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## FOR ALL THE SAINTS

*Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup>looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God. Hebrews 12:1-2*

For Lutherans, the first Sunday in November is a day that we set aside to celebrate the festival of All Saints. It is a day of celebration of God's work in and through you and me who stand right along with all the saints of the past and present.

When we think of saints, Peter, Paul, Mary Magdalene, Barnabas, Lydia, Tabitha, Origen, Irenaeus, Martin Luther, Philip Melachthon, Billy Graham, Sister Teresa and so many others come to mind. But it is important to remember that a saint is also the person next to you at the communion rail. Because, according to our Lutheran understanding, God is not done creating. That means, God is not done with me or with you. Saints in our Lutheran tradition include every single Christian, because we see our life as a journey that includes surprising grace and daily renewal, not perfection.

You are a saint. You were joined to a journey, a journey with Jesus, where you are learning to provide glimpses of God's goodness and love to your neighbor. And you will live out this "saintliness" in your own way, and often you will find that it doesn't always look like someone else's way. For, you were given a mind and talents; gifts that God is proud to have you use in your own unique way to bless others.

So, when you are at church on All Saints Sunday, remember that you are an important part of God's mission for this world. But also remember that you are standing among people – saints who are also on the journey with you. And also remember, that the journey that you travel with the other faithful, has also been trod by those before you.

God's blessings to you and all the saints,

Pastor Carl

# November 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 9:00 am Quilting/Prayer Shawls	3 6:00 pm Bible Study	4	5	6
7 9:00 am Worship Svc w/Holy Communion 10:00 am Fellowship 10:00 am Sunday School  Pastor Chris	8	9 9:00 am Quilting/Prayer Shawls	10 6:00 pm Bible Study	11	12	13
14 9:00 am Worship Svc w/Holy Communion 10:00 am Fellowship 10:00 am Confirmation Class Pastor Carl	15	16 9:00 am Quilting/Prayer Shawls  6:00 pm Church Council Mtg	17 6:00 pm Bible Study	18	19	20
21 9:00 am Worship Svc 10:00 am Fellowship 10:00 am Sunday School  Pastor Chris	22	23 9:00 am Quilting/Prayer Shawls	24 7:00 pm Thanksgiving Eve Service	25   Thanksgiving	26	27
28 9:00 am Worship Svc 10:00 am Fellowship 10:00 am Confirmation Class Food Shelf Sunday Pastor Carl	29	30 9:00 am Quilting/Prayer Shawls				

## November 2021

Team Oberton: Gary & Susan Oberton, Bill & Linda Bates, Marilyn Mueller, David & Maggie Peterson, Dave & Sharon Cina, Kathy Wray, Doug & Jackie Wiherski, Jim & Elizabeth Oberton, Gary & Tracy Statema

## December 2021

Team Bueckers: Norb & Jan Bueckers, Ken & Judy Shorter, Lonnie & Shauna Stokes, Roxie Flicek, Cory & Tracy Natvig, Charlie & Anna Hansen, John & Phyllis Nelson, Don & Heddie Wolbeck, Wade & Kayla Sandbakken



Nov 1st Gary & Pam Bellamy  
Nov 1st David & Maggie Petersen

Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> Bruce Ford  
Nov 10<sup>th</sup> Darlene Molde  
Nov 13<sup>th</sup> Ken Shorter  
Nov 21<sup>st</sup> Sandy Bjorge  
Nov 22<sup>nd</sup> Morgan Statema  
Nov 24<sup>th</sup> Emily Oberton  
Nov 24<sup>th</sup> Gary Statema  
Nov 28<sup>th</sup> John Nelson

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Baptism of Everleigh Mae Frank on October 24, 2021. Parents are Andy and Kourtney Frank

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Bethany's Church Council would like to remind people of the electronic giving option. Just as many of us already use direct deposit and online automatic payments for our household bills, this service allows our intended weekly and monthly offerings to get where they need to be to allow our church to continue to operate. Best of all, once your automatic deduction is made, the financial secretary and treasurer record it for you – you don't have to do anything else! If an online option just isn't right for you, that's okay too. You can mail in your regular offering to PO Box 37, Cushing, MN 56443. Thank you for supporting Bethany and the community we've all worked so hard to nurture.

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If you have any problems or questions, please call Wendy Richmond at 320-360-1981.