



Fellow saints of God, saved by God's grace through faith in Jesus Christ:

November begins with All Saints' Day, celebrating God's saving of us fallen yet believing sinners by the blood of Jesus Christ, the perfect Lamb of God. The church rejoices in these truths: salvation is by faith in Christ alone, AND: Jesus Christ has saved and our fellow Christians, including those He has called to heaven's rest at perfect peace with God!

All Saints' Day, a special worship day in the Church, originated to commemorate the martyrs of the ancient church – men, women and children persecuted and killed for their faith in Christ. By A.D. 835, the Church had set aside November 1 as a day to praise God, recalling with love saints of God from former times, and thanking God for His witness in the lives. The Church's history is full of accounts of faithful Christians who we remember. On All Saints' Day, many churches, including our own, memorialize Christians called home to rest with the LORD, particularly in the past year. The Day can be a very personal worship celebration for us as we recall dear ones now at rest in heaven who added so much joy to our lives in their days on earth, and whose Christian faith may still inspire us.

We glorify God on All Saints' Day foremost for His faithfulness to all saints, not just those in heaven. It sums up the great church festivals, reminding us that only by Jesus' perfect life and saving death does God count us saints fit for heaven in His sight. The English word *saint*, from the Latin *sanctus*, means *holy*. God declares justified, guiltless and holy all who believe the promise of the Gospel. Thus, the communion of saints includes Christians still living on earth as well as all who have died in the Christian faith who still live on in heaven.

How do Lutherans Honor the Saints?



Unlike Roman Catholics and some Eastern Orthodox, we do not pray to the saints in heaven or invoke their aid. But, we do honor the saints. Article XXI of the Apology of the Augsburg Confession says Christians should honor the saints in three ways. Lutheran Reformer Philip Melancthon, wrote: "*The first is thanksgiving. For we ought to thank God, for He has shown us examples of mercy, and He has given teachers or other gifts to the church. The second is the strengthening of our faith; when we see the denial forgiven Peter, we too are encouraged to believe the more that grace truly abounds over sin (Romans 5:20). A third honor is imitation, first, of faith, then of the other virtues.*" When we honor the saints we glorify God, for all saints who now live in heaven were in their earthly lives just like us: poor, wretched sinners unworthy of God's favor. Yet by grace, God's undeserved mercy, love and forgiveness in Jesus, they, (and we), are saints.

From our All Saints' observance to Services of Thanksgiving on the Eve and Day of our National Thanksgiving to the start of Advent on Sunday, November 29, may this month be full with our praise and thanksgiving to our awesomely gracious, loving God and Savior!

Rejoicing in God our Savior, and Jesus Christ, our life, † **Pastor Kramp**

St. John and Trinity on Facebook



Our Weekly Sunday Worship Services are broadcast on Facebook

Tune in Sundays at 10:30 a.m. for live-streamed Services from St. John sanctuary at: <https://www.facebook.com/stjohnhillsboro/>. Or watch recordings there later. We pray live-streaming of Sunday Services at St. John remains a blessing for those unable to attend in person, and to others elsewhere who join us online in worship on Sunday.



CONFIRMATION. Several of our youth will publicly profess the Christian faith as theirs in a special Service at St. John, Hillsboro, on **Sunday, Nov. 8 at 2:00 p.m.** Confirmation Day at Trinity, Hope will be at a later date. Pray God rejoice each confirmand's heart by His Spirit to confess Jesus Christ as Lord in saving faith on their Confirmation Day and throughout all of life as, in Jesus, God gifts them with His righteousness, salvation and everlasting life!



The annual Trinity/St. John Joint Parish meeting is Wednesday, November 18, at 7:00 p.m. at St. John, Hillsboro.

The agenda includes planning for 2021, election of officers from each church, and annual inspection of the parsonage. If you wish any items raised, please share in advance with Lee Schlichtmann, Clark Lemley or Pastor. The Lord bless our Parish throughout the next church year!



"Come, ye thankful people, come! Raise a song of harvest home. . ."

Thanksgiving will be observed in our Parish, with Thanksgiving Eve Service at St. John at **7:00 p.m. and Thanksgiving Day Service at Trinity at **8:30 a.m.** Invite neighbors, family, and friends, and come and join in offering up your thanks to God for His abundant blessings to us for our support in body and soul in this world in anticipation of the never-ending blessings in Christ in heaven, all by God's wondrous grace.**

Catechism Classes for our 7th and 8th Graders meet Wednesdays. PLEASE NOTE: classes meet at 6:30 p.m. November 4 & 11 and at 6:00 p.m. on November 18 & 25. Parents of catechumens: please aid your youth and be sure they complete assignments!



Pray Daily for – the ailing or homebound: Don Anderson, Lou Behm, Keith Flaten, Jack Germundson, Don Hanson, Ashley Henn, Clay Jacobson, Jim & Ruth Johnson, Ken Koehler, Sharon Kroeplin, Glen Lougheed, Jeannie Meyer, Rachel Mulder, Margie Riemer, Randy Rust, Dian Schlichtmann, Norma Schultz, Monte Stigen, Allen & Joyce Woitzel; our Catechumens; our Confirmands; our Sunday Schools; our pastor, lay leaders, and leaders in church auxiliaries; loved ones facing trials.

SUNDAY SCHOOL at St. John and Trinity starts respectively at 9:15 a.m. at St. John and 9:30 at Trinity, with classes for children age 3 up thro' eighth grade. An Adult Bible Class also meets at St. John, and is examining Jesus' Passion. The Lord Jesus teaches: "**Whoever is of God hears the words of God**" (John 8:47). As "**faith comes from hearing, and hearing from the word of Christ**" (Romans 10:17), come and learn of Him.

 **LWML NEWS** –

Join with St. John LWML on Saturday, November 14, at 9:30 a.m. for fellowship, Bible study, and a business meeting with reports on our ongoing mission projects. Women and young ladies: come and join in.

We encourage all to serve the Lord and aid our neighbors with donations of these items:

Pop tabs, which are donated to support the Ronald McDonald House in Fargo;

Eyeglasses and cases, which are forwarded to MOST Ministries;

Toiletries – soaps, lotions, shampoos, toothbrushes etc., joining in the collective efforts of Churches United for the Homeless;

'Our Family' UPC codes. We donate these to support Grace Lutheran School, Fargo.

At St. John: please place donated items in the drawers of the plastic storage container located at the far (west) end of the church library/lounge.

At Trinity: please pass on your donations of these items to Pastor Kramp.

LUTHERAN PROGRAMS AND DEVOTIONS ON THE INTERNET

Issues, Etc. offers weekly podcasts, featuring expert guests on many topics, and extolling Christ, hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. Tune in via: <https://www.issuesetc.org/>

LCMS media ministry **KFUO Radio** shares Christ for you via chapel services, sacred music, Bible studies and talk programs on demand at www.KFUO.org or **@KFUOradio** on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram. Daily Chapel weekdays at 10 a.m. CT. Studies aired on Sharper Iron, weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT, and on Thy Strong Word, also weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT.

LCMS daily devotions, 9 a.m.: www.facebook.com/TheLCMS/. Archived devotions by Synod Pres. Rev. Dr. Matthew C. Harrison, 1st VP Rev. Peter Lange & Dir. of Worship Rev. Sean Daenzer: www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLDu0iVoFL_d4xe2e-Mwyoxh-rR_hYiKXw

Calling All Youth in grades 7-12: Dynamics with the coronavirus have certainly impacted us big-time. Still, **we will attempt to restart youth activities at St. John.** Your participation and support will be essential to making this happen. All who have interest are asked to meet for a few minutes in the fellowship room right **after** Worship Service on **Sunday, Nov. 15.** Adults: you need not have youth in your household to help.



“MAIN STREET LIVING NORTH” Programming for November 2020:

- **01:** Rev. Jim Meyer, from St. John Lutheran, Thief River Falls, MN, presents the message: “*Lavished With Love*” based on 1 John 3. This is the Life: “*Cell of Hope*,” Flag Washington (Lawrence Hilton-Jacobs) gets an obnoxious new cellmate Jimmy Stricklin (Richard Dinitri). Washington, who came to Christ while in prison, is tested and they come to blows.
- **08:** Rev. John Walla, Bethel Lutheran Church, Bismarck, ND, gives the message: “*Ready or Not, Here He Comes*,” based on Matthew 25:1-13. In This is the Life’s: “*Undertow*,” Harry (David Ogden Stiers) loses his daughter to drowning. In his loss and grief, he blames the lifeguard, Jim (Gil Peterson), directing anger towards Jim who also is struggling with the loss of his wife just a year earlier.
- **15:** Vicar Benjamin Ramthun, Zion Lutheran Church, Bismarck, ND, gives the message: “*Our Certain Future*,” based on 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11. In This is the Life’s: “*The Healer*,” dynamic “faith healer” Dave Forman (Gary Collins) grow angry over the drowning death of his daughter. His grief gets too great when a father asks him to heal his diabetic daughter.
- **22:** Rev. Arie Bertsch, ND District President, preaches on 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24: “*Thanks for Nothing!*” In This is the Life’s: “*Flames of Hate*,” Betty Blackwood (Angie Dickinson) is stuck between the man she loves, Art (Ed Kemmer), and her obsessive dad Nate (Edgar Dearing) who disapproves of Art. When they elope, father cuts them off.
- **29:** Rev. Toby Heller, Concordia Lutheran Church, Beulah, ND, preaches: “*Appearances Can Be Deceiving*,” based on Mark 11:1-10. In *the Lutheran Hour Animated Series* segment: “*The City that Forgot about Christmas*,” Benji thinks the hustle and bustle of Christmas only makes people more grouchy, but his grandfather has a different view.

Locally-produced TV program, “Main Street Living,” includes 30-minute worship led by pastors of our LCMS Minnesota North & North Dakota Districts, followed by a 30-minute Lutheran Hour program. **Programs air on Sundays at 9 a.m. on Fox TV, KVRN, Fargo-Moorhead**, or view MSLN at: www.mainstreetliving.com. Click on the box “North (Fargo).”

Thank you for your much-needed financial support! Checks may be sent to “Main Street Living North”, 821-5th Ave S, Fargo, ND 58103, or donate by Credit Card or PayPal on the website. God’s blessings in Christ! – Ken Koehler / MSL North Volunteer Coordinator.

The Fall Issue of the LCMS Life Ministry Newsletter offers helpful and timely insights on various health and life issues in a number of articles that remind of the hope that is ours in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ as well as the comfort He offers in the midst of a broken and fallen world. Check these out at: <https://files.lcms.org/wl/?id=qUndaUfbjmDVgkuf3lciMvWDj8ec1hXR> or view the LCMS Life Ministry Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/LCMSLife/>

November Birthdays

- 01 Peter Steinke
- 02 Amy Buethner, Jessica Jacobsen
- 03 Lori Buhr, Brooke Jacobsen, Nathan Rage
- 04 Knox Elbert
- 10 Kay Brown
- 11 Amy Karst
- 12 Sally Ludwig
- 16 Calvin Salander
- 17 Stacy Harwood
- 20 Clay Jacobsen, Jennifer Knudson
- 21 Peggy Riemer
- 23 Trace Hanson
- 24 Elizabeth Sherod
- 25 Kelly Johnson, Kyle Meyer
- 26 Lisa Erstad, Thomas Manthey, Bonnie Oien, Julie Rust
- 27 Martin Overby
- 28 Bryan Hall, Marjorie Riemer, Melissa Stuart
- 30 Nora Tovar



**Meals on Wheels
in Hillsboro**

The week in November for St. John's to deliver meals is: **Nov. 16-20**. Meals are delivered on weekdays. If you will help, even if for 1 day, please email Stacey at: trinitystjohn@outlook.com

St. John Treasurer's Report Sept. 2020

General Fund	September	Jan. – Sept.
Income	6,537.73	68,439.41
Expense	8,002.12	73,463.21
Net	(1,464.39)	(5,023.80)

As of September 30th, 2020:

General Fund Balance - \$11,279.70
 Building Fund Balance - \$58,933.70
 Year to date given to Missions - \$ 5,151.19

Memorials

Given in Memory of Ruth Rust
 Randy & Judy Rust St. John General Fund
 Charles & Mary Hanson St. John
 Keith & Betty Meyer St. John
 Rust Family Immanuel Cemetery
 Marjorie Riemer Immanuel Cemetery

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In October we Celebrated the Lives of:

Raymond Richard Schlichtmann

B: 09/26/1933
 D: 10/11/2020
 F: 10/15/2020

Anja Kay Gettel

B: 4/27/2018
 D: 4/09/2020
 F: 10/24/2020

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**Bible Word Search:
TRUST IN THE LORD
(PROVERBS 3:5-6 NIV)**

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ACKNOWLEDGE
LORD
TRUST

HEART
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Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIV) "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding: in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight."

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New Greeters' List is on the bulletin board at St. John. Find out when your turn is.

The Card Display at St. John has been reset. Confirmation and Thanksgiving cards are available on the top shelf. Boxes of Christmas Cards (*on sale!*) are on the bottom shelf of the display along with many others.

Can you Help? The LWML purchases Portals of Prayer for the congregation but we are happy to accept donations. Envelopes marked Portals of Prayer are on the table in the narthex, these can be dropped in the offering plate or placed in the Card Display payment box. Thank you!

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November 2020

Worship at Trinity, Hope, on Sundays at 8:30 am

Worship at St. John, Hillsboro Sundays, 10:30 am

Services live-streamed & recorded Sundays at 10:30.

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Joint us for Thanksgiving Services -

Nov. 25th, 7:00 pm at St. John, Hillsboro

Nov. 26th, 8:30 am at Trinity, Hope



Let your **roots** go down into
Christ, and let your lives be
built on Him. Then your faith
will grow strong in the truth
you were taught, and **you will**
overflow with thankfulness.

Colossians 2:7