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On November 5, we will observe All Saints Sunday, when we remember the saints of the whole Church throughout the ages, as well as the beloved saints of our local church who have departed this world in the past twelve months.

We give thanks to God for our local saints, for the ways they served here throughout their years, for the families they raised in faith here, for all the ways they faithfully contributed to and supported this church's ministry. They have helped make this church what it is today.

Who will be this church's saints in the future? If you are reading this, you are among the saints here today, and we give thanks to God for you. We hope and pray our families will be blessed by our church's ministry, grow in faith, and support God's mission wherever they live and work...which may or may not be here.

Who might God envision as new saints for our future? How might God be calling us to change how we do things here so we can better welcome newcomers? Are we willing to change? Are we ready to let new leaders do things in new ways? Will we listen to God? Will we allow God to reform our church and our lives? Are we ready to pray faithfully and open our hearts to follow God's lead?

Our church's future depends on how each of us responds.

For ALL the saints,

Pastor Evelyn

*"Pray like it all depends on God,
then when you are done, go work like it all depends on you."
Martin Luther*

Benefit for Ken Erickson on Friday, November 24, 2017

Food—Music—Raffles—Silent Auction—Bean Bag Tournament

Spaghetti Feed at the Embarrass Timber Hall

12:00-5:00 pm

Music by Christopher David Hanson Band at the Shack Bar in Pike

7:00—Midnight

Ken was recently diagnosed with Lou Gehrig's Disease/ALS (Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis). He is a long-time resident of the Embarrass and Tower area, married 25 years and father of two boys, Austin and Kyle Erickson. Donations of bread and deserts for the Spaghetti Feed are needed; please sign up in the narthex if you are able to help.

Lutefisk-Meatball Dinner

Thursday, November 16, 4-7pm at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 501 E. 23rd St, Hibbing. Enjoy Lutefisk with drawn butter and cream sauce, meatballs with gravy and potatoes, Lefse and Bread, vegetables and pickled beets, coffee, milk and dessert. For tickets information please call the church at 263-7422, Fred Fawkes at 262-2518 or Beverly Bakken at 262-3715. Cost \$15 per adult (\$16 at the door), \$6 per student, 10 and under are free. Sponsored by Our Savior's Lutheran and the Sons of Norway.

Update on Giving & Finances

The council is grateful for everyone's generous financial support for Evangelical Lutheran's ministry. As of the end of September, offerings were running \$10,366 behind budget, or averaging about \$1,150 less than the church's budget each month. We encourage all members to continue your faithful giving, and to consider giving a bit more if you can. With everyone's generous contributions, we can keep BELC's ministry strong.

Don Negley, Vice President, Stewardship & Finance Committee

2018 Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, January 28, 2018. Based on this date the required reports will be due at 5:00PM on Monday, January 15, 2018 and copies of the Annual Report will be available in the narthex on Sunday, January 21st for member review prior to the meeting.



KRAZY QUILTERS

Krazy Quilters make a difference in the world by quilting. The group meets on Monday's 9am—noon. New members are always welcome, even if you cannot come every Monday, or cannot stay for the entire morning. We will train! No sewing skills required! We have work for everyone, cutting squares, laying out tops, tying quilts or sewing.

Women of the ELCA GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, December 3, 6:30PM

Women of the ELCA EXECUTIVE BOARD

Monday, November 13th, 1:00PM

ALTAR GUILD

Wednesday, November 15, following
Esther Circle meeting

ESTHER CIRCLE

Wednesday, November 15th, 12:00PM

ATTENDANCE

September 24	45
October 1	40
October 8	40
October 15	46
October 22	45

COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, November 8, 6:30PM

2017 Budget & Current Exp. Offering* (thru Oct. 22)

2017 Adopted Annual Budget	\$92,753
2017 Monthly Budget	\$ 7,730
October MTD Offering	\$ 5,983
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Current Expense Offering YTD	\$63,280
Synod Benevolence YTD	\$ 3,449
Other Designated Offering YTD	\$11,810
Thrivent Choice Dollars	\$ 698
Total YTD Current Exp & Designated	\$70,678

* Figures are unaudited and subject to adjustment.





EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

2018 God's Creation Calendars

Thank you to all who pre ordered the God's Creation calendar and supported our Youth Camperships. We are ordering 50 of these beautiful calendars so there will be extras for those who did not pre order. A sample of the calendar is on display in the narthex. The cost is \$7 each. For those who pre-ordered, payment is due when the calendars are delivered. These calendars make great gifts! Don't miss out on these gorgeous calendars!

Upcoming Youth Events

Nov 17-18 - Cragun's Middle School Gathering - grades 6-9 (registration is now closed)

Mar 2-4, 2018—Cardia Deo (NE MN Synod Senior High Gathering) - grades 9-12 (registration begins in January)

Confirmation Service Opportunities

Some upcoming service opportunities:

- Ruby's Pantry, 4th Saturday of each month, 8am—noon+ (get 4+ hours each time).

Plus other events to be planned.....

Do you have an idea for a Evangelical Hope Parish Youth event? We would like to hear from you! Please submit your ideas to Stan Dow, Jr at Hope or Donna McKibbon at Evangelical. Events take 60-90 days to plan so please let us know early if you have an idea for a youth event.

Hope contact info: Phone 218-984-2037 or email [hopelutheranembarrass@gmail.com](mailto:hoppelutheranembarrass@gmail.com).

Evangelical contact info: phone 218-827-2659 or email belca2659@frontier.com.

Women of the ELCA

AVON fundraiser

for

Delegate Scholarships

Earn up to 50% on AVON products for the Women of the ELCA Delegate Scholarship fund. Simply order the items you already use or maybe a gift for a friend or relative from the Beauty, Gift and Home catalogs. Breast Cancer campaign items are exempt from this fundraiser but feel free to order them along with your other items.. Catalogs and order forms are available in the narthex. Turn your completed order with payment in to Diane Pastika, Barb Richtsmeier or the church office by November 20th. Orders should arrive by December 4th.

Thank you!

To all who donated food and time to help prepare, serve and clean up for the Swiss Steak Dinner, we could not do it without your generosity. And to all who came to enjoy the dinner and fellowship, thank you for supporting the Babbitt Women of the ELCA charity fund raiser.

Babbitt Women of the ELCA

2018 Altar Flower Sponsorship

The 2018 Flower Calendar is in the narthex. Please sign up early for those special dates. The cost is \$32 for 3 weeks. Make checks payable to "Altar Guild". Please pay your sponsorship at least 1 week prior to your dates.

Carefree Living Worship & Holy Communion

Worship service with Holy Communion will be held at 2PM on Sunday, November 5, 2017 at Carefree Living. If you are interested in helping in some way (reader, or serving coffee an'), please contact Jo Langan. All Carefree Living residents and their families, all church members and neighbors, all ages are welcome!

Poinsettia Sponsorship

Sign up sheets will be available in the narthex for Poinsettia sponsorship beginning on November 12th. The Poinsettias will adorn the chancel area for worship on Christmas Eve through New Year's Eve. Sponsors may take their Poinsettias home after worship on New Year's Eve day.

Communion Trial

We have completed two months of our 4 month Communion trial, having Communion twice each month, on the first and fourth Sundays, plus Church festival days (Reformation Sunday, Christmas Eve, Easter, etc.) After following this schedule thru January we will discuss the options at the annual meeting.



Daylight Savings Time ends Sunday, November 5, at 2am. Be sure to set your clocks back an hour before you go to bed on Saturday, November 4th!

Sunday School

Sunday School classes start at 9:30am and are over at 10:30am. Sunday School is open to all children age 3 through 5th grade. Come and join us for Bible study, singing, games, and crafts. Members, friends and family are welcome.



2017-2018 Confirmation Classes

Classes for the 2017-2018 year will be held on Wednesday afternoons, 2:30—4:00pm at Evangelical Lutheran Church. Classes begin on September 27.

Ruby's Pantry—Sharing the Love of Christ through food

Ruby's Pantry will hold a food share distribution at the Babbitt Municipal Center on Saturday, November 25th. Registration begins at 9:30AM and distribution at 10:00AM. The cost is \$20. Bring two containers to carry your food share. Volunteers are always needed, no special training required; please come at 8:00AM.

Upcoming Gospel Readings.....

Nov	5	Matthew 5:1-12
	12	Matthew 25:1-13
	19	Matthew 25:31-46
	26	Mark 13:24-37
Dec	3	Mark 1:1-8
	10	John 1:6-8, 19-28
	17	Luke 1:26-38
	24	Luke 2:1-14
	31	Luke 2:22-40

Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry

Retreats and Day Events

Make-n-Take Crafting Retreat—November 3-5, 2017 at Camp Vermilion. Come and bring your projects that you have been working on , or come and learn some new crafts that you can take home. The VLM staff will be leading a few woodworking crafts that you will be able to make, and there will be table space for you to spread out and get you projects done. Cost: \$150, includes food and lodging. Wood working crafts will range from \$10-\$20 per craft.

Cookie Take-n-Bake—Saturday, December 2, 9:00a-3:00m at Camp Vermilion. Get your Christmas Cookies done in one day! We will provide the recipes, ingredients, and work space, you just mix, form and bake! Be sure to bring containers to take your creations home. Cost is \$75/person which includes lunch, devotions and ingredients. Additional members from same household pay just \$10 for lunch.

Celebration of Light and Music—Sunday, December 10, 2:00p-7:00p at Camp Hiawatha. Join us for an afternoon of fellowship, holiday fare, winter activities, and celebrating the season of Advent. There is something for all ages as we gather in community to prepare our hearts for the coming Christ child. Activities include sledding, Advent crafts, Sleigh rides, Cookie decorating, ethnic food demonstration and samples, hymn sing, candlelight worship and festive holiday dinner. Due to limited space, RSVP by December 4th is required for those who wish to stay for dinner. Cost: Afternoon activities: \$5/person (\$15 family maximum). Meal: \$10 for adults, \$5 for ages 6-11.

YourStory 3-Weekend Series—at Camp Vermilion; come for one or come for all three. YourStory is an innovative retreat format the blends guided self-reflection through questions and story starters, exploration of a related biblical character, and developing your story. Guided questions help you reflect in your life experiences with faith, through change, and when facing conflict. Cost: \$150/weekend, includes lodging, meals, and program.

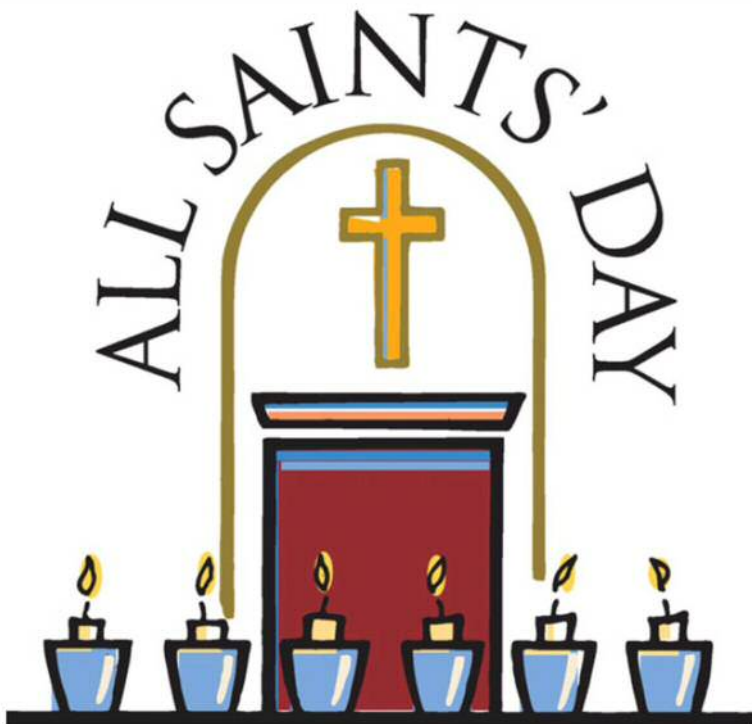
Part 1 “It’s My Life” - November 10-12

Part 2 “Changing My Story” - February 2-4

Part 3 “Characters in Conflict” - April 27-29

Paddle Building Workshop—January 26-28 at Camp Vermilion. This weekend long class includes four 3-hour sessions during which you will complete your own paddle—from gluing the wood blanks to a finished work of art. Cost: \$200/person, includes lodging, meals instruction and materials.

Register online at www.VLMcamps.org/retreat-registration or call the VLM office (800-331-5148). Registrations will be processed in the order they are received. Registration is not complete until paid.



The LORD redeems the life of his servants;
 none of those who take refuge in him
 will be condemned.

Psalm 34:22

All Saints' Sunday

On Sunday, November 5th, we will remember the lives of those in our church family who have departed this world during the last 12 months with the lighting of a candle during worship.

Joyce Conat
 Dick Mestad
 Evan Glass
 Donna Muellerleile
 Arcell Huseby
 Lynette Huovinen
 Tootie Rein Nelson
 Dick Rosett

³⁵for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' ³⁷Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? ³⁸And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? ³⁹And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' ⁴⁰And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'

Matthew 25:35-40

**Council Meeting Minutes
Evangelical Lutheran Church
October 11, 2017**

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Council President Sader, followed by opening prayer.

Present were: Roxanne Sader, Edna LaFrenier, LuAnn Smith, Barb Richtsmeier, Treasurer Mary Herring and Pastor Weston.

Absent were: Allan Eckman, Bud Fish, Morgan Klatt, Don Negley, Shanna Sundblad

Motion by LuAnn Smith, support by Barb Richtsmeier to adopt the agenda. Carried

Motion by Edna LaFrenier, support by Barb Richtsmeier to accept the Secretary's Report. Carried.

Motion by Edna LaFrenier, support by Barb Richtsmeier to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented and place on file. Carried

It was noted that a quorum of members necessary to conduct official business was not present. An informal discussion of the following occurred.

Old Business

“Due North” performance on October 8 was well received.

Progress on the strategic planning process and speaker installation for the replacement organ to needs to be updated.

New Business

Confirmation services will be held on October 29. The council will provide a cake at Coffee ‘An after the service in recognition of the two confirmands.

Conversion of facility lighting to LED lights was discussed. Cost estimates for possible conversion to LED will need to be gathered.

A contribution to Special Olympics has been requested.

Pastor Weston needs to complete enrollment in the Portico Health plan by October 27. Costs for the plan have increased from \$9,390 to \$11,514 for 2018. (These are costs for half the plan for her family. Zion I’Falls pays the other half of the plan.) Due to the enrollment deadline, all present at the meeting supported paying the increased costs for the plan.

Because of the enrollment deadline, Roxanne Sader discussed the health insurance premium increase with Don Negley on October 12 (day after the meeting). He verbally supported compensation for the increased price of the health insurance premium. Motion carried with a quorum of members.

Committee Reports were reviewed and accepted.

The next council meeting will be November 8 at 6:30 p.m.

November Communion Assistant: Morgan Klatt and Don Negley

November Usher: Ed Hanson

Discussion were completed by 7:30 p.m. followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

LuAnn Smith
Church Council Secretary

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5 All Saints' Sunday 8:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion 9:30 AM Coffee Ar' 9:30 AM Sunday School 2:00 PM Carefree Living Worship & Communion	6	7	1 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours 2:30 PM Confirmation class	2 8:30 AM TOPS	3 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours	4
12 Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 AM Worship Service 9:30 AM Coffee Ar' 9:30 AM Sunday School	13 1:00 PM Women of the ELCA Executive Board meets	14	8 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours 2:30 PM Confirmation class 6:30 PM Council Meeting	9 8:30 AM TOPS	10 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours	11
19 Christ the King Sunday 8:30 AM Worship Service 9:30 AM Coffee Ar' 9:30 AM Sunday School	20	21 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours	22 No Confirmation class 8:30 AM TOPS 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours	23 Thanksgiving Day - Church Office is closed; no Pastor's Office Hours	24 No Pastor's Office Hours	25 Ruby's Pantry at Babbitt Municipal Center 8:00 AM Volunteers 9:30 AM Registration 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM Distribution
26 First Sunday of Advent 8:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion 9:30 AM Coffee Ar' 9:30 AM Sunday School	27	28	29 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours 2:30 PM Confirmation class	30 8:30 AM TOPS	<h1>2017</h1>	

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**“Pray, and let God worry”
*Martin Luther***

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