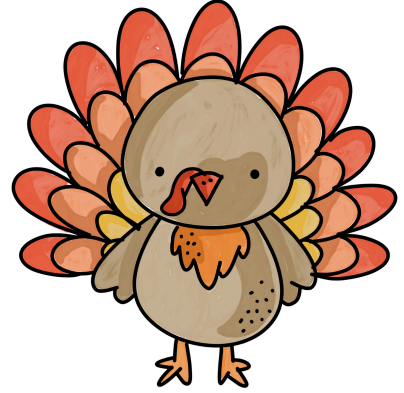


# ***November 2024 Newsletter***

Here is a handy November To-Do List:

- ☐ **Vote** As christians we do not believe that we are saved by political leaders, or political parties or ideologies of any kind. We have one savior. And he would not accept political power. So, we vote, not to create a perfect world, but in order to love our neighbor, to make our city, county, state and nation the best it can be in a sinful world, always caring about how the least powerful in our society are treated: the poor, widows, orphans, sojourners (refugees).
- ☐ **Review My Giving Goals** As members of American Lutheran Church, we have a duty to carry our fair share of the responsibility for the day to day expenses. When we attend worship, we don't have to "pay for our seat". We need to give some of our money away, (whether to ALC or some other organization) as a spiritual discipline. It is just as important to give as it is to worship, pray, fast, do acts of charity.
- ☐ **Make Thanksgiving Day Plans** Make plans for how you will spend Thanksgiving day. And if you have the room, consider including someone who will be alone on this day. And if you have a LOT of energy, consider hosting a Thanksgiving Day pot-luck dinner at church. And don't forget to give thanks.
- ☐ **Make Advent Preparations** The church liturgical season of Advent usually starts the last Sunday of November. It is a 4 week season of preparation, repentance and anticipation of Christmas. It is not just a season for preparing our homes but also our hearts for Jesus to be present in us and among us.
- ☐ **Pay Attention!** As you go about your life, this month, pay attention to how God is trying to bless you and use you to bless others. Pay attention to how God is at work in unexpected ways. Pay attention to the unexpected. Mother Teresa said, "Jesus comes to us in distressing disguise". God will bless you whether you pay attention or not, but pay attention, so that you can have both blessing and joy.



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Call, text, email, stop by and talk. I am in Newport Sunday through Tuesday.



## **Pastor Call Committee News**

Your Call Committee appreciates your continued prayers and support. We were presented with two candidates to consider and to review their profiles. We had an initial meeting with one of the candidates. In our discernment we believe the Holy Spirit is directing us to widen our search and we chose to relinquish the candidate. Pastor Phil Misner is working to gather us a second slate of candidates to review. This will probably be in November.

We appreciate your kind support and patience.

Please continue to reach out to any one of us with questions, concerns and comments.

Blessings;

ALC Call Committee

Annie, Larry, Kristy, David, Jason, Pat and Sandee

Thank you, all, for your input, prayers, and support as we continue our work.

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## **Your Call Committee**



### **Attention Women!**

Our October gathering re-worked our evening women's circle name after some contemplation and had a consensus to modify our name just a bit and now call it "Women, Wisdom and Wine!" Just a little tweak getting women at the forefront and the wisdom sandwiched between the women and the wine! We plan to meet the 3rd Tuesday each month at 5 PM at the church for sharing, caring and laughter. This month we meet Nov 19th. Bring yourself and a light snack to share if you care to. Friends are invited as well. Water and coffee will be available and wine if you bring it. Leadership is rotated and Sandy Loskill will be at the helm this month. Come one and all.



### **Stewardship Report:**

As we head into the final two months of the year we wanted to update the congregation on our expenses (Good News) and our giving (Concerning News) as compared to our budget. Expenses are on target despite furnace and plumbing repairs that will be partially offset by special gifts received for furnace replacement. However, after a strong start to the year, giving has fallen off to the point that we are \$25,000 below budget through September. Hopefully and prayerfully we will catch up during the final three months of the year. It is important that we finish strong and be able to balance our budget. We want to thank everyone for their faithfulness and for your consideration in our collective stewardship responsibilities. You are all appreciated!

-Ken Brown on behalf of the Stewardship committee



Halloween treats were sent to our college students as a reminder that our Church family is thinking of them and encouraging success in their studies.

Five area elementary schools received knit hats made by Pend Oreille Homemaker group, of which Billie Goodno is a long time member. 100 hats were distributed to each school: Idaho Hill, House of the Lord, Priest River, Spirit Lake and Newport. Thanks to Della & David Grice, Theresa Watson, Monica Jones and Valerie Samson for handling the deliveries.

First Sunday of Advent falls on December 1st. Decorating the Church will follow later in the week. With the Christmas Sock Project we deliver candy filled socks to the area Food Banks. Start thinking about candy and sock donations. Watch the December newsletter for dates and times.

As we continue to adjust to an upcoming new Pastor, be reminded that although the Pastor fills a leadership role, we, the Congregation, are the body of Christ in Newport. It is through the prayers and works of our members that the life of American Lutheran Church carries on. We are grateful for the many seen and unseen moments that bind us together in faith and fellowship. The Spirit flows throughout, REJOICE!

Hedy Mitchell is looking for help administering to fellow church members through serving communion. Please contact her: 360-304-9964



Della Grice	11-01
Katie Kersting	11-01
Pat Alexander	11-04
Tony Hoffman	11-05
Hedy Seeber	11-07
JoDee Hankey	11-09
Theresa Watson	11-11
Sophie Hinchliff	11-14
Elaine Petersen	11-18
Sarah Grice	11-18
Kendra Persyn	11-18
George Weisbarth	11-21
Tim Anderson	11-25
Norm Urvat	11-26
Annika Hughes	11-27
Rand Gurley	11-29
Cydni Lewis	11-30

# Ushers & Greeters



**November 2024**

**3: Marlene Faraca**

**10: Bob and Pat Kowal**

**17: Pat and Debbie Buckley**

**24: Hedy Mitchell**

November

3 - Val Urvat

10 - Millie Brumbaugh

17 - Marva Heckathorn

24 - Cheryl Schoesler



Anyone interested in sponsoring future 2nd Harvest Mobile Markets please contact Jeff Bell

**Save the Date:**

November 13






## **Thrivent Members**

We don't have a current membership list, so if you are a Thrivent member (formerly called Lutheran Brotherhood and Aid to Lutherans) please contact Hedy Mitchell, Kristi Bell or Sandy Ellersick.



# NOVEMBER

2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						
3 WORSHIP 10AM	4 10AM: BIBLE STUDY NOON: AL-ANON	5 10AM: QUILTING	6	7 7PM: CHOIR	8	9
10 WORSHIP 10AM	11 10AM: BIBLE STUDY NOON: AL-ANON	12 10AM: ANNA CIRCLE 7PM: COUNCIL MEETING	13 10AM SECOND HARVEST MOBILE MARKET	14 7PM: CHOIR	15	16
17 WORSHIP 10AM	18 10AM: BIBLE STUDY NOON: AL-ANON	19 10AM: QUILTING 5PM WOMEN, WISDOM AND WINE!	20	21 7PM: CHOIR	22	23
24 WORSHIP 10AM	25 10AM: BIBLE STUDY NOON: AL-ANON	26 10AM: QUILTING	27	28 	29	30

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Terry Zakar

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Val Samson  
Sandy Loskill  
Sue Scobby

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Jeff Bell  
Bob Kowal

## Property & Maintenance:

Toby Johnson  
Jason Jones  
Dennis Alliger

## Stewardship:

Sophie Hinchcliff  
Ken Brown  
David Grice

## Worship & Music:

Nancy Sauer  
Hedy Mitchell  
Millie Brumbaugh

*Marked with the cross of Christ forever,  
we are claimed, gathered, and sent for the sake of the world.*