

## Last Sunday of The Church Year November 23, 2025





**DEAR FRIENDS, WELCOME!** May your journey with our Lord Jesus fill your hearts with peace through the promises of His Son. We welcome you in the name of Christ Jesus, the Savior of the world.

**PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP:** High and holy God, who through Your Son forgives our sins to make us saints and reveals Yourself to us that we may call You Father; who created the whole world for us to live in; who maintains the church that we might have a community to call our own; who engendered hope for the mansions; and who makes peace through the cross by the reconciliation of all things to Yourself, accept our glory and honor, our praise and thanksgiving, our grateful hearts and lives; through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

WE PRAISE GOD and thank Him for daily blessings. We show gratitude for the labors we are allowed to do to serve Him and our neighbor. We offer petitions on behalf of those with special needs, including, William Fritts, Fred Meyer, Paula Moege, Earl Moege, Evelyn Schmidt, Joyce Mathies, Tilden Imthurn, Ruth Tracy, Rev. Chris Kellogg, Rev. David Grouner, Joyce White and our shut-ins. We ask God to comfort the family of Della Pitsch, who passed on this week.

Worship Servants: Sunday School Teachers: Jim MacGregor, Phillip Theel, Traci Dickens, Lisa Thompson, Cheryl Buttenhoff; Altar Guild: Ashton Torrey, Darcy Torrey, Pam Stuewe; Greeters: Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Theel, Mr. & Mrs. Ken Smith; Acolytes: Owen Falk, Brogan Stamm; Ushers: Ryan Theel, Randall Debler, Dalton Debler, Jacob Debler, Phillip Theel; Technicians: Bruce Schultz, Whitney Howard; Children's Message: Harmon Butler; Choir Director: Cheryl Buttenhoff.

## **OUR ACTIVITIES FOR CHRIST THIS WEEK**

TODAY	8:30am	Sunday School / Bible Class	
		Heit's Point Ministries	
	9:30am	Worship Service (FM 88.3; FB Live)	
	11:00am	Voters' Meeting	
	6:30pm	Adult Information Class	
MONDAY		SJLS Thanksgiving Holiday Break Begins	
	12:00pm	Pray for Missions Around the World	
	7:00pm	No Choir	
TUESDAY	6:15am	Bible Breakfast @ Frank's	
		No School	
WEDNESDAY		No School	

	6:15pm	Confirmation
	7:00pm	Thanksgiving Worship Service
THURSDAY		No School
FRIDAY		No School
SUNDAY	8:30am	Sunday School / Bible Class
	9:30am	Worship Service (FM 88.3; FB Live)
		Noisy Sunday (Mites for Missions)
	11:00am	Fellowship Dinner / Church Decorating
	6:30pm	Adult Information Class

OUR LOVE FOR CHRIST		NOVEMBER 15 & 16, 2025		
Attendance:				
Saturday	37			
Sunday	89	Livestream: 22	Views: 549	
Sunday School	26			
<b>Total receipts</b>	\$4,812.40	Weekly Budget Needs:	\$12,684.00	

LPTL SAYS THANK YOU: A warm and heartfelt thank you to everyone who supported our recent fundraisers: the Garage Sale, Match Day, and the Pork Chop Supper & Silent Auction. Whether you donated, volunteered, cooked, bid, or simply showed up, your generosity made each event a wonderful success. Auction sales netted nearly \$6000; 310 meals were served; 51 bags of pork chops were sold; and in total, over \$11,000 were raised to bless our school. We are grateful for this amazing community and the way you continue to lift up our mission. Thank you for making a difference!

**GIFT CARDS:** St. John School's LPTL is once again placing orders during November and December. You will find order forms on the table by the secretary's office or call Gayle Grimm at 765-3607. Orders will be made again December 7<sup>th</sup>.

**A FREE THANKSGIVING MEAL** will be hosted by the four churches of Alma on Thursday, November 27<sup>th</sup> from 11:00am-1:00pm at Holy Family Catholic Church. Call or text Patty at 785-556-4641 or Ruth at 785-499-3740. Please RSVP today, November 23. Bank of the Flint Hills is accepting monetary donations for the dinner.

**VOTERS:** The annual budget and election meeting is after church. Agendas are in Memorial Hall.

TEENS FOR CHRIST have collected and boxed items for their global mission project, Operation Christmas Child. 89 boxes were filled. Today a prayer of blessing will be said over the boxes, which will be sent all over the world to reach children living in poverty, war torn areas, and recovery from national disasters. It includes the gospel written in their own language. The boxes will arrive by planes, trucks, boats, camels, or donkeys! Thanks to all who donated.

CHRISTMAS DECORATING will be after church November 30. All hands are welcome to help.

**FELLOWSHIP DINNER** after church November 30. Please bring a main dish to share, and either a salad or dessert. Drinks and tableware will be provided.

**NOISY SUNDAY:** Save your coins and currency for next Sunday's special offering. Mites collected are used to help fund the LWML Mission Grants.

**ADVENT MEALS:** Do you want to prepare a meal before an Advent Service? Please call the church office to reserve one of the first three Wednesdays in December.

**THREE SEASONS MUSIC FESTIVAL:** The Alma-area churches are hosting a 3-seasons music festival, with music from Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas. Choirs from local churches are invited to participate on Sunday, December 14, at 1:00 pm. We will meet at Peace UCC in Alma this year for the music event.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS: St. John Lutheran Church has received a deposit of \$12.00.

## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Nov. 23 Rykin Kraus

Nov. 24 Sandy Altevogt

Cindy Smith

Nov. 25 Jared & Janelle Schultz

Nov. 26 Brad Holliday

David & Cindy Zeckser

Nov. 27 Lily McClusky

Nov. 28 John & Dawn Yonke