

# WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

**November 20 - 26**

### Who Is Jesus?

Jesus' true identity seems to remain a mystery for most of the disciples. Jesus can teach, preach, heal, cast out demons, challenge authority and more, but still they do not comprehend. You might say it is a case of mistaken identity as the disciples and other followers seem to be hoping to discover something very different from the real Jesus. It is the criminal executed with Jesus who in his dying desperation says, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." Clearly, the criminal has no other hope, still in this moment he acknowledges Jesus' true identity.

Modern followers of Jesus resemble those ancient followers in many ways. Everyone has their own image of Jesus, the gifts we want Jesus to bring us, the ways we want Jesus to fix those things in our lives that cause pain or suffering. In our anxiety we want Jesus to be our magical savior. It can be frustrating when we discover a very different Jesus. Instead of one who fixes everything in an instant, Jesus is the one who walks with us through the darkest valleys. Jesus is the one who calls us to lives of service—and again and again as we care for the needs of others we discover the face of Jesus himself in the lost, the last, and the least.

Our sin gets in the way, yet those who profess Jesus as Christ the King—the one in whom the fullness of God was pleased to dwell—are forever seeking to be clear in heart, mind, and soul about the true nature of his identity, and how we can share that identity with others.

**THIS WEEKS TEXTS**

Jeremiah 23:1-6  
 Psalm 46  
 Colossians 1:11-20  
 Luke 23:33-43

**NEXT WEEKS TEXTS**

Isaiah 2:1-5  
 Psalm 122  
 Romans 13:11-14  
 Matthew 24:36-44

**Each week we will lift up five church families/members in prayer.**

**THIS WEEK WE WILL PRAY FOR:** Jeff, Erin, Nora and Gracie Pederson, Marilyn Pederson, Scott, Carlynn, Will, Marshall and Max Pederson, Gayle, Mateo and Jurnee Pena, Donald, DeAnn, and Monica Peterson

**This week the following members will be celebrating their birthdays and we would like to wish them a HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!** Please call the office if you have an upcoming birthday, to ensure we have it in our records. 641.592.1771

20-Justin Benjegerdes

20-Ashley Linquist

21-Alan Skellenger

22-Jayce Roy

23-Marci Adeogun

23-Logan Helland

23-Mark Smeby

23-Faith Crail

23-Weston Helgeson

24-Andrew Aukes

24-Kari Osheim

24-Levi Dahle

25-Theresa Storby

25-Taryn Wempen

25-Kaitlyn Anderson

25-Calvin Nelson

**-WEEKLY GIVING-**

**LAST SUNDAY:** 11/13/22      \$ 3,782

**YEAR-TO-DATE:** 11/17/22      \$ 182,536

**LAST YEAR:** as of 11/17/21      \$ 201,080

**DIFFERENCE YEAR TO DATE:**      \$ - 18,544

**Mission Quilters** had another great year thanks to your contributions and time. In 2022 they sent a total of 212 quilts, 123 health kits, 145 school kits and 95 baby care kits to Lutheran World Relief. They also sent 31 quilts to Mason City Salvation Army.

**Toys for Tots:** There is a donation box across from the Chapel if anyone would like to make a donation. Toys are to be new and unwrapped. The last day to donate will be Sunday, **December 11th.**

**Thanksgiving Eve Worship** Service will be in the Chapel at 7pm; Wed. Nov. 23rd

**Lake Mills Community Thanksgiving Meal – November 24th:** 11:00am-12:30pm. Asbury United Methodist Church, Lake Mills. A free ready-to-eat turkey dinner with all the trimmings and pumpkin pie will be pre-packaged for curbside pickup or you can eat in the fellowship hall. Donations will be accepted, but not required. People are encouraged to request the number of meals needed by calling 641-592-5742 or 641-592-3389 by Thursday, November 17th.

**Hanging Of The Greens:** We are looking for volunteers to help decorate the sanctuary on Saturday, November 26th at 9:00am. Please join us!!!

**There will be No Faith Formation or Confirmation class on November 27th.**

**Updates:** If your phone number or address has changed and you forgot to notify the church, please contact Marci in the office and let her know so that she can update your information before printing the annual yearbook. It is important to let the office know your current information so that you can be reached.

**Lake Mills Clothes For Kids:** *Let's clothe OUR children. Donations will be distributed throughout the Lake Mills Community School District to children ages birth to 18. Pick a Christmas Tag (with a child's needs/sizes on it) from the electronic sign-up or the tree at Salem (if we run out of tags, we will publish other locations where they can be picked up). Both electronic and physical tags will be available starting **November 20th**. For electronic sign-up go to: [tinyurl.com/LMClothesForKids](https://tinyurl.com/LMClothesForKids) Purchase the items on the child's tag, wrap in one box, attach the original tag to the gift, and deliver/return them to Salem by **Sunday, December 11th**. Once again, this year each child's requests have been divided into two tags. One for clothing and the other for shoes and socks. *Cash donations are accepted at the banks or send to the LMCS Nurse's Office, 102 S 4th Avenue E, Lake Mills, IA 50450 Questions: [LMClothesForKids@gmail.com](mailto:LMClothesForKids@gmail.com)**

**Live Stream Sponsorship:** Call the office to reserve your special date. Cost is \$40.  
**2023 Dates available:** Jan. 1, Jan. 15, Jan. 22, Jan. 29, March 12, March 26, April 16, April 30, May 7, June 11, June 18, July 9, July 16, July 23, July 30, Aug. 6, Aug. 13, Aug. 20, Sept. 3, Sept. 17, Oct. 8, Oct. 15, Oct. 22, Oct. 29, Nov. 5, Nov. 12, Nov. 19, Dec. 10, Dec. 31

# Thanksgiving Word Scramble



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12. eremnbob \_\_\_\_\_
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14. dessret \_\_\_\_\_
15. ngstufif \_\_\_\_\_
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17. efats \_\_\_\_\_
18. rgavy \_\_\_\_\_
19. nnasidi \_\_\_\_\_
20. rbeda \_\_\_\_\_

**Blood Drive Results** from November 10th:  
43 Donors, 47 Pints collected, 141 Lives Saved

**Fellowship Breakfast** is scheduled for Friday, December 2nd; 8:00am – 10:00am in the lounge, across from the office. Everyone is welcome! Breakfast will be served until the food runs out or 10:00am, whichever comes sooner. Breakfast is free. Donations collected will go towards youth activities.

**Volunteers Needed:** If you are willing to usher, acolyte, read or sing in the liturgical choir, please sign up in the Narthex. If you would like to learn how to help with sound, monitors or live stream, call the office. Thank you!

**Collections:** We collect used stamps, pop tabs, eye glasses and receipts from David's Marketplace. The WELCA group receives 1 tenth of 1% of all receipts collected. This can really add up and help. They ask that receipts do not get rolled up. Collection baskets are in the Narthex.

**Pastoral Visits:** If you or someone you know would like a visit from Pastor Joel, please call the office to make an appointment. 641.592.1771

**Salem Office: 641.592.1771**

Mon-Wed: 10am-5pm

Thurs-Fri: Holiday

**Pastor Joel Guttormson**

Mon: Off, but on-call

Tues: 10am-Noon, 1pm-5pm (2:30pm Text Study)

Wed: Noon-8:00pm (10am Adult Bible Study,  
1:30pm Mills Harbour, 2:30pm Care Center, 7pm Worship Service)

Thurs: Noon-8pm (Holiday)

Fri: 8am-Noon, 1pm-5pm (Holiday)

Sat: 10am-Noon (service prep)

Sun: 8am-Noon (9am Worship)

# Thanksgiving Word Scramble

Unscramble the Thanksgiving words and then use the highlighted letters to form the secret message. You will have to unscramble the message as well.

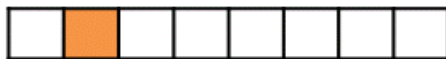
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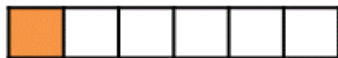
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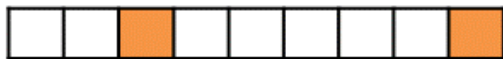
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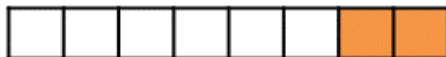
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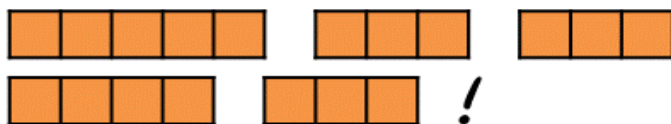
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HOW MANY WORDS CAN YOU MAKE  
USING THE LETTERS FOUND IN

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All are invited downstairs after the worship service for fellowship, coffee and a sweet treat. Fellowship is great opportunity to connect with others while students attend Faith Formation & Confirmation.

### **SUNDAY 11/20**

9:00am Worship Service-Sanctuary  
 10:00am Fellowship-Fellowship Hall  
 10:00am Faith Formation-Chapel  
 10:00am Confirmation-Youth Room

### **MONDAY 11/21**

2:00pm-4:00pm Clothes Closet is OPEN (To schedule a different time, call 592.5085)  
 2:30pm-5:00pm Lake Mills Food Shelf is OPEN (101 S. Mill St.)  
 3:15pm Daisies-Room 2  
 6:30pm Quilt Club-Fellowship Hall

### **WEDNESDAY 11/23**

10:00am Adult Bible Study-Fellowship Hall  
 1:30pm Mills Harbour Communion Service  
 2:30pm Lake Mills Care Center Communion Service  
 7:00pm Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service-Chapel

### **SATURDAY 11/26**

9:00am Hanging of the Greens-Sanctuary

### **SUNDAY 11/27**

9:00am Worship Service-Sanctuary  
 10:00am Fellowship-Fellowship Hall

