

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



For November 23, 2025

DAILY BIBLE READINGS 11/23/25—11/29/25

SUNDAY 2 Peter
MONDAY Deuteronomy 16-19
TUESDAY Ezra 6-10
WEDNESDAY Psalm 134-136
THURSDAY Ecclesiastics 7-8
FRIDAY Zechariah 8-14
SATURDAY Acts 17-18



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OSLC WEEKLY CALENDAR

11/23 Last Sunday after Pentecost—Christ is King

Lectionary 34

9am Fellowship

9am Sunday School

10am Worship

11/26 Wednesday

9am Quilters

1pm-5pm Janet Eckman SAM in-office

No confirmation class

6:30pm Thanksgiving Eve Worship

11/27 Thanksgiving Day!

11/30 First Sunday of Advent

9am Fellowship

9am Sunday School

10am Worship

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.

No Confirmation Class on November 27th. Class will resume December 3rd.

Sunday, November 23rd, you are encouraged to bring pie or dessert to share with others after worship to celebrate Thanksgiving.

November 24, Joint Council Meeting held at Balsamlund Lutheran Church in Aldrich @ 6pm.

OSLC ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Fellowship Hall Reservations: Every first Sunday of the month is reserved for the 4H at 4pm; Dec 9 10am-4pm for Homemaker's Club; December 13, an event from 2pm-4pm for Hilda Mary Schoon.

Important Message from Melanie Brockpahler, Director of the OSLC Adult Choir: Adult Choir will start practicing for the Christmas Eve service on Sunday 11/23/25 at 9:15am (or after you get your coffee and goodies)! We will meet at the piano. Hope to see some new faces and will be glad to see the old faithful ones as well!

November 26, Wednesday @ 6:30pm OSLC Thanksgiving Eve Worship

November 27, Thursday, Thanksgiving Day!

Wadena County Operation Christmas Child Program 2025 is in progress. See the bulletin board between offices for details! Thank you for those who have already signed up. Gift(s) deadline is Nov 16th. Please check it out!

November 24, Joint Council Meeting at Balsamlund in Aldrich @ 6pm. Rideshare available from OSLC at 5:15pm.

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I pulled this from a daily email I get from a site called Morning Inspirations written by Paul Boynton:

“Sometimes it’s the little things that stir the deepest gratitude in us:

a warm cup of coffee, a brief moment of sunshine on a cloudy day, an unexpected smile.

And when we remember that we can create those small moments for someone else, our ability to do good is set loose in the world. One tiny gesture can change someone’s whole day.”

This reflection reminded me why the small moments matter so much. They are the moments we often take for granted, yet they are the moments that become the heartbeat of our lives.

And they’re often the moments when we quietly say, “I love you,” without ever using those exact words:

“Put your seatbelt on.”

“Watch your step.”

“Did you eat?”

“Take some time to rest.”

“Watch out for deer.”

You have to listen to the **subtext**, because in a million different ways, we speak love through care, attention, and reminders that someone matters.

This Sunday, November 23rd, is **Christ the King Sunday**, and it reminds us that Jesus is a King who shows His love the same way—through His presence, His kindness, and His care:

He listens when we pray.

He forgives us when we mess up.

He promises to be with us every single day.

Some kings rule with power.

But Jesus rules with **love**.

He is our Beautiful Savior—our King who shows us love not only in grand miracles, but also in the small, quiet, everyday moments of grace.

In Faith,

Janet Eckman, SAM

