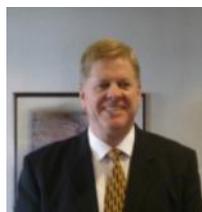


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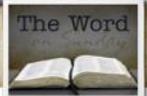
**Sunday  
Worship  
Oct. 28  
8:30 AM**

## THE WHY

### Sunday's Focus

*"Why?" Not only is that a question raised by toddlers, it's also a primary question for adults. "The Why" is the purpose, cause or belief that drives people to behave in a certain way. As Christians, we need to recognize "The Why" for following Jesus and doing His will. Paul shares "The Why," our primary motivation for obedience and sacrifice. "What's our Why?"*

Sunday  
Scripture



### Readings for Sunday.

**11.4.18**

Deuteronomy 6:1-9; 2 Corinthians 5:14-17; Mark 12:28-34

### 11.4.18 Worship

Greeter: Crystal Vogt  
Reader: Karen Clifton  
Ushers: Duke Clifton

**11.4.18 Hostesses**  
Confirmation

**Father, bless each one  
present at worship on  
October 28 = 66**



### Our Future Ministry Center

On October 7, our church agreed to proceed with a lease agreement for occupying the Trinity Chapel and Durham Classroom Building at Transformation Hill. May the Lord of the Church Jesus Christ equip us for our mission and ministry.



### Arise Pacesetters Dinner - Friday

The Arise Pacesetters Dinner will take place this Friday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 6:30 p.m. Check with Jackie Dodd, at 402.619.1133, or [jackiedodd75@gmail.com](mailto:jackiedodd75@gmail.com), to see if there still is available space.

**O Church, Arise!**



### Do You Need Personal Prayer?

If you would like someone to pray with you privately and confidentially, you may approach the front of the sanctuary after our worship.

## This Week at Christ Lutheran

### Friday, November 2

6:30 pm Pacesetters Dinner (HCC)

### Saturday, November 3

10:00 am Cleansing Stream (HCC)  
5:00 pm Prayer for Sunday worship (HCC)

### Sunday, November 4

8:30 am Sunday Worship  
10:15 am Education hour (HCC)

### Tuesday, November 6

#### ELECTION DAY

6:30 pm House of Prayer (HCC)  
6:30 pm Financial Peace University (HCC)

### Wednesday, November 7

6:30 pm Choir Practice (HCC)  
6:30 pm Evangelism & Social Ministry Committee (HCC)  
6:30 pm Fellowship Cmte (HCC)  
7:00 pm Christian Ed Cmte (HCC)

### Thursday, November 8

6:30 pm Executive Cmte (HCC)

### Saturday, November 10

8:00 am Recycling  
10:00 am Cleansing Stream Seminar (HCC)  
5:00 pm Prayer for Sunday worship (HCC)

### Sunday, November 11

8:30 am Sunday Worship  
10:15 am Education hour (HCC)  
11:30 am Congregational Meeting (HCC)



### Commitment Sundays - November 4 and 11

You will have an opportunity to present to the Lord your confidential, *prayerful intention* this Sunday, November 4, and next Sunday, November 11, during our worship service. This is a voluntary, freewill, sacrificial, over-and-above our regular weekly giving intention to make the future of Christ Lutheran Church happen.



### All Saints Sunday

This Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, we remember the faithful departed, the saints of God who have run the race before us, the cloud of witnesses (Hebrews 12) who lived and died and live again in Christ.



### Confirmation

This Sunday, Kaela Barr will confess her faith in Jesus, remember and celebrate her baptism, and pledge her love and loyalty to Jesus Christ. May the Lord bless her as she is confirmed in Christ.



### Trunk or Treat

Thanks to all who volunteered and contributed to make Trunk or Treat a fun night.



### Are You Committed?

Do you want to see God move in your financial life? Make a sacrificial gift to Him and see what happens. *God is the greatest Giver in the universe; He is not going to let you out-give Him.* Do you believe that? Pray now about the commitment you will make to the Arise campaign. Trust God, decide, and act. You will be blessed abundantly.



### Thanksgiving Food Drive

Please bring your non-perishable food items to the church before Thanksgiving Eve, so that we may be able to provide love gifts to others at Thanksgiving.



*Prayer is the link that connects us with God.* Feeling disconnected? Pray. Tuesday, at **6:30 p.m.** Note the change in starting time. Be there!



### Gently Used Clothing

We are gathering gently used clothing for Joseph's Coat Thrift Store this Thanksgiving. Contribute as you are able.



### Arise Action Team

The Arise Action Team is hard at work. The Arise emphasis includes special events ~ Bible studies, prayer vigils, food, and celebration. We will also invite everyone to make a sacrificial commitment to our future ministry center. We need you on our team of servants. Please volunteer! O Church, Arise!



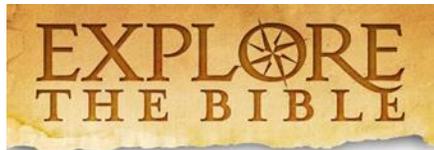
### Community Choir

The Blair Area Community Choir will sing this year on December 2, at 2:00 p.m., in the Blair High School Auditorium. Your voice is needed! Rehearsals will be on Sundays, from 5:00-6:00 p.m., on October 21 & 28, November 4, 11, 18 & 25, at First Lutheran Church, Blair. Call Kay Dickinson, at 402.426.9042, for more information.



### Kingdom Builder?

Do you know of someone not affiliated with our church that may be willing to support our Arise campaign? A *Kingdom Builder* is willing to pour a financial blessing into the work of God through our church. If you know anyone that we can contact, please advise Bob Ehmen or Bob Coffey.



### Sunday Adult Bible Studies

You have choices for adult Bible studies on Sunday. *The Book of Joshua, The Longing in Me* (women), *Heaven, Hell, and Life after Death* (men), *Pilgrim's Progress*, and *Text of the Day*. Grow up! Grow in your knowledge of the Word of God and in your relationship with Jesus.



### Vote Your Faith on November 6

This Tuesday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, you will have the privilege and duty to vote. Let your faith influence your vote. Think. Pray.



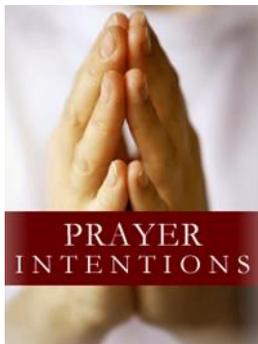
### Recycling Center - November 10<sup>th</sup>

Join us at the Washington County Recycling Center on Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 a.m.-noon. Serve our community. Steward the creation God has given us.



### Church Meeting and Potluck - November 11<sup>th</sup>

We will gather for a potluck and an important church meeting on Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 11:00 p.m. Be there!



### Prayerful Intentions

We are in the response phase of the Arise campaign and are gathering **prayerful intentions** to the Lord for our future ministry. We are a very generous church and have done great things for God. We are inviting everyone to help fund the mission. Your prayerful intention (not a legal contract) will be strictly confidential. It will be your faith-filled, God-honoring decision to make our ministry happen.



### Jesus Follower Quotes

*"When you know how much Jesus loves you, you will never question a directive from Him."*

*"Be obedient, even when you don't know where He is leading you."*

*"The essence of obedience is not 'do's and don'ts,' but personal allegiance to Jesus."*



### Answered Prayers

Thank the Lord for the following:

*For our church's decision to establish our first ministry center. For Tom Miller and Keith Christiansen worshiping with us last Sunday.*



### Prayer Requests

*For God's divine power to be at work in our church.*

*For forgiveness, reconciliation, and the perfect unity of the Spirit among our members.*

*For God's wisdom, courage, and generosity to infiltrate our church.*

*For the overwhelming success of the Arise Campaign.*

*For our people to serve generously in our church's ministry.*

*For our church to worship and serve Christ alone.*

*For the Spirit to transform hearts and lives and bring salvation in Jesus.*

*For spiritual revival and restored unity of our country.*

*For protection over Katie Wulf, medical missionary to Dominican Republic, and Pat Bentsen in Madagascar.*

*For Keith Christiansen, Grace Branson, Sue Wulf, Verlan Hanson, Helga Hanson, Marc Nielsen, Gus Nielsen, Stan & Twila Sass, Tom Miller (Barb), Jeanette Hanen, Ellen Behrens, Pat Widner, Rick Stinson, Laurie Berggren, Steve Degner, Lindsey Rand, Penny Anderson, Owen Picton, Woody Woodring (Linda), Mary Davey, Tony Villotta, Lisa Madsen, Laura Madsen, Kate Christiansen, Eldon & LaDonna Bucy, Connor, and all who need healing.*

*For Gail Wiles, Owen Deaver, and Gary Kline (cancer patients) and their families.*

*For Gary who is homeless and hungry. For marriages and families in crisis.*

*For the all victims of abuse (sexual, emotional, verbal, physical, psychological, spiritual).*

*For children and youth to be protected from suicidal ideation, bullying and substance abuse.*

*For those with chemical addictions and eating disorders.*



**Church Choir Practice**

You are cordially invited to join Adult Choir on each Wednesday for an hour rehearsal. God created us to be instruments with the ability to sing and make music. Music is an important part of worship and praise to God. *Even if you are rusty or have been away from singing for a long time, you are welcome!* Please contact Diane Fischer at 402.699.5287 or [ebonyandivory@abbnebraska.com](mailto:ebonyandivory@abbnebraska.com) for questions.



**Be Missional**

We are called by God to be on mission every day. The Christian life is 24/7/365 and worldwide in its scope. Being missional is not a program. It's not an activity, it's an identity. It's living daily life with a Christ-like mind toward others, reflecting the love of Jesus toward them. It doesn't require that you go anywhere special. Just be God's woman, man, or child in the moment as the Lord gives you opportunity. Live like Jesus.

*Happy Birthday!*

**NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

- Nov. 2 Paul Picton
- Nov. 5 Sharla Gosker
- Nov. 5 Bruce Camenzind
- Nov. 12 Jacob Kraft
- Nov. 13 Debra Hurst
- Nov. 14 Trinity Auciello
- Nov. 22 Verlan Hanson
- Nov. 25 Tami Christofferson

If you know of anyone omitted or incorrect in this list, please email Bill at [bill.hall@christlutheranblair.org](mailto:bill.hall@christlutheranblair.org) to update the church records.



**Food Pantry Volunteers**

Please volunteer at Joseph's Coat and the Washington County Food Pantry. Our church serves two Tuesdays per month. The next CLC date is Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m., but you can help any-time. Thanks to those who have volunteered at this great mission. Get involved.



**Missional Idea**

***Invite someone to serve with you at the Recycling Center:***

Explain why you volunteer. Talk about our call to care for the earth and pour blessing into our community. Take the person to brunch after you serve.



**NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES**

- Nov. 23 Dave & Cindy Picton
- Nov. 25 Eldon & LaDonna Bucy

Please email Bill of revisions or updates!

**CHRIST LUTHERAN Benevolence DOLLARS September 2018 \$2,150.00**

- Cru-Jake Loftis (monthly) . . \$ 150.00
- Woodhouse Backpacks. . . . \$ 750.00
- S. P. (Christmas Catalog). . . \$ 750.00
- S. P. (Hurricane relief) . . . . \$ 300.00
- WalkAbout Phyllosophies. . \$ 200.00

**TOTAL \$ 2,150.00**



**Community Thanksgiving Dinner**

Please help with our Community Thanksgiving Dinner, November 22, 11:00 a.m. This event is a benefit for the Washington County Food Pantry. We need food donations for the dinner. We also need volunteers. You may serve during one or both of two shifts - 11am-noon and noon-1pm.



**Pocket Crosses!**

Share Jesus and His saving love through our cross ministry. Pick up a few at the CLC table in the **foyer**. Give them to others.

**DROP EVERYTHING AND GO READ YOUR BIBLE**

**Bibles Available**

If one of our guests needs a Bible, copies are available at our table in the foyer of the church. The Word has power! Share it with a guest to our church or a friend.