the way the world does. Indeed, we may appreciate and assist our brothers and sisters who engage in this holy (and delightful!) calling. And we may also raise our young ones to cherish procreation and adoption more than any personal preferences or material possessions. The blessings of children always outweigh even the burdens!" *Rev. Michael W. Salemink, Executive Director of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org.*

Life Thought in the Church Year. Pentecost XXIV – Isn't abortion at least a little like wrapping precious treasure in a napkin and throwing it in a hole? Isn't assisted suicide literally burying unappreciated talents in the ground (Matthew 25:18)? Jesus warns it's a one-way ticket to weeping and gnashing of teeth (Matthew 25:28-30). But what joy awaits us when we receive both our lives and everyone else's as a gift and expect that each will improve the other (Matthew 25:20-21)!

Did You Know? The world is upside down and backwards. Many people are hurting and looking for answers – most in the wrong places. What if, as Mordecai suggested to Queen Esther, God has placed you here at this unique time in history, in a position of influence, with ability and resources, to bring God's help to His people? Together with Lutheran Family Service, you can do just that! This week marks the launch of the *For Such a Time as This Year-End Campaign*, raising new partners to bring faith-based and Scripturally consistent help to those in need today. If you didn't get a copy of the booklet with the crown on the cover in your mailbox, find a digital copy online at www.LutheranFamilyService.org/ForSuchaTimeasThis. Check it out and see what this Iowa organization of our LCMS congregations is doing to be there for people in new and innovative ways. If you've never partnered with LFS before, this might just be the time! **Lutheran Family Service**, 2550 Middle Road, Suite 602, Bettendorf, Iowa 52722, Phone: 563.359.0696 or www.LutheranFamilyService.org.