Parish Newsletter November 2021



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

At the end of this month on November 28th we start over again with a new church year. Telling the story of our Triune God. It will be the year of Luke or Year C in our 3 year rotation of lessons. On November 7th, I've chosen to celebrate in our worship All Saint's even though it is almost a week after the Day of All Saint's, November 1st.

When my mother died unexpectedly just as my dad retired, my sisters and I took over gathering the family in our respective homes and decided that the traditional Holiday meals would be whatever the hostess wanted to delight us with. This year I will be especially reminded of my mother's passing as her birthday was Nov. 28th. For her birthday she would take us all to a Chinese restaurant, having taught us to eat with chopsticks. It was probably the only time we went to a restaurant all year. I will seek out eating with chopsticks no matter what the meal I choose to make that could be eaten with those special utensils.

We will not be gathering to worship for a Thanksgiving service. I invite you to tell stories. To give thanks for those Saints who gave you family traditions and passed down recipes. To give thanks for the generations and cultures that make up our country. Traditions will change. They are not bad, they often honor the saints who have brought us up. They are part of our family's story. Telling stories as families of those who have gone before us - funny stories, poignant stories, hard stories, hopeful stories, stories of joy, stories of trust that guide and direct.

I have been thinking of a conversation I had with a father in the last few years. After sharing some hard stories of his past, it seemed to me that he is striving "to teach his children well", to be different from what he had lived as a young boy. I could only respond saying "It sounds like you know what you don't want to do". So we tell the stories over and over again. The promise of our Triune God Story. The story that for all time we are part of the story of Grace. Over and Over and Over. Not an endless loop of the same but being made new every breath we take.

Learning from the past and being set free to be made new.

Blessings, Pastor Deb

P.S. If you would like a pastoral visit whether in the hospital or at home please let me know. My cell phone is currently 701/550-9830, please leave a voice mail or text if you don't get an answer. There is a message machine at Bethany. There is not a message machine at Mayville U.C.C.

PASTOR DEB CONTACT INFORMATION

To contact Pastor Deb Stave - 701/550-9830, deb.stave@gmail.com.

SUNDAY READINGS FOR NOVEMBER 2021

- November 7th All Saint's Day
 - o Isa. 25:6-9; Ps. 24, Rev. 21:1-6a, John 11:32-44
- November 14th 25th Sunday after Pentecost
 - o Dan.12:1-3; Ps. 16; Heb. 10:11-14, 19-25; Mark 13:1-8
- November 21st Christ the King Sunday
 - Dan. 7:9-10,13-14; Ps. 93; Rev. 1:4B-8, John 18:33-37 (Lutheran) 2 Sam.
 23:1-7, Ps. 132, Rev. 1:4B-8, John 18:33-37 (UCC)
- November 28th 1st Sunday in Advent
 - o Jer. 33:14-16; Ps. 25:1-10; 1 Thess. 3:9-13, Luke 21:25-36

SPECIAL WORSHIP DATES

Nov. 7th - There will be Noisy offering for Bethany this Sunday. Bring your change for the Sunday school.

November 14th - Pastor Frank Johnson will be a guest preacher for both congregations. At Bethany, he will give a short talk about Red Willow Bible Camp for the WELCA Mission Sunday. Please Note Bethany women this is also Thank Offering Sunday so bring your coin jars. There will be a special offering plate at Bethany for Red Willow Bible camp this day.

November 21st - Mr. Gregg Webster, Gideons International will give a talk at Bethany at the end of the service. There will be a special offering taken for the Gideons this day.

Worship Times for **Christmas Eve** service for your family planning 4:30PM - Bethany Lutheran 6PM - Mayville UCC

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 11-23-2021.

Mayville Congregational-UCC News

OSOWSKI FAMILY CELEBRATION

Sunday, Nov 21st 3pm - A family celebration for the Osowski's - Please watch for any updates in the bulletins.

STONE SOUP POSTPONED

Please note that Stone Soup is postponed in light of the uptick of Covid numbers in our counties. Watch for updates.

Bethany News.

NOVEMBER READERS

- November 7 Judy Stensland
- November 14 Betty Reinhart
- November 21 Sue Rice
- November 28 Mandi Aamold

NOVEMBER USHERS

Doug and Karen Osland

BETHANY COUNCIL

The next council meeting will be November, 17 at 7:00 pm.

BETHANY CONFIRMATION

Confirmation Dates - Nov. 3rd, 10th - 3:45pm - 5. Nov. 17th - (Early out) 2-3:30. No class on Nov. 24th.

SUNDAY SCHOOL/NOISY OFFERING

The Sunday School students will be collecting noisy offering once a month. In November it will be November 7th.

BETHANY CIRCLE/WELCA

Bethany Circle/WELCA moved their meeting date from Wed. November 10th to Wed. Nov. 3rd because of a conflict with the baking schedule. It will be at 2:30 at the church.

The ladies packed up 33 quilts and 7 baby kits in October. They were taken to Grand Forks to be shipped to Lutheran World Relief.

MISSION AND THANKOFFERING

Mission and Thankoffering will be held the 14th of November. The speaker will be the new Director of Red Willow Bible Camp. Remember your offering "boxes", which you

have been investing in all year, There will be a short program included in the service.

HATTON HELPING HANDS FOOD PANTRY PROJECT

Bethany will again be collecting items for the Hatton Helping Hands Food Bank each Sunday in November. The Thrivent "GIVE THANKS AND GIVE BACK" food challenge is again available, and we have applied for it. We haven't been notified if we received it or not. Since there is a good possibility we will, our challenge will be to collect 500 items. If we are able to collect 500 items, and we receive the challenge, the Hatton food pantry will get \$500.00 along with the items collected.

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

November 7 - boxed dressing, whole kernel corn, mixed vegetables, boxed pancake mix, syrup, pork and beans

November 14 - vegetable oil, flour (2# bag), canned soup/ chunky soup, brownie mix, cake mix, cookie mix

November 21 - dish soap, laundry detergent, canned fruit, canned tuna, canned chicken, pasta

November 28 - toothbrushes, paper towels, Kleenex, shampoo, packaged cookies

ADDITIONAL FOOD PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED

paper towels	cereal	canned pinto beans
peas	fruit cocktail	canned kidney beans
mandarin oranges	green beans	canned black beans
crackers	fruit juice	whole/diced tomatoes
potato chips	"treats"	oatmeal
tuna	toilet paper	hygiene products

LEFSA MAKING

It's that time of the year----slip into the apron, find the rolling pin, lefsa stick and lefsa board and we begin Our Lefsa Making. We have five days planned for baking lefsa and

flatbread, to be sold "on line". All committees know their jobs so, come and have FUN while we work. The dates of work are 4th, 10th, 12th, 17th and 19th. We

scheduled an extra day, just in case we have more orders or we "lose our oomph". If you have a griddle, bring it, we will see how many fuses it takes to make this delicacy.

. All baking supplies are furnished, so, bring your rested, happy selves to the church at 9:am on all of those dates or as many as you can partake in.

WE BAKE - YOU TAKE

Bethany Lutheran WELCA will be taking orders for lefse and flat bread until 8:00 pm Sat. November 13th. No orders will be taken after this time.

Call Eileen Holt at 218-779-3090 to place an order.

1 package lefse - (3 rounds)----- \$6.00

1 box flat bread - (2 rounds-cut into pieces) -----\$6:00

Pick up (no deliveries) will be on Tues. November 23 between 3pm and 6pm at:

Mayville - 27 5th Ave NE

Hatton - 520 Jersey Ave

Baking days have been set for 9:00 am November 4th, 10th, 12th, 17th, and 19th. If we finish baking in three days, we will cancel the last day of baking. We welcome all ladies who are available to help. It is much work but also much fun and fellowship.

USED T-SHIRTS AND SWEATSHIRTS

Linda Stromstad knows of an outlet for used sweatshirts and t-shirts. They are used in making diapers and sent to orphanages overseas. They use all sizes in any condition. If you have any you would like to donate, please deliver them to Linda.

YARN DONATIONS

If anyone has yarn, any type, that you want to get rid of, bring it to church, we will send it to the EaNDSWO convention in September, and from there it goes to prisons of ND, where they knit things to give or send away.

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.

WEB PAGE

Check out our new web page: BethanyRuralHatton.com If you have anything you would like to put on the website contact Mark.

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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