

Holy Lamb Lutheran Church

2541 Forestbrook Road
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November 2022

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It's hard to believe that it is November already. That means we will soon be celebrating Thanksgiving followed immediately by Advent and Christmas. No, I am not one to decorate for Christmas before Halloween, nor do I play Christmas carols as soon as Thanksgiving is over. And of course, we won't be singing Christmas hymns until Christmas.

My point with this seemingly rambling opening is to encourage you to enjoy each season we are in to its fullest. That means take the time to relish all the unique features and aspects of each season, rather than simply check them off the list of holidays to get through until the next one. So, in the next paragraphs I'll highlight some opportunities to enrich your individual seasonal celebrations in the hope that you will be blessed, specifically by each season. If I might paraphrase, "Let's remember the reason for *each* season."

As our families change in size and age over the years, our traditions may also see some necessary changes. While the manner of celebrating may change, the focus of the celebration can remain joyful if it is grounded in our faith. So, as you consider the following seasons and your favorite traditions, give some thought to how any necessary modifications may still leave lots of room for joy.

Thanksgiving

Food and family are often major ingredients in Thanksgiving celebrations. After all, those are two things for which we are abundantly thankful. But if adjustments are necessary, it doesn't necessarily mean we have less for which to be thankful. Perhaps we need to take a *new* look at the ways God continues to bless us. Consider starting with a blank piece of paper and begin by naming blessings that don't normally come to mind. Don't be afraid to begin, perhaps, with the joy of knowing that a loved one who is no longer with you is enjoying his/her eternity in heaven. Consider how this void in your life, sorrowful though it is, may be allowing a growth in other relationships.

Regardless of where you start or how you develop your list, remain focused on God's abundant blessings. And while we often consider, and our secular world encourages us to consider, our abundance of worldly blessings, don't pass up the opportunity to thank God for his greatest blessing – the gift of his son, Jesus, whose own death on the cross means that your death in this life is merely the gateway to a new life in heaven with him.

Advent

This season is so often overlooked because we are busy preparing for Christmas. Yes, Advent is, in fact, a season of preparation. But not in the way we usually think. The true preparation of Advent is a spiritual preparation. Along with all the necessary and appropriate preparations for events, guests, and gift-giving, Advent is a time to prepare our hearts for the greatest gift of Christmas – our Savior, Jesus.

Now I am not suggesting that meal planning, house cleaning, and Christmas shopping are somehow non-Christian activities. But along with all of these preparations, spending 45 minutes in worship on a Wednesday evening is a wonderful way to take a break from the other duties, take a rest from the breathless pace, and take a moment to consider why this gift we are about to receive was so necessary in the first place.

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Christmas

If it seems that Christmas has or will soon lose much of its luster, consider why the celebration originated, rather than what it has become. Before modern advertising and commercialization, the term AD, as in 2022AD was adopted because the world changed with the birth of Jesus. The change was so momentous that an entirely new calendar system emerged. The change was that all of humankind could now look to that baby born in Bethlehem for forgiveness for all of their sins and rejoice in the assurance of eternal life for all who believed in him. That is the gift we celebrate and need to focus on at Christmas. When that becomes our focus, our traditions can be reconfigured, our attitudes reoriented, and our celebrations realigned so that our joy may be complete.

I pray that every one of this year’s holiday seasons will bring you joy and peace.

In His Service,

Pastor Panning

Thanksgiving, Advent & Christmas Worship Opportunities

Our Thanksgiving service will be held on **Wednesday Evening, November 23rd** at 7 PM.

With Advent fast approaching, we prepare our hearts for the coming of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Our Advent services will be held at 7pm on Wednesdays as follows:



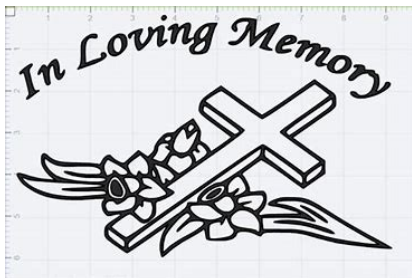
- November 30th - *The Glory of Christmas*, a Christmas cantata
- December 7th— Advent Worship Service
- December 14th—Advent Worship Service
- December 21st—Advent Worship Service

- December 24th -Christmas Eve. Worship—7pm & 11pm
- December 25th- Christmas Day Worship—10:30am
- December 31st- New Year’s Eve Worship



Memorial Service for Sharon Ewing November 12, 2022

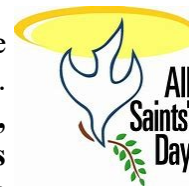
A memorial service for Sharon Ewing will be held on Saturday, November 12th at 1pm at Holy Lamb. There will be a luncheon immediately following the service.



All Saints’ Day

will be observed **Sunday, November 6th**

Sunday, November 6th, is *All Saints’ Day*. Remember loved ones who have passed away in this past year of 2022. **To submit a name, put their name, their relationship to you and who is remembering them.** There is a sheet in the rack in the Narthex to provide this information.



The deadline to submit names is **November 3rd**.

Stewardship

We received a note of thanks from *Help4Kids* which I would like to share with you:

“Nothing you do for a child is ever wasted, they may not remember your name, but they remember that you fed them when they were hungry”.

Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity to the children. It makes a difference for them to have food to eat, clothes to wear and the basic necessities of life. Your help means that we can continue to do this. We are grateful.

Help4Kids,
Barb & Volunteers

Eileen St. Clair, Board of Stewardship

Ladies Society Christmas Bake Sale

The Ladies Society will be selling Christmas cookies for \$4.00/dozen

We will be holding our Christmas Cookie Sale on Sunday, Dec. 18. You may pickup your cookies after each service. Pre-orders are now being taken via the Holy Lamb Website.

Go to holylambmyrtlebeach.org, click **Ministries Ladies Society**, fill out the order form and click **submit**.

Pre-orders must be received by Dec. 10

Thank you, *Pat Marquardt*.

LWML

November 6 is Mite Box Sunday. Please return your mite box or a Ziploc bag with your collection. Don't forget to pick up another box if you are leaving yours. Checks are also accepted made out to Holy Lamb and in the memo area put LWML MITES. Thank you for your support.

Thank you for your RADA orders. Our next meeting is Saturday, November 5 at 10:00 am. Pat Marquardt will be leading our Bible study. All women are invited.

Karen Bombria, President, Holy Lamb LWML

Holy Lamb's Men's Christian Fellowship 2023 Attraction Books

Our next meeting will be on Saturday, November 26th at 9:30 am at the church. All men are welcomed to join us.

The Men's Christian Fellowship Group is handling the sales of the Entertainment books for 2023. The cost is \$25 and the money raised from the sale of these books is used to support other projects within Holy Lamb. Last year's book proceeds were given to LCMS Ukrainian Relief and to the local Backpack Buddies. Any support you could provide in purchasing or selling these books would be greatly appreciated.

Holy Lamb Financial Profile Financial Update - Giving

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Month of October	\$15,776	\$14,184
Year to Date Needs	\$151,856	152,478

Expansion Ministries Committee

The expansion ministry committee meets once a month and is working on the following projects. If you have any ideas for a ministry or questions, please contact one of the committee members, Darcy Taiani, Cheryl Bingham, George Hulshart, Ron Hajduk, Phil Harris and David Bingham.

Abigail's Closet: Buy a Book / Donate a book:

We are starting a very short term ministry where a church member can buy a biblical Christ centered children's book and, under no obligation, donate a book to support Abigail's Closet.

The 4 books, which would make great Christmas and birthday gifts, are 'My Toddler Bible' for ages 1 -3 which costs \$10.00, 'A Child's First Bible' for ages 1 -3 which costs \$10.00 that is in both English & Spanish. Spanish books are the books that Abigail's closet is most in need of. The 'New Bible in Pictures for Little Eyes' for ages 4-7 which costs \$10.00, and 'Egermeier's Bible Story' for ages 8 and up, which costs \$16.00

We will be taking orders for the books after each service on November 6th, 13th, and 20th. The orders will be placed on November 21st with anticipated delivery dates the week of November 28th and distributed on Sunday, December 4th so that the books can be mailed in time for Christmas to loved ones. The books will be available for viewing at the October 30th congregation meeting along with the order forms. Abigail's Closet is one of the support arms for the Coastline Women's Center. coastlinewomenscenter.org

First Time Visitor Follow Up:

We are ready for volunteers to move forward with this ministry where we will visit with a first time guests no later than 7 business days after they visited Holy Lamb for the first time. This will be a very brief visit of 2 to 3 minutes where we deliver a refrigerator magnet with the church's information, a church pamphlet, and cookies to first-time visitors. (Holy Lamb averages one first-time visitor per week). We have developed a 30 minute training session for this ministry that we will hold the week of December 4th and again in January, if necessary. If you are interested, please contact one of the committee members, Darcy Talani, Cheryl Bingham, George Hulshart, Ron Hajduk, Phil Harris or David Bingham.

Ziploc bags for the Less Fortunate:

The Ziploc bags, containing a bible, bottle of water, snack bar, a gift card for a local food place, and a 'What Lutherans Believe' pamphlet was made available on October 23rd. 47 of the 50 bags were taken by church members to give to someone less fortunate. **Thank you** for participating in this ministry. Once you have given the Ziploc away, if you would like to, please share how the interaction went with the person you gave the bag to with one of our committee members.

Coastal School Ministries (CSM) [The White Bus]:

If you have noticed the white bus parked in our lot, it is the Coastal School Ministries that is using the church's facilities for teaching Christ based classes to middle school students through January 15th of 2023. Thanks to George Hulshart and others for all the work and coordination to get this ministry in place.

Soldiers' Angels Project

Our church is sponsoring a project, led by Haley Lauritsen, to help make the holidays cheerful for our men and women in the armed forces. We are asking you to help fill 100 stockings with items which are listed on the flyer on page 5 of this newsletter. Please help us reach our goal of 100 stockings. Your purchased items may be placed in the box located in the Narthex.

Any questions, please contact Haley. 203-524-9404 or HayleyL6262@yahoo.com.





Help Make the Holidays Cheerful by Supporting Soldiers' Angels

We are in need of the following items to stuff 100 holiday stockings:

- Slim Jims or Beef Jerky
- Packages of Holiday nuts
- Single serving drink mix packets (i.e., Crystal Light)
- Playing cards
- Puzzle book (Crosswords, Sudoku, Word Find)
- Holiday-themed writing pens or pencil
- Holiday candy (in sealed wrapping or small unopened bags)
- Candy Canes
- Peanut Brittle
- Gloves (preferably black; winter; one size fits all)
- Socks
- ~~Knit hats (preferably black; winter, one size fits all)~~
- Travel-sized games
- Card games (Uno, Phase 10)
- Stress balls (holiday-themed preferred)
- Single serving cookie packages
- Apple cider packets (must be in Ziploc baggies in case the packets break)
- Hot chocolate (must be in Ziploc baggies in case the packets breaks)
- Small notepads
- Holiday-themed lip balm (wrapping and scent)
- Other holiday-themed items

Please Note: All food items should be store-bought.

Please do not include these items:

- NO GLASS (containers, ornaments, etc)
- NO SHARP OBJECTS (safety pins, razors pocket knives)
- NO PRODUCTS CONTAINING ALCOHOL (some mouthwash, hand sanitizer, some
- **NO AEROSOLS**
- NO HAND SANITIZER
- **NO Glitter**
- NO BRANDED STOCKINGS with company/organization names, logos, etc.
- NO political materials

CONTACT: Hayley Lauritsen at (203) 524-9404 or HayleyL6262@yahoo.com

DEADLINE FOR DONATED ITEMS: Sunday, November 20th

Fall Festival Fun!



**In His Service
November 2022**

Altar Guild	Sylvia Stedina	Jane Jankowski
Newsletter Proofer	Betty Panning (November 22nd)	
Bulletin Assembly	Linda Katai	

Nov. 6	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Elder	N/A	Tom Marquardt
Ushers	Chuck Russell	Bill Steele
Ushers	N/A	Rose Ruddick
Audio	Phil Harris	Linda Snyder
Video	N/A	Fred Reimer

Nov. 30	Wednesday	7:00 PM
Christmas Cantata		
Ushers	Marsha Dunn	
Audio	Don Piel	
Video	Fred Reimer	

Nov. 13	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Elder	N/A	Neal Riley
Ushers	Marsha Dunn	Rose Ruddick
Ushers	N/A	Bill Steele
Audio	Kathy Panning	Darcy Taiani
Video	N/A	Julia Diem

Nov. 20	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Elders	N/A	George Hulshart
Ushers	Ed Stedina	Warren Gall
Ushers	N/A	Paul Jankowski
Audio/Piano	Don Piel	Bret Rhoades
Video	N/A	Tom Marquardt

Nov. 23	Thanksgiving Eve	Wednesday 7:00 PM
Usher	Pat Allison	
Audio	Julia Diem	
Video	Linda Snyder	

Nov. 27	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Elder	N/A	George Hulshrt
Ushers	Dave Bingham	Warren Gall
Ushers	N/A	Paul Jankowski
Audio/Piano	Phil Harris	Bret Rhoades
Video	N/A	Tom Marquardt

Volunteers Needed

Audio and Video

Our church relies on volunteers to help us run smoothly. Without you, it would be difficult to do the many things we need to do. We are in need of volunteers to run the sound system (8am and 10:30am) and video (10:30am) services. Just one hour a month is all we're asking ~ male or female. Please consider helping out with this important part of our worship services. We could always use more ushers for both services too.

Contact Bill Steele.



A Request from the Property Manager

Folks, if you know of anything that squeaks, leaks, is broken, bent or burned out, please let me know so that it can be repaired.

Leave a note in the Property Manager box in the church office or send me an email at davekatai@gmail.com

Thanks,
Dave Katai, Property Manager Holy Lamb

Sunday Morning Bible Study

Feasts and Festivals

9:15 AM

Christmas and Easter are, of course, the best-known festivals of our 'church year'. But did you know that the church year includes dozens of 'Feasts and Festivals'? A listing can be found on page xxii (Roman numerals) in the front of the hymnal. We will select the feasts or festivals to include in our Sunday worship, and on that Sunday, our Bible class will go into a deeper study of the person or event commemorated by the celebration.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

The Parables of Jesus

9:00 AM

In this study, we are looking at many of the parables of Jesus. But we hear them with an understanding of the culture in which He told them. This will give us a greater understanding of the message Jesus was sharing. Some parables that seem confusing, or even contrary to logic, suddenly are easily understood.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study

On Hiatus till January 2023

Thursday Evening Women's Bible Study

Details below on this page

6:30 PM



Bible Study Opportunities



Women's Bible Study

The women's Thursday night Bible study meets Thursday evenings at 6:30 on Zoom. All women are welcome to join us! Use Holy Lamb's standard meeting code.

We are using the reading plans provided at www.shereadstruth.com. You can find the daily Scripture readings and devotion at their website or sign up for their daily email or download their app. The website and emails are free; some of the plans on the app have a nominal charge. There is also a weekly podcast that discusses that week's readings. *We would love to have you join us! And whether or not you meet with us, this can be another easy way to develop a daily Bible reading habit. (For those men who are feeling 'left out', there is also a 'He Reads Truth' reading plan at the website!)*

We are currently finishing our 3 week study of the book of **Hebrews**. Hebrews tethers believers to the past, present, and future, keeping our eyes on Jesus at every turn. Drawing on the richness of Israel's history and the forerunners of faith, we see how God was always pointing to the more perfect Priest and sacrifice that would come through His Son once for all time.

Beginning the week of November 7, we will spend 3 weeks looking at **Prayers in Scripture**. When we read God's Word, we find the people of God engaging in conversation with Him and growing in their knowledge of Him in the process. Though each prayer comes out of unique circumstances, emotions, and needs, all are offered to a God who hears and responds. Join us as we read narratives from both the Old and New Testaments of how God's people approach Him in prayer and what we learn about His character through speaking with Him!

Looking ahead to **Advent**: This year's reading plan is guided by the lyrics of the hymn "**Come Thou Long Expected Jesus**". Through this hymn, we will remember and celebrate the Son of God coming down to us, taking on humanity to be born as a baby in Bethlehem. And we will anticipate His future, triumphant return as the King of kings. Amid the hustle and bustle of the holiday season, this is one more way to prepare your heart for the coming of our Savior! Please consider joining us in this devotional reading plan that starts November 27!

Contact Kathy Panning if you need more information or help obtaining the daily devotions and Scripture readings.

The Glory of *Christmas*

Celebrating Christ's Birth

November 30 - 7:00 pm
Holy Lamb Lutheran Church

December 7 - 7:00 pm
Risen Christ Lutheran Church

The combined choirs of Holy Lamb and Risen Christ present the glorious Christmas story through readings and music.

Lutheran Hour Ministries is a Recognized Service Organization (RSO) of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. It provides various publications and Bible studies but its primary function is providing a weekly sermon for radio broadcast. The Lutheran Hour has been broadcast since 1933.

You can listen to the Lutheran Hour on the radio every week. Stations & times are listed below




WRNN	99.5	FM	Sun	5:00 AM
WRNN	99.5	FM	Sun	7:00 AM
WRNN	1450	AM	Sun	7:00 AM

Now, LHM has teamed up with WFAQ out of DC & they will broadcast **The Lutheran Hour on Sundays at 1:30 pm & 6:30 pm.** Even if you are not within their local listening area, just go to their website and listen online at <http://wfax.com/>.

November
Blessings on your Birthday!

6th	Warren Gall
6th	Paul Jankowski
7th	Carol Boulet
9th	Tess Zweigle
10th	Sally Howard
11th	Titus Swails
15th	Betty Panning
22nd	Hoy Holler
24th	Sandy Orr
28th	Bill Houghtaling
30th	Erin Murphy



Happy Anniversary!

8th	Warren & Pam Gall
25th	Merle & Theresa Falke

**Daylight Savings
Sunday, November 6th**

Remember to turn your clocks **back** one hour on Sunday, November 6th, at 2:00 am.

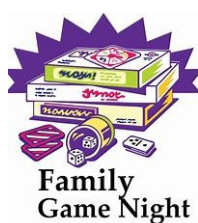


Family Game Night

Our next family game night will be at the church, Friday, November 4th at 6:30 pm..

Bring an "easy to eat and clean up" snack and one of your favorite games.

See ya then!!!



**Choose To Be
KIND.**

Many Are Facing Difficult Times,
Filled With Uncertainty And Sadness.
If You Can Add Joy To Someone's Life,
Do It, Because,
What You Give, You Receive!

It's The Circle Of Life



Altar Guild

If you are purchasing flowers for our altar, just a reminder, please use the Flower Fund envelopes from the Flower Chart bulletin board & place in the collection plate or drop off at the church office. The cost is \$35.00. If special flowers are requested, there may be an additional charge.

Please do not put flower payments in weekly offering envelope.

Flower Chart 2022

The flower chart for 2022 is **posted** on the wall in the Narthex by the church entrance. **NOTE:** Highlighted dates are those within the seasons of Lent or Advent. During these times, we refrain from placing flowers on the altar out of reverence to our Lord and Savior. However, you may still purchase flowers in memory or honor of a loved one or special event and have them in the **Narthex** as well as listed in the weekly notes.

If you have any questions, please contact Marsha Dunn or Linda Snyder.

Cancer Issues

Linda G., Carol Stocum's goddaughter

Ron W., Monica's brother

Sammi, friend of Dave & Linda

Michael, Lois' brother-in-law

Glenn, Lois' brother

Terri, Pat Allison's daughter

Monica Steele

Ed, friend of Dave & Linda

Mary, friend of Paul & Jane

Jackie, friend of Mark & Bernadette

Mary, Marty's mother

Brian, Marty & Terrie's former Pastor

Robin, Tim's sister

Kathy, Friend of Rose

Brian, Dale's father, Ethan's grandfather

Rev. John Kassouf

John, friend of Jack & Merilynn

Pastor Omar Krieger

Mike, Robbies's husband

Gary, Al's son

Flowers purchased to the glory of God for November 2022

November 6 ~ Given in honor of the birthday of Carol Boulet, by Norm Boulet

November 13 ~ Given in honor of the birthday of Sue Murray, by Kathy & Bob Orłowski.

November 20 ~ In memory of their parents, given by Nancy & Doc Rehm.

November 27 ~ In honor and thanksgiving for their 55th wedding anniversary, given by Merle & Theresa Falke.

For Healing

Julia, great-granddaughter of Al Stout

Jeannine, daughter of Camille

Verlene, sister of Myrle

Ron, Ed's Cousin

Phyllis, Les' sister

Nick, friend of Lois

Carol Boulet

Merle Falke

Mary Lee

Jerry Palmer

Steven Rehm

Carol Stocum

Theresa Zweigle

Al Stout

Norm Boulet

Theresa Falke

Karen McCarthy

Judy Palmer

Marty Reynolds

Bob & Myrle Rumsey

Eileen St. Clair



Prayer Requests

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Worship Schedule

Sundays—8:00 am & 10:30 am

Bible Study

Sunday Morning Bible Study	9:15 am
Tuesday Morning Bible Study	9:00 am
Wednesday Eve. Bible Study	On hiatus until 2023
Thursday Evening Women's Bible Study	6:30 pm

