



The Pacific Hills Messenger

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“Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks to the Holy One. Give thanks because He’s given Jesus Christ, His Son...”

At Lamb of God Preschool we’ve spent the month of November talking about gratitude and what it means to be thankful. We have so many wonderful people in our lives and abundant food and physical blessings. And, most especially, we have the gift of God’s Son, our Savior, Jesus.

We thank everyone who has supported Lamb of God Preschool this past year with their generous contributions. We are grateful for you.

My prayer is that you have had a joyous Thanksgiving, celebrating the amazing blessings that our gracious Lord has given.

Kay Storck
Lamb of God Preschool Director/Teacher

Church Events

Sunday	8:00am	Eucharist
	9:15am	Choir
	9:15am	Education Hour
	10:30am	Eucharist
	11:30am	CYF Board
Monday	6:30pm	Quilters
Tuesday	9:00am	Tai Chi
	9:30am	Alanon
	4:30am	Siena Francis House
Wednesday		No Preschool
	9:30am	Eucharist
	10:00am	Fellowship
	7:00pm	Worship
Thursday		Happy Thanksgiving Day
	7:00pm	Gamblers-12 Step
Friday		Church Office Closed
		No Preschool
	7:30pm	Omaha Philatelic Society
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	9:15am	Choir
	9:15am	Education Hour
	10:30am	Eucharist
	11:30am	Outreach Board

Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Randy and Joan Workman in thankfulness for the many blessings of family and friends.

Missionaries Coming to Pacific Hills: Pastor Matthew Wood, who is currently serving in Indonesia, will be preaching and leading a presentation during the Adult Bible Class hour on Sunday, November 18. Cheryl Naumann, who is serving alongside her husband in the Dominican Republic, will attend our Wednesday morning Eucharist on November 28 and will give a presentation following the morning Eucharist service.

November 25 – Christ the King Sunday
(Last Sunday of the Church Year)

Our Mid-Week Advent Services

Advent Blues

The church uses various colors to mark the different seasons of the church year. Advent is no different. The color for the season is blue and during this season we give voice to the longing of our hearts for Jesus to come. The cry of God's people throughout the ages has been, "Come, Lord Jesus, Come!" During the Advent Season we celebrate Jesus who was promised to come, who did come, and who will come again as our Prophet, Priest and King. The pageantry of our "Advent Blues" visually points us to the one who is pure and royal.

Join us each week during Advent (2pm and 7pm) as we examine the royalty of Christ.

December 5th -- Singing the Blues: Jesus as Prophet
(Luke 7:16–17)

December 12th -- Blue Ribbon: Jesus as Priest
(Hebrews 5:5–10)

December 19th -- Blue Blood: Jesus as King
(Luke 23:1–3; John 18:36–37)

This month the Missions and Social Ministry Board invites you to collect items for members of our armed forces. We are collecting for **Operation: Care and Comfort** which sends care packages to deployed troops. We would like to collect requested items. Please take list from the display in the narthex, and help us Serve Others who serve.

If you would like to purchase a **Christmas Poinsettia**, please fill out an order form located in the church narthex and return the form to the church office (with your check payable to Pacific Hills Lutheran Church in the amount of \$7.75 per plant). The deadline for orders is November 18. You may also call the church office to place your order. You may take your poinsettia home after the service on Christmas morning, December 25.

We have Pacific Hills coffee mugs! The 14 oz. mugs will be on sale for \$5 each in the narthex after each service Sunday. The money will go into the Outreach Board's account for future outreach efforts, such as the mailing Pastor Drebes sent out earlier this year to the neighborhood around the church. We'll also give some to visitors. Check them out!

The Bible Verse of the Week

"See that no one leads you astray."

Matthew 13:56

Voices of Omaha presents its 50th performance of **Handel's "Messiah."** Sunday, November 18, at the Holland Performing Arts Center, 3pm to 5pm. This concert is free and open to the public – no ticket required.

Join Pastor and Cheryl for ... Marriage Date Night A Night of Laughter & Music

Featuring Leland Klassen, Comedian

Amberly Neese, Comedian & Author

Jonny Diaz, Recording Artist

Where: Bethany Lutheran, Elkhorn

When: Saturday, November 17th

Show, 6pm

GA Doors, 5:30pm

VIP Doors, 5pm

Purchase Tickets at <https://www.bethanyelkhorn.org/adults/marriage-ministry-events>

Events of Other Congregations and Agencies

The members of Hope Lutheran Church are pleased to invite you to join them on November 25, at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 5020 Grand Avenue at 3pm as they celebrate the **installation of their new Pastor John Deang**. Your presence will make this event a memorable experience for Pastor Deang and Hope Lutheran. A reception will immediately follow the service.

Parents Night Out

Looking for a kids-free night to Christmas shop or have a date night? Concordia **National Spanish Honor Society** has a great and affordable option for you! On **December 7, January 18 and February 8**, they will be hosting **Parents Night Out** at Concordia Jr.-Sr. High School ([15656 Fort St. Omaha, NE 68116](https://www.concordia.edu/15656_Fort_St_Omaha_NE_68116)) from **5:00-9:00pm**. Drop your kids off for a fun night full of games, movies, devotions, and snacks. A minimum donation of \$20 per family is encouraged for the service, which helps NSHS members raise funds for their mission trip to **Puerto Rico** in summer 2019.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH WITH FELLOW LUTHERANS:

- **JOURNEYS OF THE APOSTLE PAUL TOUR** – Athens, Corinth, Philippi, Thessalonica, Berea, Ephesus, Patmos, with a 3-day cruise of Greek Islands included (April 27 - May 7, 2019)
- **LUTHERLAND TOUR** – Visiting all the Luther sites from Berlin to Wittenberg to Augsburg + The Passion Play at Oberammergau (June 28 – July 8, 2020) Contact Pastor Darold Reiner, Retired LCMS Pastor/ Former International LWML Counselor, for a brochure & information: 406-890-1149 or imhis38@gmail.com