

Our Saviour's & Balsamlund Lutheran Church; ELCA E-News



For November 24, 2024

DAILY BIBLE READINGS 11/24/24—11/30/24



SUNDAY Revelation 1:1-20
MONDAY Revelation 2:1-29
TUESDAY Revelation 3:1-22
WEDNESDAY Revelation 4:1-11
THURSDAY Revelation 5:1-14
FRIDAY Revelation 7:1-17
SATURDAY Revelation 19:1-10

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OSLC WEEKLY CALENDAR

11/24 Last Sunday after Pentecost – Lectionary 34

9am Worship
10am Fellowship and choir practice
10am Sunday School

11/27 Wednesday

9am Quilters
1-5pm, Janet Eckman SAM, in-office
No Confirmation
7pm Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service, Choir sings with piano by Marge Kinnunen.

11/28 Thursday, HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

12/1 First Sunday of Advent

9am Fellowship / Adult Choir Practice
9am Sunday School
10am Worship / Holy Communion

BALSAMLUND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

If you know of someone who would like a visitation, please let the office or Janet Eckman SAM know and we will accommodate the request in the best possible way.

Confirmation Classes are every 4th Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm-7:30pm in the church basement. ***The November 27th Confirmation Class is reset.

November 24, Sunday worship time is 10:30am, not 8:30. A Potluck will follow to celebrate Thanksgiving.

OSLC ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Fellowship Hall Reservations: Every first Sunday of the month, at 4pm, is reserved for the 4H; December 10, 10am-3pm for Homemaker's Club; December 28, 8am-4pm for private family function.

Stress-free giving is here! VANCO! It is an electronic automatic online offering method available to all who have a bank account. Simply fill out a form (ask Rita) along with a voided check and return it to the office to get processed. No cost to sign-up & forms are free. It's simple and efficient.

Calling all OSLC Adult Choir members! On Sundays, during Fellowship Hour, gather by the piano to practice for the upcoming Thanksgiving Eve (11/27) and Christmas Eve (12/24) special services.

November 24, Sunday worship will start at 9:00am instead of 10:00am. Sunday School will be at 10:00am instead of 9am, so will the adult choir practice and Fellowship Hour, they will begin at 10am.

November 27, Wednesday, Thanksgiving Eve service at 7:00pm. Special choir music is directed by Melanie Brockpahler. Accompaniment by Marge Kinnunen on the piano.

Operation Christmas Child is in full swing. There are 31 boys & girls to choose from this year. Help us to fulfill wish lists of needy Wadena County families this holiday. Please make your selection by taking a tag from the bulletin board near the office. It is important to have your gift wrapped or in a gift bag with your gift tag attached so we can see who it goes to. Please have your wrapped gifts to the office by December 10th. More importantly is to take an instruction sheet from the bulletin board when you make your selection.

Thank you to Doug and Cindy Schwartz for displaying the WELCA & Quilters Group handiworks in the church hallway. Nice job! Please take a walk down the hallway to view these beautifully handcrafted works of art.

December 15, Sunday, 10:00am, Sunday School Christmas Program. "Potluck" to follow.

Christ the King Sunday is on November 24th.

Children of God, whom do you follow?

We follow Christ, Ruler of us all.

Children of God, what kind of Ruler is Christ?

Christ reigns with love and truth, justice and mercy, compassion and peace.

Children of God, how will you live in the reign of Christ?

We will join Christ in choosing love, truth, justice, mercy, compassion, and peace even when our world tells us not to.

Children of God, come, let us worship God whose Love reigns over us, exemplified in Jesus Christ!

Come, let us worship! Thanks be to God. Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, August 2024.

Below is a prayer of confession.

Dear Lord: Hide your truth in our hearts, dear God, for we are a people who are attracted to the error of our ways. We make bad choices, O Lord. We find ourselves in predicaments that make us sigh and groan. We have brought upon ourselves many of the disasters that have come our way. We were not honest and truthful in all situations. We even try to hide from ourselves when we realize that we are responsible for our own mistakes. O Lord, do not remove yourself from us. Forgive us, we pray, for the many sins, wrongdoings, shortcomings, and lies. Fill us with your grace and blot out our transgressions. Give us genuine love for each other, we pray. We thank you for the assurance of your forgiveness through your Son, Jesus Christ. Hear us, we pray, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Written by T. Anne Daniel in The Africana Worship Book, Year B (Nashville: Discipleship Resources, 2007), 164.

In Faith,
Janet Eckman
Synod Authorized Minister