



“Come, grow with us...”

Evangel *(good news!)*

November Already by Jo Langan

November already! The repeatedly heard phrases.....where did summer go?, did you have frost this morning?, did you see the tiny snowflakes in the air today?, have you noticed the geese flying in formation?, won't be long now!

The view beyond the bedroom window is now a tree with bare branches. The once green, then brilliant red leaves have fallen... blown and swirled by the chilling winds of late autumn... soon to be covered by the first snowflakes.

The days of November slip by spent finding boots, mittens, stocking caps, cozy scarves, and warm coats; putting away the fishing boat; moving snow shovels and snow blowers to the garage. The gardens have finished yielding their bounty of fresh tomatoes, cucumbers, peppers. The once beautiful flower gardens are no more. Those dried leaves are raked into mounds ... perfect playgrounds for little children or mulch for the perennial gardens.

The seasons of the church year are ending now also... the triumphal, glorious Easter of spring, the summer months of Trinity spent discovering again Jesus' teachings and instructions for our lives lived in His earthly kingdom, the fall celebration of our church's beginnings on Reformation Sunday and the remembrance of family and friends who have left this earth....now the saints in Heaven.

For some, November is filled with the anticipation of those hunting days with family and friends; ice fishing when the depth is finally safe; snowmobile rides on groomed trails through the woods; cross country skiing on a day when the snow is just perfect; walks on a sunny, calm day through the pines and spruce; watching the chickadees that come to the bird feeder; making snowmen and snow angels.

For some, the days of November may be spent wishing spring was soon coming again.... lamenting what is no longer and what is soon to come.

Rather instead remember that the days of November end with thanksgiving... a special time set aside to remind us that through everything there is reason to be truly thankful... thankful every day of the year; grateful for all of the small and great things God has done for us, and given to us; thankful that God is always with us! The phrases of the hymn writer come to mind....all praise and thanks to God, the Father, now be given, with ever joyful hearts!

Rather than lamenting the passing of time, remember instead the joys of seasons past during this year and many years before.... excitement when those first tulips or iris peak through the soil in spring, the joys of summer visits with family; the warm, lazy days just spent outside; time with a friend; the magnificent sunsets viewed from a lawn chair in the calm of evening; the snapping bonfire while roasting marshmallows with grandkids; memories of catching that nice stringer of walleye. We have so very much for which to say, thank you!

May your November days be wrapped in joy and thanksgiving... remembering all that our Lord and Savior has, and continues, to lovingly and faithfully give us.....each day of every year!

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Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
 God's work. Our hands.

October –November 2019

Reader & Greeter Schedules

Readers:

November 3	Debbie Anderson
November 10	Aase Family
November 17	Edna LaFrenier
November 24	Mary Ann Knutson
December 1	Margaret Sweet
December 8	Roxanne Sader
December 15	Barb Richtsmeier
December 22	Diane Pastika
December 24	Jo Langan
December 29	Ray Denny

Greeters:

Jill Lossing
Aase Family
Dick Klinzing
Sylvia Hammer
Brenda Eckman
Karen Boisner
Carroll & Arlene Eckman
Diane Pastika
Jo Langan
Ray & Carole Denny

All Saints Sunday

November 3rd we will celebrate All Saints Sunday. We will remember those in our congregation who have passed since the last All Saints Day. Please come and celebrate with us as we remember our saints:

- Elaine Storbeck
- Janet Kivisto
- Donald Knutson
- Toots Rykken

Thank you to all who serve as Readers and Greeters! If you are unable to serve on your scheduled Sunday, please ask someone to trade with you and let the office know of the change.

We are always looking for more people to read and/or greet so if you would like to read and/or greet and are not on the list, please get in touch with the church office, Donna will be happy to add you to the list!

Take home copies of this list are available in the narthex.

FREE to church members...

Room dividers from the Fellowship Hall. You haul! First come, first served. Contact the church office if interested.

Daylight Savings Time Alert



Daylight Savings Time ends Sunday, November 3rd at 2am. Be Sure to set your clocks back one hour before going to bed on Saturday, November 2nd!



God's Work, Our Hands

All year long.

October-December LSS Center in Virginia

Street Mission. Small sizes of personal care items, socks, under ware, hats, mittens.

All sizes, all genders. The collection box is in the narthex.

January-March Ely /Babbitt Food shelf

Monetary and non perishable donations will be accepted. Coincides with Souper Bowl of Caring.

April-June Center for Changing Lives in Duluth

Needs will be published at a future date.

We will be doing God's Work with Our Hands all year long.

We will update you as to needs as they change.

By God's grace, let us do His work, with our hands.

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

Ruby's Pantry will hold a food share distribution at the Babbitt Municipal Center on Saturday, November 23rd. 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.

Confirmation Service Opportunities

Grounds maintenance—Sign up in the narthex for a week or two and earn service hours. One of the experienced members will show you what needs to be done.

Ruby's Pantry—Confirmation students can earn 4+ hours of service hours for working as volunteers at Ruby's Pantry. No special skills are required; just a willingness to work! Please arrive at 9:00AM.

October 2019 Acolyte Schedule

Date	Name
November 3	Luther Johnson
November 10	Maizy Sundblad
November 17	Amara Lampton
November 24	Edee Flug

If you cannot serve on your assigned Sunday it is **your** responsibility to arrange for a substitute and to call (827-2659) or email (belca2659@frontier.com) the office and let Donna know of the change. The office can also provide contact information for the other acolytes.



KRAZY QUILTERS

Krazy Quilters make a difference in the world by quilting. The group meets on Monday mornings 9a-12p. New members are always welcome, even if you cannot come every Monday, or cannot stay for the entire morning. No sewing skills required! We have work for everyone and we will train!

COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, November 13,
6:30PM

Women of the ELCA

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Tuesday, November 12, 1:00p

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SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Tuesday, November 19, 5:00PM



ATTENDANCE

September 29	40
October 6	35
October 13	39
October 20	55

WELCA/Altar Guild

Wednesday, November 20
11:30 at Kell's for lunch with meeting
and Bible study following at the church.

2019 Budget & Current Exp. Offering* (thru Oct 20)

2019 Adopted Annual Budget	\$97,729
2019 Monthly Budget	\$ 8,144
2019 Budget thru August	\$65,152
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Current Expense Offering YTD	\$ 67,917
Mission Support Offering YTD	\$ 2,181
Total YTD Current Expense Offering	\$ 70,098

* Figures are unaudited and subject to adjustment.



Give to the Max Day

Beginning November 1, we are inviting every congregation to participate in GiveMn's Give to the Max Day! Throughout the Northeastern Minnesota Synod, we are "Living Church Together" by supporting the ministries that we do together in Jesus name. Our goal is \$25,000. To make a donation you can go online to GiveMN.org and search for Northeastern Minnesota Synod, ELCA or mail or drop off your donation at:

Northeastern Minnesota Synod, ELCA

110-5 East Superior Street

Duluth, MN 55802

OR

Drop your donation in the offering plate on Sunday, November 3rd or Sunday, November 10th, and your church secretary will mail them for you!

Thank you!

Thanksgiving 2019

Thanksgiving is coming soon offering churches in the area an opportunity to join together to praise and worship the Lord. The theme this year will be: Immanuel, God With Us. It will take place Sunday, November 24 at LedgeRock Community Church, 1515 Camp Street, Ely, MN. A sing along at 6:00pm will begin the evening with the main program starting at 6:30pm. Please invite your friends and neighbors. All are welcome!

We are looking for singers from all churches and community are invited to join together in a choir under the direction of Sue Germek. Call Sue at 218-827-2481 or email her at germek@frontiernet.net for practice times and other information. Early sign up is important so we will know how much music to order.

Each church is invited to contribute a tray or two of bars or cookies for the refreshment tables following the program. Churches are also invited to contribute a musical piece in support of the theme. Please let me know as early as possible so that I can include your music in the program.

A free will offering will be taken to support the Ely Food Shelf.

If you have any questions please contact Ray Thielbar at 218-365-6921, or email thielbar@frontiernet.net.



Thank
You!

The Women of the ELCA would like to say "thank you" to all who helped make the Chicken Dinner a huge success. Without your donation of food items, and your generous gift of your time to cook, server, and clean up we could not have done this!

**Evangelical Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes
October 9, 2019**

President Roxanne Sader called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.
Present: Roxanne Sader, Mary Kay Muellerleile,
on Negley, Carl Sundblad, Shanna Sundblad, Allan Eckman, Jo Langan
Absent: Nancy Mettler, Don Negley,
Roxanne Sader opened the meeting with prayer.

Motion by Mary Muellerleile, second by Shanna Sundblad to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
The secretary's report was presented. Having no discussion, motion by Mary Muellerleile, second by Jo Langan to approve the minutes. Motion carried.
The treasurer's report was presented. The elevator maintenance due in September was paid. Total income was greater than total expenses for the month of September. However this is merely temporary. The positive net for September only results from paying for pulpit supply, not a called pastor or interim at present. For the year the budget remains in deficit. Motion by Jo Langan, second by Allan Eckman to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Old Business

The property committee will obtain current information in regard to the lock for the front door.
The website for E-giving is now in place but will be fully implemented when additional information for recording contribution amounts for individual tax reports is available for the council treasurer. The program has been investigated by a council member and found to be very user friendly. The program will be implemented in January, 2020.
Due to weather conditions the handicapped area in the parking lot will be painted in the spring.

New Business

The BELC website is managed by Irene Hartfield. She forwarded a link to upload pictures taken by members on smart-phones for placement on the website. That link is available by contacting the church office. Facebook information will also be kept current.
To be compliant with the IRS, payments to church musicians will be subject to tax withholding beginning January 1, 2020. A procedure to relay messages left on the office phone by members requesting pastoral support to the pastors on the emergency contact list was discussed. Possible methods will be discussed with Synod Staff.
The "God's Work – Our Hands" project focus for the months of October through December will be support to the Lutheran Social Service in Virginia. Donations can be left in the boxes found in the church narthex.
Pulpit supply for the months of October and November has been secured by BELC. The Hope Church council is to secure pulpit supply for the months of December and January. Worship for December 29 at BELC will be the lay-led traditional Lessons and Carols Service.
Letters were sent to those individuals desiring to become members. New Members Sunday will be scheduled at a future date.
Issues with the use of the downstairs bathrooms were discussed. Plungers will be put in the bathrooms and various individuals will check the bathrooms during the week.
The pastor who had agreed to become the interim for BELC and Hope has decided to withdraw. A second pastor whose name was provided by the Synod Staff will be contacted as a possible interim.

Committee Reports

Property: none
Worship and Music: there will be special music for the Sundays of October 20 and 27
Stewardship and Finance: none
Youth and Education: full registration will be paid for four confirmation students and one chaperone to attend the Middle School Gathering at Cragun's on November 22-24; a list of members willing to teach confirmation will be assembled by Shanna Sundblad
Outreach and Communication: none
Social Ministry: LSS project

The next council meeting: Wednesday, November 13th at 6:30 pm.

Offering depositor for November and Communion Assistant for November: Mary Muellerleile
The meeting concluded at 8:00 pm with motion to adjourn by Shanna Sundblad and second by Allan Eckman. Motion carried.
Together the council prayed The Lord's Prayer.

Respectively submitted,
Jo Langan

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
NOVEMBER 2019						
3 All Saints Sunday 2:00 AM Daylight Savings time Ends 8:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion, Pr. Paul Buettner preaching 9:30 AM Coffee An'	4	5 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM Church Office Hours 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Together Here, Messiah, Mt. Iron	6 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM Church Office Hours 2:15 PM Confirmation Class	7 8:30 AM TOPS	8 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM Church Office Hours	9
10 Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 AM Worship Service, Billie Rouse leading 9:30 AM Coffee An'	11	12 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM Church Office Hours 1:00 PM Women of the ELCA Executive Board	13 2:15 PM Confirmation Class 6:30 PM Council Meeting	14 8:30 AM TOPS	15 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM Church Office Hours	16
17 Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 AM Worship Service, Pr. Kristin Foster preaching 9:30 AM Coffee An'	18	19 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM Church Office Hours	20 No Confirmation Class 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM Church Office Hours 11:30 AM WELCA/Altar Guild	21 8:30 AM TOPS	22 Cragun's Middle School Retreat 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM Church Office Hours	23 Cragun's Middle School Retreat Ruby's Pantry at Babbitt Municipal Center 9:00 AM Volunteers 9:30 AM Registration 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM Distribution
24 Christ the King Sunday 8:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion, Pr. Paul Buettner preaching 9:30 AM Coffee An'	25	26 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM Church Office Hours	27 No Confirmation Class 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM Church Office Hours	28 Thanksgiving 8:30 AM TOPS	29 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM Church Office Hours	30

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