Parish Newsletter November 2020



FROM THE DESK OF PASTOR DEB STAVE

We start this month with ALL Saint's Sunday and end this month with the beginning of a brand new church year. Advent is the first of the two preparatory seasons in our Church year. All Saints is often a more reflective, somber worship time honoring the ones who have gone before us. Those Saints who helped us to grow and make it through the good times and tough times as well. They model for us the futility on this side of heaven to believe that there is some way we can do it alone, that we can prove ourselves, perfect ourselves with our own accomplishments. I rarely listened to country music as a young person growing up in suburbia in the 60's and 70's. Ten or so years ago I heard a song "Voices" by Chris Young, it comes to mind quite often as the years go by. He speaks of those who echo in our heads, having given us words to live by. It's a great video with scenes that might make us think of the Thanksgiving family gatherings coming up (if we didn't have snow on the ground and are bundling up in winter wear). Take some time and give thanks for those saints whose voices light up your moments. Those voices, remember them and pass on the wisdom while you're passing the potatoes and gravy and stuffing and cranberry and what else, maybe lefse. Blessings to all this month, and a Blessed New Year to all, Pastor Deb

PASTOR DEB CONTACT INFORMATION

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SUNDAY LESSONS FOR SEPTEMBER

- Nov. 1st, All Saint's: Rev. 7:9-17; Psalm 34:1-10,22; 1 John 3:1-3; Matt. 5:1-12
- November 8th: Amos 5:18-24; Psalm 70; 1 Thess. 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13
- November 15th: Zeph. 1:7,12-18; Ps. 90:1-8,12; I Thess. 5:1-11; Matt. 25:14-30
- Nov. 22th, Christ the King: Ezek. 34:11-16, 20-24; Psalm 95:1-7a; Eph. 1:15-23; Matt. 25:31-46
- November 26th, Thanksgiving: Deut. 8:7-18; Ps. 65; 2 Cor. 9:6-15; Luke 17:11-19
- Nov. 29th, 1st Sunday in Advent: Isaiah 64:1-9; Psalm 80:1-7&17-19

TIME CHANGE NOVEMBER 1ST

Remember to turn your clocks back 1 hour on November 1st!

PRAYERS DURING THIS TRYING TIME

Please take some time each day to also remember in your prayers those affected most by the pandemic: hospitalized individuals, people in isolation, people suffering from major financial hardship, and the caregivers so wonderfully taking care of us all.

GIDEON'S NOVEMBER 15TH

The Gideon's will participate in our services on November 15th.

GIVING OPPORTUNITY

Goose River has some extra boxes for Operation Christmas Child, Pastor Deb will be bringing a few to Bethany and Mayville UCC - the filled boxes are to be returned to Sandi Christianson or Faye Duncan in Hatton by Nov. 15th.

LMH TREE OF LIGHTS AND DEDICATION

Luther Memorial Home Auxiliary is once again doing its annual Tree of Lights & Dedication. "Dedication ornaments may be purchased for the tree in memory of, in honor of, or as greeting to a special friend or relative! Proceeds from the Tree of Lights & Dedication will go toward LMH Auxiliary Project Fund." Ornament costs are as follows: Blue-\$5.00; Red-\$10.00; Green-\$20.00; Silver-\$50.00; and Gold\$100.00. Look for order forms at the parish churches.

FESTIVAL OF SONGS

A note from Brandon Boulais, Associate Pastor, Riverside EFC:

To Our Local Churches,

Riverside is working to go forward with the Festival of Songs this December, in order to give encouragement to the whole community during our current trials. We are discussing a live meeting and policies.

We would like to also record interested groups and solos in advance to share with the community online. This would bless those who cannot attend in person, and may allow some people to share their gifts who would not be able to attend in person. It will also allow us to record a much higher quality video and sound, then simply recording Festival of Songs live.

If you would like to contribute to this video, please contact Karen Johnson, at 701-430-2100.

MAYVILLE-RURAL HATTON PARISH FACEBOOK PAGE

PLEASE check out our parish FB page - Mayville-Rural Hatton Parish. You don't have to have a FB account - google FB and put in the name of the page above.

We know that some folks still are accessing this page. So this fall we've thought of recording in the churches. What do you think? Make suggestions for postings, I've been picking the hymns and blending the UCC and Lutheran services some weeks. If you'd like to be a reader, leave me a message and I will coordinate with you. I hope to find readers for each week, please let me know if you are interested and I will arrange it. There may be some weeks we can't post a service but there will be something. Please "like" the page, it helps somehow.

NEWSLETTER

Newsletter items can be sent to Tracy Foss at Tracy.L.Foss@gmail.com. Newsletter deadline is the Tuesday before the last Sunday of the month. December newsletter deadline is 11-24-2020.

Mayville Congregational-UCC News

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Because of the quarantining of members of the families connected to Sunday School, Sunday School students and families should watch for notices.

Goose River News

TO HONOR THE FAITHFUL SERVICE

On October 18th Presiding Interim Bishop Larry Wohlrabe preached to honor the faithful service in this closing year of their congregation. Guest musician was Pat Osland from Bethany. Steve Christianson read a brief history of the parish written by Faye Duncan. Many hands made a to go box lunch, safely prepared and shared with joy. It was a very good day! Many thanks to all that prayed and worshipped and fellowshipped.

Bethany News

NOVEMBER READERS

- Nov. 1 No Service
- Nov. 8 Loretta Larson
- Nov. 15 Karen Naastad
- Nov. 22 Judy Stensland
- Nov. 29 Kayla Smith

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation will meet at the Hatton Community Center. Schedule for November is Nov. 4th- 3:45, Nov.11 - No school/NO CLASS, Nov. 18th - 2PM (early out), NOV. 25th TBD

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NOVEMBER 15TH SERVICE

On November 15th we will be combining Gideon Sunday and our Thankoffering Service. Remember to keep collecting those coins or bills in your "Thankoffering container" and bring them to church on the 15th.

WE BAKE- YOU TAKE - BAKING DAYS

Two days in November have been scheduled to bake lefse and flatbread for the "We Bake - You Take" event. The dates are Wednesday, November 11 and Thursday November 12 starting at 9:00 AM or any time after. Bethany Ladies, pack a sack lunch and join us for a fun day (or two) of measuring, mixing, rolling, frying, and much conversation and fun!

NOVEMBER FOOD PANTRY PROJECT

Bethany will be collecting items for the Hatton Helping Hands Food Pantry each Sunday in November as we have done the last few years. Thrivent has not decided if they are going to do the "Give Thanks and Give Back" food challenge that we have participated in recent years. Since there is still a possibility they will, our goal will be 500 items. If the challenge is made and we collect 500 items, the food pantry would receive the 500 grocery items as well as \$500.

Below is a list of suggested grocery items for each Sunday in November:

- Nov. 1: boxed dressing, whole kernel corn, mixed vegetables, boxed pancake mix, syrup, pork and beans
- Nov. 8: vegetable oil, flour (2# bag), canned soup/chunky soup, brownie mix, cake mix, cookie mix
- Nov. 15: dish soap, laundry detergent, canned fruit, canned tuna, canned chicken, pasta
- Nov. 22: toothbrushes, paper towels, Kleenex, shampoo, packaged cookies
- Nov. 29: miscellaneous or any of the above items

ELIZABETH CIRCLE

Elizabeth Circle will meet November 11 at 7:00. All ladies welcome!

KITS AND QUILTS DONATED

Elizabeth Circle met Wednesday, Oct. 14 at Bethany Church. The following kits were boxed up to be sent to Lutheran World Relief: 22 School kits, 17 Personal Care kits and 10 Baby kits. 30 quilts were also sent. Ten quilts with pillowcases and 10 baby quilts were delivered to St. Gianna's Maternity Home. Eight quilts with pillowcases and 8 baby quilts will be delivered to the YWCA in Fargo. Eight small quilts and a shawl will be delivered to Hospice in Fargo. Thank you for all the contributions that have made these donations possible.

QUILTING REQUEST

The quilters are asking for donations of new or gently used pillowcases. They will be used to "package" the quilts before they are given away.

SUNDAY OFFERING

During this time of the pandemic, if you will not be attending worship service in person, you can send your offering directly to Richard Moen at 15159 14th St NE, Mayville, ND 58257.

BULLETIN

Bulletin announcements can be sent to Lorrie Aamold <u>Loaamold@hotmail.com</u> or by leaving a message at 543-3806. Deadline for the bulletin is Thursdays.

BETHANY NEWS

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