



# The Arising News



## H A P P Y *Thanksgiving*



*"give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will  
of God In Christ Jesus for you."*

1 Thessalonians 5:18

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**Worship Times: In-Person ~ Sunday 9:00am**

**Adult Bible Study - Sunday 10:30am**

**Sunday Devotionals via Facebook - Every Sunday  
Communion is celebrated every Sunday @ 9:00am**

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# November- Dates to Remember



11/02 Sat.	7:00am	Workout
	7:30am	Men's Bible Breakfast
	8:30am	Women's Bible Study
	9:00am	Fall Clean-Up Day
11/03 Sun.	9:00am	Divine Service
	10:30am	Adult Bible Study/Youth Sunday School
11/06 Weds.	9am & 7pm	LifeLight Class
	5:30pm	Confirmation Class
11/07 Thurs.	6:30pm	Elder Meeting
11/09 Sat.	7:00am	Workout
11/10 Sun.	9:00am	Divine Service
Angel Tree Install	10:30am	Adult Bible Study/Youth Bible School
11/11 Mon.	3:30pm	Quilt Assembly Group
11/12 Tues.	6:00pm	LBDC Board Meeting
11/13 Weds.	5:15pm	Congregational Life
	5:30pm	Confirmation Class
	6:15pm	ED Board Meeting
11/14 Thurs.	6:30pm	Council Meeting
11/16 Sat.	7:00am	Workout
	8:30am	Women's Bible Study
11/17 Sun.	9:00am	Divine Service
	10:30am	Adult Bible Study/Youth Bible School
11/20 Weds.	5:30pm	Confirmation Class
11/23 Sat.	7:00am	Workout
11/24 Sun.	9:00am	Divine Service
	10:30am	Adult Bible Study/Youth Bible School
11/25 Mon.	6:30pm	Future Planning Meeting
11/28 -29 Thurs. & Fri.	Thanksgiving Church Office Closed/LBDC Closed	
11/28 Thurs.	5:30pm	Christian Care Meal Prep/Serv
11/30 Sat.	7:00am	Workout
	8:00am	Christmas Tree Install
	8:30am	Women's Bible Study
12/01 Sun.	9:00am	Divine Service
	10:30am	Adult Bible Study/Youth Bible School
12/03 Tues.	6:30pm	LBDC Christmas Program
12/06 Fri.	12noon	Fellowship Friday



## **November 3rd Matthew 5:1-12**

### **The Sermon on the Mount**

<sup>11</sup> "Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you. "

## **November 10th Mark 12:38-44**

### **Beware of the Scribes**

<sup>38</sup> And in his teaching he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and like greetings in the marketplaces <sup>39</sup> and have the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts, <sup>40</sup> who devour widows' houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

## **November 17th Mark 13:1-13**

### **Jesus Foretells Destruction of the Temple**

**13** "And as he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings!" <sup>2</sup> And Jesus said to him, "Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down... <sup>5</sup> And Jesus began to say to them, "See that no one leads you astray. <sup>6</sup> Many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. <sup>7</sup> And when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. This must take place, but the end is not yet. <sup>8</sup> For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. These are but the beginning of the birth pains... <sup>13</sup> And you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved."

## **November 24th Mark 13:24-37**

### **Jesus Speaks to His Disciples**

<sup>30</sup> Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place.

<sup>31</sup> Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. "

## **The Beatitudes**

**5** "Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

**2** And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

**3** "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

**4** "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

**5** "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

**6** "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

**7** "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

**8** "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

**9** "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons<sup>[a]</sup> of God.

**10** "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In these newsletter articles we've spent the last ten months reviewing the commandments as a guide for confessing our sins. Along the way we looked at the catechism explanations plus a series of Questions specific to each commandment to help us uncover the weaknesses of our flesh and our failures to live according to God's commands. Such meditative reflection will bear fruit in our lives, and it will help us to more fully appreciate the gift of forgiveness that flows out upon us in every Divine Service. It will also lead us to value the gift of privately confessing our sins to our pastor, knowing that he has been called to speak the forgiving word of Christ to us in the stead of our Lord.

The gift of private confession and absolution with a called servant of Christ, who has vowed to never divulge the sins confessed to him, is perhaps the most neglected gift our Lord gave to His Church.

Receiving absolution personally for the sins that you have just acknowledged out loud is like a laser guided missile striking its target. It leaves no doubt that your specific sins have been wiped out by the blood of your Savior who took those very sins as His own and died for them.

The practice of private confession and absolution is a great and precious gift. Gifts from our Lord are always received by faith with thanksgiving. They are not something that can be forced on anyone by coercion. Which makes our Lutheran heritage such a joyful thing. I'll let Luther's words from his Large Catechism unpack this gift that he helped uncover for the Church through his faithful teaching:

*"We have always urged that confession should be voluntary and that the pope's tyranny should cease. As a result we are now rid of his coercion and set free from the intolerable load and burden that he laid upon Christendom. ... Everyone is now aware of this. But unfortunately people have learned it only too well. They do as they please and apply their freedom wrongfully as if it meant that they ought not or must not go to confession. ... Nevertheless, we strongly urge you by all means to make confession of your need, not with the intention of thereby doing a worthy work but in order to hear what God has arranged for you to be told. What I am saying is that you are to concentrate on the Word, on the absolution, to regard it as a great and precious and magnificently splendid treasure, and to accept it with all praise and thanksgiving to God."*

If you are unfamiliar with this gift it might help to look at the Rite of Individual Confession and Absolution on pages 292-293 of our hymnal. That may dispel some of the mystery and help prepare you to receive this "magnificently splendid treasure." Then call me to set up a time to receive the gift so together we can rejoice and give thanks to our merciful Lord.

The Lord be merciful to you and strengthen your faith.  
Pastor Licht



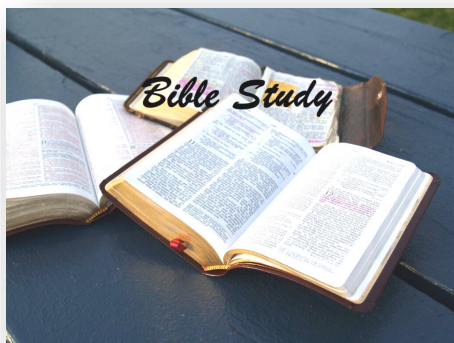


**PREPARED WITH A REASON**

*But in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy,  
always being prepared to make a defense  
to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you;  
yet do it with gentleness and respect,  
1 Peter 3:15*

**Join us as we learn together to**

- Think through several modern-day challenges to the Christian faith
- Speak with confidence to these challenges
- Rest in the peace of Christ even when confronted by these challenges

**Sunday School**

**Every Sunday  
At 10:30am**

**New Member Class**

If you or someone you know is interested in joining our church, please contact Pastor Licht or call the church office, 563-386-2342.



*"...with full courage  
now as always  
Christ will be  
honored in my body,  
whether by life or by  
death. For to me to  
LIVE IS CHRIST, and  
to die is gain."*

*~St. Paul  
Philippians 1*

**Friends are  
Welcome  
at all of  
our events.  
Please  
invite  
them!**



## **Sunday Bible Study**

Calling all 6th – 12 grade students!  
Grab a cookie and some coffee and join  
Mr. Emory in the Library during the  
Bible Study hour!  
Hope to see you there!

**Bring a Friend!**

## **Dates to Remember**

**Nov. 2 @ 9am**—Fall Clean up day  
Bring your work gloves and help clean up  
our facilities inside and out.

**Nov. 3**—DST Ends—Set your clocks back!

**Nov. 16—10am** Kids Against Hunger  
& Taco Bar afterwards

**Dec. 4, 11, 18 @ 6pm**—

Advent Soup Suppers  
Come and help serve & clean up,  
earn service hours for school!

## **Upcoming Youth Events**

**December 13—Christmas Party  
& Cards for the Shut-ins**

**January 23—Christian Care  
& Huckleberry's Pizza**

**February 21—1/2 Lock-in!**

**Mafia & Nerf Wars!**

**March—TBD by our High Schoolers**

**April—TBD by our High Schoolers**



Calling all 3 year old's -  
5th graders!!! Join us  
upstairs on Sunday  
mornings to dig into  
God's Word with fun  
Bible Stories and  
crafts. Invite a friend  
to join us!

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If you have a heart for  
showing children the  
love of Jesus and would  
like to serve in  
Children's Ministry,  
there's a place for you!  
Please contact  
Leslie McCoy—  
leslie@rclqc.org Call/  
text (309)230-4860

### Dates to Remember:

**November 3** - Daylight Savings Time ends;  
Children sing at 9am Worship service  
**November 10** -Start practicing songs for  
Christmas Program  
**Dec 1 @ 10:30am** —Christmas  
Program Practice  
**Dec 7 @ 9am**—Christmas Program Practice  
**Dec 8 @ 8am**—Christmas Program Practice  
**Dec 8 @ 10:30am** - Children's  
Christmas Program

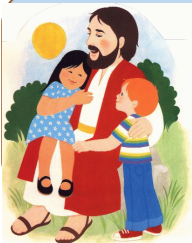
One of the most precious sounds is that  
of little children singing praises to our  
God and King! The Sunday school children  
will sing "Jesus", "Everybody Now Praise  
Him", & "God is so Good" on November  
3rd. Please plan to have your child  
participate. I look forward to sharing  
this with the congregation! We will start  
looking at our Christmas Program parts  
and songs on November 10th. I  
encourage you to make Sunday school  
attendance a priority as we will be  
practicing as we can until the Program  
date of December 8th.



Nov. 3 Heidi Iltis  
Nov. 10 Janey Zirpel  
Nov. 17 Rachel Luebbe  
Nov. 24 Leslie McCoy

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them,  
for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14





“Proclaiming the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ to children and their parents through a high quality child care program.”

**Little Blessings** – “Proclaiming the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ to children and their parents through a high quality child care program.”

Another month has come and gone for the daycare. Lots of exciting times were had by all.

We welcomed a new infant in October. We still have an opening for one more infant. The other spots are being held for families that are expecting.

October 25<sup>th</sup>, the center had their annual open house. This is set during normal hours of the daycare, but gives teachers and parents more time to talk if they have questions. This time also allows parents to talk to the office staff if they have questions.

Several families had fun at the family fall fest October 25<sup>th</sup> with the church families. Families really appreciate the opportunity to go trunk or treating and play games in a safe environment.

October 31<sup>st</sup>, the children had their Halloween parties. Costumes were worn to go trick or treating. Games and plenty of food were shared by all.

Our next adventure with the daycare children will be learning their Christmas songs for our Christmas program on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. All church families are invited to our Christmas on December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 pm.

Terrie

## **LBDC Thanksgiving Meal!** **Wednesday, November 20th at 12pm**

Everyone is invited to Share a Thanksgiving Meal courtesy of the Little Blessings Daycare Staff & with the Children Serving. Enjoy a Delicious Meal Together.

*If you have any questions contact, Terrie Burkey*





11/01 *Matt Trickey*

11/03 *Nannette Justman*

11/03 *Mindy Wayt*

11/04 *Timothy Buckley*

11/04 *Liam Smith*

11/06 *Gloria Blackledge*

11/10 *Kristy Ehlers*

11/10 *Emil Petersen*

11/12 *Barb Grosskopf*

11/13 *Jarrett Holshouser*

11/15 *Kerry Gruenhagen*

11/17 *Chance Daily*

11/17 *Ava Finkey*

11/17 *Molli Johnson*

11/18 *Violet Sievert*

11/19 *Gayla Kelly*

11/20 *Ron Dippel*

11/22 *Allan Elias*

11/24 *Matthew McFate*

11/26 *Mark Istis*

11/27 *Jayne Holshouser*

11/27 *Laura Wittnebel*

11/29 *Sonny Lynn Kuhlman*



“One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism.”  
*Ephesians 4:5*



11/01 Brad Bauer

11/01 Jackson Franzenburg

11/02 Elaine Gordon

11/02 Matthew Ruhnke

11/06 Nathaniel McCoy

11/07 August Bauer

11/11 Marilyn Sorensen

11/12 Gracee Gruenhagen

11/14 Aja Hentze

11/14 Michelle Warner

11/14 Laura Wittnebel

11/15 Myles Zirpel

11/16 Chance Daily

11/17 Ron Gruenhagen

11/17 Paulette Waech

11/19 Linda Gentz

11/19 Sandy McLeod

11/20 Carolyn Bauer

11/20 Vicki Dalton

11/21 Anna Esbaum

11/22 Cheryl Amhof

11/22 Silas Zirpel

11/23 Madelaine McCoy

11/23 Robert Milota

11/23 Travis Sherven

11/25 Lillian Lochner

11/25 Kenneth Miller III

11/25 Kay Petersen

11/25 Patty Thomas

11/26 Jeff Anderson

11/29 Jack Boley

11/29 Roger Amhof

11/29 Brittany Grosskopf

11/30 Gayla Kelly

11/07 Steven & Joyce Koenig

11/19 David & Debra Rowland

11/22 Jen & Mike Morris



*"I am my beloved's and my  
beloved is mine. " Song of Solomon 6:3*

## Membership Changes

If you have changed address, or know of another member who did but may not have informed us, please either remind that person to get us the new information or supply it yourself. Thank you for helping us keep in touch with our treasured members.

### **PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**Rev. Bob Bartel**—Undergoing Cancer Treatment

**Kali Gruenhagen**—Recovering at Home

**Tyson Baumgardner (Gloria Blackledge's nephew)** - in a coma since 12/27/23

**Rose Allison**—Undergoing Cancer Treatment

**Paulette Waech**—Declining health, multiple medical concerns

**Dorothy Luebke (Leslie McCoy's mom)**—Declining health

**Gary Hentze**—Medical Tests

**Terrie Burkey**—Medical Tests & Treatments

**Vicki Dalton**—recovering from surgery



**HOSPITALIZED?** If you or a loved one is admitted to the hospital or will be an outpatient at any medical facility and you desire Pastor Licht to visit, please notify the church office at 386-2342. Also, if you are a home-bound member and would like a visit, feel free to request a visit by notifying the church office.

**LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE – LUTHERAN WOMEN IN MISSION**

*Submitted by Grace Schrage*

**Mission Statement:** *As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others.*

**Equipping women through God's Word:** All women of RCLC are invited to our monthly Thursday night Bible study – on **November 7, at 6:30 p.m.**, we will hear from a Bible study: **Stillness in the Seasons of Life** – appropriate as we prepare for the end of the Church Year and then for Advent, both times to reflect, repent, and then to rejoice as we review all God has done for us.

**Other Bible study opportunities:** Every Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. with Pastor Licht **The Women's Bible Study continues** – God's Provision in a Wilderness World every other Saturday at 8:30 am. (next is November 6). It is a great time to share God's Word and to study with your sisters in Christ. For questions about this, contact Brenda Ross.

**Serving others:** November 11th at 3:30 p.m., work on quilts – quilting skills not required  
Other opportunities to serve others (and have time for fellowship):

**Church Workday on November 2nd at 9am—12noon**

**Christmas tree set up in the Sanctuary on November 30 at 8 a.m.**,  
placing wreaths and other decorations in Sanctuary and hanging the Chrismons

**Advent Event**—Mark your calendars for December 8, at 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. when we will gather for our Advent event.—time to prepare our hearts for Advent and the celebration of Christmas.

**THANK YOU:** to all who helped tie quilts – and to Rachel who finished the edges! We had a great time and were able to tie eleven (11) quilts.

**And to: all who helped RCLC in our celebration of LWML** – Lutheran Women in Mission. We had greeters, Coffee fellowship servers, ushers, ladies who presented items for a Blessing during the service, and we also thank Leslie for hanging the special banners for LWML Sunday.

**Change in leadership:** At our pin and tie day, we elected **Rachel Luebbe to be president; her term of office will begin January 1, 2025**. We will be appointing a Financial Secretary to fill the remainder of her term – at the board meeting on November 7. One office will be vacant – Vice-President.

**RCLC LWML ongoing project:** *We support two seminary students, Joshua and Ethan, on a monthly basis during the school year. This support is sent to the individual student as a supplement for any other support they receive from the Seminary. Currently, our support requires \$100 each month of the school year – and we would like to encourage help in funding this project.* Would you like more information? *Would you like to “adopt” one of the students for a month (\$50)? If you are interested or have questions, contact Grace, Heidi, Patty, Tammy, or Rachel.*

**Coming Activities:** **Mugs and Muffins will not meet in November or December.**

**November 3** – First Sunday – Mite box for mites collection and basket for General Fund donations

**November 7** – Board meeting at 5:30 p.m. Monthly Bible Study at 6:30 p.m. – all women are invited!

**November 11** at 3:30 p.m. – Quilting work – more quilts to tie.



## Expanding Gospel Outreach to Hispanics in U.S.

2023–2025 Mission Grant #22 — \$100,000

Hispanics have become the second largest ethnic population in the United States and Lutheran Hour Ministries (LHM) realizes that there are many opportunities to reach out with the Gospel using Christian resources that are available through media and outreach technology.



LHM is not simply translating English materials into Spanish, they are crafting programming, media content, and written materials for Hispanics by Hispanics. These are applicable to daily life in the American culture and help to spread the Gospel. Working with LCMS ministry leaders, churches, districts, universities, and seminaries, LHM has been able to reach out to more of the Hispanic population.

This grant will share God’s message of salvation with the Hispanic people through technology in their own language, which will help strengthen their faith and encourage them to seek to learn more about Jesus.



## Take the Middle School Challenge!

Join the Middle Schoolers as they read through the New Testament  
Chronologically before New Year's Day!

**The Rules are simple, Read each Day's Assignment... That's It!**

Matthew 1-4

James 3-5

John 4-6

1 Thessalonians 1-5

Romans 12-16

Acts 6-9



Colossians 1-4

Titus 1-3

Luke 14-17



Revelation 1-3

Find the attachment in the Weekly Email labeled **Middle School Challenge!**  
Or find a printed page on the Ministry Table in the Narthex.

## Do You Read Scripture Everyday?

Take the Middle School Challenge!

You Will Read Scripture Everyday

Beginning October 15th - New Year!

“The Goal is not to become a New Testament Scholar, but rather to start a habit of Reading God’s Word Daily!”

Rich Emory is Asking All Members of  
Risen Christ Lutheran Church to...

## “Take The Middle School Challenge!”

Find your copy of the Reading Challenge in the Narthex on the Ministry Table. Also, these are in the Weekly Email for your convenience.



**2023–2025 Mission Grant #19**  
**Tanzania Children's Homes**

**Evangelical Lutheran Church of Tanzania, Africa — \$74,500**

**PAID IN FULL!**

The Tanzania Children's Home welcomes albino children to offer security, care, and education. Albinism (limited melanin pigment in the skin, eyes, and hair) is especially prevalent in Tanzania. Children with albinism face health risks of skin cancer and visual impairment and are threatened by the pagan practices of the tribal religions that falsely teach their body parts have magical powers to make one rich, successful, and powerful. The home offers security and specialized care for the children that their families cannot provide and is located on the campus of the Lutheran Boarding School in Mwadui. They are raised in the knowledge and love of the Lord and are transported to the Mwadui Lutheran Secondary School for their education. This grant will help purchase a bus for safe transportation of the children and will contribute to the support of the children.



In July 2022, a group from St. John, Bingen (Decatur, IN) travelled to Tanzania to meet the pastors, deaconesses, church leaders, and children at the home they funded for their 175th anniversary.

## PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVED THROUGH THIS MISSION GRANT

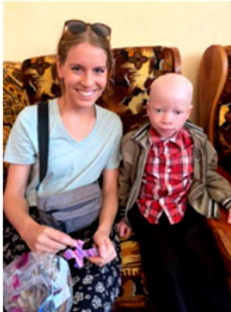
**PRAYER #1** Heavenly Father, we ask You to protect the albino children in Tanzania. They face physical problems due to the lack of pigmentation in their skin. The risk of sunburn and skin cancer is high. The greatest challenge is the isolation they face as sometimes they may be ostracized from their own home. Provide people who will care for them and protect them. It is through Your power that they will be kept safe. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

**PRAYER #2** Jesus, we ask You to protect the albino children from evil superstitions. We cannot begin to understand how anyone would cut off the hand of a child and sell it as a potion for wealth and prosperity. The evil is so great and only You have the power to contain it. We pray for protection for the children, and we also pray for the followers of evil superstitions. Enter the hearts of the witch doctors and replace the evil with Your love and forgiveness so that this terrible practice will stop. We pray in Your name. Amen.

**PRAYER #3** Lord, we ask You to be with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania as they spread the Gospel throughout the country. Bless the leaders and pastors that their teaching will bear fruit. We ask You to be with the leaders in the Mwadui area as they reach out to protect the children suffering from albinism. Guide them as they offer physical protection but also share with them the saving words of the Gospel. Albino children can feel isolated, but we know that You welcome them into Your loving arms as Your children. In Jesus' name. Amen.

An albino child is characterized by the partial or complete absence of pigment in the skin, hair, and eyes. Lack of skin pigmentation makes for more susceptibility to sunburn and skin cancers.

In Tanzania, albinos represent one in every 1429 births, a much higher rate than in any other nation. Albinos are especially persecuted because witch doctors have promoted a belief in the magical and superstitious properties of albinos' body parts. An albino child is often seen as a bad omen and treated as unwanted. Children may have their hands or arms amputated and sold to witch doctors. Parents of albino children will protect their children by sending them to an orphanage that will offer more security than their own home. The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Tanzania — Southeast of Lake Victoria Diocese (ELCK — SELVD) currently has a teaching center for training church leaders in Mwadui where there are a high percentage of albino children. The church is growing through baptisms and evangelism. On the campus of the teaching center is the Lutheran Boarding School. In 2021, an orphanage was built on the campus to provide a home and school for albino children. The orphanage, sponsored by the ELCK — SELVD is safer and more secure for the children than the government run orphanage. Since the orphanage is located next to the Lutheran boarding school, the albino children are integrated into a more normal life and are not isolated. The most important care they receive is that their body and soul are served as they are cared for, and they are reared in the fear and instruction of the Lord. The purpose of the grant is to purchase a school bus to transport children from their homes to school and to assist with the funding of the children's care.



Barakā, Emiliana

The school provides for their bodily needs as they are threatened by health risks, and protects them from the pagan practices. They are built up in their faith and are children of God.

The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore (Psalm 121:7–8).







*Happy Thanksgiving*

**The Church Office Will be Closed for  
Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 28th  
& on Friday, November 29th**

**And will reopen on Monday, December 2nd at 10:00am**

**Have a Blessed Thanksgiving!**

## **Little Blessings Daycare**

**Will Be Closed Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 28th and Friday, November 29th**

**We Will Re-open on Monday, December 2nd at 6:30am**

**Have a Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving!**







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## **Men's Shelter Meal Service**

**Where:** 2209 3rd Avenue, Rock Island, IL

**When:** The fourth Thursday night of each month. Arrive at the shelter between 5:00- 5:30 pm, depending on meal prep time required.

**What:** We provide a meal for 50-60 people.

**Details:** Meal items can be prepared ahead of time and heated up at the shelter. They have 2 big ovens that we can use. They provide serving dishes, utensils, plates, drinks and clean-up. We provide a tasty nourishing meal (main dish, side dishes, dessert.).

**Thrivent members can apply for Thrivent Action Team dollars for each date they help in order to defray the costs. In a nutshell: sign up for a date, plan a meal, prepare it and serve it with love.**

**Contact Bryan Johnson or Sandy Sievert or sign up at the kiosk in the narthex if interested in helping prepare a meal.**

**This is a great family or small group activity!**

**Look for Sign up at the kiosk for all months in 2025.**

**Thank you to All of the Families that Contributed their time & resources to Help Feed Those in Need in Our Community, for the 2024 Season. God Bless You!**

2209 3rd Avenue, Rock Island, IL 61201  
(309) 786-5734  
[www.christiancareqc.org](http://www.christiancareqc.org)

## Confirmation Class

### Wednesday, November 6th at 5:30pm



**2024-2025 Confirmation Class**  
**Welcome All Students to**  
**Confirmation Instruction**  
**with Pastor Licht**  
**If you Have questions,**  
**Contact Pastor Licht at:**  
**[pastorlicht@rclqc.org](mailto:pastorlicht@rclqc.org)**



## Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am

# Kids Against Hunger

[www.kahqc.com](http://www.kahqc.com)

**Your Quad Cities**

Meals to Date: October 2024  
5,330,037

**A Packaging Event Thank you for Helping!**

**Sign-up at the Ministry Table. Let's get a good team together!**

**Taco Bar For Everyone who Participates After We Assemble Meals for the Kids!**



**Apple Cinnamon Oatmeal!**

These meals have Oats, Soy, Apples, and Vitamins/Cinnamon

30 cents per meal



# Save Around Coupon Booklets!

## Are Now Available ~ Find Your Book at the Ministry Table in the Narthex

**The Cost is  
\$25 Per Book**

**These Make Great Gifts!  
Now & for 2025!  
Locate the App on your  
Phone**



**Questions? Contact Terrie Burkey**

LBDC Save Around Coupon Booklets are available for Purchase! This year they have an App that you can Download on your phone to make couponing Easier!

The Cost is \$25 per Book and you can order Multiples if you need too. It makes a great Christmas Gift for those who Enjoy Eating out in the Quad Cities or It has Other Activities for the Kids and your Favorite Golfer!

Contact Terrie Burkey with your Questions

Thanksgiving Eve Service,  
Wednesday, November 27th at 7:00pm



We invite you to join us on  
Wednesday, November 27th at 7pm for a  
Thanksgiving Eve Service at  
Risen Christ Lutheran Church.

Let us Give Thanks to God for the  
Many Blessings He's Given to us!  
Invite Your Friends and Family.  
We welcome All as the Family of God!



*If you have questions, call the office.*



***If you have any questions, Contact Jessica Welch***



“And they sang responsively, praising and giving thanks to the Lord, “For he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever toward Israel.” And all the people shouted with a great shout when they praised the Lord, because the foundation of the house of the Lord was laid.”

*Ezra 3:11*

“Every  
tithe of  
the land,  
whether  
of the  
seed of  
the land  
or of the  
fruit of  
the trees,  
it is the  
Lord’s; it  
is holy to  
the Lord.”  
Leviticus

27:30







## RCLC Angel Tree

Now, Located In The Narthex! Find an Angel on the Tree,  
Wrap the Gift and Place Back under the Tree. Thank you!

Benefiting Lutheran  
Social Service families &  
veteran families

We are Thankful to Place the Angel Tree in the Church Narthex for this Christmas Season. Please find an Angel Ornament on the Tree and kindly purchase a requested gift. Leave these Gifts Under the Angel Tree wrapped and ready for Giving.

Thank you Risen Christ Lutheran Church family for your Generosity, as We Celebrate the Coming of Our Lord & Savior Jesus Christ this Blessed Christmas.

**If You Have any questions contact, Bryan Johnson,  
Chair of the Stewardship Committee  
Donations Received,  
November 10th - December 14th**

**Happy Birthday Wishes & God's Blessings to *Marilyn Sorensen* in Celebration of her *90th Birthday* at Risen Christ Lutheran Church on Sunday, November 10th.**

**Happy Birthday Wishes & God's Blessings to *Paulette Waech* in Celebration of her *80th Birthday* at Risen Christ Lutheran Church on Sunday, November 17th!**



### Homebound Members of our Risen Christ Family:



**Donna Cook  
Kristi Manley  
Sandy McLeod  
Dan & Trish Speth**

**Paulette Waech  
David Perry  
Doralee Rock  
Joe Speer**

Keep these members in your prayers and don't forget to reach out to them as you are able (e.g.: cards, phone calls, text messages) and remind them that although they are not able to regularly gather together with us, they remain part of our family. Thank you.



**CHRIST'S HANDS IN ACTION** - Do you have tasks or small jobs around the house with which you need help? Risen Christ is looking to establish a "Service Group" at the church to assist church members (and others) with tasks/small jobs around the house. These small jobs could range from changing light bulbs to raking leaves, to small landscaping projects. As such, we are looking for inputs on service/assistance needs of members. After we formulate a list of projects, we will be seeking participation of members to assist with performance of these service tasks. **Please submit ideas/requests to Myles Zirpel, or write them on the sheet in the Narthex**, with sufficient contact information to allow follow-up on your suggestions. Thanks in advance for your inputs to jump start this new service opportunity.

## **SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE!**

Are you looking for ways to serve your neighbor? Consider taking part in one of our service options:

**Christ's Hands In Action** is a service group created to meet the needs of members of our church and community with small jobs or household tasks which they may not be able to do on their own. Sign-up sheets are available in the Narthex.

**Service Videos:** Volunteers are wanted to help with video livestreams and editing for network airings. This is a great opportunity for adults and youth alike! Training is available by request.

**Board of Trustees** is always looking for new members! If hands-on skills are more your area of expertise, consider joining the Board of Trustees. Trustees help maintain the church building and grounds.

Members of all skill levels are needed, so if you have any interest in serving with one of these areas then please contact Myles Zirpel to take part!

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## **Help Wanted!**

We were in need of someone to mow the Little Blessings playground area. **Update! Help has been found!** Angie Franzenburg has graciously taken on this task! **Thank you Angie!** If you would like to help in any other way, **contact Myles Zirpel.**



## Risen Christ Lutheran Church Welcomes Esther Jean McCloud!

*Esther Jean was born, September 18th & Baptized on October 6th  
Esther's parents are Ian & Naomi McCloud, her Brother is Elisha &  
Sister Ellie. Esther's Grandparents are Mark & Heidi Iltis.*

***Congratulations on the Birth of this Blessed Little One.***

*We ask for prayers for this new Precious child of God and for  
her family, in Jesus name, Amen*



### ***Hurricane Helen: Amid Heartache, abiding peace***

***By Cheryl Magness, The Reporter Online***

When Hurricane Helene came ashore near Perry, Fla., as a Category 4 storm on Sept. 26, those in its path knew it could be serious. Weeks later, the estimated death toll stands at almost 250 people across seven states. Within days of Helene's landfall, the Rev. Dr. Ross Johnson, director of LCMS Disaster Response, took a multi-day trip to the affected areas. He reported that the impact in Florida consisted primarily of flooding; in Georgia, wind damage; and in North Carolina, both. In North Carolina, Helene packed a double whammy of wind and water, necessitating both extensive chainsaw work and flood recovery. LCMS Southeastern District (SED) President Rev. Dr. William Harmon noted, "It's such a unique event to have a hurricane hit the mountains of North and South Carolina. 'Lots of Miracles' The Rev. Bryan Chestnutt, pastor of Mountainside, sees the hurricane as an opportunity for his congregation to be a light to a community in need. Harmon said the greatest needs continue to be water, especially in Asheville; food; hygiene kits; flood cleanup kits; volunteers; money; and, of course, prayer. Those wanting to help are encouraged to visit the SED website at [se.lcms.org](http://se.lcms.org).

## BABY NEWS!

## Risen Christ Lutheran Church Welcomes Josiah Stephen Smith!

*Josiah Smith was born on Tuesday, August 20th 2024 in Bettendorf, Iowa. Josiah was baptized at Risen Christ on Sunday, September 1st.*

***Josiah's Parents are Stephen & Rachel Smith—***

*Sponsors are Ian & Naomi McCloud.*

***Josiah's Sister is Felicity Smith.*** May God's Love Surround You at this Time.

***Congratulations! We ask for prayers for this new  
Precious child of God and for his family, in Jesus  
name, Amen***





Beautify our Altar with flowers. Sign up at the kiosk bulletin board.

## ALTAR

- 11/03 JASON & ANGIE FRANZENBURG  
11/10 STEVE & JOYCE KOENIG  
11/17 REYNOLD & PAULETTE WAECH  
11/24 STEVE & LESLIE MCCOY

## ORGAN



Flower Chart for year 2024 is available on the kiosk in the narthex. Please make checks payable to Risen Christ Lutheran Church

When you have signed up to provide flowers for a certain date, please fill out the pink Altar Flower instruction sheet and turn it in to the office by the prior Sunday. The cost for a bouquet is \$43 (slightly more if you wish to add special flowers).

## Sunday Cookies

- 11/03 Congregational Life\*  
11/10 Marilyn Sorensen  
11/17 Education Committee\*  
11/24 Evangelism Committee\*



**\*Committee responsible when member's haven't signed-up.**

Please sign up at the kiosk to provide or serve cookies or both. There are opportunity's for everyone to serve. Everyone enjoys treats & community building after Sunday morning services. Call the church office with any questions.



## Elders

**11/03 Ian McCloud**

**11/10 Rich Emory**

**11/17 Scott Sievert**

**11/24 Tim Welch**

**11/27 Jason Franzenburg**



## Current Elder Assignments

**Families with last names starting with:**

**A-B - Ian McCloud**

**C-F Stephen Smith**

**G-J Mark Iltis**

**K-L Scott Sievert**

**M-N Tim Welch**

**O-R Rich Emory**

**S Jason Franzenburg**

**T-V Rich Emory**

**W-Z Jason Franzenburg**

## Sound & Video

**11/03 Terry Warner**

**11/10 Steve McCoy**

**11/17 Dave Luebbe**

**11/24 Sam Ross**



## Altar Guild—November

**Heidi Iltis & Lynette Licht**

### **Join the Altar Guild!**

Contact Margaret Miller, Dawn Curtiss or Pastor Licht if interested.



*As* for me and  
my house, we will  
serve the *Lord.*  
Joshua 24:15

**11/03 Maddie McCoy**

**11/10 Asher Ross**

**11/17 Hayden Rasler**

**11/24 Eden Clark**



"For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord,  
from my youth."

Psalms 71:5

**11/03: Rich Emory, Myles Zirpel, Ron Smith, Terry Warner**

**Elder: Ian McCloud**

**11/10: Jason Lehman, Dean Enfield, Bryan Johnson,  
Steve McCoy**

**Elder: Rich Emory**

**11/17: Allan Elias, Myles Zirpel, Sandy Sievert, Dave Luebbe**

**Elder: Scott Sievert**

**11/24: Ron Smith, Rich Emory, Dean Enfield, Scott Sievert**

**Elder: Tim Welch**

**Thanksgiving Eve Service**

**11/27: TBD**

**7pm**

**Elder: Jason Franzenburg**



## GREETERS

**9:00AM**

**11/03 Dick & Grace Schrage**

**11/10 Lynette Licht**

**11/17 Bryan & Sherri Johnson**

**11/24 Tim & Jessica Welch**



# November 2024



*No One knows that Day or Hour...*

<sup>32</sup> "But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. <sup>33</sup> Be on guard, keep awake. <sup>[a]</sup> For you do not know when the time will come. "

***Mark 13:32-33***