



Trinity Lutheran Church



November
2
2025

All Saints Sunday

Together
in Community
Living
with Christ
Caring
for Neighbors

Do to others as
you would have
them do to
you.

Luke 6:31

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We are glad you are here!
It is always good to be together, hearing the Word.
Thank you for choosing to worship at Trinity Lutheran Topeka.
Thank you, Duane Pomeroy, for leading worship today.

HYMN SING ALONG

Evangelical Lutheran Worship — Setting 2

GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Please stand as you are able.

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C Amen.

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Faithful God,

C **you have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths. We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression and do not embrace the freedom of your faithful promises. We ignore our neighbors. We exploit the earth. We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love. Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life. Amen.**

P Hear the good news: God the Faithful One loves you, † in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven, and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.

C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

For All Your Saints, O Lord

ELW 427

- 1 For all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to live, who followed you, obeyed, adored, our grateful hymn receive.
- 2 For all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to die, who counted you their great reward, accept our thankful cry.
- 3 They all in life and death, with you, their Lord, in view, learned from your Holy Spirit's breath to suffer and to do.
- 4 For this, your name we bless and humbly pray anew that we like them in holiness may live and die in you.

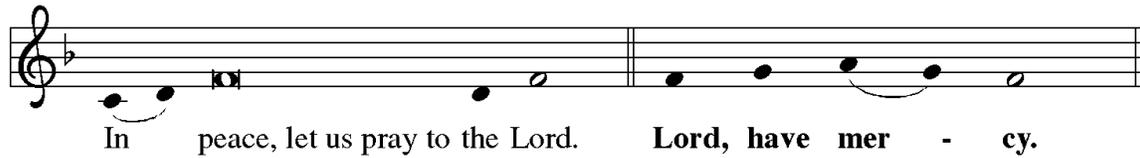
5 To God, the Father, Son, and Spirit, ever blest, the One in Three, the Three in One, be endless praise addressed.

Text: Richard Mant, 1776-1848, alt.

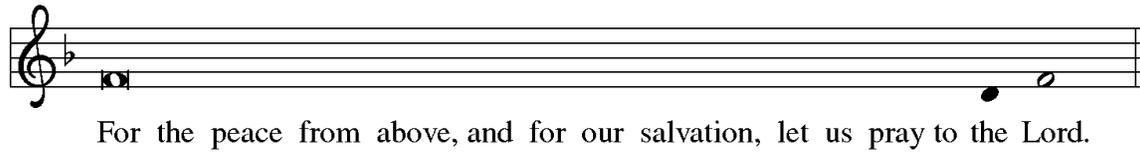
GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C** **And also with you.**

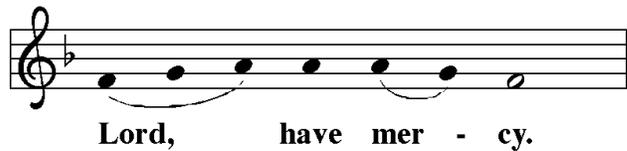
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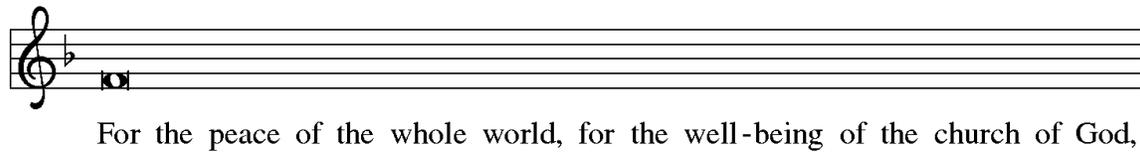
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



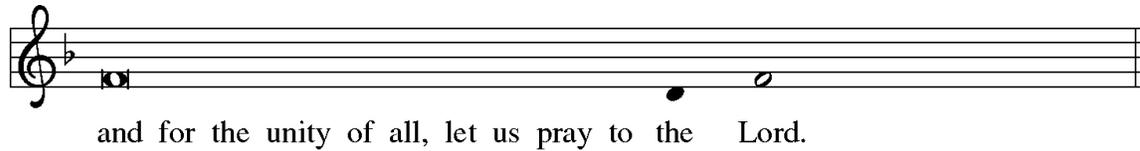
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



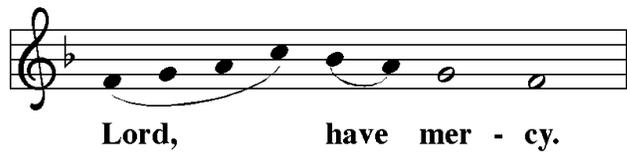
Lord, have mer - cy.



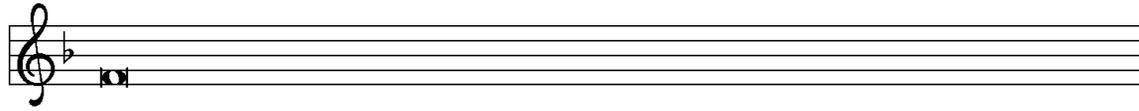
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



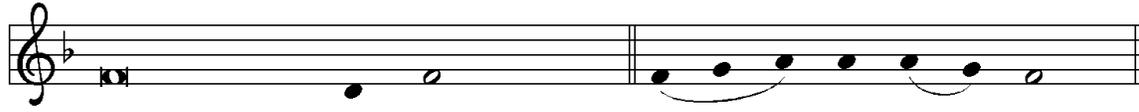
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



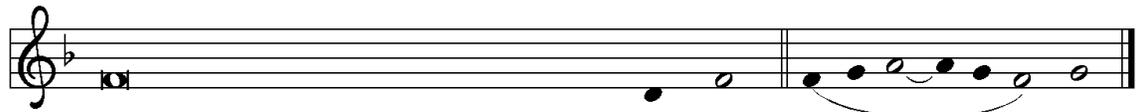
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: DANIEL 7:1-3, 15-18

¹ In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: ² I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, ³ and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

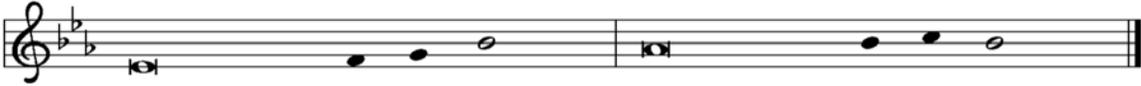
¹⁵ As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. ¹⁶ I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: ¹⁷ “As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. ¹⁸ But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever.”

The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 149

Sung responsively



- ¹ Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD | a new song,
 God's praise in the assembly | of the faithful.
- ² **Let Israel rejoice | in their maker;**
let the children of Zion be joyful | in their ruler.
- ³ Let them praise their maker's | name with dancing;
 let them sing praise with tambou- | rine and harp.
- ⁴ **For the LORD takes pleasure | in the people**
and adorns the | poor with victory.
- ⁵ Let the faithful re- | joice in triumph;
 let them sing for joy | on their beds.
- ⁶ **Let the praises of God be | in their throat**
and a two-edged sword | in their hand,
- ⁷ to wreak vengeance | on the nations
 and punishment | on the peoples,
- ⁸ **to bind their | kings in chains**
and their nobles with | links of iron,
- ⁹ to inflict on them the judg- | ment decreed;
 this is glory for all God's faithful ones. | Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 1:11-23

¹¹ In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹² so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴ this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

¹⁵ I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, ¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸ so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰ God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²² And he has put all things

under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

P The Holy Gospel, according to Luke, the sixth chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: LUKE 6:20-31

²⁰ Then Jesus looked up at his disciples and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹ “Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

²² “Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³ Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

²⁴ “But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

²⁵ “Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

“Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

²⁶ “Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.

²⁷ “But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; ²⁸ bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you. ²⁹ If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰ Give to everyone who asks of you, and if anyone takes away what is yours, do not ask for it back again. ³¹ Do to others as you would have them do to you.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

DUANE POMEROY

HYMN OF THE DAY

Shall We Gather at the River

ELW 423

Please stand for the final verse of the hymn.

- 1 Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod,
with its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?

Refrain

Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river;
gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

- 2 On the margin of the river, washing up its silver spray,
we will walk and worship ever, all the happy golden day. *Refrain*

- 3 Ere we reach the shining river, lay we ev'ry burden down;
grace our spirits will deliver, and provide a robe and crown. *Refrain*

- 4 Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease;
soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace. *Refrain*

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826-1899

APOSTLES CREED

P Together with the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived
by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius
Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated
at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living
and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of
saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life
everlasting. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS

A Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all
who are in need.

A brief silence.

A God of all that is, delight in the praises of your people and revive the spirit of
your church. Move through us boldly as we proclaim the gospel of Christ in the
world. Renew and revive pastors, deacons, and lay leaders. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A God of the beginning, give us the courage to advocate for environmental policy
that will ensure a viable future for generations to come. Restore desolate places
to health and flourishing. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A God of all our days, guide the leaders of governments, nations, municipalities, and all those seeking office. Accompany election officials and volunteers. Dismantle injustice and oppression wherever it is found. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A God of comfort in troubled times, we pray for those in need of protection and care especially Parker Jackson, Shelley Andrews, Junior & Liz Utech, Martha Nemeth, and David McGinnis. Trusting that you are constant in mercy, protect those who seek safety and solace. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A God of what is yet to come, encourage and inspire those who give their time, talent, and treasure in service to your church. By their commitment, further the work of ministry in this place and uplift your gospel. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A God of our joy, hear us as we pray for Ashley Watson and Julie Reeves as they celebrate their birthdays, and for Laurie Jackson as she remembers her baptism. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

P God of heaven, we give thanks for the faithful departed: Peggy Buchholz and Terry Allen. Sustain us in hope of our eternal unity in Christ. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

P We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Let us greet one another with God's peace.

Please be seated.

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING AND OFFERING SONG

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -
store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of five systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is B-flat major (two flats) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line. The piano accompaniment features a steady harmonic accompaniment with some melodic lines in the bass.

OFFERING PRAYER

A God of healing and hope, you bless those who are hungry, promising to fill them with good things. Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts. Nourish us with the abundance of your feast and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior, now and forever. **C Amen.**

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

A O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever. **C Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

P The love of God abound in us; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill our hearts; and the life of the Spirit † bless us and give us peace.

SENDING HYMN

For All the Saints

ELW 422

- 1 For all the saints who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed, thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 3 Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine, we feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 5 The golden evening brightens in the west; soon, soon to faithful servants cometh rest; sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 7 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Text: William W. How, 1823-1897

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Share the harvest. **C Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY

Today, Nov. 2.....All Saints' Sunday

.....Hymn Sing Along..... 10:15 AM

.....Doorstep Food Collection Day

.....Worship..... 10:30 AM

.....Coffee Hour..... after worship

.....Congregational Life meeting..... Noon

Tues., Nov. 4..... Quilters..... 9:00 AM

Sun., Nov. 9 Worship with Holy Communion 10:30 AM

..... Bishop Donna Simon presiding

..... Quilt Blessing.....

..... Coffee Hour..... after worship

..... PFLAG meeting 2:00 PM

Please note that Adult Sunday School will meet Nov.30th instead of Nov. 9th.

Worship Assistants								
Date	Acolyte	Ushers	Musician	Lector	Altar Guild	Assisting Minister	Worship Leader	Coffee Hosts
Nov. 2	Braxdon Penry	Diane Bottorff, Curt Lewis	Mitchell Bean	Fred Sierks Jr.	Donna Allen & Team 3	Ted Murphy	Bob Horton	Junior & Liz Utech, Marilyn Heckman
Nov. 9	Curt Lewis, Ella Bosch	Duane Pomeroy	Laurie Jackson	Duane Pomeroy	Donna Allen & Team 3	Marcy Carlson	Bishop Donna Simon	
Nov. 16	Cindy McGinnis	Ted Murphy, Howard Reece	Mitchell Bean	Shelley Andrews	Donna Allen & Team 3	Bob Horton	Marcy Carlson	Howard & Loni Reece

Worship Leaders Needed!

We are very fortunate to have willing leaders in our midst— Marcy, Duane, Bob — but we need more. Please give prayerful consideration to serving at worship in this manner, then call the church office, 785.233.0767, or email office@topekatlc.org to volunteer or get more information. Thanks.

P.S. No singing required.



Poinsettias 2025

We are taking orders for poinsettias to decorate our sanctuary for our Christmas Eve worship service. To purchase a poinsettia, please put this completed form in the offering plate or mail to the church office. You may take your plants home with you after worship on Christmas Eve to enjoy during the holidays.

Your name: _____

Phone number: _____

The cost per plant delivered to the church will be \$9.00.

Please include payment with order if possible. **Make check payable to Trinity Lutheran Church**, with the memo line reading “poinsettias”.

The deadline for orders is Monday, November 10th.

In the worship folder, I would like the gift to be noted as (please check one and fill in the blank):

___ **in honor of** (*event, organization or living person*):

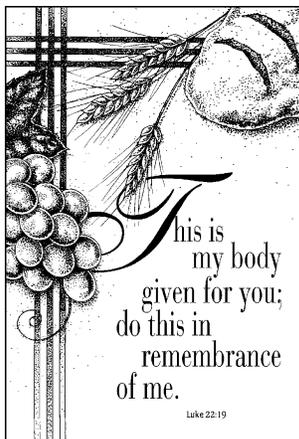
___ **in memory of** (*someone who has died*):

___ **to the Glory of God** (*a general thanksgiving*)

___ Please do not list me in the worship folder.

A little help please...

- If you have any recent updates or additions to our church directory, please contact the office via email office@topekatlc.org or phone 785.233.0767. Thanks.
- If you have any church keys that you no longer need, please turn them in to the church office. Thanks.
- Did you know we have an Instagram account? <https://www.instagram.com/trinitylutheranelca/>
- Please visit our website... <https://trinitylutherantopeka.org/>... and tell us what you think. We need your ideas to update.



During November, we will have communion three times! Next Sunday, Nov. 9th, Bishop Donna Simon will be here to lead worship. On Nov. 23rd, Christ the King Sunday, our worship will be led by Rev. Bruce Emmert, a retired Methodist minister who lives in the College Hill neighborhood.

Then we will have communion again on Thanksgiving Eve with Pastor Deb Cantrell from Our Savior's preaching and presiding.

Today, we are led in worship by Bob Horton and Marcy Carlson will lead on Nov. 16th.

We are very thankful for every one of these people for their presence.



Food Donation for Doorstep = Food for Our Neighbors

Bob & Janeen delivered 402 items, approximately 326.8 pounds, collected during our October 5th food collection.

We continue to be very generous to our neighbors in need.

Join other **Widowed Women of FaiTh** on Tuesday, November 18th for lunch and companionship from 11am to 1pm in the back room at Perkins Restaurant, 1720 SW Wanamaker Road, Topeka. No RSVP needed, just come. Please, invite other Widowed Women of FaiTh. We meet every month on the 3rd Tuesday and will continue all through 2025. Come join us! Questions? Call Julie at (913)558-0191 or email WidowedWomenofFaith@gmail.com.

Current Doorstep Needs ~ October 2025

Clothing Room Needs: (Gently Used, Not New)

Men's Underwear ~ All Sizes
Men's Jeans ~ Sizes 30, 32 & 34 waist
Men's Belts & Shoes ~ All Sizes
Men's & Women's Pajamas ~ All Sizes
Boys, Girls & Teens Jeans ~ All Sizes
Larger Boys Socks

Bed Sheets, Blankets & Comforters ~ All Sizes
Hairbrushes ~ Toothbrushes ~ Razors
Diapers – Sizes 4, 5 & 6
Rolling Luggage

Donations Accepted:

**Monday – Friday
9am – 2pm**

1119 SW 10th Ave
(10th & Buchanan)
Use the South Door

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**Food Room Needs:**

Vegetable, Cream Mushroom & Tomato Soups  
Canned Fruit ~ Peaches, Cocktail, Pears  
Canned Beans ~ (Pinto, Black, Chili)  
Canned Milk  
Tuna Helper  
Saltine Crackers

Mixed Canned Vegetables  
Boxed Potatoes ~ Scalloped  
Ramen Noodles  
Baked Beans  
Corn & Peas

Christmas Bureau of Shawnee County opens today (Oct 29<sup>th</sup>) and they **desperately** need volunteers to help with the process.

**There are only 4 days for sign-up and volunteers are needed all 4 days. Oct 29<sup>th</sup>, Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>, Nov 6<sup>th</sup> from 10am - 7pm, and Nov 8<sup>th</sup> from 10am - 2pm.**

This is an important event for members of our community. Please consider helping out. The links to sign up are below.

[https://www.kawvalleyvolunteers.org/need/detail/?need\\_id=1151813](https://www.kawvalleyvolunteers.org/need/detail/?need_id=1151813)

[https://www.kawvalleyvolunteers.org/need/detail/?need\\_id=1151819](https://www.kawvalleyvolunteers.org/need/detail/?need_id=1151819) (Spanish interpreters needed)

Christmas Bureau is located at the Johnston Community Center ~ 2021 SE Market Street



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### OFFICE HOURS

10:00AM-3:30PM, Monday through Thursday

**Together in Community**

**Living with Christ**

**Caring for Neighbors**

### **Caring for Our Neighbors**

Jesus commands us that when we care for the least of these; that we are in the presence of Christ (*Matthew 25:44-45*). As a congregation, we deeply care about serving those in need in our community. We hope to be a place of refuge and support for our neighborhood and to be a place to uplift those people that struggle around us. We also support ministries both local, national, and global as a church in the ELCA. As a congregation, we focus our efforts to partner with community organizations like Doorstep, while expanding opportunities to help our neighborhood through activities like our food ministry and community garden. We continue to be open to the ways that God calls us to be a presence in our community and to create a world where all are cared for in our society (*Philippians 2:4*).

### CONGREGATION COUNCIL

**President** Diane Bottorff

**Vice-President** Curt Lewis (Maintenance)

**Secretary** Dean McGinnis (Congregational Life)

Shelley Andrews (Administration)

Marilyn Heckman (Community Relations)

Parker Jackson (TBD)

Steve Luoma (Administration)

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