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From The Desk Of *Pastor Mark Loder*

Cultivating a Christian Culture

To be a Christian is to live as a Christian. While that may seem like a “duh” statement, it’s one that we must be regularly reminded of. As is evident in culture and even congregations, an apathetic reality has settled in. Biblical knowledge is mediocre at best. And where that truth lives, the opportunities for evil to ensnare the conscience are prevalent. **“Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.”** (1 Peter 5:8) It is good for the Christian to regularly focus on the virtues of holiness and how they can be regularly exercised through those good habits. **“And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.”** (Romans 12:2)

Apathy or laziness is an enemy to accomplishment and faithfulness. **“Laziness casts one into a deep sleep, and an idle person will suffer hunger.”** (Proverbs 19:15). It’s true of every sphere of life. The piano student who doesn’t practice doesn’t improve. The athlete who doesn’t train gets surpassed in ability by those who do. The one who doesn’t monitor their finances ends up being run by them.

Pick up a physical activity that you haven’t done in a while. You might be active in other ways, but maybe, let’s say, you haven’t been hiking. You decide to jump in with a friend and go on a six-mile hike through the hilly woods of a local county park. You go at it, you complete it, but along the way you were pretty winded and then your muscles remind you of the hike for the next couple of days. Your muscles weren’t conditioned to the demands of hiking, and it showed for the next few days, as with each step, you felt pain.

So it is for us spiritually if we are not active in strengthening our condition. If we don’t make use of our spiritual tools, we spiritually weaken and make ourselves easy targets for the devil.

But the reverse is also true. Let us then strengthen ourselves spiritually. How so? It’s done through discipline. We want to form good and Godly habits throughout our lives. Why? The better our spiritual habits, the more we cling to Christ.

In the coming church year (starting in Advent - the beginning of December), you’ll be encouraged to take up a particular spiritual habit through an intentional focus on spiritual disciplines. Some of those habits may be things you are already doing. If so, fantastic! Keep going and maybe add just a little bit more. If not, it’s a perfect time to get started.

Our spiritual habits will revolve around the Scriptures and extend into the catechism, the hymnal, the Lutheran Confessions, and even take up some ancient spiritual disciplines. These will be offered, knowing that they will strengthen each member of the body in Christ.

There is no time for sloth. The day of the Lord is at hand. We are called to be sober and watchful. We watch by taking up the armor of God in the battle we fight against the devil and his horde. Let us take up this armor together, as one body. Let us do so while it is still day, for the time is coming when no one can work. It is time for sloth to be cast aside. To build a Christian culture, we must build up zeal for the Lord.

The Spiritual Disciplines we will focus on this year are as follows:

December: Meditation on Scripture
January: Praying the Psalms
February: Memorizing Scripture
March: Fasting
April: Catechism
May: One Book of the Bible
June: Psalms in the Morning and Evening

July: Memorize a Hymn
 August: Old and New Testaments
 September: Reduce Media Consumption
 October: The Lord's Good Gifts
 November: Mutual Conversation and Consolation

As you commit to this next year of exploring and forming new habits, we do so in submission to God's will for our lives and in anticipation of the spiritual growth among our particular portion of the body of Christ. Along the way, pray for commitment, encourage one another, and give thanks to God for the opportunity to grow as a child of God.

Our Church Records

Church Attendance

Sunday, October 5	86 & 129
Sunday, October 12	110 & 104
Sunday, October 19	64 & 108
Sunday, October 26	85 & 128

Communion Attendance

Sunday, October 5	125
Sunday, October 12	134
Sunday, October 19	113
Sunday, October 26	135

New Member

Timothy Engel returning member by Profession of Faith.



Thursday, November 14th at
 5:00 PM.

How can you help, you ask?

We are always in need of help setting up, serving and clean up. If you can help please contact the church office or look for the sign up genius email.



Hear the Good News of the Gospel on the Lutheran hour each Sunday at 9:00 am on KDUZ 1260 AM Radio.

During the month of November, you will hear the following topics:

November 2025

November 2

"The Way Out"

Jesus alone is the Way out, rescuing us from sin, despair, and death. He calls us to live as people "on the way." (1 Corinthians 10:13)

November 9

"The Lead of Life"

The lead (or 'lede') of a news story conveys the most essential information. What is the lead of the Good News, the Gospel? (Luke 20:27-40)

November 16

"The Name on the Front"

Mercy is an others-focused attitude because God is an others-first God. (Romans 12:5-6)

November 23

"An Unlikely King"

Christ is the King of an unlikely kingdom. Dr. Chad Lakies describes that kingdom's seemingly upside-down, illogical logic. (Philippians 2:5-11)

November 30

"Rise and Shine"

Belief in the resurrection of Jesus is no siesta. It's a 5am wake-up call, a jolt out of bed that will turn your world upside down. (Romans 13:11)



November: Calvin Diers (1), Pat Mifek (2), Cameron Cardinal (3), Taylor Esping (3), Jonathon Gueningsman (3), Donovan Jensen (3), Carly Stoll (3), LaNette Thorson (3), Carl Eckhoff (4), Mary Nikko (4), Rosalie Wurm (4), Linda Hoese (5), Jan Cardinal (6), Judith Eckhoff (6), Jed Zander (8), Jillian Koch (9), Katie Thorson (9), Ross Anderson (10), Pete Zimmerman (10), Alex Baumann (11), Emma Cardinal (11), Ralph Diers (11), Gary Klugow (11), Lucas Trobiani (12), Michelle Hofer (15), Shirley Cloose (16), Vernon Lemke (16), Teija Hendrickson (17), Michael Kittock (18), Mark Leaf (18), Brian Burau (19), Craig Brose (20), Bruce Dahlin, JR (20), Bryce Koosman (20), Daniel Zander (20), Leah Eckhoff (21), David Gruenhagen (23), Isabella Long (23), Karen Ostreich (23), Cathy Birkholz (24), Noah Burau (24), Glenn Hofer (24), Joshua Kleve (26), Gina Koch (26), Jessica Reich (27), Lily Bobrowske (28), Dennis Glessing (28), Lisa Ogle (28), Chad Burau (29), Jamie Love (29), Brian Yager (29), Garrett Zander (29), Wyatt Glessing (30), Aubrey Hendrickson (30), Gabrielle Wurm (30).

Our October meeting opened with devotions by Lorie. We then enjoyed a scrumptious array of meats, cheeses, fruits, crackers and sweets on a 6-foot Charcuterie Board. Bonnie gave us the history of the Charcuterie Board and ideas of what can go on them and Viann demonstrated on how to make a rose out of pepperoni for a special effect.

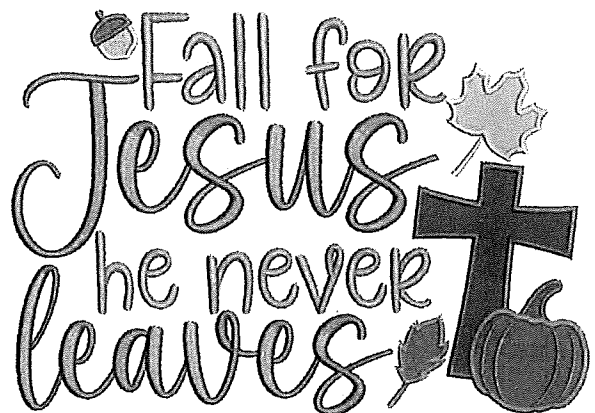
Barb led the business meeting. Reports read and accepted. Plans for the October 12th Chicken dinner was finalized.

The Crow River Conference will be held in Green Isle October 18th. A motion passed to donate \$150 to St. James Support a Student and \$150 to Celebrate St. James School for the Gifts from the Heart local cause.

Our November 3rd meeting will be Elections, special Thank Offering and Bible Study. December will be our annual Christmas party with more information to follow. Please come join us at any of our meetings!!



11/5 Ralph & Nancy Diers
11/5 Jonathon & Maggie Gueningsman
11/8 Alan & Viann Montgomery
11/12 Charles & Bonnie Kobow
11/13 Mark & Patty Diers
11/23 Michael & Jessica Reich
11/29 Michael & Marjorie Stueven



Monthly Financial Report



St. James Lutheran Church
Monthly Financial Summary
September 2025

	Year to Date	
	Actual	Budget
Receipts		
Offerings & Donations	121,925	102,367
Tuition & Other Receipts	45,551	56,066
Mission Receipts	1,330	2,417
Total Receipts	168,806	160,849
Expenses		
Salaries-Church & School	96,739	101,944
Benefits/Payroll/Taxes/Mileage	18,984	27,772
Administration & Program Expenses	19,581	12,564
Utilities/Maintenance & Repair	32,208	34,860
Mission Disbursements	1,000	292
Total Expenses	168,511	177,432
Net Receipts/Expenses	295	(16,583)

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod
LCMS Stewardship Ministry – lcms.org/stewardship
Newsletter Article – November 2025

Pointing to the Rock of Ages

Not the labor of my hands Can fulfill Thy Law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know, Could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone. (LSB 761:2)

While the classic hymn “Rock of Ages” shows up in the Lutheran Service Book in the “Hope and Comfort” section, it can also teach us a valuable lesson about Christian stewardship. If that surprises you, stay with me on this one.

No Lutheran would ever dispute the fact that our work does not save us. Ephesians 2 makes it truly clear that

we are dead in our trespasses and sins and would remain in that state until Christ raises us by grace. There is not a ladder on which we can climb out of the grave that our sins have dug for us. No blood, sweat nor tears will be able to rescue us. We all know this.

Our works do not save. Christ's work on the cross of Calvary does! He bore human flesh. He carried the burden of our sin to the cross. His body was beaten, bruised and bloodied for us. He has indeed atoned for us! This is more than enough reason for this hymn to be bouncing around in your head all day today!

But our work has a place. The place is in response to what the Father has done for us in Jesus. The Rock of Ages, who is Jesus, becomes the foundation on which our lives of faith are built. The Holy Spirit uses the means of grace to make us God's workmanship that Paul talks about in Ephesians 2:10.

Our workmanship does not display our power or prowess. Like the heavens declare the handiwork of the Creator, the works of a redeemed sinner point others to the salvation that is worked only by Jesus alone. Our work is a response to and reflection of a grace and glory that we ourselves could never accomplish or achieve.

We become stewards of the treasure that is the Gospel. When we faithfully support the work of the Gospel of Jesus Christ with our financial support, we are doing the work which points to the One who alone atones. When we come alongside a struggling sister or brother for whom Christ died and we share the stewardship work of compassion and care, we enfold the treasure of God's love and redemption. When we make it a weekly priority to arrange our schedule to be in the Lord's House with other stewards of the Gospel to receive again and again the Gospel's precious gift, we are stewards of the Body of Christ in the congregation that points even more people to Jesus.

We cannot do this. Jesus does it through us. We are simply stewards of this precious treasure!

The blood of Christ cleanses us from our sins. The flesh of Christ gives us life. These phrases are probably not controversial for us. After all, Scripture speaks of the flesh of Christ being life-giving **“If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever; and the bread that I shall give is My flesh, which I shall give for the life of the world” (John 6:51)**. And Scripture also speaks about the cleansing power of Christ’s blood **“The blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin” (1 John 1:7)**. A good example of where we apply these two passages from John’s writings is in the Lord’s Supper. We confess that it is the true body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of sins. In the Supper, the body and blood cleanse us from sins and give us life. However, two questions immediately come up when we confess this truth of Scripture: How can Christ’s human body and blood be present at every celebration of the Lord’s Supper? How can his human body and blood forgive and cleanse us? We clearly attribute divine power to his humanity when we celebrate the sacrament. The characteristics of cleansing from sin and giving life are divine actions. Yet Scripture says that the flesh of Christ is life-giving and his blood cleanses. Somehow, his humanity can do things the divine nature can do. Once again, we must return to the Scriptures to place these pieces of the puzzle together to understand how Christ has revealed salvation to us in these texts.

Saint Paul writes, **“For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily” (Colossians 2:9)**. In the person of Jesus, the whole deity dwells bodily. Jesus, the Word, who was with God and was God, took on human flesh. Due to this union of God with human flesh, Christ’s humanity receives certain divine characteristics. This does not mean that the human nature normally does these things, rather, these characteristics are communicated to the human nature. St. Luke records an event where a woman who suffered from a flow of blood. When she came to Jesus, he was overwhelmed by a massive crowd. She was only able to touch him, to which Jesus responded, **“Somebody touched Me, for I perceived power going out from Me” (Luke 8:46)**. Here, Jesus speaks about power flowing from his body. The divine power to heal was shared with his human nature. Another example of Jesus’ body exercising divine power is when he confronted the disciples on the road to Emmaus. After breaking bread with them, Saint Luke records that **“He vanished from their sight” (Luke 24:31)**. The body of Jesus was somehow able to vanish. Again, the divine shares power with the human nature.

One of the attributes that is shared with the human nature is omnipresence. Christ, even bodily, can be present in multiple places. Saint Paul says that Christ fills all things even after his ascension **“He who descended is also the One who ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things” (Ephesians 4:10)**. Christ has ascended above all that is created to rule and reign and to

fill all things as he did before. Since he has ascended above all that is created, he can be present in multiple places, even bodily. Now, this should not be misunderstood to mean that somehow Christ’s body is stretched like rubber to fill all things. His presence is not local or in a space like it was when he was on earth. Rather, he fills all things in an intangible way that we cannot measure and is beyond human reason to fully grasp. Since the fullness of the Godhead dwells in Christ, he can fill all things, as God does, as Jeremiah shows us **“Do I not fill heaven and earth?” (Jeremiah 23:24)**.

Since Jesus can fill all things and be in multiple places, he can also cleanse and heal. Jesus can heal: **“And the whole multitude sought to touch Him, for power went out from Him and healed them all.” (Luke 6:19)**. Notice how Luke says that power went out from him, just like with the woman. Divine power is shared with his human nature so that the humanity is able to do things like heal. His blood forgives and heals our souls because the divine power of forgiveness is communicated or shared with the humanity.

In the Holy Eucharist, we truly receive Christ’s body and blood, and it truly does cleanse us from sins and is life-giving food for us. How can this be? Because the fullness of the deity dwells bodily in the person of Jesus. And because of this union, certain characteristics like omnipresence and the power to forgive are shared with the human nature. The body of Christ is able to present with you in the Holy Supper because of this Scriptural truth. So why does any of what has been said matter? For our comfort and the consolation of conscience. When your conscience is terrorized or weak and weary, this Scriptural truth points you back to the means of grace. In particular, it shows how the Sacrament of the Altar, a gift of highest value, truly does what Christ promises; that when you partake of it, you truly receive your Lord and Savior’s body and blood **“The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ?” (1 Corinthians 10:16)**. And not only do you receive his bodily presence with you, but you receive it for the forgiveness of all your sins, no matter how bad they are **“Take, eat; this is My body. Drink from it, all of you. For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins” (Matthew 26:26-28)**.

Christ at the Center Truth in All Things

The first quarter of the 25-26 school year has been completed! Here's a few things happening in each class:

Preschoolers have been concentrating on the ABCs. Each week students bring an item to share that starts with the letter of the week.

In Kindergarten, besides all the academics of letters and numbers, they have a "craft day" with Miss Tiff (Mrs. Zinchini, our para) helping them create something fun.

First and second graders are also working hard on reading, writing, and math skills, plus learning organizational and time management skills. Great life skills to have!

Third graders are doing lots of practice with nouns right now and practicing their dictionary skills with the new dictionaries they received from the Howard Lake Lions.

Fourth graders have read Charlotte's Web in class and are practicing their weaving skills using multiple styles and materials.

New this year for grades 5-8 is a literature class co-taught by Mrs. Kotila and Mrs. Loder. Students choose their own books to read, matching them to various genres and styles listed on their bingo card. As they read, they also write about the character development, plot development, and vocabulary they are learning in the selections.

VIP Day was on October 3. We were blessed with nearly 90 guests, many of whom shared a school lunch with their special students. They accompanied their students to their early afternoon classes and then gathered with the entire student body for a chapel service at 1:15.

The festivities ended with a mini-concert by the advanced band and each of the school choirs. The closing song, "O Sing to the Lord," was sung by all the students in grades K-8 accompanied by piano, rhythm instruments and trumpets.

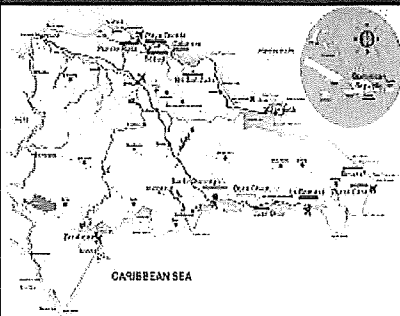
Our alumni and families have shown their support of Christian education by donating \$4853.00 so far to the Celebrate St. James Drive this year. There is still time to donate and help us reach our goal of \$40,000.00.

The 5 th -6 th grade girls volleyball team has had a great season, steadily improving their skills and finishing the season with a 6-5 record. Thanks to coaches, Ashley Nowak and Kelly Salmela for sharing their knowledge of the game and encouraging fair play and good sportsmanship. The team will close their season with the tournament at Mayer Lutheran High School on Saturday, Nov. 1.

We will have a 5 th -6 th grade boys basketball team coached by Carson Woolhouse. Their practices will start in November. Watch weekly school newsletters for times and dates of home games.

Upcoming events in November:

Nov. 1 Volleyball tournament at MLHS
Nov. 2 Grades 5-8 sing at 10:30 service
Nov. 6 Parent/Teacher conferences and Book Fair
Nov. 9 Grades 3-4 sing at 8:00 service
Nov. 14 Picture retake day
Nov. 16 Grades 1-2 sing at 10:30 service
Nov. 18 Family Bingo Night 5:30 p.m.
Nov. 23 Kindergarten sings at 8:00 service
Nov. 27-28 Thanksgiving break



INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

- + Baseball is the most popular sport in the Dominican Republic.
- + Armed forces and national police members are not allowed to vote.
- + The Dominican Republic is the only country worldwide to have a Bible in its flag.
- + Centuries ago, pirates rested and restocked in the Dominican Republic.
- + Samana Bay is home to a whale watch sanctuary from January to March.
- + Columbus arrived to Santo Domingo on his first voyage that took place in 1492.
- + Founded in 1492, Santo Domingo is the oldest colonial settlement in the Americas.
- + The principle export crops are tobacco, coffee, and sugar.

Blessings in the Name of the Lord!

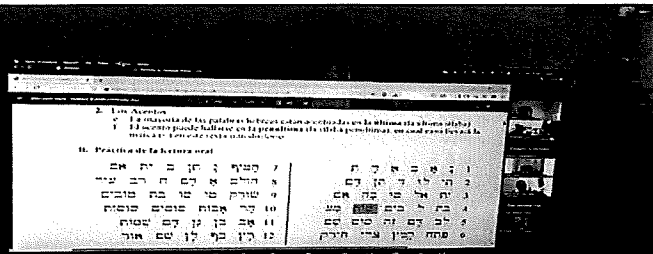
Warm greetings in the name of the Lord. The seminary semester continues to go forward and the seminarians are making a great effort. We are anticipating the arrival of three new seminarians in the coming weeks. These young men are awaiting the approval of their entry visas for the Dominican Republic.

On the last Saturday of September, Dan and I helped with an eyeglass clinic that was sponsored by MOST ministries. We attended to 240 people in the course of 8 hours. This clinic gave a powerful testimony to the people of the community. We give thanks to the volunteers who came from the United States and to the Dominican deaconesses for their great effort that helped make this clinic a success.

On Sunday the 26th of November, the 3 Dominican churches will congregate at Iglesia Luterana Cordero de Dios to celebrate the Reformation. We look forward to a blessed worship and fellowship that will take place at this get together. The Rev. Sergio Fritzler, who also serves as our seminary directory will preside over the worship service.

The Latin American mission field welcomes our new vicar, Gavin Johnson, who is studying at our St. Louis Seminary and hails from Grand Rapids, Michigan. His vicarage experience includes language learning, preaching, evangelistic visits, and acclimation to the Latin American culture. We and all the missionaries serving in Latin America give Gavin a hearty welcome aboard!

Dan along with missionary Jonathan Naumann are orienting an LCMS pastor, Peter Knutsen, in our Spanish Footprint Program. This program lasts for four weeks and orients the pastors in the Spanish language and Latin American culture. We pray that the Lord blesses pastor Knutsen's ministry abundantly!



Seminarians participating in the Hebre course using the ZOOM application. The students hail from: Bolivia, Cuba, Chile, and Honduras.



We Pray For

- + The new seminarians who will be arriving to the Dominican Republic.
- + Our new vicar, Gavin Johnson.
- + The upcoming Reformation Sunday service..
- + Prayers and financial support for world mission.

We Give Thanks For

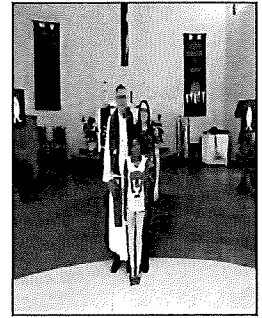
- + The missionary study conference.
- + Our mission donors who make our mission possible.
- + The seminarians who are preparing for the Holy ministry..



Personal Notes

Yesterday Kathy and I went to visit Pastor Lucas, our Brazilian missionary who is serving in Santo Domingo. The city of Santo Domingo is the largest city of the Dominican Republic. We had a wonderful time of visitation and fellowship.

We thank God for the mission in Latin America. Your support provides Biblical training for national pastors, deacons, and deaconesses. Prayerfully consider how the Lord may be leading you to support this vital mission. The Lord provides the funding for his mission efforts through the donations of His local churches and its individual members. Through your financial donations national pastors and deaconesses will be formed and mentored that they may spread the Gospel throughout Latin America. Together we partner with God to take the Gospel to the far ends of the earth. We thank you for supporting the mission in Latin America. God's richest blessings! Have a blessed summer!!



I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. (Philippians 1:3)

*Soli Deo Gloria
Daniel and Kathy*



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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

WORSHIP SERVICE INFORMATION – NOVEMBER 2025

Elders: 8:00 AM Dean Koosman and Jeff Diers
10:30 AM Tom Johnson and Loren Wegner

Ushers: 8:00 AM Dick Zander, Roy Bakeberg, John Zander, Brian Yager, Pete Zimmerman
10:30 AM Michael Thorson

Altar Guild: Heather Zimmerman and Beth Koch

Video Camera: Jeff Schmieg

Sunday, November 2, 2025

Color: White
Liturgy: Pg. 184
Lessons: Rev. 7:(2-8) 9-17, 1 John 3:1-3, Matt. 5:1-12
Hymns: 510, 677, 473
Communion Hymns: 605, 411, 813
Organist: Nancy Butterfass
Choir: 10:30 5-8 grade choir

Sunday, November 9, 2025

Color: Green
Liturgy: Pg. 184
Lessons: Gen. 1:1-2:3, Eph. 6:10-17, John 4:46-54
Hymns: 533, 589, 846
Communion Hymns: 615, 561, 587
Organist: Molly Loder
Choir: 8:00 3rd & 4th Grade Choir

Sunday, November 16, 2025

Color: Green
Liturgy: Pg. 184
Lessons: Micah 6:6-8, Phil. 1:3-11, Matt. 18:21-35
Hymns: 592, 845, 851
Communion Hymns: 611, 621, 622
Organist: Nancy Butterfass
Choir: 10:30 1st & 2nd Grade Choir

Sunday, November 23, 2025

Color: Green
Liturgy: Pg. 184
Lessons: Is. 65:17-25, 1 Thess. 5:1-11, Matt. 25:1-13
Hymns: 672, 516, 515
Communion Hymns: 663, 541, 514
Organist: Molly Loder
Choir: 8:00 Kindergarten

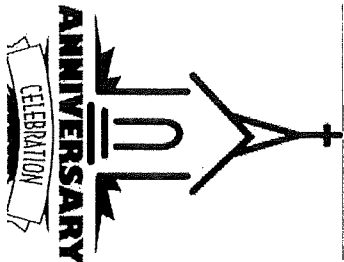
Thanksgiving Eve and Thanksgiving Day

Color: Green
Liturgy: 7 PM & 9 AM Pg. 184
Lessons: Deut. 8:1-10, Phil. 4:6-20, Luke 17:11-19
Hymns: 809, 785, 790
Communion Hymns: 892, 789, 806
Organist: Nancy Butterfass
Choir: Both Worship Choir and All Band

November

2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 Twentieth Sunday after Trinity 8:00 Divine Service 9:15 Bible Study/Catechesis/SS 10:30 Divine Service 7:30 Trustees Meeting	3 7:00 LWML	4	5 8:20 Chapel 10:00 Bible Study 5:30 Catechesis Information Meeting 7:00 Women's Bible Study	6	7	All Saints Day 1 7:00 Iron Sharpening Iron Breakfast 9:00 Elders Meeting 8
9 Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity 8:00 Divine Service 9:15 Bible Study/Catechesis/SS 10:30 Divine Service	10 1:00 Naomi Guild	11	12 8:20 Chapel 10:00 Bible Study 5:30 Catechesis Information Meeting 7:00 Women's Bible Study	13 1:30 Sarah Bible Study 5:00 Community Meal	14	15
16 Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity 8:00 Divine Service 9:15 Bible Study/Catechesis/SS 10:30 Divine Service	17 7:00 School Board	18 7:00 Leadership Council	19 8:20 Chapel 10:00 Bible Study 5:30 Catechesis Information Meeting 7:00 Women's Bible Study	20	21	22 9:00-12:00 Private Confession/Absolution
23 Last Sunday of the Church Year 8:00 Divine Service 9:15 Bible Study/Catechesis/SS 10:30 Divine Service	24 6:00 SS Teacher Session	25	26 8:20 Chapel 10:00 Bible Study 5:30 Catechesis Information Meeting 7:00 Thanksgiving Divine Service	27 9:00 Thanksgiving Divine Service Church Office Closed	28 Church Office Closed	29
30 First Sunday of Advent 8:00 Divine Service 9:15 Bible Study/Catechesis/SS 10:30 Divine Service						



St. James Lutheran Church *is*

CELEBRATING
150
YEARS

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This year marks a truly special milestone in the life of our Congregation- 150 years of ministry, worship, community at St. James Lutheran Church. Join us as we celebrate 150 years!!

SAVE THE DATE!!

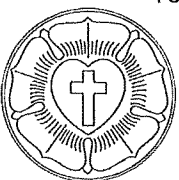
Saturday, December 13th, 2025

Anniversary Service @ 1:00 PM

Anniversary Reception @ 3:00 PM

*"For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures
forever, and his faithfulness to all generation"
Psalms 100:5*

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Thanksgiving Blessings To: