



# *Living Grace* *Notes*

## **November 2018 Newsletter**

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*Gathered to Celebrate, Called to Witness, Sent to Serve!*

### ***Thanksgiving Service***

We will be having our annual Thanksgiving Service on the Sunday before Thanksgiving Day. This will be Sunday, 18 November, at 4:00 p.m. A meal will be served following the service. It will be a potluck meal. The turkeys and hams and drinks will be supplied and you bring your favorite trimming to accompany the meat. There are sign-up sheets in the narthex for you to sign-up if you are coming and how many in your party.



## Communications Ministry

The Communication Ministry is busy working in the background bringing Living Grace into the community through social media. A lot of you stayed after church at the end of September and witnessed the many ways our church is being presented to the community and beyond.

The Ministry will be having a meeting on Tuesday, 6 November. If you have any ideas for the ministry, please get in touch with the Chairperson, Beth Roy, at [bettaray@yahoo.com](mailto:bettaray@yahoo.com).

The ministry is still working on a "Bring a Friend to Church Day." Please think about your neighbors and friends and who you would like to invite to the church.

The MailChimp is now in sync with the weekly bulletins so you get up to the minute information.



## Health Ministry

During this time of year we often wonder if the upper respiratory infection we have is a cold or the flu. Here is a chart to help determine which it is:

<u>Cold</u>	<u>Symptom</u>	<u>Flu</u>
Pretty rare	<u>Fever</u>	Usually present
Slight body aches & pains	<u>Aches</u>	Severe aches & pains
Uncommon	<u>Chills</u>	Fairly common
Fairly mild	<u>Fatigue</u>	Moderate to severe
Develop over few days	<u>Sudden Symptoms</u>	Rapid onset of 3-6 hours
Hacking and productive	<u>Coughing</u>	Dry & nonproductive
Common	<u>Sneezing</u>	Uncommon
Common	<u>Stuffy nose</u>	Uncommon
Mild to moderate	<u>Sore throat</u>	Uncommon
Mild to moderate	<u>Chest Discomfort</u>	Often severe
Fairly uncommon	<u>Headache</u>	Very common

Unlike colds, flu can lead to complications like pneumonia, especially in the old, the young, and those with serious health issues. Viruses are transmitted by contact with objects that the infected person has touched after coughing or sneezing. Germs can be transmitted 1 day before symptoms appear and up to 5 days after getting sick.

Stay healthy by eating well, exercising regularly, getting plenty of rest and practicing good hand washing. If you have a cold or the flu, cover your nose and mouth with a tissue or elbow when coughing/sneezing, avoid people while ill, wash your hands after coughing/sneezing, and avoid travel by air. If you are healthy, share Jesus' love by taking the sick one the standard chicken soup or fluids and caring for the children. (Source: Mayo Clinic, [www.mayoclinic.com](http://www.mayoclinic.com)).

Flu shots and pneumonia shots are available at many drug stores for free. Many people feel that they don't want the flu shot because it doesn't work. Please see your physician and let him or her let you know if you should not take it. Flu is serious business so protect against it.

Yours in Christ,  
*Jan Levengood*  
Parish Nurse/Health Minister

### **Upcoming Events for Health Ministry**

Sunday, 4 November – Healing and Anointing in both services.

**"Health Ministry has adopted two families for Thanksgiving.** One is a mother with four children and one is a mother with three children. Their children go to school in Tucker. They live in a motel and have refrigerators and microwaves, and one has a hot plate. There is a box in the Narthex for donations of non-perishable food until **November 12th**. Canned food with pull-tops is preferred. Checks or cash are also appreciated."



## ***Hospitality Ministry***

The Hospitality Ministry is busy preparing for the Thanksgiving meal after the Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, 18 November, at 4:00 p.m. A sign-up sheet will be in the narthex for you to sign-up for the meal and how many will be in your party. The turkeys and hams and drinks will be provided.

Again, we wish to thank all the ministries that stepped up and helped with the 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays for this year. It was greatly appreciated. We just have one more 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday which is 30 December. The Hospitality Ministry will be handling this Sunday.

## **Outreach Ministry**

### **Sew 'N' Sews**

The Sew 'N' Sews will be meeting on Monday, 12 November, at 9:30 a.m. Please come and join the fellowship and fun while sewing for DeKalb Family Services. They would like to have a few more sewers.



### **Piece-Makers**

The quilting group meets from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. If you like to quilt, please come join them. The dates for November will be Thursdays, 1, 8, and 29.

### **Heifer Sunday**

Heifer Sunday for the month is 18 November. Although this is a designated day for Heifer, you can contribute to Heifer at any time. Living Grace has given 6 arks. Hopefully, we can make it 7 arks.

### **Gas Cards for Foster Families**

**A Christmas Tree in the Narthex?????** Yes, you are not imagining it. It is time once again to support our Foster Parents. Please pick up a \$10 - \$20 gas card at your next trip to the gas station. Place the gas card or the money equivalent in an envelope on the Christmas tree. This is a Magi Council Project that is being coordinated by the Naomi Circle here at Living Grace.



### **Rebecca's Tent**

Continuing the tradition set by David and Sue Brenner it is once again time to call for volunteers to support Rebecca's Tent. Living Grace has the first and last weeks for the shelter with the first week beginning November 5th. Service times at Rebecca's Tent (located at Shearith Israel) are 6PM to 8PM.

Rebecca's Tent is "dependent on the generosity of volunteers, donors and community partners. The shelter operates today as an independent, nonprofit organization that works to create an environment where women are empowered to become self-sufficient. Rebecca's Tent has given support and refuge to nearly 1200 women, age 18 and over since its founding in 1983. All kinds of women have come to us and received love, acceptance, love and a helping hand. Shelter services have been and continue to be free of charge. See more at [www.rebeccastent.org](http://www.rebeccastent.org).

"Then I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us?" Then I said, "Here am I. Send me!" Isaiah 6:8. Please take a moment to visit Rebecca's Tent in our narthex to register as a volunteer.



## **Parish Education**

### **Adult Bible Class**

The first Sunday in November, during the Adult Bible Class at 9:45 a.m., we will be doing what is called "Bible Journaling." Bible Journaling is a huge movement where many people are connecting to the Bible like never before. While most Bible Journalers use a Bible with wide margins, you do not need to buy a new bible. It is also fun to use a sketchbook, loose leaf paper, or add a blank sheet into a Bible you already own, and more. The gathering is relaxed. You will have a verse/lesson of the day and a technique or two to try each time we meet, followed by free time to create. The name of the Living Grace's Bible Journaling is "**Drawn to Grace.**" This group is all about learning, growing and encouraging each other. It is opened to everyone, all ages and skill levels are welcome. Some supplies and tools are provided, bring your Bible and any additional materials you want to use. Supplies include, but are not limited to: colored pencils, watercolors, Bible highlighters, pens, crayons, stickers, washi tape, stamps, pretty paper napkins, etc. If you have any questions, please contact Liz Montgomery.



## **Book of Faith**

Some of you have asked if Pastor Hardy was going to have another Book of Faith Bible Study. He is looking at doing a Book of Faith Bible Study on the Wednesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. and Friday afternoons at 1:30 p.m. The two studies he is looking at are the books of 1 and 2 Samuel and Jeremiah/Lamentations. Please let Pastor Hardy or Leanne know which one you would like to see being studied. Thanks!



### **Women of the ELCA**

Here are some dates you need to remember:

- 3 November – Anna Circle will meet at Meredith Collver’s home, at 10:00 a.m.
- 4 November – Naomi Circle will meet after the 10:30 a.m. service
- 11 November – WELCA Executive Board Meeting will meet after the 10:30 a.m. service
- 17 November – Miriam Circle will meet at church, at 10:00 a.m.

### **Worship and Music Living Out Our Baptism**

#### **All Saints Sunday 4 November**

Of all three years of the lectionary cycle, this year’s All Saints readings have the most tears. Isaiah and Revelation look forward to the day when God will wipe away all tears; in John’s gospel, Jesus weeps along with Mary and all the gathered mourners before he demonstrates his power over death. On All Saints Day we celebrate the victory won for all the faithful dead, but we grieve for our beloved dead as well, knowing that God honors our tears. We bring our grief to the table and find there a foretaste of Isaiah’s feast to come.

As in previous years, on the Sunday we commemorate All Saints Day, we pray for all the saints who have gone before us. The Book of Remembrance is in the narthex. We will read the names that are written in the book. Please PRINT the names so Pastor Hardy can read them correctly during the prayers. The Book will be there just Sunday, 28 October. We will be commemorating All Saints on Sunday, 4 November.



## **Christ the King Sunday, 25 November**

Even after Israel had experienced the vagaries of kings, they still longed for a true king to set things right. He would have the king's title of Anointed One (Messiah); he would be the "one like a human being" (Son of Man) given dominion in Daniel's vision. Jesus is given these titles, even though he is nothing like an earthly king. His authority comes from the truth to which he bears witness, and those who recognize the truth voluntarily listen to him. We look forward to the day he is given dominion, knowing his victory will be the nonviolent victory of love.

This also marks the end of the church year. The next Sunday, 2 December, will start the new church year and the First Sunday of Advent.



(from Sundays and Seasons, Year B 2018)

## **Church Choir**

The Church Choir rehearses every other Wednesdays from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. For the month of November the schedule is as follows:

- Wednesday – 14 and 28
- Warm-ups on Sunday mornings – 9:45 a.m.



**Thanksgiving Service and Meal  
Sunday, 18 November  
4:00 p.m.  
Potluck meal to follow service**



***Special Days in November***

1 November  
*All Saints Day*

4 November  
*All Saints Sunday*

22 November  
*Thanksgiving Day*

25 November  
*Christ the King*

***Electronic Prayer Requests***

If you would like to receive Living Grace's electronic prayer list, please send your email address to: [livinggraceprayers@gmail.com](mailto:livinggraceprayers@gmail.com).

***Guidelines for Newsletter Prayer Requests***

Please notify Leanne Beutler, Parish Administrator, via email at [livinggracelutheranchurch@gmail.com](mailto:livinggracelutheranchurch@gmail.com) or written note and place in her mailbox to add or remove a name from the prayer list.

### ***Praying for Members, Family, and Friends***

Betty Bartling; Gene Durrence; Betty Hitz; Julien Lange; Ilona Lange; Jean Lemonds; Mary Ann Long; Norma Mackenzie; Ruth Scott; Tim Shirah; and John and Margaret Willis.

**Helen Cunningham**

Mother of Margery Kellar

**Nellie Bass**

Family of Phyllis Prunty

**Bill Veronda**

Friend of Margery Kellar

**Bronwyn Blanco**

Sister of Carrie Orr

**Sarah Endsley**

Friend of Margery Kellar

**Karen Shaw**

Friend of Jim and Phyllis Gerke

**Anne Mola**

Mother of Jim Gerke

**The Rev. Charles Beckler**

Brother-in-law of Leanne Beutler

**Kamden Jennings**

Cynthia Outman's Supervisor's Grandson

**Keema Frett-Newsome**

Cynthia Outman's Co-Worker

**Rick Jackson**

Father of John and Liz Jackson

**Gregg Cole**

Son of Maurice and Betty Cole

**Vickie Smith**

Friend of Margery Kellar

**Walter Smith**

Friend of Ed and Pat Stowers

**Allen Beaver**

Son of Dot Beaver

**Ella Nelson**

Friend of the Orrs

**Tymika Ferguson**

Daughter of Linda Ferguson

**Matthew Beckler**

Nephew of Leanne Beutler

**Bill and Mary Cressman**

Brother and Sister-in-law of Marlene and Pastor Hardy

**Virginia Stratton**

Cynthia Outman Supervisor

**Lucy Haddock**

Mother of Cathy Shirah

We pray for those whom we bear in our hearts.



***What if you woke up today with only the things you thanked God for yesterday?***

## General News and Notes

### November Birthdays

1	Gary Levengood	
4	Terez Ratel	
14	Aaron Durrence	
15	Harold Bowers	
16	Jon Canada	
17	Leyla Kellar	
23	Rev. David Hardy	
25	Mark Nelson	
26	Carolyn Davis	Lynn Lefebvre
30	Lanny Henderson	Aaron Combee

If you don't see your birthday listed or it is listed but incorrect, please inform the church office of the correction either by email at [livinggracelutheranchurch@gmail.com](mailto:livinggracelutheranchurch@gmail.com) or place in the Parish Administrator's mailbox in the narthex. Thank you.

### Announcements for Bulletins

Announcements for weekly Sunday bulletins need to be electronically sent to Leanne Beutler or a hard copy placed in the Parish Administrator's mailbox **no later than Wednesday** prior to the Sunday insertion. The email address is [livinggracelutheranchurch@gmail.com](mailto:livinggracelutheranchurch@gmail.com)



### Change in the Members' Directory

Please make the change to your individual copy.

- *Merrill Durrence* – cell phone number 678-431-3392

### Calendar of Events

In last month's newsletter, we listed the number of groups that use our facility both on the weekdays and weekends. This is to remind the congregation that if you have an event that you want to use the church's facility, please contact Leanne Beutler, Parish Administrator, and she will coordinate your event with the calendar of the church. Thank you!

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS  
SUNDAY MORNING AT 2:00 A.M.**

**4 NOVEMBER 2018**

**SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR**



**VETERANS DAY – SUNDAY, 11 NOVEMBER**

**REMEMBER OUR MEN AND WOMEN WHO SERVED AND ARE SERVING  
IN OUR ARMED FORCES TO PROTECT OUR FREEDOM**



## Lay Assistants

### Sunday, 4 November

	<i>Healing and Anointing in both services</i>
Ushers	8:30 – Keith Siekierski 10:30 – Harold Bowers/Alvin Jorkey
Lectors	8:30 – Merritt Shealy 10:30 – Cynthia Outman
Communion Assistants	8:30 – Leanne Beutler 10:30 – Jim and Cynthia Outman
Greeter	10:30 – John Reitz
Counters	Dot Beaver/Pat Stowers
Altar Guild	Set Up – Carrie Orr Clean Up – Anna Schuette

### Sunday, 11 November

	8:30 – Liz Jackson 10:30 – James and Jamie Combee
Lectors	8:30 – Liz Jackson 10:30 – Gaelon Ratel
Communion Assistants	8:30 – Jan Levensgood 10:30 – Dennis Fritsch/Diane England
Greeter	10:30 – Esperanza Kathirgamu
Counters	Will and Shirley Arroyo
Altar Guild	Set Up – Phyllis Gerke Clean Up – Allison Combee

### Sunday, 18 November

	<i>Heifer Sunday</i>
Ushers	8:30 – Phyllis Gerke 10:30 – Dennis Fritsch/Mark Schuette
Lectors	8:30 – Michael Hardy 10:30 – Mark Nelson
Communion Assistants	8:30 – Leanne Beutler 10:30 – Will Arroyo/Marlene Hardy
Greeter	10:30 – Gwen Heaton
Counters	Steve and Cindy Nelson
Altar Guild	Set-Up – Missy Streubel Clean-Up – Priscilla Fritsch



**Sunday, 25 November**

Ushers

Lectors

Communion Assistants

Greeter

Counters

Altar Guild

*Christ the King (End of the Church Year)*

8:30 – Michael Hardy

10:30 – Steve and Cindy Nelson

8:30 – Meredith Collver

10:30 – Margery Kellar

8:30 – Mike Collver

10:30 – Gary and Mark Levengood

10:30 – Diane England

Mark and Anna Schuette

Set Up – Meredith Collver

Clean Up – Anna Schuette

Coordinators responsible for worship service assistants:

Altar Guild – Missy Streubel at [streubel55@gmail.com](mailto:streubel55@gmail.com)

Lector/Communion Assistants – Margery Kellar at [margery.kellar@gmail.com](mailto:margery.kellar@gmail.com)

Greeters – Phyllis Prunty at 770/237-9807

Sunday Counters – Leanne Beutler at [Lbeutler@aol.com](mailto:Lbeutler@aol.com)

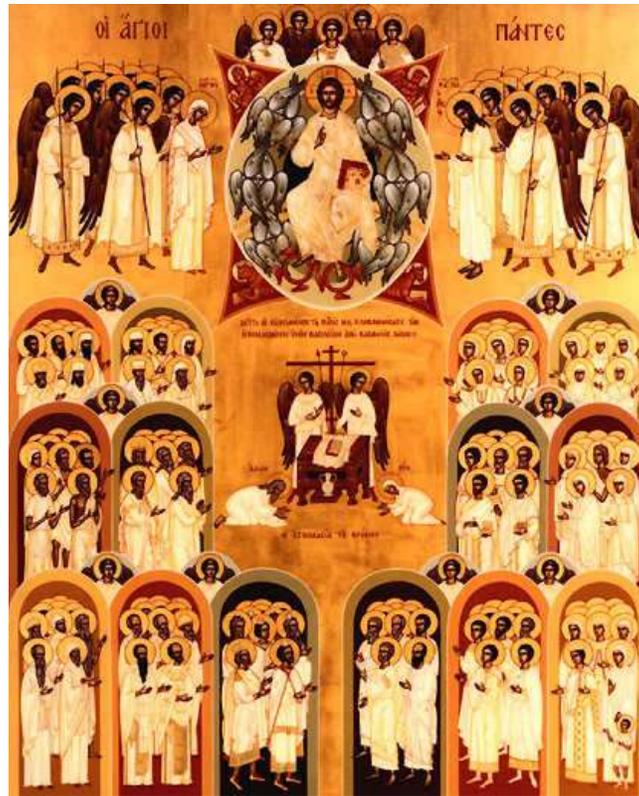
Ushers – 8:30, Leanne Beutler at [Lbeutler@aol.com](mailto:Lbeutler@aol.com) – 10:30, Harold Bowers

**FACT:**

- At military funerals, have you ever noticed the honor guard pays meticulous attention to correctly folding the American flag? After the flag is completely folded and tucked in, it takes on the appearance of a cocked hat, ever reminding us of the soldiers who served under General George Washington, and the Sailors and Marines who served under Captain John Paul Jones, who were followed by their comrades and shipmates in the Armed Forces of the United States, preserving for us the rights, privileges and freedoms we enjoy today.



# **NOVEMBER CALENDAR**



***ALL SAINTS DAY – 1 NOVEMBER***

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