

Announcements

November 4, 2018

ALL SAINTS DAY - The white roses on the altar are in memory of our church family who have been called to heaven. Family members are encouraged to take a rose home after 10:30am service.

LAST CHANCE! The ENCHANTED FOREST BOOK FAIR will end today. The Book Fair is a great way for the School Library to get new books for the students to read and enjoy. It also helps the teachers fulfill their Wish Lists!! And you can get some of those hard to find Christmas gifts!

JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP (5th-8th grade) will meet Sunday, November 11th.

BLESSED 2019 HAPPY NEW YEAR - It won't be long before 2019 will be here. A new sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the narthex for Holy Communion Set Up and Clean Up for 2019 year. Our thanks to those who have previously given generously of their time in service to our Lord. Contact Laura Ryden, 970-241-0438 for more information.

BREAKFAST BURRITOS - The Youth Breakfast Burrito fund raiser was a huge success! We made \$1,210. We are now taking orders for breakfast burritos and will be ready to pick up on the weekend of November 10th and 11th.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - Shoe boxes will need to be returned by next Sunday, November 11th. Fill your box with school supplies, small toys (no war-related items), batteries, and hygiene items (no liquids and no toothpaste). Thank you for your generous support!

IT IS AN EXCITING TIME at the Lutheran Church and School of Messiah as we discern God's will for the life of our church moving forward. In anticipation for the voter's assembly November 18th, where we will elect new elders and officers of the church, please keep our congregation in your prayers. If you have a nomination or would be willing to serve, there are plenty of spots available!!! One of the big considerations coming up is what to do with the "1156 Hill Building." A few months ago, they relocated, and the property is seeking use once again. A committee was formed to explore the options to rent, sell, or use the building for ministry. Their findings are available in a packet found in the narthex.

SEMI-ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING - Will be Sunday, November 18th at 1:30pm. We will be voting on new officers and discussing how we will go forward with our Lord's work here at Messiah. **BOARD CHAIRMAN** please get your reports to Glacia by 9:00am Wednesday, November 14th, so that the packets can be ready.

CHURCH COUNCIL - The election of Church Council members will be held on November 18, 2018, if you are interested in serving on any of the boards (Elders, Parochial Education, Christian Education, Finance, or Trustees), please call Paul Yutzy, 970-210-0479, Illona Rennels, 970-210-3751, or the church office, 970-245-2838. Please prayerfully consider giving of your time and talents in the governance of our church body!

THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP SERVICE will be November 21, 2018 at 7:00pm.

THRIVENT FINANCIAL POLICYHOLDER - We need sponsors for Advent Soup Suppers. A sponsor, applies as an Action Team sponsor and once you are approved will be sent a \$250.00 credit card to pay for start-up expenses. If you would like to be a sponsor or have questions, please call the church office.

READY OR NOT—CHRISTMAS IS COMING!!!!—Our school and Sunday School are excited to get to work on their Christmas Pageants!!! Pre-K through 8th grade are invited to start practicing their songs and parts during the Sunday School hour (from 9:30-10:30AM) beginning **November 4th**. This year, our Sunday School and Day School hope to work together for their presentation in December. Also, stay tuned for news about the preschool Christmas Festival focusing on how God shows us His love. ***The Adult Choir** has also begun practicing Wednesday nights at 7PM in the Music Room looking forward to this year's cantata on December 9th and Musical Advent services December 5th and 12th.*

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR is available for students PreSchool - High School. **Class Locations:** Pre-School-4th Grade meeting in **Extended Day Room**, Mrs. MacDonald, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Schultz, teachers; Grades 5-8 are in the **Library**, Mr. Hobus, teacher; High Schoolers should find the **All Purpose Room**. **Come join us!**

SENIOR YOUTH - Senior High youth group (9th-12th grade) will meet Thursdays from 5:30pm - 7pm in the Youth (Multipurpose) Room!!! We will have games, dinner, and a Bible Study. **Both youth groups will meet together on the last Tuesday of the month at 6:00pm to 8:00pm for Taco Tuesday!!!!**

LWML LADIES GUILD - November Guild meeting will be on **Thursday, November 8th**, at **7:00pm**. ALL ladies are welcome to participate in the Bible study and fellowship.

MOM'S NIGHT OUT (WITH THE KIDS) - NOVEMBER 9th, 6:00PM -8:00PM. All moms from school and/or the congregation are invited to come and snuggle with their kids in the gym while watching "Nanny McPhee". Bring your favorite blankets, pillows, camp chairs, stuffed animals, etc. Enjoy some popcorn & pop while getting to know other moms and their children. Are you a single dad? No problem! We will have some awesome moms and grandmas who would love to adopt your kids for the evening. Please call the church office if you plan to attend so we know how many to expect. If you have any questions, please contact Erin Ratliff or Layla Stone. Looking forward to seeing you all there!

RUTH LWML CIRCLE - We will meet Tuesday, November 13th, at 3:30pm for Bible Study. If you have questions, please call Helen Bonner, 241-3417.

DORCAS LWML CIRCLE - We will meet on Thursday, November 15th, at 1:30pm for Bible Study and fellowship at Mesa View, 60l Horizon Place, Grand Junction, CO 81506. Please bring your grocery items for Messiah's food pantry.

MOST WANTED FOOD CHALLENGE - A "MOST WANTED" box has been placed in the narthex for us to fill (to overflowing) with items to help the needy in our church and community. Can you grab an extra canned good item when you run to the store? Can you pick up an extra box of pasta? Toilet paper? Cereal? Grab two! Hurry!! Help us fill up the food pantry again!! Thank you!!

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT - "With angels, archangels, and with all the company of heaven ..." When we gather around the altar of the Lord in His House we pray and praise God with "all the company of heaven." Those we have lost in the Lord are not truly lost to us - they have simply entered their rest with the Lord. As we gather to worship our Lord, we gather along with them. On the Last Day everything that God has given into the care of our stewardship will fade away - everything except our brothers and sisters in Christ. Caring for one another in love and grace is our highest calling.

TREASURER'S REPORT - LCEF Line of Credit

As you will remember, at the May Congregational Meeting we accepted an annual workplan with Total Income of \$942,047.00 and Total Expenses of \$1,036,846.36, which gave us a Net Income of negative \$94,799.36. This means that we committed to spend 10% more than we projected taking in.

At the end of September our expenses were \$242,375.26 and we had borrowed \$15,000 from our LCEF Line of Credit at the beginning of August to meet expenses. This means that we borrowed funds to pay about 6.2% of our expenses. At this rate, we can anticipate that we will need to borrow at least \$60,000 from the Line of Credit by the end of the fiscal year. This is in addition to \$23,000 we borrowed in the 2017-18 fiscal year, or a total of \$83,000 we will have borrowed. We have received some gracious gifts which reduced the balance at the end of September from \$38,000 to \$35,300.

Please consider an additional Special Gift to help with our Line of Credit debt. You can either use one of the envelopes under the Pay Down Our Line of Credit poster in the narthex or one of your Special/Designated Gift envelopes from your Managing God's Gifts envelopes.

We also have the following bills that we have no funds to pay.

VENDOR	DATE DUE	AMOUNT
THE DAILY SENTINEL	10/10/2018	\$ 144.00
PITNEY BOWES	10/12/2018	\$ 145.76
CONCORDIA PUBLISHING	10/15/2018	\$ 986.00
MBC	10/18/2018	\$ 600.00
ALSCO	10/18/2018	\$ 46.12
CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	10/20/2018	\$1,133.49
SCHOLASTIC	10/20/2018	\$ 152.84
GRAND JUNCTION PIPE	10/20/2018	\$ 71.00
SPECTRUM	10/22/2018	\$ 277.56
SOURCE	10/22/2018	\$ 805.09
CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION	10/26/2018	\$1,013.33
CCLI	11/1/2018	\$ 485.00
TOTAL		\$5,860.19

And please continue to pray that God would give us direction and the ability to complete the missions He has given us.

CALLING ALL CRAFTERS!! We will be hosting our fifth annual Craft Fair Saturday December 8th. The cost of a booth is \$40 and the money will go to our school scholarship program. We will take care of advertising for the event. Youth Group will hold their Annual Cookie walk and will serve lunch during the Fair. If you are interested in having a booth or in helping plan, setup, or clean up please contact Glacia Peck 245-2838. Last year we raised \$2,400 for the school scholarship fund and the youth raised \$645 toward their trip to the National Youth Gathering and over \$600 from their yummy bread bowl lunch!! Thank you for all your support and I hope you can join us for this day of FUN! Registration forms are available in the office.

LUTHERAN WITNESS - If you would like to receive a subscription, or renew your current subscription, the cost is \$22.56. You may drop off your payment to the Church office or place it in the offering on Sunday with a note indicating "Lutheran Witness". The deadline is November 30, 2018.

PARENTS OF ADDICTED LOVED ONES (PAL) - Free educational support group for parents and families of addicted loved ones. The group meets every Thursday, 6:30pm to 8:00pm at the First Presbyterian Church, 3940 27 ½ Road, Grand Junction, Colorado, 970-379-5786.

MONDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE STUDY - We will study the Gospel of John Monday Mornings at 9:00am in the Library. All ladies of all ages are invited to come and feed on God's Word and enjoy fellowship. If you need more information call Marsha Brodak at 970-243-7647.

MONDAY NIGHT GOOD NEWS BIBLE STUDY - We have resumed our study of Abraham on Monday evenings at 7:00pm. If you need more information call Anita at 263-4251.

WEDNESDAY BROWN BAG BIBLE STUDY - Matt Powell will lead the class Wednesdays from 12:15-1PM. Grab lunch and meet him down in the Fellowship Hall where we will begin discussing the book of Acts together!!! That same day I will also have a Pastor-Led lecture from 11AM-Noon on Wednesdays also covering the book of Acts!!!! --Pastor Josh Schmidt

ADULT CHOIR - is open to anyone, high school student and beyond, who love to sing and praise the Lord!! We meet every Wednesday from 7:00pm to 8:15pm in the Music Room. Directed by Justin Russell.

MESSIAH MEN'S MINISTRY GROUP meets on the first and third Thursdays of each month at 7:00 pm in the multipurpose room. We will be starting a new study, "Facing Disaster Like a Man" on November 15th. Please call Matt Powell at 270-3637, or Pastor Redeker at the church office, with any questions.

MAVERICKS OF MESSIAH - We meet on Thursday evenings, at 7:00pm at the Beet Room in the Four Winds Coffee Shop.

FRIDAY MORNING GOOD NEWS BIBLE STUDY - We will meet on Friday mornings at 9:30am at the home of Virginia Saunders, 1203-B Club Court. If you need more information call Virginia at 970-245-8218.

MESSIAH'S RADIO MINISTRY - Pastor Redeker's sermons can be heard on Sunday mornings at 8:30am - 9:00am on 1100AM/KNZZ radio station. This is an outreach to our shut-ins and other listeners.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR - Listen to The Lutheran Hour message each Sunday morning at 9:00am on 1100AM/KNZZ radio station.

CHURCH CALENDAR - "Pastor Redeker and I would love to share our schedules with you whenever you would like to plan a meeting. It is also important that our congregation is able to organize as they utilize the different rooms and facilities in our wonderful church and school. To make this possible, please contact the office when scheduling times and places for meetings (on week days) as we build up the body of Christ together."

NEED: YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS! We emailed the newsletter for October. If you did not receive the newsletter we need your email. Please do not assume that we have your email. **If you do not give us an email you will not get a newsletter.** We will make sure that our shut-ins receive them.

VETERANS DAY - Ever wonder why Veterans day is on the 11th and does not change? World War I formally ended on the 11th month on the 11th day on the 11th hour. Did you know the red poppy should be worn on the right side with the leaf positioned at 11 o'clock to represent the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month? The red represents the blood of all those who gave their lives, the black represents the mourning of those who didn't have their loved ones return home, and the green leaf represents the grass and crops growing and future prosperity after the war destroyed so much.

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

5:00pm Joyful Praise Service: N/A 8:00am Traditional Service: 112

10:30am 102

Calendar for the Week

All Saint's Day Sunday	8:00am	Divine Service/Communion
	9:30am	Family Fellowship/Fellowship Hall
	9:30am	Scholastic Book Fair
	10:30am	Divine Service/Communion
	12:00pm	Scholastic Book Fair
Monday	-----	Pastor Schmidt's Day Off
	9:00am	Monday Morning Ladies Bible Study/Library
	3:15pm	PTL Meeting
	7:00pm	Good News Evening Bible Study/Neuberger Home
Tuesday	9:00am	Quilt Ladies/Fellowship Hall
	9:30am	Office Staff Meeting
	3:15pm	School Faculty Meeting
	7:00pm	Board of Elders
Wednesday	8:00am	Weekly Bulletin Announcement deadline
	8:30am	Chapel
	11:00am	Acts Bible Study/Pastor Schmidt
	12:15pm	Brown Bag Bible Study/Matt Powell/Acts
	4:00pm	5/6 Confirmation Class/Pastor Schmidt
	5:00pm	7/8 Confirmation Class/Pastor Schmidt
	7:00pm	Adult Information Class/Fellowship Hall
7:00pm	Adult Choir/Music Room	
Thursday	5:30pm	Senior Youth/Youth Room
	6:00pm	Financial Peace University/Fellowship Hall
	7:00pm	Mavericks of Messiah/Four Winds
Friday	-----	Pastor Redeker's Day Off
	9:30am	Good News Bible Study/Virginia Saunder's Home
	11:30am	Prayer Partner Lunch Bunch
Saturday	6:00pm	Mom's Night Out with the Kids/Gym
	5:00pm	Joyful Praise/Communion/Sanctuary
Sunday	-----	Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Due
	8:00am	Divine Service/Communion
	9:30am	Adult Bible Study/Fellowship Hall
	9:30am	Children's Ministry
	10:30am	Divine Service/Communion
	3:00pm	Jr. Youth/Youth Room