

Please pray for...

Our Church Family: Week of 11/10/25 Rosemarie Conklin 11/3/25 Vic Larson, Dagney Scheelk 10/28/25 Paula Wiedewitsch 10/21/25 Joanne Donaldson 10/9/25 Ronette Rogus, 10/7/25 Cindy Ezell, Laura Hauert



Our friends and relatives: Week of: 11/10/25 The Wagner Family, Steve Champ 11/3/25 for children suffering around the world, the victims of Hurricane Melissa, Agnes Salentnik, Teresa Parsons, Frand and Kathryn Ritt, Mary Roberts 10/27/25 family of Maryanne Donohue, family of Irene Johnson, Rachel Stanton, Stacey Eumecin, Roberto Pineda 10/20/25 Ellenjane Flesher, Daniel Bergemann, Amy Newberry, Mick & Diane Huber, Joe & Juanita Chacon, Teresa Cornell, Kate Bridget, Dale Schmitt

Ongoing church family, friends and relatives: Darlene Foster, Mary Lou Burke, Kaitlin Burke, Jim MacDonald, Annette Morden, Helen Higgins Kline, Jenny Carangelo-Rule, Scott and Peggy Torgerson, Bill Lotito, Marilyn Johnson, Phyllis Friedmann, Bill Rose, Courtney Adams, JoAnne Coe, Susan Leroux, Dick Vercruysse, Lori Allen, Diane Massa, Jackie Walsh, Ed Palmer, Joan Forreidor, Sharon Faulkner, Doreen Panyard, Mona Argentini, Larry Thomas, Jon Dickey, Margot Simmons, Karen Smith, Piper Jandola, Margo Kiepert

Please also pray for our Homebound members, Ministry of Faith Preparatory School, Ministry of Tender Hearts, Ministry of Blue Butterfly Hospice, all who serve in the military and their families, all law enforcement officers and first responders and their families.



November 16, 2025

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THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY
AFTER
PENTECOST

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! We are glad YOU are here!

Are You a Visitor or Guest? We welcome you in the name of our risen Savior and we rejoice that you are here today to praise God with us. Please complete a **CONNECTION CARD** in your pew. Either place it in the offering plate or give it to one of our pastors so we can serve you better.

Holy Communion—We believe that Christ is present in this meal freely given to all who are baptized. Please approach the altar as directed. Receive the host and then dip the host (*gluten free wafers are available for the asking*) into either the red wine or the white grape juice and eat, or place the host in your mouth then pick up a cup of either the red wine or the white grape juice and drink. Deposit your empty cup in the basket at the end of the line. All children are invited to come forward for a blessing if they do not normally receive communion. Return to your seat (or pause at the altar) for a time of prayer. If you are unable to come to the altar and would like communion in your pew, please let an usher or a pastor know.

Large Print Service Slide Binders—do you have trouble seeing the screens? We do have the slides printed in a binder for those who need it. Please ask an usher by the sanctuary doors for the binder, then return it at the end of worship.

Hearing Assistance – To connect to the sound system, please download the AUDIOFETCH app, (see barcode) and connect to the **audio-fetchexpress** wifi on your cellphone. Refer all questions to Phil Deel.



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SUNDAY STAR

Volunteers

TODAY'S 9:00am SERVICE VOLUNTEERS:

GREETERS: Dave and Fran Kern **BULLETINS:**

READER: Jorja Knollenberg

Acolyte : Tobias Knollenberg

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Dale Meyer, Rita Meyer, Mandy & Nathan Knollenberg, Jennifer Fischer

TODAY'S 10:45am SERVICE VOLUNTEERS:

GREETER: Jane Anderson **BULLETINS:** Jim Anderson

READER: Marianne Click

OFFERING: Richard Schnur, Major Hatchell

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Corrye Hatchell, Diane Boettcher, Richard Schnur, Lorrie Kobliska

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS: Early: Ruth Ann Wick Late: Joyce Holdrich

FLOWER DELIVERY TO HOMEBOUND: Patricia Morgan

SIGN-UP SHEETS FOR NEXT WEEK ARE POSTED IN THE NARTHEX

TODAY'S WORSHIP:

Our services are projected on the screens—The congregation responds with the **bold, black** print.

BIBLE READING: Isaiah 9:1-7; John 8:12-15

10:45 HYMNS - OPENING: ELW 521 **SERMON:** ELW 715 **SENDING:** ELW 434

Church Council Members

You can recognize a church council member by their "YELLOW" nametag.

President –Theda Bunker, Vice-President-Phil Deel,

Secretary-Jeanne Gaston, Treasurer-Shawn Hernandez.

At large: Beau Beaudine, Mike Felt, Richard Schnur, Jan Schroeder, Lisa Mohr, Mandy Knollenberg

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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Monday—Nov 17

9:00a—Food Pantry

Tuesday—Nov 18

10:00a—Bible Study

Wednesday—Nov 19

9:00a—Food Pantry

2:00p—Council Meeting

6:30p—Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday - Nov 20

9:00a—Quilters

9:00a—Men's Breakfast

11:00a—Joyful Ringes Handbell Practice

5:30p—Trinity's Praise

Friday—Nov 21

Office Closed

Saturday – Nov 22

Office Closed

10:00a—2 Piano Practice

Sunday - Nov 23

9:00a—Celebration Service

9:15a—Let's Talk

9:45 Sunday School

10:45a—Traditional Service

Our Financial Stewardship

DONATIONS YTD: Actual vs
needed (000s)

OCT Actual \$464.6

Needed \$493.3

Over/(Under) (\$ 28.7)

ACTUAL NET YTD:

OCT 25 (\$27.2)

OCT 24 \$17.6

Diff: (\$44.8)

15 year Mortgage
on 1/1/25 \$213.3
on 9/30/25 \$ 93.9
Reduction \$119.4



In-person Attendance

Nov. 9, 2025— 260

Last year 2024— 310



Today's altar flowers are presented by

Rosemarie Conklin

In loving memory of her husband

John

Today's communion wine is presented by

Rosemarie Conklin

In loving memory of her husband

John



Today's altar flowers are presented by

Patricia Morgan

In celebration of her birthday!

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Nov 17— Dana Johnson
Matt Taylor
Maureen Taylor
Nov 18— Barb Moore
Nov 19— Bob Magnuson
Roselyn Warren
Nov 20— Isla Wild
Nov 22— Lisa Snedegar



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



YOU'LL KNOW
YOU'RE A
GROWN-UP...
WHEN YOUR
BIRTHDAY
CARDS NO
LONGER COME
WITH MONEY.

Council Highlights from October 2025

MOTION To accept the minutes from September 2025, was carried.

OLD BUSINESS: 1. Sign—**MOTION** was made to replace card in electric sign for \$3300, was carried. After discussion, **MOTION** was made to repair the electronic components in the sign for a cost of \$20,000 (which overrides original motion of \$3300). This was carried. 2. Drainage issue from courtyard resolved. Phil will work on solution for drainage issue in back of church.

FINANCE: Committee reports donations down. Committee provided a proposed spending plan for 2026 which the council members will review for the next meeting and approved for the Fall Congregation meeting on 12/7/2025.

PROPERTY: A. Pastor Ken and Phil will review companies that will power wash the steeple.

MUTUAL MINISTRY: No report

PASTORS' TIME: Pastor Ken provided a bible study.

YOUR INPUT: THOUGHTS, CONCERNS, WHAT ARE YOU HEARING FROM THE CONGREGATION— There was a concern about a logo on a shirt of one of the Sunday readers. Pastors will remind readers of the need to dress appropriately.

NEW BUSINESS: MOTION to hire Boyd Security Group to do a threat assessment of the church at a cost of \$600, was carried.

CORRESPONDENCES: none.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS: The Altar Guild, Steve Erlenback for cooking meals for various church functions. **Next meeting—11/19/2025**



Celebrating its 75th anniversary, **Lutheran World Relief** was officially founded in 1945 as Lutherans in the United States began responding to the refugee crisis in post-World War II Europe by sending food, clothing and quilts. By the end of the decade, LWR was also sending relief aid to those affected by conflicts in Palestine, Hong Kong, Korea, and Bangladesh. In the 1960s and 1970s, LWR began working in agriculture and with farming cooperatives to increase rural incomes and food security in the developing world, eventually changing its articles of incorporation to reflect its work in international development.

In the 1980s, famine in Africa made international headlines,

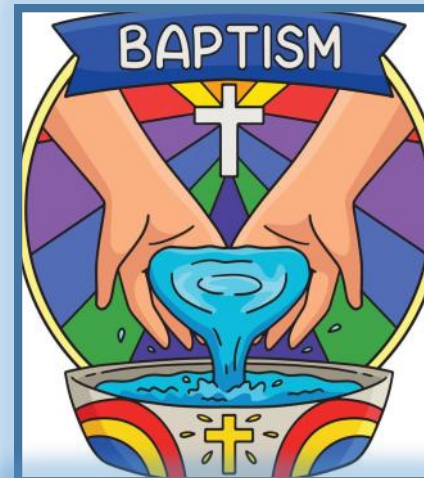
especially the plight of people in Ethiopia. In response, LWR shipped 5,000 tons of wheat to northern Ethiopia and also opened a regional office in West Africa. **Mission Quilts** were one of the earliest forms of aid that Lutherans sent through LWR to reach out to people in other parts of the world. In 2016, LWR sent \$14 million worth of quilts and kits to more than 576,000 people in 21 different countries.

When she was a little girl, Mary Ann Kraft remembers LWR, “My church in Michigan sent boxes home with their members to fill. In among warm winter coats and blankets, I stashed one of my dolls because there was a girl in Germany who needed one.” As an adult she says, “Our own members are the hands and feet of Jesus as they make quilts and school kits each year.”

Source: Lutheran World Relief - Wikipedia, p.1 ; M. A. Kraft



The Fall Congregation meeting will be held (as per the constitution) on **Sunday, 12/7/2025 at 10:10am.** At this meeting, we will be electing members to leadership positions and voting on the 2026 Spending Plan.



Blessings today to

Lief Orion Glabe

on his

Baptism

**AND TO THE ENTIRE
GLABE FAMILY**



Tuesdays @ 10am



November

**Food
Pantry**

**For November we need CANNED
SOUPS (with flip tops), JELLY (PLASTIC)
and CANNED FRUIT. Thank you!**

Quilting every Thursday@
9:00am



We will be decorating the church for Christmas. Pastries and
Coffee will be served to all workers.

Wednesday, December 3, 2025

9:00 AM





[Chuck Colson](#) was once known as President Nixon’s “hatchet man,” involved in the infamous Watergate scandal. After being sentenced to prison, Colson experienced a profound spiritual transformation. While in prison, he gave his life to Christ and founded Prison Fellowship, one of the world’s largest outreach programs for prisoners, ex-prisoners, and their families. His story is a remarkable testimony to how God can use even the most broken moments in our lives to lead us to a greater calling.

Source: [faithit.com](#)



1. “Give me an understanding heart so that I can govern your people well and know the difference between right and wrong.”
A: King David B: King Solomon C: King Uzziah D: King Hezekiah
- 2.. “For this is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says: There will always be flour and olive oil left in your containers until the time when the Lord sends rain and the crops grow again!”
A: Elijah B: Elisha C: Ezekiel D: Isaiah
- 3.. “The Lord isn’t really being slow about his promise, as some people think. No, he is being patient for your sake. He does not want anyone to be destroyed, but wants everyone to repent.”
A: Ezekiel B: Peter C: Isaiah D: Paul
- 4.. “Don’t ask me to leave you and turn back. Wherever you go, I will go; wherever you live, I will live.”
A: Naomi B: Ruth C: Gomer D: Euodia



1. King Solomon—1 Kings 3:9
2. Elijah—1 Kings 17:14
3. Peter—2 Peter 3:9
4. Ruth—Ruth 1:16

The Oak Tree by Johnny Ray Ryder Jr.

*A mighty wind blew night and day.
It stole the Oak Tree’s leaves away.
Then snapped its boughs
and pulled its bark
until the Oak was tired and stark.*

*But still the Oak Tree held its ground
while other trees fell all around.
The weary wind gave up and spoke,
"How can you still be standing Oak?"*

*The Oak Tree said, I know that you
can break each branch of mine in two,
carry every leaf away,
shake my limbs and make me sway.*

*But I have roots stretched in the earth,
growing stronger since my birth.
You’ll never touch them, for you see
they are the deepest part of me.*

*Until today, I wasn’t sure
of just how much I could endure.
But now I’ve found with thanks to you,
I’m stronger than I ever knew.*

SNACKS are being collected for the Back Pack Kidz at Port Charlotte High School.

Thank you!



I'm not afraid of aging...
I'm afraid of stairs, tiny print, and chairs that sit too low!



Classroom E—9:15am

Always remember...
The greatest gift you can ever receive is not found in the shops or under your Christmas tree. It is found in the hearts of your family and friends.



Angel Tree

The tree will be up in the narthex on **November 30th** with over 60 children & youth provided by *Lutheran Services of Florida* and that our HTLC family is blessed to ‘adopt’ for Christmas. Gifts will be accepted up to December 14th.
Thank you!



New Signup Sheets for 2026

- Altar flowers,
 - Communion wine
 - Coffee hour helpers
- are now in the Narthex.

