



Martin Luther Lutheran Church
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MLLC's Mission Statement:
Martin Luther Lutheran Church, called by the Spirit to be a community of faith, welcomes all to a ministry of Word and Sacrament, that together we may grow in faith, and be equipped for service to God and our community.

Luther's Letter

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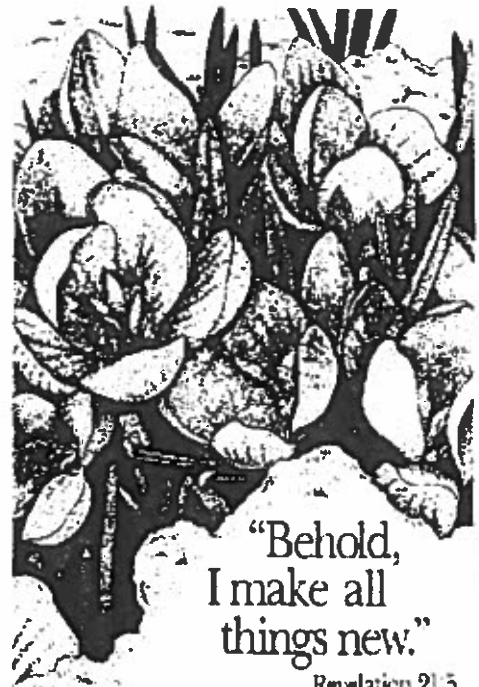
Worship w/Communion:

Sundays - 9:00 a.m.

2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month - 6:00 p.m.

Sunday School for all -Sundays 10:10 a.m.

Church Council: Todd Dooley-President; Shayne Kirts-President-elect; Dennis Smith, Secretary; Samantha Ullrich-Treasurer; Jessica Weidemann-Worship Committee; Vickie Neutzler-Stewardship Committee; Amber Dooley-Christian Education Committee; Cheryl Etzel-Outreach/Care Committee; Ronnie Siptak-Property Committee



**"Behold,
I make all
things new."**

Revelation 21:5



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November, 2015

Jesus said, "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end." *Revelation 21:6a*



ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

On Sunday, November 1, we will remember in prayer those who have passed away since the last All Saints' Sunday. *Sharon Gay "Bitsy" Lett, Lloyd Leon Twiford, Mabel Schmidt, Bernice Loewe, Henry Hall, Ira Bell Bathe, Cliff Miller, and Harris "Sandy" Pierce.*

 Daylight Savings time ends at 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, November 1. Please turn your clocks back one hour before going to bed.

Time & Talent Sheets were included in the October newsletter. You still have a little time to fill them out and return to the box in the narthex, or the church office before the end of October. Usher teams will remain the same unless you specifically request to have your name taken off. And, there will need to be **someone new** to change the sanctuary candle on a weekly basis. *(It's the red candle on the south wall of the sanctuary).*

NOVEMBER 22 is Christ the King Sunday

From Psalm 93.4 - *"More majestic than the thunders of mighty waters, more majestic than the waves of the sea, majestic on high is the Lord!"*



Veterans Recognition and Remembrance

- Veterans' Day is observed each year on November 11 as a holiday to honor American veterans for their patriotism and willingness to serve and sacrifice for our nation's common good. Thank you to all the men and women who served or are now serving our country. We will remember and honor our veterans on Sunday, November 8th, during worship.

And, there will be a Veterans' Day program RT-C High School on Wednesday, November 11, at 2 p.m. All Veterans are invited to come and be honored. Veterans are asked to meet in the cafeteria at 1:15 for refreshments

MORE SPECIAL EVENTS.



→ The **WELCA Thankoffering and Annual Turkey Dinner** is set for Sunday, November 8. WELCA ladies will take part in the worship service. *(See page 2, WELCA News, for more).*

→ On Sunday, November 22, the Synod is sending **Peggy Hahn** to speak here. She is an Associate in Ministry (AIM), and will preach at worship and bring greetings from our synod office. Peggy is also the director of LEAD, our synod's leadership and training ministry. Pastor Tinker will preside at worship and welcome Peggy to MLLC on that day.

→ **Thanksgiving Eve service, November 25**, starts at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. There will be no confirmation class meeting that day. Class members are to attend the worship service.




WORLD HUNGER

APPEAL. The ELCA World Hunger white envelope is found in your box of offering envelopes to contribute during November. Please write *"ELCA World Hunger Appeal"* on the memo line of your check. The pew envelopes may also be used by writing *"World Hunger"* on the envelope.



A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO MADE THIS YEAR'S HARVEST FESTIVAL A BIG SUCCESS!

**ON THE TRAIL OF
MARTIN LUTHER.
AND OTHER SITES
IN GERMANY**

Several MLLC members traveled to Germany in early September to some of Martin Luther's sites. The Etzels also traveled to parts of Germany, Austria & Switzerland later in September. Please check page 7 for a report and pictures.

--Everyone is invited to help to set up and decorate the **chrismon tree** in the sanctuary on Sunday, November 29, after worship. Mary Group serves light refreshments afterward.

--The Worship Committee is planning a **Carol Service** during worship on Sunday, December 20.

The next **quilting day** is Monday, November 9, at 9.00 a.m. in the Mission & Ministry building.

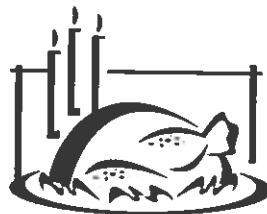
November is the month for A.M.E.N. ingathering, and planning of the Christmas project.

Join Hands--God's Work Our Hands report (from Dianne Sager).



In April, Ted and I attended the Synodical Convention in Houston. At the convention, we became interested in the Join Hands--God's Work, Our Hands program. I became convinced that we could make that happen at MLLC. Nancy Eilers and myself each applied for monies from Thrivent Financial--Action Teams and were approved. Nancy applied for funds for School Kits and I applied for funds for Personal Care Kits. Each team received \$250.00. In September, we choose a date to take items out of original packaging and pack for the upcoming shipment to LWR, that will happen the Monday after Easter. We packed 120 School Kits and 50 Personal Care Kits. We still lack about 150 pens for the School Kits. Here are our volunteers for this event. *Dianne Sager, Nancy Eilers, Thelma Hinze, Carol Carmean, Donna Mueller, Karen Dooley, Beverly Cucuzza, Diana Wunderlich, Ann O'Hara, and Dianna Gerland.* MLLC is a church in action.!

NEWS FROM WELCA



The **Yearly Thankoffering and Annual Turkey Dinner** are set for Sunday, November 8, with the Hilltop Ramblers from Greenvine giving the message in song. (*Decorating of the fellowship hall will be done on Saturday, the 7th*). Tickets at \$9 each available in the church office.

**CIRCLE MEETINGS:
November 12, 2015
Bible Study Theme. Slow Faith
Sessions 3. Tempo Giusto**

Ladies Aid meets at 2.00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Susan Ray leads the Bible study, and Ora Lee Levien and Susan (or Nancy) serve refreshments.

Mary Group meets at 6.30 p.m. in the church parlor. Barbara Jacob leads the opening devotion. Joys Baird leads the Bible study, Sedalia Ullrich gives the offering meditation, and Colette Wunderlich serves.



**PREPARING FOR
ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS.**

--The first Sunday in Advent is November 29th. Advent Vespers and Meals start on Wednesday, December 2. Watch Sunday bulletins for more information as the time approaches.

--The **Sunday School** will have its first Christmas Program Practice on Sunday, November 15, during the Sunday School hour, with additional practices on the following Sundays--the 22nd, 29th, and December 6th. And, please mark your calendars to be here for the celebration of Jesus' Birthday on December 13th, with a brunch to follow in the fellowship hall. *Please see the form in this newsletter for those wishing to participate this year. Please sign and return the form to Amy Dooley if your child can participate. We welcome their participation in the program.*



PLEASE FILL OUT AND RETURN.
Place your order through the church office by Tuesday, December 8.
From The Nesting Co. Florist, Burton: The six-inch potted poinsettias with gold pot covers will be \$12.00 each. Make checks payable to MLLC. There will be a complimentary delivery for the poinsettia orders.
Kindest regards, Heidi Jaster, Owner

If you wish to place your poinsettia in honor/memory of someone, please indicate below:

_____ will be placing _____ poinsettia(s)
in honor/memory of: _____

2015 Martin Luther Lutheran Church Christmas Program

Martin Luther Lutheran Church Sunday School will be having their annual Christmas Program on Sunday, December 13th during the 9:00 am worship service. The Program is titled "Christmas: We're on the Air."

The practice schedules for the Christmas Program is listed below and the children involved are encouraged to be at each one. If your child may miss a practice or two that is fine as we understand everyone has busy schedules, we would still encourage them to participate in the program. Each practice will open with a devotion and short lesson. The children will be learning new Christmas songs this year and every child Kindergarten and above will have a speaking part if they choose to.

The practices will be during Sunday school from 10:15 am to 11:30 am on the following Sundays:

November 15th

November 22nd

November 29th

December 6th.

Dress Rehearsal will be Saturday, December 12th from 9:30 am – 11:00 am.

Since many of the children will have a speaking part, we need to know who will be participating as soon as possible so that the parts can be divided between the children in advance of the first practice.

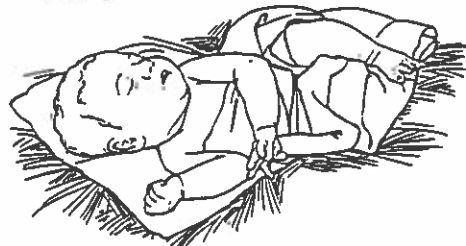
Please sign the form below and have your child bring it to Sunday school or email Amy Dooley at amy.dooley@bluebell.com or call her 979-203-4343.

My child _____ will be participating in the 2015 MLLC Sunday School Christmas Program.

_____ Parent or Guardian's Signature

_____ Date

"A little child will lead them."
Isaiah 11:6, NIV





Most recently: Gordon Tinker (Pastor Tinker's father; health concerns); Elvera Rudloff (surgery); LeVerne Hinze (recently hospitalized); Dr. Maria Childs (doctor from College Station, recovering from surgery); Janie Lange (former member Valerie Meinke's mother, health problems); Sharon Kovar (Reuben Wunderlich's niece, surgery for brain tumor); Jimmy Berkeley (Jolene Wickel's brother, health concerns); Amy Dooley (recent knee surgery); Kay Griffin (aunt of Debby Peele, recovering from surgery); Dean Ullrich (recent knee surgery); Dorothy Marth (health concerns); Joyce Eilers (at Argent Court-Brenham); Velorie Dippel (cousin of Dorothy Rothermel, health concerns); Billy Grimm (cousin of Dianne Sager, health concerns); Jack Weidemann (health issues); Robert Preuss (friend of Gene & Nelda Muehlbrad, head injury); Paul Viertel (declining health); Don Steinbach (former member, treatment for leukemia); Grace Marie O'Quinn (friend of Bill Derrick, newborn with health concerns); Charles "Chuck" Fougeron (friend of Bill Derrick and great-uncle of Amy Dooley; cancer);

Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

Ralph Barrick (Peetsy Fischer's son-in-law, cancer); Tim Coleman (friend of Alvis Mueller, cancer and recent foot amputation); Michael "Butch" Schulz (Barbara Schulz's husband; health concerns); Milton Poehls (Pauline Peetsy Fischer's brother, cancer and heart trouble); Larry Glenz (friend from Brenham, cancer); J

Jimmy Flinn (eye problems and stroke); Herman (Ham) Kovar (Rick Kovar's father, back problems); and Mary Edwards (Linda Kovar's sister, battling lupus); Mark Weintraub and his mother, Saline, (friends of Susan Ray, health concerns); Rosa Lee Krebs (friend from Shelby, health concerns); Nelson Neutzler (friend of Alvis Mueller, health concerns); Josh Dow (13-year-old friend of Wade & Nancy Eilers, cancer); Amanda Sebastian (friend from Blue Bell Creameries and Randall Kohring's cousin, brain tumor); Lisa Mayer (health concerns); Delores Oppermann (niece of Joyce Eilers, cancer); Marie Nelius (friend from Round Top, lymphoma); and Sheila Hanke (friend, melanoma treatment).

Members in Care and Assisted

Living Facilities: Verline Schulte (Brenham Rest Home); Elvera Limmer, LeVerne Hinze and Shirley Mueller (Brenham Nursing & Rehab); Lynda Kominczak (Mission Nursing & Rehab in Cuero); Elvira Dallmeyer (Argent Court-Brenham); and Joyce Eilers (Argent Court-Brenham).

Homebound Members: Joyce

Lehmann, Nevilee Marburger (in Houston), Mamie Roemer, Judith Yarborough, Peetsy Fischer, and Elvera Rudloff (in Houston).

Military Personnel:

MLLC members: Joseph Vogel and Bryan Miller; **Family and Friends:** Rowdy Chaddock, Michael Martin, Wacey Lanier, Jonathan Noak, Justyn Bearden, Wade Friedrich, Scott Busby, James Dunham, and all who serve, known and unknown, in harm's way.



† Christian Sympathy to the families and friends of:

Sterling Smith (friend of Brick & Debby Peele); Cole Knight (19-year-old cousin of Diane Tovey); Emily Fritsch (14-year-old from La Grange); and Raymond Thaler (brother-in-law of Dorothy Rothermel).

THE SEAFARER'S COLLECTION.



(A project of the Men in Mission). The list of items needed for the Christmas gift boxes is in the narthex. We'll collect items until the week of Thanksgiving, November 29th.



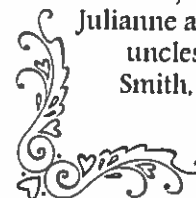
THANK YOU
&
CONGRATULATIONS!



✧ Jill Carni, friend of Ann O'Hara, sends thanks for the prayers during and after her surgery. It meant a lot to her that we were praying for her, and she is doing much better.

✧ Thanks to the Office Helpers for October. Linda & Rick Kovar folded bulletins; Nancy Eilers sent bulletins to shut-ins and cards to visitors; Ted & Dianne Sager assembled the October newsletter, and Vickie Neutzler put supplies in pews.

✧ Congratulations to Dennis & Dianna Gerland on the birth of their grandson, Bowen Eutah Gerland, born September 28 2015, in College Station. Bowen weighed 8 lbs., 8 oz. and measured 21 inches in length. Parents are Devin & Makala Gerland; his sister and brother are Julianne and Houston, and aunts & uncles are Dana & Dennis Smith, and Dawn & David Warner.





THIRD QUARTER MEMORIAL REPORT, 2015:

Building Fund.
 Mark Jacob.....\$40.00
 Jack "Tebo" Ray..... 20.00
 Paula Laura Jatzlau..... 20.00
 TOTAL.....\$80.00

MLLC Day School Fund.
 Cliff Miller.....\$25.00
 Sandy Pierce..... 10.00
 Bertha Fischer..... 10.00
 Mark Jacob..... 50.00
 TOTAL.....\$95.00

General Fund.
 Mark Jacob.....\$190.00
 Peggy Simmang..... 25.00
 TOTAL.....\$215.00

Ongoing Construction Memorials.
 Nolan Noak.....\$ 20.00
 TOTAL.....\$20.00

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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS.

| | |
|--------------------|----|
| Kamryn Hinze | 01 |
| Faith Meinholdt | 05 |
| Candice Noak | 05 |
| Joyce Lehmann | 06 |
| Levi Carmean | 07 |
| Darrell Kelley | 07 |
| Tina Mikeska | 07 |
| Jessica Weidemann | 07 |
| Buck Williams | 07 |
| Randall Zwernemann | 07 |
| Stuart Bruchey | 08 |
| Shelby Markwardt | 08 |
| Mark Kunkel | 09 |
| Kayla Peters | 09 |
| Darrell Marek | 10 |
| Lawrence Kunkel | 12 |
| Joey Pohl | 12 |
| Dale Pawlak | 13 |
| Jane Marek | 14 |
| Trina Siptak | 14 |
| Melissa Wickel | 15 |
| Quinly Scheffer | 17 |
| Seth Kelley | 18 |
| Avalda Pohl | 18 |
| Kathy Warburton | 18 |
| Susan Markwardt | 20 |
| Jack Littlejohn | 21 |
| Darrel Neutzler | 21 |
| Joan Lange | 22 |
| Steven Leppard | 22 |
| Tim Sanders | 22 |
| Jason Schroeder | 22 |
| Rhonda Roemer | 23 |
| Brenda Mueller | 25 |
| Janette Weidemann | 25 |
| Colette Wunderlich | 25 |
| Corey Knebel | 26 |
| Braylie Tappe | 26 |
| Hannah Roemer | 27 |
| Kasia Chovanec | 29 |
| Jody Pohl | 30 |



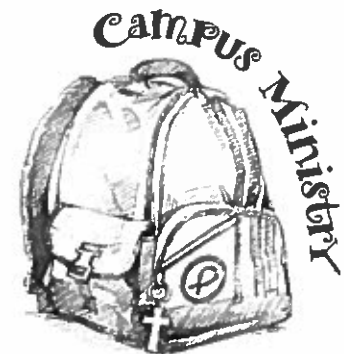
****PLEASE NOTE. THERE ARE NO CHURCH COUNCIL SUMMARY OR QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT THIS MONTH.**

GREETING CARDS FOR SALE.



Check out the beautiful assortment of cards the LYO has for sale on the shelves in the parlor.

Especially appropriate for this time of year are the Thanksgiving cards. And, of course, it's not too early to check out the Christmas cards as well. The categories are marked on the shelves and you may place your money in the can on the top shelf. Thank you for your support!



NEWS FROM TREEHOUSE MINISTRIES, the Lutheran Campus Ministry for Blinn College and Texas A&M. (This is MLLC's 2015 Noisy Offering recipient).

The Vocation Series! They are introducing this series, designed to help students figure out how and to what God is calling them. They have three events coming up, a speaker, a panel, and a retreat. The Vocation Series is underwritten by a grant from the Lilly Endowment.

On behalf of the board and the students, they offer a sincere thank you for all support of this ministry.

ATTENDANCE & CONTRIBUTION REPORT:

| date | attendance | general | school | building |
|-------|---------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| 09-26 | 26 | 963.00 | -0- | -0- |
| 09-27 | 73 | 2,412.20 | 260.00 | 30.00 |
| 10-04 | 91 | 3,162.50 | 1,455.00 | 46.50 |
| 10-10 | 19 | 1,275.00 | 50.00 | -0- |
| 10-11 | 73 | 2,729.00 | -0- | 175.00 |
| 10-18 | 7,30-36 9,30-171 | 9,162.75 | 4,733.00 | -0- |

MLLS OCTOBER REPORT:

A BIG Thank You goes to everyone who helped make our Yankee Candle and Gift Items Fundraiser a success! Thank you to everyone who made a purchase or sold items! We really appreciate your support of our day school ministry and helping us take care of our MLLS students!

Please mark your calendar for Friday, December 4, for our MLLS Christmas program. The Giraffes and Zebras will be singing Christmas songs. We will begin practicing this month. Parents, grandparents, friends, etc. are invited to attend. The program begins at 7.00 p.m.

Thank you to our students and parents for collecting donations for the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital through the Trike-a-thon! The students had fun riding their trikes!

In our classrooms during the month of November, we will be exploring the theme, "I Am Thankful". We will learn about Pilgrims, Native Americans, pumpkins, turkeys, and Thanksgiving, discover the rectangle shape, the color brown, numbers 4 and 5, opposites, Left/Right; and Letters, Gg, Hh, and Ii; Social skills, Table manners; Science, Sink and Float. We will be learning about these topics through Bible activities, songs, stories, cooking activities, science experiments, and art projects.



During November, we will also collect canned goods to be given to the local AMEN in La Grange for people who do not have enough food to eat. A basket will be in the school lobby to donate canned goods. Thank you for your help!

During Chapel services, we will be studying various Bible topics through use of Bible storybooks. We will recite *The Lord's Prayer, The Pledge of Allegiance, The Pledge to the Christian Flag, and The Pledge to the Bible*, and sing Bible songs during our weekly Chapel services. Visitors are welcome to join us during Chapel services on Monday mornings at 9.00 a.m. Chapel services are led by Pastor David Tinker.

We visit our Activity/Art Room on Tuesday mornings where we explore painting at the easel, block play, and arts and crafts with *Mrs. Ann and Mrs. Susan* as our volunteers. Thank you to these ladies!

Children's storytime is held each Wednesday morning in the school library. We wish to thank our library volunteers, *Nancy Eilers, Susan Ray, Ann O'Hara, Ed Eargle, Rebecca Mayer, and Carol Carmean* for reading to the children. They enjoy it very much!



Thank you to Pastor Bill and Jennifer Tinker for coming to sing with us occasionally!

Thank you, MLLC members and MLLS parents, who have generously donated food, supplies, and monetary donations for our Day School ministry! Thank you also goes to MLLC members who have directed their Thrivent Choice Dollars to MLLS!

We appreciate your thoughtfulness and support. These donations greatly help us with our expenses. Thank you to those of you who have donated supplies for our new MLLS Activity and Art Room!

Please see our school wish list posted in the school lobby. We would like to purchase sets of wooden unit blocks for our classrooms, and we also need other items. If you would be interested in making a donation toward this, please do so by leaving your donation in an envelope labeled "MLLS Wish List Donation". Thank you for your support!

Thank you to everyone for your support of our Day School Ministry!

Kelli Meinholdt, Amber Baker, Jessica King, Angel Munoz, Kaci Neumann, Brandy Polk, Ashley Santos, and Jennifer Vaclavik

ON THE TRAIL OF MARTIN LUTHER AND OTHER SITES IN GERMANY

On September 2, 2015, six MLLC members (*Nancy & Wade Eilers, Susan & Daryl Ray, Marlene & Conway Waak*) joined 29 others, and traveled to the parts of Germany where Martin Luther lived and studied. Among the sites visited were: The Gutenberg Museum in Mainz; the town of Worms; Erfurt, where Luther attended the Augustinian monastery from 1505-1512. Also, Wartburg Castle, where Luther (*while in hiding*) translated the Bible; Dresden, along the Elbe River; Leipzig, where Luther preached; and Eisleben, where he was born, and on February 18, 1546, died there. The Castle Church, where Luther posted his 95 Theses, was closed for remodeling in preparation for the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation to be celebrated in 2017. On the final day of the trip, the group saw the Brandenburg Gate and the remains of the Berlin wall.

Floyd & Cheryl Etzel and Berrie & Darlene Etzel traveled to Wehrheim, Germany, a small village in the Taunus Mountains, where they attended a German church service on Sunday, September 27. They met many Etzels at an Etzel Family Reunion, toured the town, and visited the church in Wehrheim where Floyd and Berrie's great-great-grandfather, Philip Etzel, was baptized and confirmed. In Undenhausen, they saw the altar and baptismal font where their great-great-grandmother, Christina Zwernemann Etzel, was baptized. They saw the Castle Braunfels, the home of Prince Karl, who founded New Braunfels, Texas. The Texans also spent a day in Frankfurt, visited the castles, took a Rhine River cruise, went to the Black Forest, and saw beautiful waterfalls in Triberg, Germany, and the Rhinefalls in Schaffhausen, Switzerland.

Statue of Martin Luther in the town of Worms



Wartburg Castle



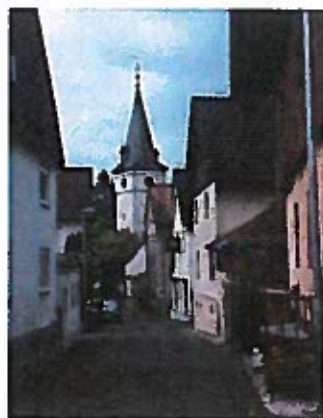
Statue of Martin Luther at Eisleben



Etzels at church in Wehrheim



Typical Wehrheim street Altar and Baptismal font in Undenhausen



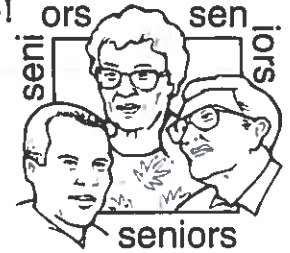
Castle Braunfels



THIS PICTURE WAS TAKEN IN WEHRHEIM, GERMANY—THE CHURCH WHERE BERRIE & FLOYD ETZEL’S GREAT-GREAT-GRANDFATHER, PHILIP ETZEL, WAS BAPTIZED AND CONFIRMED.




ATTENTION, SENIORS!
COME AND ENJOY THE GAMING PARTY ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22, FROM 2.000–4.00 p.m. at the ROUND TOP FAMILY LIBRARY. WIN A PRIZE!



+ Christian Symbols +

Cornucopia

Cornucopia, a Greek word meaning “horn of plenty,” has origins in Greek mythology. But the cornucopia became a religious symbol and was even stamped on Jewish coins. Overflowing horns, now common as Thanksgiving centerpieces, came to symbolize abundance and blessings.





Author and radio host, Garrison Keillor, put a unique spin on expressing gratitude for special meals. He painted the following table prayer on his dining room wall, encouraging guests to sing it together before eating. (Sung to the tune we know, “Be present at our table, Lord”.)

O Lord, we thank Thee for this food,
For every blessing, every good,
For earthly sustenance and love
Bestowed on us from heaven above.
Be present at our table, Lord,
Be here and everywhere adored,
Thy children bless and grant that we
May feast in paradise with Thee.

Keillor writes, *“It’s inspiring to hear 15 people find harmony around the Thanksgiving table.”*
Singing together *“sets a tone. No crying in the cranberries.... There is much to be grateful for.”*

SERVERS FOR: NOVEMBER

- Assisting Ministers:** Susan Bathe (11-01, 11-14); Leonita Sanders (11-08-Thankoffering); Jessica Weidemann (11-15); Dana Smith (11-22); Dianna Gerland (11-25-Thanksgiving Eve); Bobbie Weidemann (11-29)
- Send bulletins to shut-ins & cards to Visitors:** Carol Carmean
- Prepare Communion for shut-ins:** Dean & Joyce Ullrich (the weekend of November 27th or 28th)
- Bulletin folder:** Marlene Waak
- Put supplies in pews:** Ann O’Hara
- Offering counters:** Karen Roemer, Dianne Sager, Trina Siptak
- Put supplies in pews:** Ann O’Hara
- December newsletter assemblers:** Ann O’Hara & Marlene Waak



(SERVERS LIST CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE)



NOVEMBER SERVERS - continued

| date | acolytes | ushers | readers | flowers | bread provider | bread & wine presenters | cross bearer | communion assistants | communion set-up |
|---|----------------|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|---|
| 11-01 All Saints | Hannah & Dana | Team #7-Eldon Mikeska, Jr., capt., Mason Mikeska, Stuart Markwardt, Lauren O'Malley, Jimmy Loewe, Randall Zwernemann, Raylon Zwernemann | Susan Bathe | Dennis & Dianna Gerland | Dianne Sager | Darlene & Berrie Etzel | Jordan Peters | | Jocie (white paraments) |
| 11-08 Thanksgiving | Faith | WELCA | WELCA, Leonita & others | WELCA | | | | Amy Dooley | Susan B. (green paraments & ML banner) |
| 11-14 Saturday | | Volunteers | | | | | | | Jadon |
| 11-15 | Jed | Team #8-Glenn Treude, capt., Melissa Wickel, greeter; Melvin Schoenst, René Runge, Ed Eargle, Dana Smith | Vickie Schroeder | Maggie & Ronnie Hinze | | | | Shelby Markwardt | Jadon |
| 11-22 Christ the King | Dylan & Aaron | Team #9-Tim Sanders, capt., Alvis Mueller, greeter; Steve Leppard, Amanda Leppard, Theresa Garlin, Ryan Hinze | Amy Dooley | Darrell & Jane Marek | Carol Carmean | Dennis & Dianna Gerland | Jadon Weidemann | Vickie Schroeder | Susie M. (white paraments) |
| 11-25 Thanksgiving Eve | Miles & Carson | Team #10-Monty Mayer, capt., Ronnie Siptak, Colter Siptak, Shayne Kirts, Kevin Woelfel | Bobbie Weidemann | Wade & Nancy Eilers | Bobbie Weidemann | Jessica & Jadon Weidemann | Jed Leppard | Bobbie Weidemann | Jessica |
| 11-28 Saturday | | Volunteers | | | | | | | Vickie N. (blue paraments) |
| 11-29 1 st Sun. in Advent | Janette | Team #11-Gene Muehlbrad, capt., Connie Peters, greeter; Kayla Peters, Breanna Marburger, Jordan Peters | Dana Smith | Jerry & Barbara Jacob | | | | Barbara Jacob | Vickie N. (blue paraments) |

Thankful Hearts

Make table decorations that serve as Thanksgiving conversation-starters.

What you need:

- Paper and pencil
- Scissors
- Cloth or felt
- Needle and thread
- Sewing machine (optional)
- Fiber fill, cotton balls or rice
- Adult help

What you do:

1. Cut out a heart pattern (any size) on paper. Allow 1/4" for a seam if you'll be using a sewing machine.
2. Cut out material hearts, placing pieces right sides out if sewing by hand and right sides together if using a machine.
3. For hand-sewing, use a running stitch or an overcast stitch. Leave an opening for stuffing.
4. With a machine, sew along a 1/4" seam, allowing a 1" opening so you can turn the heart inside out and insert stuffing. Trim close to seam but don't cut stitching.
5. Fill with stuffing. Sew the opening shut by hand.
6. Put a heart at each place setting. Before dinner, have guests pick theirs up and say why they have a thankful heart.



With all my heart



This Thanksgiving — and every day — let's thank our heavenly Father for all he has done.

Directions: Write the capital letters in order on the lines below to complete Psalm 9:1, NIV.

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PSALM 9:1, NIV

Answer: "I will give thanks to you, Lord, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds." Psalm 9:1, NIV

November 2015



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 1 23 rd Sunday after Pentecost/ All Saints Day 9:00 am-Worship w/Holy Communion/ <i>All Saints Remembrance</i> 10:10 am-Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 5:00 pm-AA meeting | 2 9:00 am-Day Care Chapel | 3 6:00 pm-Worship Committee | 4 9:00 am-Day Care Storytime 4:15-5:45 pm- Confirmation class | 5 | 6 | 7 Decorate for Annual Turkey Dinner <i>Texas Arbor Day- Plant a tree!</i> |
| 8 24 th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 am-Worship w/Holy Communion/ <i>Veterans Remembrance</i> 10:10 am-Sunday School/Adult Bible Study/ <i>WELCA Thankoffering service</i> <i>Annual Turkey Dinner</i> 10:10 am-Property Committee 11:10 am-Christian Ed Committee 5:00 pm-AA meeting | 9 9:00 am-Day Care Chapel 9:00 am-Quilting 6:00 pm-Stewardship meeting | 10 Council agenda deadline The 582 nd anniversary of the birth of Martin Luther, 1483 | 11 Veterans' Day  9:00 am-Day Care Storytime 4:15-5:45 pm- Confirmation class | 12 2:00 pm-Ladies Aid 6:30 pm-Mary Group | 13 | 14 6:00 pm-Worship w/Holy Communion |
| 15 25 th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 am-Worship w/Holy Communion 10:10 am-Sunday School/Adult Bible Study/ <i>Christmas program practice/Tone</i> <i>Chimes practice</i> 5:00 pm-AA meeting | 16 9:00 am-Day Care Chapel 1:30 pm-Sr. Citizens Domino Party 6:15 pm-Church Council | 17 | 18 9:00 am-Day Care Storytime 4:15-5:45 pm- Confirmation class | 19 | 20 Newsletter deadline | 21 |
| 22 Christ the King Sunday 8:45 am-Hymn Sing 9:00 am-Worship w/Holy Communion(Peggy Hahn to preach) 10:10 am-Sunday School/Adult Bible Study/ <i>Christmas program practice</i> 10:30 am-LYO meeting 5:00 pm-AA meeting | 23 9:00 am-Day Care Chapel 7:00 pm-Men in Mission | 24 | 25 (No confirmation class today) 7:00 pm-Thanksgiving Eve Worship service MLLS Closed | 26 Thanksgiving Day  | 27 MLLS closed | 28 6:00 pm-Worship w/Holy Communion REMEMBER TO COLLECT YOUR LOOSE CHANGE FOR THE NOISY OFFERING SUNDAY |
| 29 1 st Sunday of Advent 9:00 am-Worship w/Holy Communion led by Praise Team/Noisy Offering collected 10:10 am-Sunday School/Adult Bible Study/ <i>Christmas program practice/ Christmas tree set up with lights and decorated after worship/Refreshments to follow</i> 5:00 pm-AA meeting | 30 9:00 am-Day Care Chapel | 30 | 30 | 30 | 30 | DECEMBER 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 |