

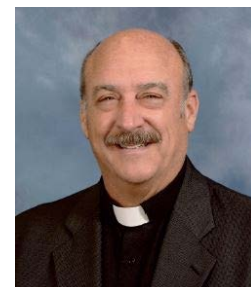
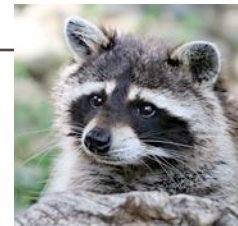


# The Shepherd's Voice

November 2023

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## PASTOR'S PAGE



Change, Change, Change. There is one line that I am often hearing lately. It goes like this, *"I don't do change well."* If you are like me, that is all I see happening around me these days. Just when I think the pace of change is beginning to slow down, something else happens and life seems to go even faster. So much has changed in the 5+ years I have served as Pastor of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. The only thing that has stayed the same since my arrival among you is ... the GRACE of GOD! Have you ever heard the joke that says, *"There are only two things that are set in stone. The Grace of God and the Ten Commandments!"*

Do you know the old adage that reminds us that "Life" is a journey, it is not a destination? I run into so many people who think life is a destination and that time will stop just for them. Yes, I know it is frustrating. Friends have come and friends have gone. And we face challenges all the time. I never imagined I would be addressing the social issues that we face today. Sometimes I want to ask the question, "What is next?" But then, I know better. I know not to ask a question like that because I might just get the answer.

Instead, in times like this, I just ask myself, "Where is God in all this?" Sometimes, it is easy to find God and sometimes it is not so easy. Many of us can point to times in our lives when we knew God was present in the events that shaped the lives of ourselves, our friends, and our families. That is the same God we know in and through Jesus. This is the same God who walks with us and interacts in human history. God may not appear to be present at times, but God is still very much there. What we need to remember is that the God we know in and through Jesus is active in our world transforming us, our lives and our world – even without us knowing it! That also implies, "CHANGE" – that word that so many people hate to hear, is, also, part of God's world. You know about that thing I mentioned – "Journey"? How about journeying with Jesus?

I will not reiterate the words here because of space constraints, but most people know or have read the famous poem "Footprints". That poem articulates that fact very well. Did you know that idea is reflected in the very name of God?

Dwell on this for a moment: *Yahweh*, is the personal name of God, given to us in Exodus (and other books of the Bible as well). Now, this is where it starts to get interesting. The name, *Yahweh*, reinforces the fact that God is with us. The message of the present reality of God is in the name itself. That name, *Yahweh*, means, "I am". It is not just a name; it is much more. It is a present reality.

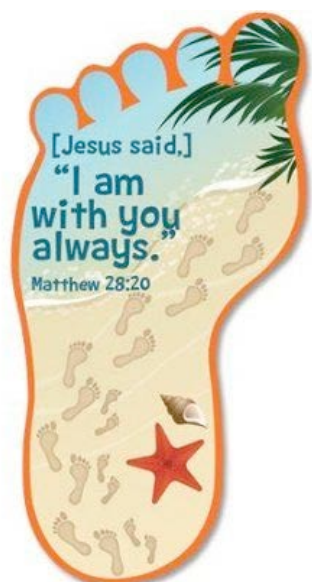
Many times, I have noticed that when something happens that challenges what we consider to be "normal" or to be the "standard," many, if not all of us, would like to go "back to the golden years when ..." You know back to the past that we just knew, "when things were better." But what the name, *Yahweh*, implies is that God was there in the past, but God will not be found in our past, because God is here and now! It means God is working in life around us.

That name, *Yahweh*, is also a promise. God will be in our future as well, but God is not there now because God is busy with us right here, right now.

When you find yourself caught up in the ambiguity that life seems to throw at us just remember that God is here and perhaps the better question to ask is, "Where is God in this?"

This month let's take time to give thanks for what our God has done, and is doing, in and amongst us and in the world around us right here and right now.

Pastor Dennis



## Deacon's Corner



It was decided that a Take-out Turkey Dinner on Thanksgiving Day, **Nov. 23rd**, will be available for those who otherwise would not be able to enjoy a Thanksgiving meal.

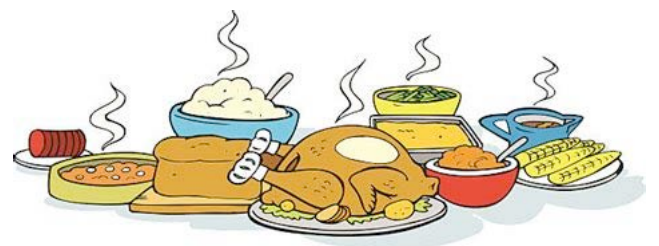
There will be several sign-up sheets:

1. Sign up for the number of meals you need.
2. Sign up to volunteer on Tuesday, **Nov. 21**, to help prep food items.
3. Sign up to volunteer on Wednesday, **Nov. 22**, to help fill the food cartons with the meal items.
4. Sign up for Thursday, **Nov. 23**, to help with the distribution of the Take-Out food containers from **10 AM to 12 PM**.
5. Sign up to contribute. Prepared food items needed: string beans, white potatoes, sweet potatoes, stuffing, pies (any type), and dinner rolls. Cook food items at your home and bring them to church on Wednesday morning.

If you have any questions please just contact me, Bob, at 352-220-4307 or [deaconbob73@gmail.com](mailto:deaconbob73@gmail.com)

We greatly appreciate all who are willing and able to help with this meal.

Deacon Bob



# Church Council News

## Executive Council Meeting

November 2nd @ 9:30 AM


## Council Meeting

November 9th @ 3:00 PM

**Bible Quiz**

**Fill in the blank:**  
 "Rejoice always, pray continually,  
 give \_\_\_\_\_ in all circumstances;  
 for this is God's will for you  
 in Christ Jesus."

- A. alms
- B. praise
- C. thanks
- D. offerings



Answer: C (See 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, NIV)



## Roger Johnson

September 2, 1943 - October 16, 2023

*Funeral Service:* November 21st @ 11 AM



## Angel Tree

Once again we are supporting the Citrus County Family Resource Center with our Angel Tree Ministry beginning Sunday, November 5, 2023. This ministry helps underprivileged children have a Merry Christmas. The Angel's names will be on a Christmas Tree placed on a table in the Narthex of the church. When you pick your Angel, we will record the name of the Angel(s) and give you a wish list of items that the child would like for Christmas. You may purchase any number of the gifts listed, depending on your budget. Do not wrap the presents. Donations of wrapping paper and ribbon are always welcome. When returning your gifts to Good Shepherd, **please attach to the bag: the angel tag and the sheet of paper for that Angel from the Family Resource Center.** Return all gifts and donations of wrapping paper and ribbon to the large Christmas box in the Narthex. Someone will check in the Angel and deliver the gifts to the Resource Center.

Please contact Pat Ouwerkerk at 914-671-9939 if you have any questions.



*Stewardship is living  
out our commitment  
to Christ.*

## Applying Bible Principles

If you were to ask the average pastor, “How is your church doing?” the answer would probably focus on the ABCs of church growth: Attendance, Buildings and Cash.

**Attendance is important.** It’s hard to carry on a ministry if no one is there or if the numbers dwindle so low that no one wants to be there.

**Buildings are important.** Many a church visitor has been turned off by an old, run-down building or by one that is dirty and in need of routine maintenance.

**Cash is important.** As Zig Ziglar said, “I’ve had money, and I’ve not had it. It’s a lot more fun with it than without it.” The same thing is true of churches.

But attendance alone has nothing to do with the health of a church. There can be thousands present who are a mile wide and an inch deep in their relationship to God. A building can be packed week after week, but that alone does not mean the church is spiritual. In fact, some of the largest churches in this country are made up of congregations who are spiritual pygmies.

Paul sent Timothy to check up on the Thessalonian church. He had been able to spend only three weeks with this new assembly before he was run out of town. Do you know what questions Paul gave Timothy to ask the leaders of that congregation? He didn’t ask about attendance, buildings or cash. Instead, he wanted to take a temperature reading of their spiritual health. To do that, he mentions their **faith** five times in 1 Thessalonians chapter 3:

- We sent Timothy ... to strengthen and encourage you for the sake of your **faith** (v. 2).
- ...when I could bear it no longer, I sent [Timothy] to find out about your **faith** (v. 5).
- But Timothy has just now come to us from you, and has brought good news about your **faith** and love (v. 6).

- For this reason, brothers and sisters, during all our distress and persecution we have been encouraged about you through your **faith** (v. 7).
- Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your **faith** (v. 10).

Throughout this chapter, Paul is concerned about one thing: **FAITH**. That's why he sent Timothy in the first place, i.e., to "strengthen and encourage" the people in their faith. Why does Paul give faith such a great emphasis to the exclusion of other worthy topics? Because Paul knew what we seem to have forgotten, that when people break down in their behavior, grow cold in the Lord, no longer desire to serve the Lord, are not consistent in their attendance, find other activities to occupy their time during the week and on the weekends, and reduce their giving or stop giving to the Lord's work, it is because their faith has broken down.

What is faith? Faith is simply believing God, often when there is no logical reason to do so. Faith is trusting God completely without reservation of any kind. Faith is being willing to take the next step when we cannot see fully what lies ahead.

The writer of Hebrews said, "And without faith it is impossible to please God, for whoever would approach Him must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who seek Him" (Heb. 11:6).

*Shelly Fortin, Stewardship*

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## ***Is Jesus calling you to serve? Bear Fruit for Jesus!***

***"When God burdens your heart to use your time and talents and you confirm God's leading according to the Scriptures, you can obey, being confident God will provide a blessing, even when circumstances appear contrary." (Jerry Bridges, The Navigators)***

A complete listing of all the volunteer positions available here at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is on our website, and printed copies are available in the Narthex.

(Please note these two changes to the Opportunities sheet you received on October 1st: For Choir, please contact Renate. Also, a new contact for the breakfasts and lunches is TBD.)

***Please prayerfully consider volunteering for one or more of these positions.***

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# CRAFT N SHARE



WELCOME TO 'FALL' Craft and Share will meet next on the FIFTH WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29th from 10 AM to 2 PM. Bring your lunch as beverage and dessert will be provided.

We plan to finish gifts for our shut-ins for Christmas using men's ties. We made 12 of these reindeer ornaments from men's ties in September and can make a few more. Bring your scissors; we have the rest of supplies. No sewing needed; glue guns are available.

We will also be stuffing fabric teddy bears we cut last June or making more teddy bears from washcloths for next year's Citrus Baby Shower in the spring.

Also, we have a good supply of pillowcases, pre-cut elastic, wide elastic, and need to make up kits for those who like to sew pillowcase dresses at home. We mailed off a box of these dresses to the Little Dresses for Africa project. We have been sending off dresses for over 15 years.

We did give out prayer shawls and a lap robe to members who had surgery or were in hospital or lost a loved one. We have directions for knitting or crocheting these shawl and lap robes as well as patterns for newborn caps. If you know of someone who could use a shawl or lap robe, please call me.

Look forward to seeing you on the FIFTH WEDNESDAY Nov, 29th (this will avoid meeting on 4th Wednesday just before Thanksgiving. We will resume meeting on 4th Wednesdays in the future.

JOIN US as your time allows.

Questions? Call Maggie Bregger 352-860-2215



# Thank You

To My Church Family,

I thought Clergy Appreciation was for the Pastor and Deacons! I was very surprised and humbled by the beautiful cards I received and the gift cards and monetary gifts. Thank you from the bottom of my heart. ❤️ I appreciate ALL of you as well! All of us together is how we keep our church and faith continuing on and on....Thank you again!



With much love and appreciation, Renate

To my GSLC family,

My heart overflows with love and gratitude for the many gifts of appreciation I received. Your generosity continues to fill my heart with gratitude and joy. I am more grateful to you than words can express. I thank each of you for your kindness and for being the wonderful, amazing people you are. I know that I am blessed to have you in my life. May you continue to be blessed today and always!!



Shirley McField



My deepest appreciation to the members of our congregation for the Pastor Appreciation Sunday gifts that I received. I am humbled by your generosity and words of encouragement. Linda is also appreciative of the flowers and kind words shared with her.

Thank you all and may God continue to bless us as we share together in the work of the Church.



Pastor Dennis



# WELCA NEWS

*As a community of women created in the image of God called to discipleship in Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society and the world.*

A big THANK YOU to all who contributed to Thankoffering. Collections will continue through November.

**SAVE THE DATE: Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> – 1:00 PM**

## **“Birthday Party for Jesus”**

**This event is open to our entire church family. Please bring a baby gift for the Pregnancy & Family Life Center. Sign-up sheets are in the clipboard rack in the Narthex.**



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**Our next WELCA Circle Meeting will be held on November 8<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.** Cindy Gaertner will lead the Bible Study and Ann Neville will provide refreshments.

**Our next WELCA Board Meeting will be November 7<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM.**

*Shelly Fortin*, President, GSLC WELCA



# Adopt a Highway Program

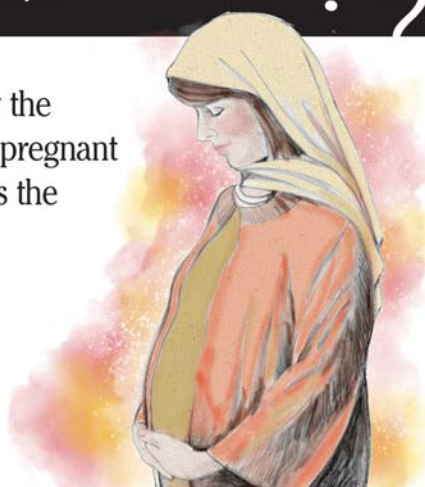


Our next Adopt-a-Highway road clean-up will be Saturday, December 2nd. We meet at the church at 8 AM. Safety vests, gloves, trash bags, and pickers are provided. For any questions, contact Linda Koch at [LCK1164@gmail.com](mailto:LCK1164@gmail.com) or 386-589-4727.

**Bible Quiz**

Elizabeth, an older relative of Mary the mother of Jesus, was miraculously pregnant at the same time as Mary. What was the name of Elizabeth's husband?

- A. Aaron
- B. Zechariah
- C. Joseph
- D. Simeon



Answer: B (See Luke 1:5, 39-41)



# Social Ministry

  
 Publix.  
**Saturday Night Pick-Up  
 &  
 Food Share Monday Delivery**  
 John & Sandy Spencer



# Fellowship



As many of you know, Betty Sanger wishes to step down as Chair of the Fellowship Committee. We were asked by Pastor Koch and Betty to take on this challenge. We will be Co-Chairs and were introduced to the Fellowship Committee at their monthly meeting on October 9th. We know we have big shoes to fill and ask for your patience while we step into this new endeavor. We are looking forward to serving on this committee of very talented people and know the transition will go smoothly. Thank you for considering us!

## Elaine and John Giammasi



As the current chair of Fellowship, I want to express how happy I am that Elaine and John said, "YES!" when asked. They have jumped right in with kitchen duty, making delicious treats for coffee hours, making small wooden signs to identify sugar-free and gluten free goodies, etc.

Elaine and John will continue to learn on the job and we look forward to when they take on the title of Fellowship Co-Chairs the first of the year. We are very fortunate to have them in this role and in our church family.

*Betty Sanger*

Fellowship Chair



**In our service for Christ, we need to believe that what God asks us to do CAN be done, and WILL be done by God's grace.**

"And without faith it is impossible to please God, for whoever would approach Him must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who seek Him" (Hebrews 11:6).

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# Worship & Music

**November 7th @ 10:00 AM -**

Monthly Meeting

**November 11th from 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM**

Handbell Workshop

**November 11th @ 3:30 PM**

Handbell Concert

We will perform a small concert at 3:30. All are invited to attend the concert. If anyone is really interested in Handbells, they are invited to attend the entire workshop!



**PRAISE**  
AND  
**THANKSGIVING**



**December 10th**

Worship - Christmas Program

3:00 PM - Piano Recital



# Health Ministry



*Health Ministry*

Your Faith Community Nurse is Kathy Metz, she can be reached @ 352-746-1911 and the Health Team members are: Barb Lauer, Ann Neville, Donna Pease, and John Colson. On the last Sunday of every month, we provide blood pressure screenings after service. **See you November 26th**



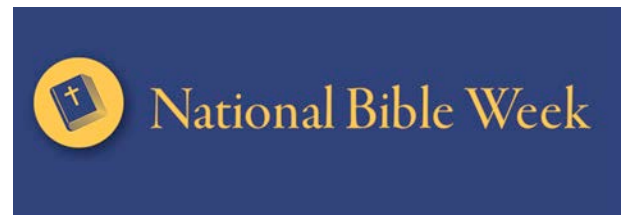
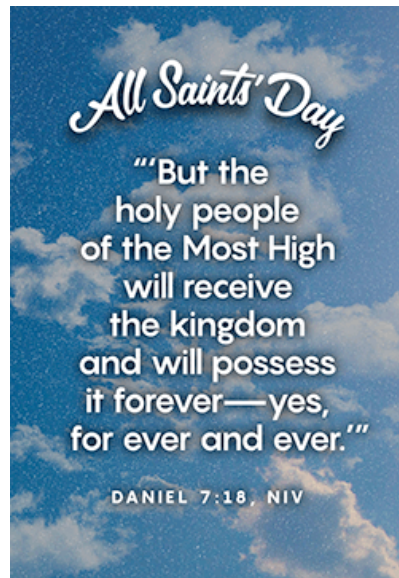
# Serving Our Savior

SOS Food Pantry  
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Beverly Hills, FL 34464  
email [sos4food@gmail.com](mailto:sos4food@gmail.com)



# Special Dates

- 1st - All Saints' Day
- 5th - End of Daylight Savings Time
- All Saints' Sunday
- 11th - Veteran's Day
- 12th - Coffee & Tea Sales
- 19th - Christ the King Sunday
- 19th - 25th - National Bible Week
- 23rd - Thanksgiving
- 24th - Native American Heritage Day




**Every Tuesday @ 7:30 AM**  
Breakfast at Mama's Kuntry Kafe

Wednesdays @ 9 AM  
**A Time for Prayer**

**First Thursday @ Noon**  
Lunch @ Angelotti's

# November 2023



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> 7:30A-SOS 10:00A - Quilters 11:00A - Beginner Bible Study 1:00P - Newcomer's Club	<b>2</b> 7:30 A-SOS  9:30 A Executive Council	<b>3</b> 8:00A – Workday on Grounds 	<b>4</b> 
<b>5</b> 10 A Worship Sunday School	<b>6</b> 1:30P Social Ministry Meeting	<b>7</b> 9:30A - WELCA Board 10 A- Worship & Music 6:00P - Scouts 6:30P - Bells	<b>8</b> 7:30 - SOS 11:00A - Beginner Bible Study 1:00P - WELCA Circle 6:30P - Choir	<b>9</b> 7:30 A - SOS 9:00A Pastoral Care Committee 3:00P Church Council	<b>10</b> 8:00A – Workday on Grounds 	<b>11</b> 3:30P Handbell Concert 
<b>12</b> 10 A Worship Sunday School 	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 6:00P - Scouts 6:30P - Bells	<b>15</b> 7:30A-SOS 10:00A - Quilters 11:00A - Beginner Bible Study 6:30P - Choir	<b>16</b> 7:30 A - SOS  10:00A - Citrus Hills HOA	<b>17</b> 8:00A – Workday on Grounds 	<b>18</b> 
<b>19</b> 10 A Worship Sunday School 	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 11A - Roger Johnson Funeral Service 6:30P - Bells	<b>22</b> 7:30A-SOS 11:00A - Beginner Bible Study 6:30P - Choir <i>Filling of Food Containers</i>	<b>23</b> 10A - 12P <b>Take out Dinners</b> 	<b>24</b> 8:00A – Workday on Grounds 	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> 10 A Worship Sunday School 	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 6:00P - Scouts 6:30P - Bells	<b>29</b> 7:30A-SOS 10:00A- Craft n Share 11:00A - Beginner Bible Study 6:30P - Choir	<b>30</b> 7:30 A - SOS  10:00 A	<b>Link to Pastoral Prayer Calendar</b>	

# ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS



Bill & Wendy Knarr 11/12/05

Todd & Cindy Gaertner 11/24/88



2 - Helen Maidhof

14 - Gary Bush

24 - Bob Deck

3 - Pat Bentley

16 - Michele Schortemeyer

Marty McMahon

- Denise Bianchi-Costa

20 - Sue Okimoto

25 - Dave Boerger

6 - Gladys Kean

22 - Jeanette Jimenez  
Walter Johnson

27 - Stephanie Adams

9 - Dennis Moore

23 - Dianne Kohm  
Pat Mainster  
Vera Swade  
Stacey Wilson

28 - Linda Koch  
Marge Symons

10 - Lisbeth Goetter  
Judy Teague

30 - Ray Whitcomb  
- Louis Costa

## Dan's World

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"Yes, the disciples followed Jesus...  
but not on Twitter."

**S**INCE EVERYTHING  
WILL BE DESTROYED  
IN THIS WAY,  
WHAT KIND OF PEOPLE  
OUGHT YOU TO BE?  
**YOU OUGHT TO LIVE HOLY  
AND GODLY LIVES.**

2 PETER 3:10-11, NIV



**Let us remember:**

Bendtsen, Elin	Hartsfield, Sylvia	Lepore, Linda	Wagner, Carole
Benefiel, Larry & Karen	Hassinger, Doug & Donna	Masters, Leith	Whitcomb, Ray
Brit-Busler, Elizabeth	Hennessy, Sally	Meltesen Family	Wildman, Joe
Clark, Dawn	Jimenez, Jeanette	Miles, Ilse	
Costa, Denise	Johnson, Carol Lee	Mongardi, Eloise	
Dreger-Parsons, June	Koch, Dennis,Linda,& Michael	Page-Wood, Jeremy	
Drennen, Rose & Family	Lauer, Barbara	Pawelko, Diane	
Fowler, Bob	Lawrence, Ivalee	Peterson, Gloria	

**Those who are shut-in or residing in assisted living homes:**

Charon, Carol	Frost, Joann	Moll, Bob	Lowe, Faye	Philipp, Dick
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**All who serve our country in the military:**

Burba, Jake	Jackson, Brad	Radosevitch, Eric
Ceballos, Jason	Johnston-Garcia, Christian	Springer, Dennis
Corsino, Mykael	Luchay, Alan	Stroble, Jeramy
Day, Kenneth	McCann, Jim	Swain, Jr., Terry
Harrington, Bryan	Miller, Tyler	Thomas, Peter Chris
Heinz, Karinne	Much, Jason	Thompson, David
Hickman, Richard	Piott, Trenton	Timpe, Chris
Hicks, Nathan	Posa, Codymicheal	
Holman, Evan	Radloff, Steven	



**Relatives and Friends:**

Arbuckle, Amy & Matthew	Cato, Cecelia	Garling, John	Krenauer, Linda
Balastieri, Casey	Cipollone, Elaine	Gifford, Judy	Krol, Shirley
Barber, Steve & Kitty	Crooks, Candi	Goetter, Thomas	Lahera, Andy
Beeftink, Paul	DeVenuto, Lisa	Goforth, Jeffrey	Lavaja, Jim
Bluver, Linda & son	Dortin, Rachel	Goodloe, Ernestine	Lewellen, Emily Anne
Blyth, Ruby	Drake, Matthew	Graves, Janice	Lobenthal, Jean
Brace, Quin	Farmer, Tom	Hertel, Karl	Loftin, Tracy
Brugger, Tristan	Fidwell, Eloise	Iudiciani, Georgia	Longworth, Kathy
Burkhardt, Faith & Dina	Fowler family	Johnson, Jim	Lublemon family
Campano, Thomas	Fratto, Joseph	Kraft, Carter	Lundsford, Victoria



Magnotta family	Pope, Jeff	Small, Brenda & Steven	Wells, Emmarie
Magrum, Corbin	Pufahl, Jean	Smith, Grant	Wierzel, Rosalee
Maidhof, Dexter, Gary, Jeremiah	Queen, Max	Smrdel, Louis	Wilder, Gayle
McHugh, Mark	Rajotte, Keith	Smrdel, Terri	Williams, Dorothy
Meidl, Nancy	Ralph, Bruce	Stewart, Sam	Wilson, Karen
Mena, Steve	Rambaldini, Jim	Stuart, Neil & Family	Wizard, Joe & Dana
Nickerson, Mike & Beth	Reiner, Linda	Thatcher, Jean	Wolff, Jack
O'Berry, Darlene	Robertson, Jeanine	Thompson, Lori	Wood, Harper
O'Keefe, Chris	Rothmeyer, Heidi	Traywick, Edward	Woods, Donna Jean
Pach, Barbara	Sbani, Carol	Tuegel, Chuck	Woolf, Nick
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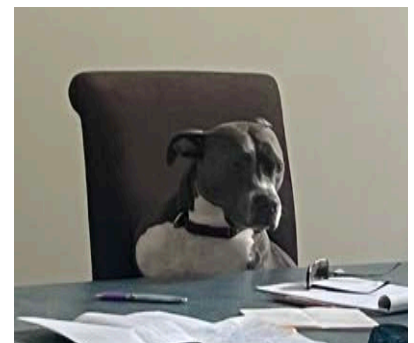
Please take this prayer list and use it in your private or family devotions in the coming month. You can see that our congregation has a great many people who are in need of our prayers. Please let us know if your loved one is no longer serving in the military. Contact [gslchernando@gmail.com](mailto:gslchernando@gmail.com) for any updates.

## Newsletter Editor

**ALL** submissions for the **newsletter** or website should be sent to [gslchernando@gmail.com](mailto:gslchernando@gmail.com).

I will confirm I received your email within 2 days. If you don't get a response, please resubmit or call me.

*Stephanie*



Paw Editor

December deadline is **November 18th**.



**SUNDAY SCHOOL/NURSERY**

Susan Fowler

**USHERS**

**10:00**

**5th & 12th**

Dave & Peg Bocker

Stephanie Adams

**19th & 26th**

Carole & Randy Wagner

Gary Bush

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Fran Stetson

John Gifford

Joe Adams

Dan Cashman

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**November 5th**

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**November 12th**

Shelly Fortin

**November 19th**

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**November 26th**

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# Kid's Corner








## PUZZLE

### THANKS-FILLED GIVING

The virtues of gratefulness and generosity are connected. When we're truly thankful for all God provides, we want to sow generous seeds in other people's lives. What will be the harvest?

Directions: Solve the clues associated with each picture. Then write the words in the correct spaces to complete 2 Corinthians 9:10-11, NIV.

-  This becomes a plant \_\_\_\_\_
-  Willing to give \_\_\_\_\_
-  The result of planting seeds \_\_\_\_\_
-  The act of gratitude \_\_\_\_\_
-  Food made from wheat \_\_\_\_\_

Now he who supplies \_\_\_\_\_ to the sower and \_\_\_\_\_ for food will also supply and increase your store of \_\_\_\_\_ and will enlarge the \_\_\_\_\_ of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way so that you can be \_\_\_\_\_ on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in \_\_\_\_\_ to God. 2 Corinthians 9:10-11, NIV

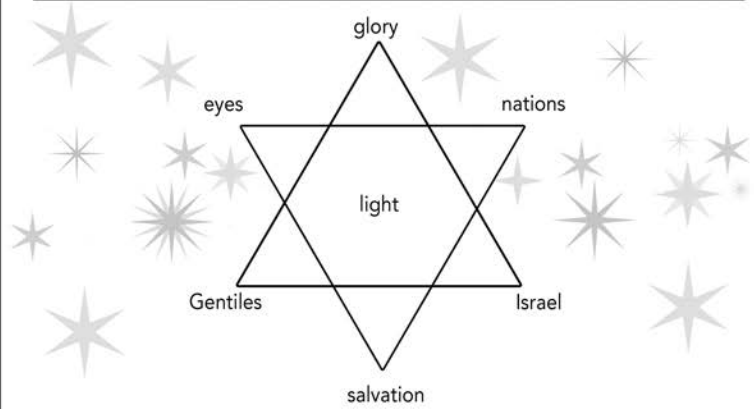
Answers: seed, bread, harvest, generous, thanksgiving

## PUZZLE

### SIMEON'S SIGHT

When Joseph and Mary brought baby Jesus to the temple, they heard a special prophecy from Simeon.

Directions: Using the star key, write the words in the correct spaces to complete Luke 2:30-32, NIV.



"For my \_\_\_\_\_ have seen your \_\_\_\_\_, which you have prepared in the sight of all \_\_\_\_\_: a \_\_\_\_\_ for revelation to the \_\_\_\_\_, and the \_\_\_\_\_ of your people \_\_\_\_\_."

Luke 2:30-32, NIV

Answers: eyes, salvation, nations, light, Gentiles, glory, Israel

I'm Rocky, click me!



Handicrafts can spark appreciation for simple items. Weave this basket as a gift.

**What you need:**

- Paper plate
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Yarn (different colors)

**What you do:**

1. In the center of the plate, trace something round. Draw 9 lines (evenly spaced) from the circle to the plate's edge.
2. Cut along each line, stopping at the center circle. Trim more of the plate off so the cuts make a gradual V shape.
3. Fold the plate's sides upward to form basket sides. Keep these upright as you weave a bowl-shaped basket.
4. Begin weaving a length of yarn at the circle's base. Hold the end of the yarn in place as you spread the length over and under each side of the plate.
5. Switch colors to make a pattern. Keep the yarn tight as you weave up the sides.
6. To finish, bend down any remaining paper. Leave a tail of yarn and tuck it under a woven portion. Share your craft with a friend!