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## The Prayer Line

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Calendars:

November serving us  
Calendar in November

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE!**

**Monday  
November 24th**



### Reflections on my Drive Home...

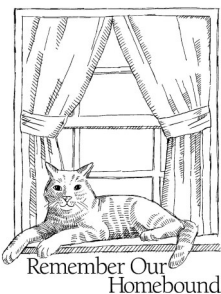
I always enjoy the drive down the I-5 from the Bay area south to Bakersfield. It is such a serene sight driving in between the rolling hills of the west part of the state and the flat fields of the central valley. I am usually making this drive when I come back from district meetings and events and in the four plus hours it takes to make the drive back it usually allows for some time of reflection from the event. This past week I was coming back from the annual California-Nevada-Hawaii's LCMS district conference and upon coming back from the conference I was reflecting on something mentioned at the conference. It was something district president Micheal Lange said in his opening sermon for the conference. He began with a basic simple question for the assembly. The question went something like this, in your parish setting have you ever come across someone you might not want to see in heaven.? This question bothered me, of course I would want everyone I encountered to experience the heavenly bliss or at least I thought I did until I came across Dr. Lange's question in his sermon. I suppose that on more than enough occasions I have come across those people whom I did not enjoy the presence of, yet I never thought of not wanting to see them in heaven. What Dr. Lange was getting at was, how we can have more of an attitude that God has. God specifically states He desires all to be saved and to come to the knowledge of Him. Everyone that is, even the ones that may be difficult to love. In reflecting God's attitude towards others, it is important to remember how incredibly difficult we can make it for God to love us. In our sinful state we often just 'expect' God to love us. But God loves us despite how difficult we may make it for him.

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Cards, calls and prayers are much appreciated by our Military and Homebound members:



Marion Bogle  
Marlene Cawelti  
Linda Crookes  
Diana Danforth  
Brian Henderson  
Doris Martell



Brenton Campbell  
Peter Stewart

### **LCoP Prayer Chain**

When you have any prayer concerns, please let our prayer chain pray for you by contacting [prayer\\_request@lcp.org](mailto:prayer_request@lcp.org)

### **Online Calendar!**

Did you know that our event calendar is online so you can access it anytime, anywhere, from the internet? Check it out at [www.lcop.org](http://www.lcop.org), click on resources under the church name. This will also be updated during the month as events change or are added! To update, please email [info@lcp.org](mailto:info@lcp.org).

### **Join Our Email List!**

Are you on our email list to have the newsletter and event reminders delivered to your inbox? Subscribe by sending an email to [info@lcp.org](mailto:info@lcp.org).



# NOVEMBER

*birthdays & anniversaries*

God's blessings to everyone on your special occasion. If you don't see your name, please call the office to make corrections or additions. We want to include everyone!

### ♥ **ANNIVERSARIES** ♥

Bryant & Megan Arnold  
John & Linda Downen

### \* **BIRTHDAYS** \*

Ken Campbell  
Betty Jordin  
Mike Raasch  
Craig Perkins  
Matt Krale  
Bob Grisso  
Branda Higgins  
James Street  
Tammy Poynor  
Mario Moreno

We honor birthdays and anniversaries on the second Sunday of every month. If you would like to help with refreshments for those who are celebrating, bring your treat to church that morning.

### **Treasurer**

Profit and loss from  
July of 2024 to September of 2025

|                 |              |
|-----------------|--------------|
| LCOP income     | expenses     |
| \$84,621.15     | \$96,512.29  |
| WW income       | expenses     |
| \$124,644.47    | \$130,160.98 |
| Combined income | expenses     |
| \$209,265.62    | \$226,673.27 |

Thank you  
Terry Vergon  
Treasurer

## Wonder Window

What a fun month our kids have had. Vanessa and our teachers put together a very fun movie night. Kids got to paint pumpkins ( thank you Lorraine and Ken Campbell for all the pumpkins), eat pizza and popcorn and watch a very cute Halloween movie. Kathy who doesn't even drink coffee ran a coffee bar for our parents. Wonderful night! Thank you to our staff for putting in the time after a long day to provide such a fun night.

Vanessa and Michelle both came to Trunk or Treat. Vanessa decorated our school van but wasn't able to stay, so Vivienne Kuster passed out flyers with information about our school. Michelle and her boyfriend also decorated their VW bus. Was such a fun night. We had 20 cars participate. I would say we had at least 200 if not more kids come through. Everyone had a great time.

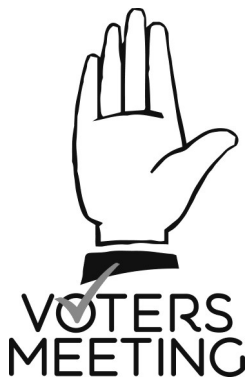
Halloween day the children had a Halloween parade. They got to show off their costumes and trick or treat from the visitors who came to see them. Always a great turn out of family and church members.

We are sad but excited for our teacher Samantha. We love her and we're sad to tell her good by. She was accepted into the nursing program. We wish her best of luck in her classes.

Please pray that we are able to find the perfect replacement. Also keep our staff, children and parents in your prayers.

Blessings,

Jann



**Sunday,  
November 16th.**

## Properties Board

The next meeting will be on Monday November 10th at 6:30 pm and the next workday will be Saturday November 15th at 8am.

Please come out and help, everything goes faster.

I'd like to thank everyone for participating in our church Trunk or Treat event. It was a success with many kids arriving and going down the gauntlet of booths. We had a vender there selling Hot dogs, that's all I got past. I want to thank everyone for helping to set it up and everyone for taking it down. Many of the booths were done by school teachers, parents of children, our family members, church members, friends and neighbors. I could get in trouble with this but (it won't be the first time) I'd like to acknowledge the huge effort Linda and Jann put into this event. Those two put in many hours to make this a success. It just doesn't magically happen. A thank you to all you who helped them. At this moment I'm not sure exactly what we'll be working on this coming work day. We do need to start getting the church ready for Christmas.

Pray for our Church, church members, our Pastor and our nation.

Properties Board

Donald Votaw

*Continued from Pastor,*

He loved us so much He came to be with us, to teach us, to heal us, to die with us, and ultimately to rise with us. This message of love and salvation is for all people. Everyone in our presence, even the ones to whom it may be difficult to love. Remember what sacred scripture says, "we love because God first loved us."

*Pastor Hendricks*

## **SAM**

SAM meeting October 11, 2025

Sheila asked Karen Johnson to speak regarding Grace Lutheran church. Karen spoke about Grace's upcoming Annual Fall Faire Luncheon and Craft Faire on Saturday November 1, 2025, lunch served from 11:00-2:00. We were able to get flyers which we put in the Narthex and also Kathy put it on the bulletin. This is a good way to invite other Lutheran churches to participate and help them out to survive.

We had 15 come to the Pulford Apple farm in Tehachapi and also go to the ThaiHachapi restaurant for lunch, unfortunately 28 people signed up on our sheet in the Narthex so the restaurant had us reserved for 28 when only 15 showed up. Please if you change your plans remove your name from the list so this does not continue to happen, it causes us problems when we make reservations.

Pastor appreciation day 10/19 ordered a sheet cake for everyone.

Trunk or Treat is scheduled for 10/25/25 6:00-8:00pm. Linda Hartnett and Jann Votaw reported they had 20 cars signed up and a lady MO's concession will be serving hot dogs, nachos, kettle corn, Carmel apples, she will also have drinks. We asked the congregation to bring candy to the church to help the cars that are going to participate if we get hit with a crowd serve them candy.

Thanksgiving Eve Pie Feed on 11/26 after church service at 7:00 pm.

Cookie Exchange on December 6th to be held at the Vergon's at 1:00. More information on that to come.

Sheila

## **LCoP Missionaries' Info**

If you would like to pray for and learn more about them, and perhaps also support them through correspondence and/or finances, here is their infor-

### **Jonathan & Carrie Federwitz**

Wycliffe Bible Translators/Lutheran Bible Translators Instructor position with JAARS, (Jungle Aviation and Radio Service). In Waxhaw, NC.

Contact: [j-c.federwitz@gmail.com](mailto:j-c.federwitz@gmail.com)

Support: [www.LBT.org](http://www.LBT.org)

### **Nathan & Sarah Federwitz**

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### **Campbell's**

*support & contact info available at church.*

### **Rev. Dr. Ross & Kris Shaver**

Serving the Lord in the Dominican Republic

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod  
P.O. Box 66861

St. Louis, MO 63166-6861

You may also mail a check to:

[Payable to The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod or LCMS. Include "Shaver - Dominican Republic" on the memo line.]

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## **Church Golfers!** **Come and join us!**

Do you like to golf?

We golf every Friday morning!  
For more information, please call  
or text Roy Eynaud at

661/340-4521

## Up coming events for November!

As the leaves fall and the days grow shorter, November invites us to pause, give thanks, and prepare our hearts for the season ahead. These announcements will help your congregation stay informed, inspired and connected all month long.

### **All Saints' Sunday: Honoring the Faithful**

On November 2nd. we'll observe All Saints' Sunday during morning worship. This is a time to remember and give thanks for those who have gone before us in faith—family, friends and fellow believers who have touched our lives and pointed us to Christ.

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### **Veterans Day: Thank You for Your Service**

Join us on November 11th. as we honor our veterans for their courage, sacrifice and commitment. We'll take a moment in worship to recognize those who have served and to pray for peace in our nation and world.

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### **Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service: Give Thanks Together**

Mark your calendars for November 26th. and join us for a special service of gratitude. Through music, prayer and Scripture, we'll lift our voices in thanksgiving for God's faithfulness in every season.

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### **Advent Is Almost Here: Prepare Your Heart**

The season of Advent begins December 3rd! Join us each week in worship as we prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ with hope, peace, joy and love. Watch for details about our Advent devotional and special services.



#### Bible Quiz

James 1:17 reminds us about the source of every blessing. According to this verse, how is God described?

- A. The one who changes like shifting shadows
- B. The giver of wisdom to the faithful
- C. The Father of heavenly lights who does not change
- D. The one who rewards those who are generous

Answer: C (See James 1:17)