

Luverne UMC November 2024 Messenger

Believe it or not....it is November and that means the end of the year is quickly approaching! OMG!!!

"Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him".

Colossians 3:17

I myself have noticed how quickly the months seem to fly by, it's only a matter of time when the years start flying by that quickly! I have spent much time in the last days and weeks realizing how blessed I am! I am blessed to have an amazing family, I have everything I need, the faith family I serve is equally amazing....and I give thanks for all of you and the appreciation and love you show me and my family continually. I look around this beautiful group of people and marvel at all that God is doing among us. And I give thanks! When I began this beloved work many years ago, I would never have believed 25 years later I would still be doing it and enjoying every bit of it! It has its challenges and sometimes my head hangs low, I fall to bed exhausted, my heart breaks with hurt, but in the midst of it, I give thanks.

"Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus".

1 Thessalonians 5:18

We have been spending time these last couple of weeks and will continue to do so well into November, giving thanks for all that is around us. We are blessed and it is right to give our thanks and praise! Let us not ever forget that! God offers us much more reasons to have joy than to fret and fume! As we approach the end of the year, we will again have to work hard to meet our budget needs. But, as in every year, we know that God will bless us, and we will get there....and we will give thanks.

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God".

Philippians 4: 6-7

We have been blessed with new members of our family, both young and old, we have shared more laughter than ever, we dance to music of God and lift our talents, we love on each other more and more, we experience old and new ministries and the fruit thereof, we care for each other in amazing ways...and we give thanks to a God who guides us and gives us these abilities.

In every sunrise, God offers us more and more ways to spread happiness and love! In every way we share His love, he blesses us more, His glory rising above all that the world throws at us!

Gratitude is an attitude; one we are called to cultivate and live! Let's spend this time working on ways we can be filled with praise and thanksgiving. Maybe we can begin with simply starting

each day saying, "thank you, Lord!" How about thinking about the benefits God has blessed you with. Maybe asking God to help you read even one chapter a day in the Bible and giving thanks to him for his word. Every time you face a difficult struggle, give thanks to God for His Presence. It doesn't have to be hard!

"Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name".

Psalm 100:4-5

By doing so, you are cultivating a thankful heart, joy will be full, and our blessings will be abundant! God's presence will abound! God is Good, All the Time! Happy November!

Pastar Soviet

UMC Luverne Members and Friends that live in Special Homes:

Mary Jane Brown Home ~ Bill Holling ~ David Johnson

MN Veterans Home ~ Keith Luethje - Wayne Biever

Poplar Creek Assisted Living
~ Annabelle Frakes - Phyllis Mohr



The Oaks
Sally Cooksley - Marv Laackmann

The Tuff Home - Hills ~ Ralph Watts



Hanging of the Greens Service and Potluck - December 1
Annual Christmas Program - December 18
Christmas Eve service and Community Meal - December 24
5th Sunday Special Offering for - Holy Spirit Cafe - December 29
5th Tuesday New Year's Eve Party (Home by 9pm) - December 31
Annual Chocolate Buffet amd Spaghetti Dinner - February - date TBD





COMMUNION SUNDAY NOVEMBER 10, 2024

SHUT IN COMMUNION/VISITS

NOVEMBER 13, 2024 NOVEMBER 19, 2024



Sunshine Grocery Cards - available to buy Sundays and work hours

Prayer Chapel - every Wednesday from 9am-7pm

God's Circle - 1st Tuesday of each month at 1:30pm - November 5

Prayer Warriors - 2nd Sunday of each month - November 10

Sewn in Faith - 2nd Tuesday of each month at 1:30 - November 12

We recycle ink cartridges - place them in the basket in the entryway

We recycle aluminum cans - put them in bin on the SW corner of courtyard

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Prayer Chain

We are here to help! If you have someone special you would like us to pray for you may contact Jan Brandenburg at (507) 283-4059 or you can call the church office during business hours.



(LIVE STREAMING

Our Live Streaming area is being studied and researched to determine direction since the Radio has dropped our Broadcast. Please stay tuned for updates on this important area and continue watching and sharing the Facebook live stream. Thank you for your patience!

facebook.com/umcluverne/live

<u>Quote of the Month</u>



Give thanks not just on Thanksgiving Day, but every day of your life. Appreciate and never take for granted all that you have."

The Prayer Chain list for the month of November is as follows:

WEEK OF November 3, 2024 - Willy Baker, Carl and Yssi Entzie, Brittany Remme Family, John and Jennifer Hilfers, Heather VanWyhe and Christopher Brown, Mary and Candace Rigney Family and for our Wednesday Night FUEL Ministry.

WEEK OF November 10, 2024 - Mike Aanenson Family, Roger Carlson, Andrew Hanson, Carol Kor and Steve Ferguson, Rev. Dr. Debora Mariya, Keith and Melanie Peterson and for the Outreach Ministries in our community.

WEEK OF November 17, 2024 - Desmond Jones, Louie Torres Family, Cathy Rust, Justine and Andrew Miller, Wayne and Amy Kruger Family, Bruce and Linda Reisdorfer Family, Sue Stroh and for peace in our nation.

WEEK OF November 24, 2024 - Steve and Penny Cattnach Family, David and Anissa Vis, Beverly Ford, Travis and Shannon Dwire Family, Anthony Jones and for the leadership in our community.



November 2024 Silver Bucket



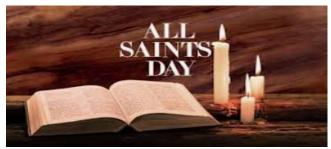


Our organization has come a long way since we were founded in 1986 as a prison ministry called The Sioux Falls Area Literacy Council. Since that time, the mission to teach adults to read, write, and improve life skills has evolved into what it is currently

to empower adults and children to thrive through literacy education.

Evolving the mission allows our organization to increase the reach and impact of our literacy partnerships and expand the scope of our literacy programming. In 2014, The Sioux Falls Area Literacy Council changed its name to REACH Literacy to reflect how we are now reaching an even broader community across the Sioux Empire.

All donations will go toward this cause.



On this day, November 3rd we celebrate those we love who have gone before us at our very special All Saints service....We dedicate All Saints Day to our loved ones and our ancestors, a day to remember in prayer for all those who have died. Offer a moment of silence for the many dearly departed loved ones...



Eleanor Dicks



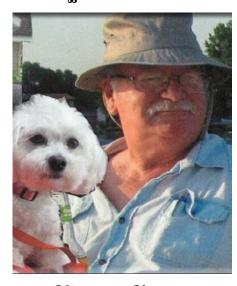
Mayford "Buster" Rust



Dale Hawes



Clyde Menning



Michael Kochel



Laureen Fick



Hunter Cope



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During our All-Saints service we also celebrate those who bring new to our Faith Family through Holy Baptism. This year we welcome...

Arya Rose Rigney ~ Cillian Gray Rigney ~ Garrett Michael Cattnach ~ Summer Rose Aning ~ Danny James Aning ~ Lincoln James Kracht ~ Korie Marie Schomacker ~ Hallie Michaela Ruppert



The Endowment Grant Applications are now available on the table in the Narthex . These applications are for projects in the church that present:

- A clear and defined issue of need,
- A plan to help solve the problem
- Collaboration among relevant organizations
- Creative utilization of existing resources
- A strong evaluation component

We welcome calls from applicants prior to submitting a grant request and will be glad to assist in completing the application form. Thank you from the Endowment Fund Committee.



Our first meeting after taking the summer off was on September 8th. 19 baby/crib quilts were given to the Alpha Center in Sioux Falls, and numerous quilts were given to home bound and seriously ill members/friends of the church. Fleece scarves have been and will continue to be made to be put on the railing at the Rock County library for anyone who needs them. Knitting: shawls have been made to be given to cancer patients going through chemotherapy as the chemo rooms are always cold; 25-30 stocking caps are currently being made for the visitor bags that will be handed out. The plan is to make potholders which will be placed these bags as well.

We have gone back to meeting only once a month on the 2nd Tuesday of each month.



There has been a big issue of our bulletins and Messengers are not arriving on time! We do not want this to continue so we are making changes of when our materials will be going out.

Bulletins will go out Tuesday afternoon or no later than Wednesday morning. This means we will need information from people on Tuesday morning.

The Messenger dates are changing as well. For the month of November it looks like this:

Messenger Deadline: Wednesday, November 13th Printing Day: Monday, November 18th Folding Team at 9:30am Tuesday, November 19th

This is new so we are trying to work the kinks out yet so I will continue to post these dates to you. Please be sure to get information to the office in a timely manner. Thank you so much everyone!



We haven't shared this message for awhile and past experiences have prompted the necessity to bring this to your attention again.

For a variety of reasons, including privacy laws, it becomes more important for all of you to be aware that your pastor does not automatically get information about you, especially when you are in need of a visit from her. Because Pastor Dorie can be there for you only as she is aware, it becomes very important for you to communicate these needs to her or instruct a family member to do so.

The days when caregivers/facilities automatically called the church no longer exist. The importance of letting Pastor Dorie know what's happening is completely up to you.

Please know that Pastor Dorie is very willing to be with you whenever you need her — if she knows!



There will be a new Sunday School class for our men. Our first class will be on November 10th and we will meet in the library at 9:30am going forward.

We will be studying the book:
"The Man in The Mirror: Solving the 24
problems men face"

If you have questions please contact Bryce Schomacker





It's new! We have a QR code This code will make it much easier to do online giving! Just scan the code with your phone and it will bring you right to it.

If you are not familiar with QR codes and need help with this, have questions, or want more information about the code or online giving you may speak to Shannon Dwire!



November 27, 2024 Thanksgiving Dinner

December 24, 2024 Christmas Eve Dinner

January 22, 2025







- 1 Joshua Fick
- 2 Stephen Foster
- 4 Gene Ashby
 - 9 Beverly Ford
- 10 Justin VanWyhe Rachel Kor
- 13 Nelson Hall
- 15 Shawn Davis Marie Paulsen
- 17 Leah Moeller Mandy Kor
- 19 Reegan Gabrielson
- 22 Alisha Jackelen
- 23 Gretchen Davis Abby Moeller Melanie Peterson
- 26 Sam Schomacker

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Worship Responsibilities

Date	Lay Reader	Hosts	Power Point	Sound	Counters	Worship Asst.	Coffee	Gift Cards
Nov.	Laura Hollaren	Bill and Maggie Paulsen	Jennifer Hilfers	David Vis	Felicia Hanson	Becky Anderson	Jeanne VandeHoef	Karis Dwire
Nov. 10	Bill Paulsen	Melanie Peterson	Reegan Gabrielson	Luther Hall	Everett and Jan B.	Felicia Hanson	The Dwire Family	Sharron Betsinger
Nov. 17	Maggie Paulsen	Bruce and Linda Reisdorfer	Jeanne Bowron	Jason Kruse	Gene Ashby	Willy Baker	Josh and Emily Crabtree	Brenda Stickling
Nov. 24	Bryce Schomacker	Darwin and Evelyn Reyne	Journey Anderson	Riley Anderson	Jay and Bev Mann	Jeanne Bowron	Bill and Maggie Paulsen	Christine VH

Communion	Video
Jim Hanson	Beth Fick

Trustee of the Week						
October 28, 2024 thru November 3, 2024	Roger Carlson					
November 4, 2024 thru November 10, 2024	Bryce Schomacker					
November 11, 2024 thru November 17, 2024	Laura Hollaren					
November 18, 2024 thru November 24, 2024	Morris Fick					
November 25, 2024 thru December 1, 2024	Al Aanenson					

October Budget

General Budget Totals							
September 29, 2024 thru October 27, 2024							
Envelopes	\$	12,166.23					
Loose Offering	\$	1,463.16					
Apportionments	\$	1,779.00					
Broadcasting / LiveStream	\$	0.00					
Online Giving (September)	\$	3,605.00					
Total Budget	\$	19,013.39					
Non-Budget Donations							
Silver Bucket	\$	154.00					
Holy Spirit Cafe	\$	0.00					
Food Shelf	\$	0.00					
Endowment	\$	0.00					
Rent	\$	0.00					
Upper Room	\$	6.00					
Total Non-Budget	\$	160.00					
Trustees							
General	\$	1,000.00					
Sump Pumps		0.00					
Roofing	\$	0.00					
Total Trustees	\$	1,000.00					
Misc. Giving	\$	0.00					
Grand Total	\$	20,173.39					



Your Finance Committee has worked hard this year and made progress in trying to be proactive and diligent in stewardship. We are using the month of November to remind each other of the importance of giving thanks in all things and cultivating the attitude of gratitude. We will have to work hard these next two months to meet our budget by the end of the year.

We would all agree that with the challenges we faced this year, we came out pretty good, especially with a roof project that ran almost \$80,000.

As we continue through to the end of the year, let's reflect on the impact we are making, both individually and collectively in the ministry of the Luverne UMC and even beyond.

When you give to our church, whether it be through acts of service, financial support, prayers...you are making a difference in the lives of others.

Matthew 5:16, "In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

Your giving supports all our ministries, including reaching out to others in need with each action you take acting as a ripple effect that touches hearts, brings hope and builds the Kingdom.

Thank you for making ministry possible in our church and your commitment and dedication to spreading God's love and making a difference in the lives of others!