



## MISSION STATEMENT

Called by God to  
Worship, Learn and  
Nurture; Sent to  
Serve and Tell

## GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Jesus is Lord and  
Savior. We are called  
to learn and share  
the Good News.  
Welcome and serve  
all people. We are  
servants of God to  
others. Holy Spirit,  
mighty in prayer  
leads us to answer  
God's call. Fellowship  
sustains each other.



We had a wonderful Harvest Dinner last Sunday. Delicious food and great fellowship. I also think I proved my point when we played Bingo that winning isn't the most important thing in the world. It's about how you handle yourself when success isn't immediate.

There is a lot to celebrate this November. On the 11<sup>th</sup> we will be giving thanks for our veterans by providing food and warm clothes. We will also be serving at Camp Hope on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> to share a meal with the people there. Then on November 19<sup>th</sup> as a congregation we will be showing our gratitude to Christ for this church and how our faith is nurtured here through our yearly pledge commitment. November is definitely a month of thanks, we in fact have a whole day named that.

What is Thanksgiving for: eating, being together with friends and family, or football? All those things happen during Thanksgiving, but that's not what Thanksgiving means. Thanksgiving is a holiday started by Christians who celebrated that God is good. The basic Christian attitude is thanks and gratitude. If being thankful to God isn't the motivation for all we do our faith gets distorted: either we love God out of a sense of fear or because what God can give us. Being thankful is not a sentimental emotion, it shapes our emotions and our actions. Thankfulness is the most accurate way to recognize the presence of God in someone's life. Grateful people are not self centered, they do not whine, or are negative about their circumstances. Everyday Christ has blessed us with something we can be thankful for.

Peace,

*Pastor Chris*



During this time of year, people in our country begin to focus on their many blessings. We see it here in our own congregation. We will begin to search our hearts for the ways that God has blessed us, and ask what God is calling us to do. We've been raising money to purchase food for the Veterans at Pear Place. We will be serving a meal at Camp Hope later this month. And many of us are making our plans for Thanksgiving dinners with friends and family.

We are fortunate to have a Northwest Harvest location here in Yakima, building partnerships in the community to get food where it's needed most. Northwest Harvest allows people to access food with respect, dignity, and individual agency. The recently completed Fruitvale Community Market allows shoppers to do just that. This is a no-cost grocery store that provides fresh produce, proteins/meats, ready-to-eat foods, pantry staples and more. Customers shop at Fruitvale Community Market just like any other grocery store. This market is open to all. People can shop there without the requirement of ID, proof of income or proof of residency.

The Fruitvale Market is open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Besides groceries, the Market offers a variety of services from public agencies including healthcare, housing, legal, and more.

Volunteers are the heart, soul, and engine of Northwest Harvest and they are always looking for dedicated volunteers. Volunteers help sort and repack bulk food into family-sized portions for distribution to partner food banks, meal programs, and high-need schools in Central Washington. Donations of time and effort really do add up, and it's amazing to see how much can be accomplished in a two-hour shift. Over the years, we have had several members serve as volunteers. If you would like to learn more about volunteering, please contact their Volunteer Team at 509-598-7008 or go to their website, [www.northwestharvest.org](http://www.northwestharvest.org). Please consider if you would like to be a part of providing access to the nutritious food needed and wanted to make others thrive.

*"O, heavenly Father: We thank thee for food and remember the hungry. We thank thee for health and remember the sick. We thank thee for friends and remember the friendless. We thank thee for freedom and remember the enslaved. May these remembrances stir us to service, that thy gifts to us may be used for others. Amen."*

**God's Peace**

*Deacon Kathy*



# In Our Hearts and Minds...



## Continuing Prayer Concerns

*(Please keep these people and their concerns in your prayers)*

Jackie Larson	Linda Uecker	Kodi
Marty	Cal Bosch	Jim Sund
Cindy Lane	Sarah	Charlie
Tim Schultz	Laura Klippert	Ken Osborne
Mary & John DeBroeck	Reese, Emily, & Stella	Gina Hunter & Family
David Lundy	Terry Stolley	Morgan
Beth Rood	Albert	John Whitcomb
Jaden Shaw	Olivia	Craig Ryder
Rebecca	Lance	Sharon Powers
Carla Case	Linda & Richard	Sherry
Elisabeth Dunbar	Friends & Family of Gary	

*(Please help us keep this up to date and let us know when prayers have been answered.)*

## Serving Our Country

Taylor Bunker - USN	David Carlson
Brian Eling - USA	Luke Harper
Chris Wendt - National Guard	Justin Hughes – USA
Hannah & Nick Brown—USAF	Ian Dunbar—USMC



	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Greeter</u>	<u>Snacks</u>
Nov 5th	Tag Team	JD Sundseth, Jim Eling	Paula Arndt	Paula Arndt
Nov 12th		The Sauers	Alisa Peterson	The Sauers
Nov 19th	Richard Roberts	JD Sundseth, Jim Eling	Sue Stewart	Consecration Lunch
Nov 26th	Heidi Taylor		Nancy Rasmussen	Heidi Taylor

Altar Guild:

Counters: Norm Frank & Jay Carroll

Thank you for your willingness to serve!

# CELEBRATIONS

## November Birthdays & Anniversaries

1<sup>st</sup> Joan Jangard

13<sup>th</sup> Charlotte Abercrombie



14<sup>th</sup> Darold & Laura Larson

16<sup>th</sup> Brad & Sheri Bissell

19<sup>th</sup> Bob & Ethel Rasmussen



### November Scripture Readings:

Nov 5th	Micah 3:5-12	Psalm 43	1 Thess. 2:9-13	Matthew 23:1-12
Nov 12th	Amos 5:18-24	Psalm 70	1 Thess. 4:13-18	Matthew 25:1-13
Nov 19th	Zeph. 1:7, 12-18	Psalm 90:1-12	1 Thess. 5:1-11	Matthew 25:14-30
Nov 26th	Ezek 34:11-16;20-24	Psalm 95:1-7a	Ephesians 1:15-23	Matthew 25:31-46

November 5th—All Saints Sunday

November 26th—Christ the King Sunday





**Guy's Night Out**

**November 16th**

**7:00**

**Abby's Pizza**

**4808 Tieton Drive**

*Gals' Lunch Out*

*November 16th*

*11.45*

*Powerhouse Grill*

*3807 River Road*



Thank you everyone for supporting our Veterans with your donations and your time. Join us on **Saturday, November 11th at 12:30** for a Veteran's Day/Thanksgiving Lunch with our veterans at Pear Place Housing. We will be asking people to bring a soup, salad, rolls, or dessert. This fellowship is so important to the vets who live at Pear Place. It is the one thing that we hear time after time. If you would like a ride, please let the office know. Come be a part of that fellowship.

We will also be giving each of them food supplies to tide them through the end of November and into December. If you would like to help shop for the food, please let Kathy know. If you would like to add a few items to your own shopping list, we purchase things such as macaroni & cheese, canned soups, canned vegetables, spaghetti sauce, noodles, and rice. We also purchase a small amount of Ray's Meats their boxes.

small  
meat from  
to add to

*I will praise  
the name  
of God  
with a song,  
and will  
magnify him with*  
**THANKSGIVING**

*Psalms 69:30*



# HOPE

*for the Holidays™*



Lutheran Immigration  
and Refugee Service

## CLC again plans to send 'Hope for the Holidays'

Year after year, our amazing Lutheran church communities across the country come together to share hope with those seeking safety in the United States. We at Christ Lutheran once again have the opportunity to join in those efforts. With a simple message of hope in a Christmas card, we can help immigrant families know that someone, somewhere in America cares.

The Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service (LIRS), a part of our national church organization since 1939, is sponsoring its tenth "Hope for the Holidays" program this holiday season. Why? Because this year alone, the LIRS and its network of supporters report that they have welcomed thousand of new "Americans," individuals and families, seeking safety in our country, including Afghans and Ukrainians. "Our new neighbors have persevered through incredible challenges to get here – and while many are no longer in immediate danger, they are still navigating life in their new communities and the legal challenges of their asylum status," writes Dan Beirne, LIRS director for Mobilization and Faith Relations. "Many have not been or will not be able to reunite with their families. The challenges of their journeys are not over."

By participating in Hope for the Holidays, we are extending a touch of hope and humanity to folks who still find themselves in a situation of painful waiting and uncertainty. Join us after services on **Sunday, November 26th for a "card writing" party**. We will have refreshments and plenty of coffee, and Christmas cards to spread a little Hope for the Holidays. We will have a list of suggested greetings in both English and Spanish – either is OK – as well as appropriate Bible verses in English and/or Spanish. You can include those in a Christmas card, or you can write your own greeting. Anything hopeful will help.

If you have questions or want further information, visit [LIRS.org/hope](https://LIRS.org/hope) online or email, contact Deacon Kathy, or write Jean Raabe ([jeanraabe@gmail.com](mailto:jeanraabe@gmail.com)) or Gordon Koestler ([oldgrizz66@gmail.com](mailto:oldgrizz66@gmail.com)).



Christ Lutheran will once again be serving a meal at Camp Hope on **Monday, November 13th**. Janet Frank and Suzanne Brown are planning a warm, nutritious meal. Volunteers are needed to serve the meal that evening. Please gather at the Camp Hope location, 2300 E Birch St, at 5:45 that evening. It is a heart-warming way to serve our neighbors.

For the next few months, we will have a box available in the library that you can place warm clothing to be donated to Camp Hope. They can use socks, hats, gloves, scarves, gently used coats in a variety of sizes, including children. Warm bedding would be appreciated also.

One other note, the grant money we received in 2022 is dwindling. More funds are needed to keep this a part of Christ Lutheran's mission. Please donate to the Camp Hope fund. Thank you.



## FALL HARVEST DINNER

