

This week's calendar 11/10/2024 thru 11/17/2024

Sunday 9:30 AM Worship Service with Communion—Pastor Jaime Decker – Make-A-Change

Sunday School after Worship

6:30 PM Church Council Meeting

Monday Pastor Jaime Off thru November 12<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday 3:30 PM GASP

Thursday 9:00 AM Bits N' Stitches Quilting

2:30 PM Ruth Circle

Friday Pastor Jaime's Sabbath

Saturday Pastor Jaime's Sabbath

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Worship Assistants November 10<sup>th</sup> November 17<sup>th</sup> November 24<sup>th</sup>

Reader: Carrili Larson Michelle Ciesynski Julie Johnson

Communion: Mike Larson Martin Potts Kirstin Kempel

Sound System: Kris is running it at this time. **If anyone wants to learn let her know!** Thank You

Ushers: November Ushers December Ushers

Captain: Randy & Karla Waloch Captain: Martin Potts & Julie Waswick

Brendan & Michelle Ciesynski

Casey & Jaime Decker

Brian & Kari Gilje

Mike & Carrili Larson

Kent & Julie Johnson

Weekly Giving November 3<sup>rd</sup>

Total: \$ 6268.00 Weekly Amount Needed To Meet Budget: \$4053.27

Attendance: 74

\*Because you give...we worship, fellowship, learn, serve and grow. Thank you for your generosity! **GA 2024 Budget:** \$210,770.00 **Giving to Date:** \$156,216.27 **Giving Needed by 12-31-24:** \$54,553.73

Mowing Schedule: November 10-16: Martin Potts, November 17-23: Jerrod Sandness

## This week we lift in prayer to God:

- + <u>Those in our congregation celebrating their **birthday:**</u> Katy Decker, Derrick Hansen, Jacob Hanson, Isaac Swanson Brayden Christensen, Torey Kempel, Emily Odegard, Parker Peterson.
- + Those in our congregation celebrating their **anniversary**: Julie & Kent Johnson
- + <u>Those in our community</u>: Kendall Putnam, Bryan Christensen, Tim Christensen, Ginger Utecht, Lynn Jacobson, Nancy Wrage, Clarmont Ulven, Betty Johnson, Louise Strahm, Connie Kracht, John Crandall, Joyce Even, Joe Johnson, Joan Peterson, Sandy Mathias, Rachel Nelson, Carmen Ross, Donna Hansen
- + Those who mourn the loss of a loved one:
- ➤ <u>If you have announcements</u> for G.A. please call 678-2552 or send them to <u>galutheranchurch@outlook.com</u> or leave a note on the secretary's door. Just a reminder that all announcements and newsletters are posted to the website <u>www.galutheranchurch.org</u> check it out!
- Weekly bulletin **Deadline**: Mondays by Noon. **December** newsletter **Deadline**: **Monday**, **November** 18<sup>th</sup>

- ➤ Office Hours: Pastor Jaime's Hours: Monday- 9:30-11:30am, Tuesday-9:30-11:30am, Wednesday-1:00-3:00pm, Friday & Saturday are Pastor Jaime's Sabbath. If you need to reach Pastor Jaime, feel free to call or text her cell **701-680-2637** or email her at jaimedecker4@gmail.com
- ➤ <u>Help Needed:</u> GA Church is looking to hire a new custodian. Trudy Peterson has stepped down from her position. We thank her for all her hard work and dedication in keeping GA looking great. If you or someone you know is interested in this position, please have them contact Kris Beck. Spread the word!
- ➤ <u>Blue Camel Exchange</u>: You may have heard of a "White Elephant" gift exchange, but you haven't heard of a "Blue Camel Exchange" until now! This Advent season you are invited to sign up and have some fun creating a "Blue Camel" gift for a secret pal/family. On Sunday, December 8th, we will draw names for our secret pal/family and create a gift for them during fellowship time (crafting and woodworking supplies provided.) On Sunday, December 15, we will exchange our gifts with our secret pal/family. \*need to sign up to participate. \*Signup sheet located in the church entry. \*Optional for participants: write down a family prayer, recipe, or tradition that you would like to share and use it as the base of your creative gift.
- ➤ <u>Virtual Retreat</u>: A Pilgrims Journey, Beginning Dec 1st, hosted by Dn Michelle Walka. It is a 4 week virtual retreat to explore holy wandering. Please see flier on Sanctuary door for more information. Sign up is required. Contact BelovedArtAndPractice@gmail.com
- Lutefisk Supper: The Men's Group would like to thank all those who made lefsa, coleslaw, cranberry relish, meatballs, and gravy. Thank you to those who prepared before and after the meal, peeled potatoes and worked on the day of the meal. We could not have done it without all of your help! ~GA Men's Group~
- **Trunk or Treat:** Thank you to all who brought Trunks to the Trunk-or-Treat event. We had 19 Trunks and 174 kids attend the event. Thank you to all who had a hand in providing this great event for our youth.
- ➤ Thank Offering: Thank offerings are a long-standing custom among Lutheran women. We give in thanksgiving for blessings received and we do receive so many blessings, don't we? And we are so grateful. This year WELCA has decided to give to the Lutheran World Hurricane Relief Fund. *GA WELCA will be collecting Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov 17<sup>th</sup>*, envelopes will be handed out at that time. Please make your check out to the Women of the ELCA and write "Thank offering" on the memo line. It's been shown time and time again that gratitude is good for us- spiritually, mentally, and even physically. Making a Thank offering is gratitude in action. WELCA is grateful to you for taking that action. Thank you!
- ➤ Reign of Christ Sunday: November 24th Reign of Christ/Christ the King Sunday is the final Sunday of the Christian year—namely that the crucified God who reconciles the world to himself is the same God who will come again in glory (Advent) and is the same God who will come as a humble infant in a manger (Advent & Christmas). This worship service we will read scripture passages and sing hymns from the various seasons throughout the Christian calendar, remembering the reign of Christ throughout, and in, all seasons of the past, present, and future.
- Thanksgiving Meal: Don't spend Thanksgiving alone, all are welcome to gather for a Free Meal at the Gwinner Community Center on Main Street. November 28<sup>th</sup> from 11am-1pm. Please spread the word.
- ➤ Christian Women's Exchange: St. Vincent's Catholic Church Christian Mother's will be hosting the Christian Women's Exchange on November 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. Our speaker will be from the Saint Gianna & Pietro Molla Maternity Home. If you would like to donate, you can bring a baby item, gift card, or monetary donation. Spread the word and we hope to see you there!
- Snow Removal: Just a reminder, snow removal is done at the church on a voluntary basis. If you have the time and equipment, it would be greatly appreciated if you helped to keep the church safely accessible this winter. Thank you in advance.