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Rays of Sunshine – November 2018

From the Pastor:

November is a season of remembrance. Between the Sunday of All Saints, Veterans Day, and Thanksgiving, we are invited again and again to think back over the lives we treasure and what has brought us to today. This year is a particularly poignant remembrance, because Sunday 11 November 2018 is a century since “The eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month” when the armistice went into effect that ended the western front of the Great War.

The US came into the war in late 1917 and it ended in 1918, so the War to End All Wars has not had as great an impact on cultural memory. But the impact worldwide is deeply remarkable. For the rest of the world it is Armistice Day, except in England and the Commonwealth where it is Remembrance Day. The French remember losing 5% of their total population and 400 square miles of land so full of shells it could not be used for anything. The English mourn over three quarters of a million dead, and in the US we honor our Johnnies who Came Marching Home.

None of these ways of giving honor is better than another, each focuses on a significant part of what happened. By all accounts, it was indeed a war that shook the world. SMS Emden tore through the Indian Ocean lanes. The Battle of Coronel was fought off the coast of Chile. Boston gets a Christmas tree each year from Halifax, Nova Scotia because of New England’s quick assistance after the Halifax Explosion.

So we will honor and remember this month. On All Saints we will remember our beloved dead. On the 11th we will toll the bell to remember the dead in war and give thanks for those who came home. On Thanksgiving we will remember how to make those recipes we dust off only every so often and clean our best plates to use for our best beloved. (On a side note, why is it that we tend to offer our best and most delicious foods on our most beautiful settings only rarely. Aren’t our best beloved worthy of our best more often? Aren’t we?)

And in our largest sense, we will honor the truth that the God Beyond all Praising (ELW 880) is the one who has brought us Through the Night of Doubt And Sorrow (ELW 327) to this day, in this place, with these beloved people.

Pastor Stuart Holland, Interim

Blog: www.sicutcervus.wordpress.com

Office Hours: Monday & Wednesday 9:00 am – Noon; Tuesday 10:30 am – Noon

From Camp Lutherwood

“We are incredibly excited to announce that we have raised over \$85,000 from this year’s Harvest Festival! Thank you so much for your support! We are so thankful for everyone who gave money and everyone who attended the 2018 Harvest Festival! Without your support, we would not be able to improve and grow our facilities and programs... We had a great time celebrating and sharing about why Camp Lutherwood Oregon is an important ministry to invest in. See you next year!” Contact Allison or call our office 541.998.6444 for more information. **(Faith donated two baskets for the auction... created by Donna Lee and Teri Fries... thanks ladies.)**

Not what we say about our blessings, but how we use them,
is the true measure of our thanksgiving. ~W.T. Purkiser

NOVEMBER Service schedule

Thanks for giving of your time and talents this month...

<i>Date</i>	<i>Lay Reader</i>	<i>Worship Asst</i>	<i>Altar Flowers</i>	<i>Coffee Hour</i>	<i>Custodians – Have church & hall cleaned by this date</i>
10/28	Scott Z	Scott Z	Larkin's	Donna Lee, Sandy G	Teri, Irene
11/4	Tom Fries	Cynthia Marrs	Teri/Tom Fries	Teri/Tom Fries	Donna Lee
11/11	Irene Lund	Scott Z		Bazaar Leftovers!	Donna
11/18	Cynthia M	Cynthia M		Judy Simpson	Jim/Mindi Wilson
11/25	Scott Z	Scott Z		Bring your leftover holiday desserts!!	Jim/Mindi
12/2	Nancy Clough		Holly during Advent	Jean/Joe Larkin	Nancy Clough, Sandy Garrett, Greg Garrett

November

Ushers: Frank Marrs & Dorothy Senchina
Altar Guild: Donna Lee

December

Ushers: Larry & Nancy Clough
Altar Guild: Lori Zimmerman & Friends

Oct 2 Council Meeting Minutes in Part:

**Previous minutes clarified to state each charitable site listed (Luther House, Camp Lutherwood, Local Aid) received \$500 from festival proceeds.

PASTOR'S REPORT:

**Pr attends Bishop's Convo in Newport next week.
**An interim pastor has begun at United Luth, Eugene.

OLD BUSINESS:

**Website still to be updated. Nancy waiting on updates from DLA, Pastor and current contact info. Need to download current annual report to website.
**Festival: Meeting with Our Redeemer Lutheran and Sons of Norway is scheduled for Oct 11 to discuss their level of participation and what their expectations are for helping with the booth in 2019.

NEW BUSINESS:

**Approved use of hall on Oct 23, 1p to 2:30p by Ginger Buddington for JC Garden Club class. Nancy to contact Ginger with approval.

**Tom will begin search for new council members beginning this month; 2 or 3 are needed.

**Discussed request of property owner to the west of the parking lot to add a gate for access to tenant backyard. Will need to adopt an agreement to allow this; Nancy and Sandy to meet with our insurance agent, Jim Reed, this week to develop statement and discuss our liability under such an agreement.

Next meeting is Tues, November 6 following potluck.

*Your word is a lamp for my feet,
a light on my path. Psalm 119:105*

GAME NIGHT is moved up to **Friday Nov 2** due to the Bazaar being the second Friday. Begins at 7 pm, Joe and Jean's house. Bring snacks, drink of choice, any games you want to play that we don't have!

Church Holiday Bazaar is coming!!! We need donated crafts and homemade foods!

The Bazaar, sponsored by DLA, is an all church event. Everyone who can is encouraged to participate in some fashion. For sale will be BAKED GOODS and other food stuffs, CRAFT items; again an area of "lightly used" items, see below.

Your talents are needed ... baking, cooking and crafting. Can you provide breads, cookies, pastries, candies, pies, pickled items, jams or jellies? We can't have enough of these items!

*Donations are needed of good "slightly used" items. Christmas home decorative items, dishes, glassware, unused gifts, linens, CDs, DVDs, nice Christmas ornaments (no strings of lights), books. **NO furniture, clothes, shoes, pots/pans ... etc.***

*Junction City Arts Council
in Oregon*

www.jcartscouncil.com

3rd Sunday at 3:30

Free will donations accepted

Sunday November 18 at 3:30 pm

St Helens Catholic Church

Alex Abrams, Cello

Congratulations JC Local Aid on receiving the Justice of Eating Award from Food for Lane County... recognizing their distinguished contributions to hunger relief in Lane Co. Faith contributes to Local Aid and we have members who volunteer their time & talents.

November 20 Pizza Lunch... The monthly Pizza Lunch for High School students began last month.

It started ten years ago as a way to connect with students and to let them know we're here.

Pizza lunch is the 3rd Tuesday of the month. Anyone who wants to help or know more, contact Nancy Clough. naclough@yahoo.com 541.915.0151



November First Tuesday Potluck is on the 6th. We welcome a speaker this month, Rev. Dr. Lorne Bostwick

from Central Presbyterian Church will be with us to talk about the **tiny house community** being built in Eugene.

Sandy Garrett had a tour of this community and found it fascinating! Potluck supper at 6p, our speaker by 6:45. Join us.



Carry each other's burdens. Galatians 6:2

Who is your Neighbor? Everyone!

Toiletry Drive... Always collecting small toiletry items (from travels or the store) to donate to Local Aid; donation box in the hall.

Socks & glove donations... Collecting what you bring to the hall for those in need on the streets. See Sandy Wiese w/ questions.

Faith participates in **Bunches of Lunches**, a program to send home meals with students who on non-school days might not have anything to eat.

Your donations of **oatmeal packets** and **fruit cups** for local school kids is appreciated!! Leave your donations in the big blue tote in the fellowship hall.

Don't want to do the shopping? You can donate money towards the effort and we'll shop for you! If giving by check, make it out to Faith Lutheran and indicate the money is for Bunches of Lunches so you'll receive tax benefits.

Blessings on your continued help with feeding our hungry community kids.

JC Lions Club and **John Reerslev** thank you for purchasing chicken BBQ tickets each Spring and Fall. All money raised goes for hearing and sight exams and other related items for those in need.

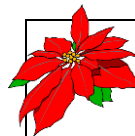
Jim Wilson and **Lamae Stout** raised \$205 for the CROP Hunger Walk on September 29th. That's awesome... Thanks!!

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith - and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God - not by works, so that no one can boast. Ephesians 2:8-9

Faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ. Romans 10:17



Pastor Stuart is still asking for comments and suggestions on when to have a second Bible study. Please let him know when your preference is to meet... before/after Sunday service, Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday mid-morning. Do it soon!!



HOLIDAY BAZAAR

**Faith Lutheran Church
926 West 6th St Junction City**

**Fri & Sat, November 9 & 10
9:00 am - 3:30 pm**

Both days: cinnamon rolls, beverages; Frikadeller bowls, variety of soups, rullepolse & cheese open-faced sandwiches all while shopping for

**HANDCRAFTED ITEMS & BAKED GOODS
and other food items!
Christmas galore!!**

Invite your friends, family & neighbors.

A beer & cheese pairing to benefit **Luther House Campus Ministry** at Oregon State and will be Feb 24, 1:45-4:30pm, at Boulder Falls Center in Lebanon. Tickets go on sale Dec 1, 2018. They are \$50 each or \$350 for a table of 8. If interested in tables of 8, contact Nancy Clough.

Financial Report, September

Operating income	\$9,076
Operating expense	\$8,468

Dorothy Senchina continues her **HOLIDAY FAIR** at her business, **Our House Interiors**, in Santa Clara at 298 Banton Ave. Stop by to have a look around, purchase items if you would like... gifts, holiday decorations, etc. More than 20 decorated trees to see, and the coffee pot is always on!

The Holiday Open House begins Nov 9 and ends Dec 2... open each Fri-Sat-Sun (except Thanksgiving weekend) 10 am - 5 pm, or call for appointment to visit other times. Call Dorothy 541.689.5529.

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

As members of Faith Lutheran Church (ELCA) we affirm that Christ has made us one body with many members, all sharing in God's grace and unconditional love. We celebrate both the diversity and inclusive unity of all people as created by God. Following Jesus' example we embrace all people regardless of ethnicity, physical and mental abilities, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or economic circumstance.

With welcoming hearts we invite you into full participation in the life and ministry of our congregation.

Faith is a Reconciling in Christ (RIC) congregation. For more information, <http://www.reconcilingworks.org/about/>



All Saints' Day info www.lutheranchurch.dk

Commemoration of the Dead *All Saints' Day* falls on the first Sunday of November. *It is a day when we commemorate those we have lost as well as the Christians who have lived before us and have testified to their Christian faith.*

The history of the commemoration of the dead in the Church In the Middle Ages the Church celebrated both All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day. All Saints' Day was the day when the Church remembered the Christian martyrs, i.e. those who had died because of their faith, whereas All Souls' Day was the day when the Church commemorated and prayed for the dead. The idea was to help the dead go through purification in purgatory and enter into heaven by praying for them. At the Reformation in the 16th century the existence of purgatory as a place of punishment or purification was rejected. Consequently, All Souls' Day was abolished. The Church kept All Saints' Day to commemorate those who died for the sake of their faith.

As a community we gather in Christ's love to support one another in prayer:

New requests: Tracey, Matty McClusky, Billy Vendetti

Allan Close	Bette & Seymour Allen	Bobbi Nelson	Bobbie Gates	Celest
Clint Gillette	Darla Knudsen	Darlene	David Heggstad	Denise Miller
Doris Geiger	Efrem Zimmerman	Frank Fries	Gary Garrett	Glenn Robinson
Jaden Zimmerman	Jane McInnis	Jim Norlie, Pastor	Linda McClellan	Linda Wicklund
Linnis Jones	Mara Taylor	Marie Lockett	Marilyn/Dale Huth	Milton Lee
Nerissa Townsend	Norine	Oluf	Quintin Nelson	Ruth Buckley
Shari Pierce	Shelia Rediger	Steve Christiansen	All Military & their Families	