

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

The Messenger

Nov 2022

Worship Services
Schedule

9:30 AM – WORSHIP SERVICE
10:30 AM – SUNDAY SCHOOL

Pastor's Message

Thankfulness Makes a Difference

November – how should we approach it? Well, it is best approached through one of our canyons here in Utah or on the Massachusetts Turnpike, a.k.a. Mass Pike. The trees aflame give glory to God across our world but particularly in Utah and Massachusetts. Why do I mention Massachusetts? Did you forget I went to Holy Cross College in Worcester, Mass?

But the fall colors, the trees and all their glory aren't simply there for our enjoyment. There's a deeper purpose to all of creation. The apostle Paul tells us in Romans 1:20 that individuals can come to know God through the trees and the beautiful fall colors. There he says, **"²⁰ For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse."**

Creation can lead us to God. How, you ask? Paul tells us in verse 20 that we can see God in Weber Canyon or on the Mass Pike. No, we don't see God directly. We can see, invisible qualities – **his eternal power and divine nature**. The word power is **dunamis** in the Greek. It's the word we get our English word dynamite from. When you look at the trees ablaze on the Wasatch front don't you get a sense of God's power? I know I do. When you see God's artwork on His mountainous canvas don't you think somebody bigger than you had to do this? The power and beauty of fall points us to the Lord.

Even though most people see God in the overwhelming beauty of going from summer to fall, it does not lead everyone to ask more questions like what does a God that big and beautiful expect of me? They are not led to ask how they can please Him and get right with Him. If they did, that would lead them to the Savior, who died in our place to pay for our sins. Instead, Paul tells us in verses 21-23, “**For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile, and their foolish hearts were darkened. ²² Although they claimed to be wise, they became fools ²³ and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images made to look like a mortal human being and birds and animals and reptiles.”**

It's interesting to me that one of the qualities of people who see God in nature but don't progress towards a personal relationship with Him through Christ is a lack of thankfulness. And along with that lack of thankfulness, they don't glorify God, their hearts become darkened, and their thinking becomes futile. They think they are wise but in reality, God calls them “fools.” Instead, of the turning trees and the blazing mountains humbling them and leading them to Christ, they worship images of man and beast.

Thankfulness makes a difference! Without it, we become bitter as we worship the creature instead of the creator. We thank ourselves for being so talented, gifted, good with money, a planner, highly educated, whatever. Without thankfulness we become proud, arrogant, and condescending to others, whom we don't consider to be as good or as accomplished as us. There is no room for pride like this in the body of Christ.

The antidote to pride is thankfulness. Not the thankfulness of the Pharisee in the Temple who thanked God that he wasn't like other men who were obvious sinners. No, our attitude should be like the one Samaritan leper whom Jesus healed. He was the only one out of ten who returned to thank Jesus for making him clean.

If you go to www.biblegateway.com and type in “give thanks,” you will find at least 48 times, 30 in the Old Testament and 18 in the New Testament where “give thanks to the Lord” is mentioned.

1 Chronicles 16:34 gives us everything we need to know as to why we should thank the Lord. It reads, “**Give thanks** to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.”

This November may we thank God not only for everything he has blessed us with on the fourth Thursday but also, every day for who He is, “for He is good; His love endures forever.”

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Bruce

OSLC COUNCIL PRESIDENT: John Deitsch

From my first article written as your newly elected Council President for the February Newsletter:

As the newly appointed Council President, I would like to reiterate the commitment that I made when running for one of the open council positions. I will serve God's church and represent every member of the congregation to the best of my ability and in accordance with my Lutheran faith.

I remain true to that commitment today, even if I do it imperfectly, and even if it seems to be increasingly difficult to represent everyone when there seem to be factions emerging within our congregation. Now more than ever myself and the entire Council need your prayers, and now more than ever we need everyone to exercise patience, understanding, and love. There may be challenges ahead, but together, and supporting one another, we can persevere.

Now on to some church business. There will be three open Council positions that need to be filled during our Congregational Meeting in December. Also, our Treasurer and Council Secretary are resigning at the end of the year, so we will need to fill those positions. And lastly, Barb McFarland will be stepping back as Church Secretary at the end of the year. While she may be able to retain some responsibilities, we will need others to help fill that role. If you are interested in running for a Council position or in helping fill any of the other positions, please let Barb or a member of Council know.

And I will finish with a Building Fund update. By the time you read this, some donors should have received, and possibly returned, release forms authorizing the Church to use their contributions to the Building Fund for maintenance, improvements, and upgrades of our existing facilities. You all should have also received an email or picked up a letter in the back of church, which gives the results of our survey; and a meeting to discuss these results is scheduled for before service on November 6th. At our next Council Meeting on November 17th the Council should be able to vote on the first items to proceed with.

God is Good! Keep the faith and trust the Lord!

MINISTRY & TEAM REPORTS

MUSIC AND WORSHIP Ministry: Mark Nourse (Chairman) Trent Schmid (Counsel Liaison)

We are thankful for all the positive feedback you all have shared about the blended worship services with the added traditional characteristics that took place on October 2nd and October 30th. Included were the Kyrie, "This Is the Feast" and "Thank the Lord and Sing His Praise". We will again have this format on November 6th which is All-Saints

Sunday and on November 20th which is Christ the King Sunday and the last Sunday of the liturgical year.

Advent begins November 27th. We will have "Light One Candle" as our Advent Anthem with Russ Smith and Patrick Barrett as the Advent Anthem Readers. The Children's Moments will return during Advent with the children of OSLC adding Chrismon ornaments to the Chrismon Tree each week. Readings from Luther's Small Catechism will be read each week during the Chrismon Tree Children's Moment. Thank you to John and Suzanne McFadden for loaning us sound equipment to help during the Advent Anthem and the Chrismon Tree Children's Moment.

We are thankful for Mark, Melissa, and Curt who put in over three hours of band practice each week to prepare for the worship services along with our super cool drummer, Jake Anapol. We are also blessed by our amazing Altar Guild led by Sandee Isaacson, who also serves as coordinator of the readers of the Epistles & Psalms (the weekly first lessons read aloud in the worship services). We are also so grateful for the hard work and service of Altar Guild members Kim Fasig, Mary Leschke, Diane Nath, Kat Redwine, and Sabrina Wolfe. They bake the bread, fill the wine and juice cups, dress the altar, hang the beautiful banners, and decorate the sanctuary with flowers. We are also thankful for Narthex Cam operators Barb, Antonio, and Anden. We are thankful for the coordinator of projectionists Antonio Ramirez and his team, Jack Balder and Dave Engen. We are grateful for our Youth Cam operators Carly, Lexi, and Gracie. Thank you so much to Pat Simonson (ushers), Gail Gildemeister (greeters), Sheila Courtney (acolytes), April Barrett (children's moment team), and Cat Smith (media team). We are thankful for our office volunteers Barb McFarland, Kim Fasig, and Renae Schmid.

We are grateful for Mark Nourse. He loves our holy God so much and he loves the congregation of Our Savior's Lutheran Church. His passion for serving and praising our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is evident every Sunday in the Worship Services as he sings and plays his guitar. Mark is so encouraging and supportive of the whole Worship & Music Ministry team, and he is our beloved senior member and lead singer of the OSLC Praise Band. We thank Mark for his 30+ years serving in the Praise Band, and Mark plans to keep singing and playing in the Praise Band for many, many years to come.

My kids and I had the special privilege of getting to see and hug our wonderful Wendy Nelson this past week. I just love and adore her. I learned so much from Wendy, Jeff, and Steve, and I greatly benefitted from their wisdom and encouragement. I have so much love and admiration for them in my heart.

Thank you so much to all of you for allowing us to serve you each week. We love to praise and worship our awesome God together, and we love hearing all of you sing and pray and praise God. Thank you to all who have sent me request lists for the songs and hymns each week. I encourage you to keep sharing those requests with me. I love including those beloved songs and hymns in the sets each week. My favorite songs and

hymns are the ones I hear you all singing with us. That brings me such joy! We treasure the feedback, guidance, and encouragement we have received from members of the congregation. We enthusiastically and eagerly look forward to seeing you all and hearing from you all each Sunday. We couldn't do what we do without you all. We need and love every single one of you. We are all in this together for our awesome God. Praise to Christ our King!

Very respectfully submitted,
Minuette (on behalf of Chairman Mark Nourse and Pastor Bruce)

GROW Ministry: Justine Ashcraft (Chairman) - Josh Ashcraft (Council Liaison)

The Roy Days Parade Award Winning **GROW MINISTRY**.

We hope to be able to announce in the next Newsletter that our Trunk or Treat on October 28th was a great success and attended by both church members and many from the local community. A BIG THANK YOU to all who made contributions or who participated in this event!

SUNDAY SCHOOL takes place after the 9:30 am Worship Service and is going well, with an average attendance so far of around 12 children. If you know of any children between the ages of 4 and 11 who might like to join in the fun, please let their parents know that they are welcome to attend.

There will be NO SUNDAY SCHOOL November 27th — for Thanksgiving break! I'm THANKFUL for all your wonderful kids that I get to see each week!

"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, His steadfast love endures forever!" Psalm 107:1

Blessings, Justine

Connect Ministry: Renae & Terry Schmid (Chairman) - Annie Baugh (Council Liaison)

Men's Ministry - MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST Men's Prayer Breakfast will be on November 5th, to be held in the Fellowship Hall at 8:00 AM. The Prayer Breakfast is open to all men, young and old, members and friends of OSLC. Come one, come all! Great food, a Devotional, and good Christian discussion (and usually some fun bantering back and forth) can be expected by all who attend. Dave Engen and Alan Huss will host this month. Dan Kartak.

Rally Day - Partnered with Mission and Outreach to sell necklaces/cookbooks - We will have these available again at the end of November! Think Christmas. gifts. :-)

Home Visits This is a new to us service for people who may need help at home. The Communion Team will be our initial contact and then refer -anyone with needs to Terry or Renae. (801-391-2537 or 801-388-7597). We will have a sign-up sheet available if you would be willing to help with small at home projects, i.e., Trimming, changing light bulbs, rides for appointments, putting book shelf together, etc. If you have recommendations of how to manage this segment proficiently, please tell us your suggestions.

Women's Ministry - October 8th, Yoga with Stacy Ames! 14 women of all ages attended and had so much fun and you can tell who they are - they look healthier :-). We made 45 Blessing Bags, as well. Thank you Stacy Ames and Ashley Kaiser for providing this opportunity to support Service & Reach.

Paint Night - Thursday, Nov. 3rd, 7 pm. hosted by Justine Ashcraft. Reservations for 25, filled as of Oct.13.

Winter Lunch and Secret Sister Reveal - Saturday, Jan. 7th, 1 pm. Hosted by Vicki Ramirez, Gail and Pam Campbell. All are welcome, whether you participate in Secret Sister or not. More info coming.

Hospitality Teams - Who Do YOU KNOW? -that could use support for some food, personal care products, etc. to support the ALPHA food drive. Please submit any families you know to the office by Dec. 4th. This information will be kept confidential, but we will need Name, Address, phone number, total people in the family, and specific need, your sheet in the Newsletter, identifying items for each month, for name. There is a separate each family. Hospitality Month Coordinators will be calling November 6th – December 4th with gentle reminder of your donation items. You may bring your items to the Fellowship Hall any time between 11/6-12/4. (Please check office hours). Tables will be set up to collect them.

Renae and Terry Schmid, Connect Ministry

Service & Outreach Ministry: Ashley Kaiser (Chairman) – Leo Seeber (Council Liaison)

Thank you for all of the donations for the blessing bags last month. We were able to put together 45 blessing bags to those in need. It was a fun afternoon together practicing yoga and assembling the bags. A big thank you to Stacy Ames for leading the yoga and to the Women's Ministry for letting us piggyback on their activity. This past weekend, Duane, myself, and the boys took a drive to downtown Ogden after church to pass out the bags, along with sandwiches and water bottles. I know my boys benefited from the experience. Everyone was very appreciative of the gift. Our little church can make a difference.

We also partnered with the Connect Ministry and raised \$120 selling the necklaces from Haiti and cook books. That money will be sent to Haiti through Samaritan's Purse.

The Second Sunday offering for November will go to Open Hands Food Pantry of Ogden. This will be November 13th. There are special envelopes for second Sunday offering by the offering basket. Your offering will help provide food for those in need. A special thing about Open Hands, is that along with the food, each person that receives food is also prayed with. Janet Tow continues to volunteer with this wonderful organization. If you have any questions or would like to get involved speak to Janet.

The holidays are near and Operation Christmas Child has begun. Operation Christmas Child is a part of Samaritan's purse. The idea is to fill a shoe box for a child in need. They go to children all over the world. There are labels in the back of church with ideas of items to include. This year they are asking for \$10 per shoe box to help cover collection, processing, and shipping. They will be due November 13th. If you have any extra shoe boxes at home, we would love to have them. If you don't want to fill a shoe box, but would like to help cover the cost, monetary donations would be happily received. If you have questions, you can look it up online or see Ashley Kaiser with questions.

Lastly, we will be helping provide meals for Family Promise of Ogden, the week of November 20th-27th. If you would like to help with set up, providing meals, or helping with clean up, please let me know. I can be reached at (801)643-5451.

Worship Assistants

Date	Time	Acolytes Sheila Courtney 385 626-8291	Greeters Gail Gildemeister 801 564-2357	Ushers Pat Simonson 801 721-7678	Projectionist Antonio Ramirez 801 573-2559	Camera Barb McFarland 801 668-9709	Altar Guild Sandee Isaacson 801 388-6694	Communion Assistant
6 Nov	9:30	Wyatt Colvell	Renae Schmid	Terry Schmid	Antonio Ramirez	Anden Ramirez		
13 Nov	9:30	Brady Kaiser	Barb McFarland	Diane Nath	Dave Engen			
20 Nov	9:30	Wyatt Colvell	Katherine Redwine	Mary Leschke	Jack Baldro			
27 Nov	9:30		Pat Simonson	Bill Lange				

CHURCH WIDE ACTIVITIES

Flag Star Cutting – Come join us for cutting stars out of old flags on November 9, 7:00-9:00 pm in the fellowship hall. Stars will be given to military and first responders in honor of their service. POC is Tedi Morlan.

Flag Burning Ceremony – On November 11, Veterans Day, there will be a flag burning in Huntsville, American Legion. Ceremony is at 3:00PM.

Alpha Food Drive
Nov. 6th- Dec. 4th, 2022
Food Delivery Dec. 11th, 2022

<u>Month</u>	<u>Leader</u>	<u>Food Items</u>
January	Tedi Morlan 406-580-0576	Laundry Detergent, 50 Lo \$3 for perishables
<u>Last Name</u>	Morlan Bennington	Cooper/Aguilar Engen
		Harms Smith, Cat
		Crosby
February	Kim Sparkman 801-644-5011	Peanut Butter, 28 oz Spaghetti Noodles, 2 # \$3 for perishables
<u>Last Name</u>	Sparkman Lange	Ashcraft Showman
	Colvell	Carpenter Ruechart
		Harvey
March	Mary Harris	Cereal - 2 boxes \$5 for perishables
<u>Last Name</u>	Harris Gour	Allen Schaffert
		Ramirez Heman
		Leschke McComb
		Turner
April	Joan Underwood 801-645-4100	Toilet Paper, 6 pk Graham Crackers 1bx Dish Soap, 24 oz
<u>Last Name</u>	Underwood Sojourner	Boll Cross
	Ames	Crossfield Lund
		Baldor Toone
		Nielsen
May	Kathy Guenther 505-470-4512	Canned Meat, 2 cans Canned Veges, 6 cans Spaghetti Sauce, 24oz
<u>Last Name</u>	Guenther Griffey	Kapinos Mister
		Schmid, R Isaacson
		Baugh Larsen
June	Jan Saterlie 702-325-3659	Minute Rice, 28 oz Canned Fruit, 6 cans Rice a Roni, 2 boxes
<u>Last Name</u>	Saterlie Cooper	Wessner Pancich
	Hastings	Bellucci Call
		Heiskanen Hallsten

July

Lucie Smith
801-389-0658

Mac & Cheese, 3 boxes
Bottle Juice, 96 oz.
Hand soap, 2 bars OR
1 body wash

Last Name Smith, Lucie Larson, Tammie Risen
Redwine Barrett Scholtec, S Kaiser Moulding

August

Andrea Anopol
801-391-8774

Cookies, 1 pkg
Jelly/Jam, 1 32 oz
Instant Mashed Potato
1 box
\$2 for Perishables

Last Name Anopol Boe Courtney Frey
Gildemeister Jones, E Hall

September

Kim Fasig
801-628-2616

Toothpaste, 1 tube
Hot Choc., 1 box
Instant Pudding, 2 sm
Jello, 3 sm boxes

Last Name Fasig Junk McFarland Nath
Seeber Wolfe, D Fasig, G Stanger

October

Kathy Tisdale
435-272-6713

Peanuts, 12 oz jar
M/W popcorn, 6 pkg.
Canned Meat, 2 cans
Pork & Beans, 2 cans

Last Name Tisdale Chellson Nourse, M
Howe Nelson Nourse, A Grentz Kern

November

Lisa Schmid
801-644-9011

Hamburger Helper, 1
Soup, 6 cans
Instant Oatmeal, 1 bx
\$3 for Perishables

Last Name Schmid, L McFadden Simonson
Wolfe, S Smith, M McCloy Mansfield

December

Gail Campbell
801-510-1953

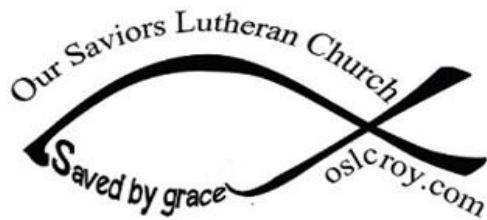
Saltine Crackers, 1 bx
Ketchup & Mustard 1 btl
Sham & Cond. 1 btl each
\$2 for Perishables

Last Name Campbell, G Gibson Huss Tow
Bourgoine Campbell, P Deitsch



2 Nov Shelly Nielsen
2 Nov Karen Larsen
3 Nov Sandee Isaacson
5 Nov Anita Morgan
5 Nov Marilyn Gour
9 Nov Mark Nourse
10 Nov Shirley Cooper-Agular
11 Nov Everly Nourse
12 Nov Wendy Nelson
15 Nov Leo Seeber

15 Nov Wyatt Colvell
16 Nov Dawn Scholtec
17 Nov Mary Leschke
17 Nov Andrea Anopol
17 Nov Katie Covell
20 Nov Liam Nourse
20 Nov John Crossfield
21 Nov John Showman
22 Nov Carson Ames
27 Nov Barbara Mickelson



OCT HOSPITALITY TEAM

Lisa Schmid – Coordinator
John & Suzanne McFadden
Pat & Marty Simonson
Elton & Kathy Sutherland
Sabrina Wolfe
Mark & Susan Smith
Teri & Ryan McCloy
Dave Mansfield

CONGRATULATIONS, BLESSING & THANK YOUS

Thank you Kim Fasig for covering the church office in Oct while Barb McFarland helped with the new granddaughter.

Praise and thank you to God the Father Almighty, the Great Physician. Thanks to all of you that prayed and sent well wishes to me for a great outcome with my hip replacement surgery 10/18.

Blessings to all: Dan Kartak

November 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 12:30p Bible Study 5:30p Girl Scout Troop #970	3 6:00p Praise Band Practice 6:00p Girl Scout Troop #807 7:00p Paint Night	4 5:30p Girl Scout Troop #1710	5 8:00a Men's Prayer Breakfast 9:00a Praise Band Practice
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Nov Lectionary

Date	Sunday	1st Reading	Psalm	2nd Reading	Gospel
6 Nov	All Saints Day	Revelation 7:(2-8) 9-17	Psalm 149	1 John 3:1-3	Matthew 5:1-12
13 Nov	23 rd Sunday after Pentecost	Malachi 4:1-6	Psalm 98	2 Thessalonians 3:(1-5) 6-13	Luke 21:5-28 (29-36)
20 Nov	Christ the King	Malachi 3:13-18	Psalm 95:1-7a or 46	Colossians 1:13-20	Luke 23:27-43
24 Nov	Thanksgiving Day	Deuteronomy 26:1-11	Psalm 100	Philippians 4:4-9	John 6:25-35
27 Nov	1 st Sunday of Advent	Isaiah 2:1-5	Psalm 122	Romans 13: (8-10) 11-14	Matthew 24:36-44