

THE MESSENGER OF GOOD NEWS

November 2017

OUR SAVIOR'S – NAZARETH - EMMANUEL NEWSLETTER

All Saint's Sunday Remembrances

During the Sunday, November 5th services, we will recognize and honor loved ones who passed into the Church Eternal over the past year. We will remember:

Our Savior's + Wilbert William "Bill" Adams ; Melva Jean Hendrickson; Arthur Turnquist; David Wallin

Nazareth + Theone Frederickson; Delores "Dee" M. Lussenden; Lillian Matson; Andrew Smith, Jr.

Emmanuel + Duane Miller, Bonnie Stoskoph

Please contact (phone, email or note) the Parish Office or Church Office to add someone to our remembrances.

Luther League Wreath Sales

The Luther League having its annual **Wreath Sale**. Order forms are on page 4 and are due by November 1. Wreath delivery will be the week of Thanksgiving.

Nazareth Anniversary Plans Begin

June of 2018 will mark 125 years as a church and worshipping community. Nazareth is inviting members to be part of a planning committee to celebrate the church's **125th Anniversary**. Please contact the Nazareth office if you are interested.

Next Newsletter Covers TWO Months

The next edition of **The Messenger of Good News** should arrive during the Thanksgiving weekend, and will cover both December and January. The due date for materials is Wednesday, November 15. Combining the two months saves Pastor Brian and Kay from preparing a newsletter during the week between Christmas and New Year's, and instead prepare for Annual Reports and Annual Meetings in January.

Nazareth Annual Cleaning Week

Nazareth's annual cleaning day has been changed to a cleaning week. The cleaning week as been set for November 5th through the 11th.

The suggested cleaning list is posted in the kitchen on the refrigerator. Please select an item and mark it completed when you are done.

Thank you for helping keep our church building clean. Working together, we can make a big job easier.

Lyle Roe, Nazareth Council Chair

Our Savior's 2017

Christmas Cookie Baking

Mark your calendars for the **11th Annual Christmas Cooking Baking Days** set for December 1st and 2nd at Our Savior's. **An order form is on page 3**. Anyone of any age is welcome to join us for either or both days or for just a few hours – starting about 8:00 a.m. or whenever you can make it – to help with the mixing, baking, decorating and packaging. There will be a signup sheet available at the church for worker commitments. This year we have received a grant from Thrivent Financial that should cover the cost of the ingredients. Cash donations would also be welcome in case we run short. Any extra would be put in the Cookie Fund.

If anyone has some extra ice cream pails not being used, we could use them before cookie baking to use as containers to fill the cookie orders.

This year the proceeds from the Homemade Christmas Cookie sales will benefit the Clark County Department of Aging Food Pantry and the Greenwood Angel Tree Project.

Last year's endeavor made it possible for us to contribute a total of \$1,200. to these organizations this year! All the ingredients needed to do the baking were generously donated by members of our congregation and community.

Nazareth Directory Work To Begin

Nazareth's Church Council has decided to have a self-published directory for early 2018. Each family is asked to have a picture taken before or after worship services, beginning on December 3rd. Information sheets will be available later in November, or can be downloaded from the News page on ONEinChristLutherans.com.

GECO Thanksgiving Service

The Greenwood Ecumenical Community Organization (GECO) will have a **Community Thanksgiving Service** at Holy Family Catholic Church in Willard on Tuesday, November 21 at 7 pm. The structure of the Thanksgiving service will be Gratitude, specifically gratitude for living in this area. An offering of cash and grocery goods for the Greenwood Food Pantry will be received.

Deer Hunter Blessing on November 12

As part of the services on November 12, special prayers and blessings will be made for deer hunters. In that Sunday's bulletins, copies of prayers for hunters to take into the woods will be included.

Beatitudes Are About Our Attitude

An Article from Ananias

My Big Guy gave me a homework assignment while he went to the Lutefisk Dinner at Our Savior's. He had read Jesus' Sermon on the Mount and the Beatitudes (*Matthew 5:1-12*) to me the night before, and said I write my article about that lesson. But it makes NO SENSE!

Jesus is saying all of the people are blessed, but they are dealing with difficult circumstances. They are poor in spirit; they mourn; they are meek; they hunger and thirst for righteousness; they are merciful; they are pure in heart; they are peacemakers; they are persecuted and reviled. How are those things supposed to be a blessing?

So he left me to chew on that, plus a few toys and bones.

I thought about these beatitudes, and wondered if our attitude might play a part in these blessings.

If we are poor in spirit, we are humble, and realize we can't do it ourselves, we have to put our trust in God.

If we mourn, we understand loss, and can better receive and share God's love.

If we are meek, we are restrained, and don't draw attention to ourselves. Instead we know everything comes from God.

If we hunger or thirst for righteousness, we want justice to be done. Jesus promises this will happen.

If we are merciful, we will get mercy. Jesus taught us to forgive others as we have been forgiven by God.

If we are pure in heart, it is only because we have been forgiven and made pure by Jesus. So by accepting that gift of grace and living in response to it, we will be with God.

If we are peacemakers, and work to end violence and prejudice, we are spreading God's love. That is what we are called to do as Children of God.

The last two still confuse me. If people don't like us because we are working for justice and the right thing to be done, or they say bad things about us because we are trying to do what Jesus told us to do, then that is their problem. We would be doing what we should do. If that makes them angry and they want to hurt us, they are the ones who are wrong. It may hurt us if they have power over us, but we need to do what God has told us to do.

I think if we focus on what God said to do, and not about how people react to what we do, then we will have the right attitude. And if we are doing what Jesus told us to do, to love others as He loves us, then we really are "blessed."

That's what I had figured out when My Big Guy came home. I'm still not sure what lutefisk is, but maybe that is a blessing as well.

Love and Licks,

Ananias

Ani earned a big belly rub for doing his homework.

+ pBRC

Swiss Steak Thanks

A special thank you to all who participated in many ways to the Swiss Steak Dinner at Nazareth, especially to Renae O'Konski and Kay Roe for all of their "behind the scenes" and prep work in putting the event together. Donations of money, desserts, items for the bake sale, along with the time involved in the preparation of the meal by all made the dinner a success. A total of 281 meals were served.

Kay Roe

Lutefisk Thanks

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Another successful Lutefisk Supper is now history. I cannot say THANK YOU enough to everyone who helped to prepare all the food, donated ingredients, made a monetary donation or worked the night of the Supper! We served 361 meals, including carry outs. This is truly a congregational event with grandparents down to elementary age children working side by side.

If you did not have the opportunity to sign up to donate a food item, work during any of the preparations, or receive a phone call asking for a donation, it is not too late to make a monetary contribution to help defray the cost of the lutefisk. This can be mailed to Our Savior's Lutheran Church, PO Box 27, Greenwood, WI 54437 marked "Lutefisk Supper."

Again thank you everyone!

Cathy Langreck, Coordinator

WELCA Activities of the ELCA

Emmanuel

WELCA will meet on November 1st at 1:30 pm at Emmanuel's Fellowship Hall followed by a short "coffee time potluck". The Bible study comes from the Gather magazine. The Women of Emmanuel invite women from other congregations to join them.

November Cleaning-Kathy Petke & Sandi Petke

Our Savior's

Mary's Circle will meet on Thursday, November 9 at 8am.

Cards sent:

- **Thinking of You – Get Well:** Bob Klinke
- **Thank You – Clergy Appreciation Month:** Pastor Brian
- **Best Wishes – First Communion:** Marissa Plautz, Mitchell Plautz
- **Best Wishes – Affirmation of Baptism:** Dakota Clark, Jonah Hinker, Korinna Johnson, Olivia Klabon, Austin Ruff, Celine Wuethrich

Chris Sautebin

Luther League Fall Basket Raffle

The Luther League will be selling tickets for the **Fall Basket Raffle** at Our Savior's on Reformation Sunday & All Saints Sunday morning. Winners will be drawn on November 5.

EDUCATION INFORMATION

November Sunday School

Sunday School continues in November. Our Savior’s will not have Sunday School on Reformation Sunday, October 29th. **There will be no Sunday School on November 26.**

C+LIFFE Is Going On

C+LIFFE (Christian and Lutheran Identity and Faith Formation Education) meets on Wednesdays, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Our Savior’s. C+LIFFE is for students who in seventh grade at Our Savior’s and Emmanuel, and in sixth grade at Nazareth, and open to students beyond that grade as well. All are invited to participate.

CORRECTION from October: We currently have 15 students, and welcome others.

K3WL After School Continues at OS

Kids on 3rd Wednesdays Learn about God (K3WL) After School Program continues at Our Savior’s. Please note, in **December** we meet on the SECOND Wednesday, the 13th, not on the 20th.

A First Meal at the Lord’s Table

In the Small Catechism, Martin Luther wrote, “The words **‘given for you’** and **‘shed for you for the forgiveness of sin’** show us that forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation are given to us in the Sacrament.” On Sunday, October 22nd, Kayla Rasmussen from Nazareth, and Marissa & Mitchell Plautz from Our Savior’s received the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time. They spent a Saturday morning with Pastor Brian learning about the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

If parents believe their child is ready to receive Holy Communion, contact Pastor Brian.

By Heart: a Small Catechism Study

Pastor Brian’s class on **Luther’s Small Catechism** called **By Heart** will resume on Tuesday, November 7 at 6:30 pm at Our Savior’s. You can still join in if you haven’t been to one of the earlier classes. Contact Pastor Brian for a book.

Nazareth Quilts 2017

The women of Nazareth have continued their dedication to providing quilts to those in need. In 2017, they have provided the following:

Lutheran World Relief	88
Luther Park-Chetek	20
O-W Schools	30
Sold	4

If you would like to learn more about their projects or participate in the making of the quilts, please contact Anne Gajewsky or Alice Feldman.

Kay Roe

Scrip ALERT!

As Christmas is only two months away (and only 2 Great Lakes Scrip orders), now is the time to consider using Scrip merchants to make your gift giving purchases. Through the participating merchants that we purchase from locally and from the Great Lakes Scrip Center, there are many choices to pick from.

The next order from Great Lakes will be placed on **November 12, 2017**. Looking ahead to December and January the Great Lakes Scrip orders will be placed on **December 10, 2017**, and **January 14, 2018**.

If you are looking for a smaller denomination gift card, there is a list on the scrip table that we can order until December 10th. You can also look at this list at www.ShopWithScrip.com.

Our profit for September was \$85.17. Thank you everyone for your support!

Cathy Langreck

HOMEMADE CHRISTMAS COOKIES FOR SALE

Just fill out the order form, drop it in an offering plate at church or mail it to:

Our Savior's Lutheran Church,
PO Box 27, Greenwood, WI 54437-0027,
no later than Sunday, November 19, 2016.

Make checks payable to **Our Savior's Lutheran Church**.

Cookies can be picked up after worship at Our Savior's on Sunday, Dec. 3, 2017.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

Phone _____

Qty /Dzn	Description	Price/ Dozen	Total
	Cut-Out Sugar Cookies Frosted	\$5.00	
	Cut-Out Sugar Cookies Sugar Sprinkles	\$5.00	
	Molasses Cut-Outs Frosted	\$5.00	
	Rosettes	\$5.00	
	M & M Cookies	\$4.50	
	Mexican Wedding Cake (Snowball)	\$4.50	
	Peanut Blossoms	\$4.50	
GRAND TOTAL			

November Prayer Lists

Each Sunday, we pray by name for 10 and 15 members of Emmanuel and Our Savior’s, and 2 to 3 member of Nazareth on a rotating basis, as well as for various ministries of our churches and the wider Church. **Members & Ministries being prayed for in November are:**

November 5 – (OS/E) Isabella Ulesich, Morgan Ulesich, Philip Ulesich, Tonia, Clint & Carter Urban, Richard & Carol Vaitonis, Sue Vaitonis, Robin Vaitonis; (N) Art & Alice Feldman, Randy Frederickson, Theone Frederickson

For our church councils, committee members & volunteers; for the ELCA World Hunger Program and the people who benefit from it; for members of our Synod council and its committees; for pastors, church leaders and members of other churches in our communities; For those who work for peace and healing.

November 12 – (OS/E) Benjamin & Katrina VanDusen, Joshua Van Dusen, Jennifer Vogler, Sarah Waters, Erin Waters, Carrie Wellman, Dennis & Colleen Wendt; Darren, Stacy & Lauren Wendt; (N) Joan Frost, Allen & Anne Gajewsky

For the ministries and outreaches of our churches; for the seminaries & colleges of the ELCA, esp. Luther Seminary, Augustana College & Bethany College; for the Lutheran World Federation and the causes and needs it brings attention to; for our Synod’s Lay School of Ministry; for other pastors in our conference & synod; For those who head into danger while many are fleeing.

November 19 – (OS/E) Emily, Adam, Clara, Jack & Sonja Williams; Dallas & Lois Wuethrich; Tayt, Jennifer, Westin, Walker, Tinley & Tyra Wuethrich; (N) Bea Hansen, Denny & Nancy Henke

For our Sunday School, Luther League, Vacation Bible School, K3WL and C+LIFFE students, teachers, leaders & helpers; for the ELCA Good Gifts program, Heifer International and the farmers these programs help; for Luther Park Bible Camp and the young lives they change; For those fighting against prejudice & hate and for love & grace.

November 26 – (OS/E) Dawn, Todd, Jett, and Wynn Schoenherr; Trevor, Tonia, Tiara, Celine & Avry Wuethrich; (N) Nancy Henke; Dan, Laura & Erik Hiipakka

For the health and work of the members of our churches; for the ELCA’s Public Policy programs and advocacy initiatives and those it advocates on behalf of; for our companion Synod in Malawi; for WOW, Weekend Owen Withee Kids meals, and the families who need its help; For all who struggle to live out their faith.

Christmas Service Readers Needed

Readers are needed for the services on:
December 24 at 10am, Christmas Eve services, and Christmas Morning. Contact Pastor Brian if you are willing to read part of the service.



Luther League Wreath Sales

Order Deadline: Friday, November 1
 (Delivery the week of Thanksgiving)

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____
 Phone _____

Please enclose payment with order

Qty	Size and Description	Price	Total
	12"x24" Spray	\$12	
	26" Wreath (16" wire)	\$16	
	36" Wreath (24" wire)	\$22	
	48" Wreath (36" wire)	\$35	
	24" Candy Cane (24" ring)	\$18	
	24" Cross (19" ring)	\$22	
	30" Tree (30" ring)	\$22	
	Kissing Ball	\$42	
	25' Garland	\$26	

Wreaths are 6-12" wider than the ring sizes.

Checks payable to: **ONE in Christ Luther League**
 Mail to: **Luther League, PO Box 27, Greenwood, WI**

Congregational Giving and Attendance Report

The Statement of Giving appears to keep members informed on the financial health of their congregation. The average budget expense is calculated by dividing the expenses from budget as approved at a church’s Annual Meeting, divided by the number of Sundays in the year. The difference is the amount, plus or minus, between that week’s offering and the average weekly budget expenses.

Our Savior’s Statement of Giving

Date	Att.	Offering	Budget Exp.	Difference
Oct. 1 st	55	\$1,741.00	\$2,325.00	(\$548.00)
Oct. 8 th	52	\$2,101.00	\$2,325.00	(\$224.00)
Oct. 15 th	55	\$1,491.00	\$2,325.00	(\$834.00)
Oct. 22 nd	81	\$1,449.50	\$2,325.00	(\$875.50)

Nazareth’s Statement of Giving

Date	Att.	Offering	Budget Exp.	Difference
Oct. 1 st	37	\$2,226.00	\$1,011.00	\$1,215.00
Oct 8 th	41	\$915.00	\$1,011.00	(\$96.00)
Oct. 15 th	35	\$596.00	\$1,011.00	(\$415.00)
Oct. 22 nd	35	\$951.00	\$1,011.00	(\$60.00)

Emmanuel Statement of Giving

Date	Att.	Offering	Budget Exp.	Difference
Oct. 1 st	24	\$347.00	\$502.00	(\$155.00)
Oct. 8 th	26	\$738.00	\$502.00	\$236.00
Oct. 15 th	20	\$1,174.00	\$502.00	\$672.00
Oct. 22 nd	28	\$255.00	\$502.00	(\$247.00)

Church Treasurers, Ushers and Church Office

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
Reformation Sunday WEAR RED! 29	30	31	November 1	2	3	4
8:00 am Worship/Eucharist (Naz) 9:30 am Worship/Eucharist (OS) 10:00 am Sunday School (Em) 11:00 am Worship/Eucharist (Em) NO OS Sunday School	9:00 am (OS) Quilting OS Dartball BYE	REFORMATION DAY	1:30 (E) W-ELCA 6:30 pm C+LIFFE (OS) LL Wreath Orders Due	9:00 am (Naz) Quilting 5:30 pm Naz Church Council		
All Saints Sunday 5	6	7	8	9	10	11
8:00 am Worship/Eucharist (Naz) 9:30 am Worship/Eucharist (OS) 10:00 am Sunday School (Em) 10:30 am Sunday School (OS) 11:00 am Worship/Eucharist (Em) 6:00 pm Em Council Meeting Last Day for Luther League Raffle Cleaning Week at Nazareth	9:00 am (OS) Quilting 8:00 pm OS Dartball @ Neillsville Cleaning	6:30 pm at OS By Heart Week	6:30 pm C+LIFFE (OS) at	8:00 am (OS) Mary's Circle 9:00 am (Naz) Quilting 10:30 am (pBRC) CCHCC Svc 6:30 pm OS Council Nazareth		
23rd Sunday in Pentecost 12	13	14	15	16	17	18
BLESSING OF THE ORANGE (Hunters) 8:00 am Worship/Eucharist (Naz) 9:30 am Worship/Eucharist (OS) 10:00 am Sunday School (Em) 10:30 am Sunday School (OS) 11:00 am Worship (Em) Scrip Orders Due	9:00 am (OS) Quilting 8:00 pm OS Dartball @ Loyal	9:30 am (pBRC) Neillsville Retirement Svc 6:30 pm at OS By Heart	3:30 pm K3WL (OS) 6:30 pm C+LIFFE (OS) 7:30 pm Luther League (OS) DEC.-JAN. NEWSLETTER INFO DUE	9:00 am (Naz) Quilting 9:30 am (pBRC) Conf. Pastor's Mtg		
24th Sunday in Pentecost 19	20	21	22	23	24	25
8:00 am Worship/Eucharist (Naz) 9:30 am Worship/Eucharist (OS) 10:00 am Sunday School (Em) 10:30 am Sunday School (OS) 11:00 am Worship/Eucharist (Em) OS Cookie Orders Due	9:00 am (OS) Quilting 8:00 pm OS Dartball BYE	7:00 pm at Holy Family + GECO Thanksgiving Service	No C+LIFFE pBRC off	Thanksgiving Offices Closed	Offices Closed	
Reign of Christ Sunday 26	27	28	29	30	Dec. 1	2
8:00 am Worship/Eucharist (Naz) 9:00 am Christmas Decorating (Naz) 9:30 am Worship/Eucharist (OS) 11:00 am Worship/Eucharist (Em) NO Sunday School	9:00 am (OS) Quilting 8:00 pm OS Dartball vs Christie/ Globe	6:30 pm at OS By Heart	6:30 pm C+LIFFE (OS)	9:00 am (Naz) Quilting		

November Worship Leaders

Our Savior's

Altar Guild	Douglas & Priscilla Felix
Communion Assts	Doug Feliz, Wendy Hinker, Cathy Langreck
Ushers	Trevor Wuethrich, Tiara Wuethrich

Nazareth

Altar Guild	Sandy Nyre
Communion Asst	Lyle Roe & Sue Sholes
Ushers	Allen & Anne Gajewsky, Mike & Michelle Renderman, Lucy Tabbert, Mel & Ruth Thompson, Diana & Allen Wagner, Carol Duraceau

Happy Birthday!

Emmanuel November Birthdays

1-Kathleen Petke; 10-John Kolpanen; 21-Duane Pribbernow; 23-Craig Bottlemy, Christopher Kelley; 25-Loralee Petersen; 26-Austyn Degenhardt; 29-Jeremiah Dumke, Jodi Finkelson.

Nazareth November Birthdays

13-Kookie (Alice) Anderson; 30-Jane Petersen

Our Savior's November Birthdays




1-Ryan Bieneck; 3-Dylan Nielsen; 4-Sheryl Nielsen; 5-Eleanor Johnson; 6-Sheryl Trunkel; 7-Kurt Trunkel; 8-Ralph Krultz; 9-Austin Delo, Bruce Sautebin; 10-Julie Anderson, Stephanie Bieneck, Adam Langreck; 11-Kody Johnson; 12-Marjorie Peterson, Brandon Elmer, Jodi Sorenson; 16-Beatrice Nielsen, Sandra Brezonick; 17-Verna Birkett; 18-Molly Dean; 19-Christopher Kowitz; 21-Lucas Jacobs; 24-Jessica (Briski) Holm; 25-Randy Ystad; 26-Scott Abel, Amaya Lamarr; 27-Ryan Ystad; 28-Bernyce Barr.

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Sunday Worship Times

Nazareth –Withee

Worship at 8:00 a.m.

Sunday School During Services

Communion shared each Sunday.

Our Savior's—Greenwood

Worship at 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School following the service

Communion shared each Sunday.

Emmanuel – Longwood

Worship at 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School at 10 a.m.

*Communion shared
on the 2nd & 4th Sundays.*

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Community Thanksgiving Svc

Tue., November 21

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