

THE EAGLE

St. John's Weekly Newsletter November 9, 2025



HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

Holy Trinity Lutheran High School is getting much closer to a reality! The men and women of our county who have been working diligently on opening a Lutheran High School are eager to make a presentation to you. **Sunday, November 23, at 9:15am** members of the Holy Trinity Lutheran High School steering committee will share the need, the culture, and the plan for opening the high school in Fall 2027. Be informed and inspired. Bring your questions. Offer your help. All are welcome. We hope to see you November 23 in the St. John's Fellowship Hall at 9:15am! For more, go to www.holytrinitylhs.com

"Holy Trinity Lutheran High School is committed to providing a high-quality Christian education, forming students in faith, hope, and love by nourishing their souls with the goodness, truth, and beauty of the Word of God."



Today we are thrilled to have with us Keith Logan, Director of Trinity Hope. Come have breakfast between Sunday Services and hear what the Lord is doing in mercy through our Haitian Feeding Program. If possible, bring your checkbook and generously support the ministry. Above all, pray!

Many Thanks

I would like to thank everyone for their prayers, visits, calls, notes, and cards. Thank you for making my 90th Birthday so special. God's Blessings, Lois Budde

Living the Lord's Prayer with Luther

On Sunday mornings during the normal Bible Study Hour in November, Pastor Dille will start a new Bible Study which walks through the Lord's Prayer. The study will be focused on the Lord's command to pray the Lord's Prayer and what it means for our daily life.

For Life!

The Illinois legislature recently passed a bill (SB 1950) that would make physician assisted suicide legal in the state. Governor Pritzker has indicated uncertainty as to whether he will sign it into law. You may contact his office to voice your opinion about this law that will only further devalue life in our state. You can use the link [below](#), or the phone number 217-782-6830. You might say, "Governor Pritzker, I respectfully encourage you to veto SB 1950, so that physician assisted suicide does not become legal in Illinois. This change in law would have profoundly negative consequences for doctors, hospitals, and the marginalized in our State." <https://gov.illinois.gov/contact-us/voice-an-opinion.html>

Thanksgiving Eve & Day Services

Thanksgiving Eve Worship at 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, November 26

Thanksgiving Day Worship 9:00 a.m.
Thursday, November 27

O give thanks unto the LORD!

Angel Tree

It's time to once again collect toys for FISH. Bring new, unwrapped toys to the Atrium beginning Sunday, Nov. 2nd through Dec 7th

Offerings

It's that time of year again. If you are giving your offerings online & no longer wish to use your envelopes, please let us know in the church office by Tues., Nov. 18th so we may release your envelope number. If you are currently not using offering envelopes but would like to, please contact the office by Tuesday November 18th.

Response to the Gospel
Our Attendance Last Week

Sunday, November 2	433
Adult Sunday School.....	40
LifeLight	16
Sunday School.....	63

Our Offering

General Fund	\$7,090.77
Online Offering.....	\$2,147.00
Total Gen. Fund Offering.....	\$9,237.77

Food Pantry

The food pantry is in need of volunteers who can lift when receiving and stacking food orders on an “as needed” basis.

Contact Patsy Latch

The next distribution is Tuesday, Nov. 11th
from 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

“This Weeks Sunday School Lesson”

Lesson 11

Today, we will study “A Judge Leads.” God called Gideon to lead His chosen people against their Midianite enemies. God leads Gideon to reduce his army from 32,000 men to a mere 300. Reassured by the Lord, Gideon moves forward with God’s improbable plan. Armed with only torches and trumpets, Gideon’s mini army defeats the mighty Midianite force without lifting a sword. Discuss ways God can use even small groups of people to accomplish great things.

LIFE QUOTE From Lutherans for Life

“God creates, redeems, and calls all human beings as His own precious treasures from fertilization to forever, regardless of ages, appearances, abilities, or impairments. The Gospel of Jesus Christ invites us to an honest humility and an enthusiastic hope that receive each one as gift and privilege!” *Pastor Michael*

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Prayer List

Lisa Shaw, Terry Long, Jane Probst, Mary & Kenny Dasenbrock, Matt Fauss, Cassie Power, Steve Rubin, Holly Bray, Irvin Wendte, and Alan & Connie Phelps. Eagle’s Nest Preschoolers Alec (parents Marissa & Dustin) and Ella (parents Courtney & Quentin).

Soup Supper

St. Paul Blue Point Lutheran Church
Ladies Aid

Sunday Nov. 9 starting at 4:00 p.m.
Check the Bulletin Board for more information.

St. Louis Seminary Food Pantry

There will be an ingathering of nonperishable items for the St. Louis Seminary Food Pantry. Items may be placed at the altar rail on Thanksgiving Eve & Thanksgiving Day before or after services & in the atrium on the weekend of Nov. 29th & 30th

Stewardship Moment

Mark 12:44

“For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.” From Old Testament times right through to today the Lord has urged us to give to His work in the Church in proportion to how He has blessed us. He has also called us to sacrificial giving, that is, giving that actually costs us something. That’s the shape of true Christian generosity.

Lutheran College Fair

High Schoolers, mark your calendars! There is a Lutheran College Fair at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, on Saturday, Nov. 15th from 10 a.m.-2p.m. If there is interest, we would love to make it a group event. There will be 7 LCMS Universities present as well as both Seminaries. Please let Pastor Dille or Pastor Burdick know if you are interested.

Advent

Advent begins December 3rd. Make, buy, or dust off your Advent Wreath! Our Daily devotions will be title “Born to You... a Savior” Wait to celebrate Christmas ... let Advent prepare you well.

Office Closed

The Office will be closed Tues., Nov. 11 in observance of Veteran’s Day.



You May Have Seen the Stars

In the hallway as you entered the church today. These stars are an opportunity not only to remember those who have died in faith this All Saints' Day, but also to look forward to the day when we will meet them again. There is a stand in the hallway under the bulletin board with some stars and a Sharpie. If you would like to write someone's name on a star, we will display them during the week. Let us look with joy to the day when we are united with all the saints.

Brief Prayer Service

Caring for those in need is central to the mission of every church. At St. John's, our Food Pantry helps us live out that mission. Just before distribution, we hold a brief prayer service to lift up the requests of our patrons. If you're available this Tuesday from 2:30–2:45pm, please join us as we pray for the hurting in our community. Let's come together in faith and compassion.

Devotional Resources

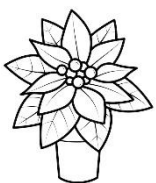
- The Christian Family Resources bulletin board (on wheels in the Fellowship Hall) always has great things to help your family.
- Next Sunday our special Advent Devotional booklet will be available (do you have an Advent Wreath?).

Operation Christmas Child

Will be ending November 23rd

Quilting for Lutheran World Relief

Experience not required! We can use you if you can cut fabric, piece items together, sew, and/or tying quilts. We will meet in the multi-purpose room on Wednesday, November 20 at 10 a.m. Come and join us anytime during the day and stay as long as you want. Call Jane Tolch at (217) 690-5171 if you have any questions.



Poinsettias

It is that time of year again! The 8" poinsettia is \$22. Please place your orders in the office by Sunday, Nov. 30th

Youth Corner Upcoming Events

Youth Group Participation

Jr. High LYF October 5th: 10

Movie Night

November 15th

Following the 5:30 p.m. Service
Sign-up sheet on the Bulletin Board
Pizza, Popcorn, and drinks will be provided by the Board of Education and Board of Youth
Adult Movie is "Truth Rising"
Children's Movie is "Ratatouille"
(Babysitting provided)

Advent Soup Meals

Wednesday, December 3 Lunch & Dinner

LYF Caroling

December 14th

Cookie Walk

This year the Cookie Walk will be held on Saturday, Dec. 20th & Sunday, Dec. 21st

Holy Communion Preparation **Volunteers Needed.**



Individuals and whole families can serve! We ask that you take time to sign up on the hallway bulletin board for the time(s) you can serve. You don't have to serve the entire weekend. See the bulletin board and choose a slot in which you can fill, or transition after a Service, or clean and put away after the final Service. Since we have created the new Sacristy, your service has been made easier. Questions, Lisa Norton, Altar Guild Chair.

Anniversaries This Week

11/9/2019	Eric & Hannah Whitaker
11/9/2019	Tracy & Sharon Vonderheide
11/11/1951	George & Anne Young
11/11/1995	Larry & Jane Probst
11/11/2016	Jared & Kristen Probst
11/12/1988	Jack & Linda Miller
11/14/1964	Mike & Linda Cushman
11/15/1987	Kevin & Kathy Shingler

CALENDAR-----Nov. 9 – Nov. 15, 2025

Sunday	9	8:00 a.m.	Worship w/HC
		9:00 a.m.	Haiti Hunger Fight Breakfast
		9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
		10:30 a.m.	Worship Service w/HC
Preschool – Monday – Friday 8:25 a.m. – 11:25 a.m. (Unless Otherwise Noted)			
Monday	10		Pastor Dille's Sabbath
		5:00 p.m.	Board of Stewardship
		5:15 p.m.	Choir Practice
Tuesday	11		Office Closed
			No Preschool
		3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Food Pantry Distribution
		5:00 p.m.	Board of Social Ministry
		7:00 p.m.	Adult Catechism
Wednesday	12	8:45 a.m.	Preschool Chapel
		9:00 a.m.	Bible Study
		10:00 a.m.	Stephen Ministry
		10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Quilting
		1:00 p.m.	Office Staff Devotion/Meeting
		5:00 p.m.	Confirmation
		5:15 p.m.	Bell Practice
		6:00 p.m.	Youth Fellowship
Thursday	13	8:45 a.m.	Preschool Chapel
		9:00 a.m.	Financial Review
		5:30 p.m.	Board of Elders
Friday	14		Pastor Burdick Sabbath
		4:00 p.m.	Wedding Rehearsal
Saturday	15	8:00 a.m.	Band Practice
		2:00 p.m.	Schwankhaus & Pentzien Wedding
		5:30 p.m.	Worship Service w/HC - Choir
		6:45 p.m.	Movie Night

Birthdays This Week

11/9 Camdon Debolt, Jamie Warner
 11/10 Eli Gordon, Jake Devall, Jill Boone
 11/11 Amanda Brummer,
 Bernetta Marxman
 11/12 Dennis Siebert
 11/13 Lanetta Stuckey, Lynn Kuhn,
 Richard Devall, Wade Marxman

11/14 Craig Logan, Doug Stuckemeyer,
 John Bejma, Logan Weis
 11/15 Betty Carter, Paisley Bloemer,
 Rae Ann Wagner, Treva Brandt