

NOVEMBER  
2017

# "Dose of Wisdom"

Here we are to November already! This is a month where we look at the blessings we have and give thanks to God for those blessings. November is also the month in the Divine Service lectionary where we focus on the end of the world or Judgment Day. This is because the end of the Church Year is the Sunday before Advent begins. So with Advent there is a new Church Year. We will switch from Series A to Series B in the Lectionary Readings beginning the last Sunday in November. This means we will shift the focus from the Gospel of Matthew to the Gospel of Mark. I tend to get a bit excited for Series B as Mark is my favorite Gospel to read and study. Things happen very quickly in the Gospel of Mark. The Greek word for "immediately" is used many times over in this Gospel. Mark makes quick work of Jesus' ministry and life, suffering, death, resurrection, and ascension. His is the shortest of the four Gospels.

Now getting back to November we focus on the Apostles' Creed during November in Catechesis. We look at the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Articles and what they mean. We look at Jesus, the Son of God and His work of redemption in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Article. Then we look at the third person of the Trinity, the Holy Spirit and His work of sanctification. Redemption in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Article means Jesus has bought us back to Himself. He paid the price, the ransom for us to be released from Satan's bondage. The ransom Jesus paid was His blood shed on the cross for you me and you. Now we can serve Him in righteousness, innocence, and blessedness. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Article as we look at in November will deal with the Holy Spirit working on our behalf to create and sustain faith, as this is what sanctification means. It means the Holy Spirit is working in our lives through the Word and the Sacraments. The Holy Spirit never wants the spotlight to be put on Him, but always directs our attention to Jesus. His life, death, and resurrection are everything to us and for us. This is how the Holy Spirit wants it to be. The Holy Spirit helps us to live out our faith in good works toward our neighbor. Our neighbor is anyone who is outside of us and is need of good works from us.

In all that we do in November, let us remember to give thanks to God for providing for our every need. In the Old Testament Reading for the Thanksgiving service the Israelites are reminded in Deuteronomy 8 the Lord provided for their every need in the 40 years they were wandering in the wilderness. So we also need to see the Lord's provision in our lives as He has led us through so many wanderings and journeys in our lifetime. We give thanks to God for His grace and blessings in our lives this November and always.

Blessings in Christ,  
Pastor Dose

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

ZION PROCLAIMER

# LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

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## LADIES AID:

The Ladies Aid will be meeting on Thursday, November 2nd at 1:30 pm at Orchard View in Carroll. Hostess will be Pat Branning. Christian Life will be led by Pat Branning. Election of officers will be held (Vice-President & Secretary)

## EVENING CIRCLE

The Evening Circle will be having their monthly meeting at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, November 1st at the home of Donna Rickers with Cathy Meyer as Co-Hostess election of officers Vice-President & Secretary) and also have the 2018 sign up sheets for circles and hostesses.

## CHANCEL & PARISH HELP NEEDED

In November the calendar for 2018 circles will be set up. Because of declining numbers in the Ladies Aid and the Evening Circle it has become necessary for additional help filling these circles.

This is a great opportunity for you to help out. You would be serving with at least 1 other person for one month. services. If you would be willing to help out, please contact Betty Nobiling or Carm Thiedeman, Presidents of our circles or the church office.

**CHANCEL DUTIES:** Clean communion ware after each communion service; provide or place flowers on the altar for services; change altar paraments as necessary.

**PARISCH CIRCLE:** Fold bulletins for each service

## **NOVEMBER**

Chancel:	Cathy Meyer Nikki Lenz
Parish:	Cathy Meyer Deb Owen
Martha	Phyllis Kuhl Darleen Linde



The following members were elected to serve on the 2018 Church Council:

PRESIDENT:	Al Hunter
VICE-PRESIDENT	Doug Gronau
SECRETARY:	Tammy Leiting
TREASURER:	Deb Wittrock
TRUSTEE::	Curtis Ehlers
ELDERS	Doug Ehlers & Ryan Neumann
BD STEWARDSHIP	Dan Wittrock
BD EDUCATION:	Stacie Muhlbauer
FINANCIAL SEC:	Randy Bruhn

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# Harvest Supper

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*The annual harvest Supper will be held on Sunday, November 5th at the Arcadia American Legion Hall. Serving will be from 4:00-7:00 pm. The menu consists of Turkey with all of the trimmings.*

*The cost of the dinner is: \$10.00 for adults; children 5-11 yrs of age \$5 and preschool is free. Take outs are also available.*



NOVEMBER 5, 2017

4:00-7:00 PM

## Honor our veterans

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Veterans Day, which is November 11 each year, is a holiday to honor America's veterans for their patriotism and willingness to serve and sacrifice for our nation's common good.

Christians follow the Prince of Peace, so war is a dilemma that often challenges people of faith. Some Christians are pacifists, while others believe in a "just war." Many believe that the goals of freedom, justice, equality and democracy are worth the cost required.

Whatever individual Christians decide about any given conflict, most Christians believe that men and women who strive to make this world free of tyrants are to be respected. As Winston Churchill said, "Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few."

Thank you to all the men and women who served or are now serving our country.

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### COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS

Count your blessings instead of your crosses;  
Count your gains instead of your losses.

Count your joys instead of your woes;  
Count your friends instead of your foes.

Count your smiles instead of your tears;  
Count your courage instead of your fears.

Count your full years instead of your lean;  
Count your kind deeds instead of your mean.

Count your health instead of your wealth;  
Count on God instead of yourself.



## THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE

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*Prayer &  
Thanksgiving*



You are cordially invited to join us on Wednesday, November 22nd at 6:30 pm for a special worship service of Thanksgiving and praise to God for the many blessings He has given us throughout the year. We will be celebrating Holy Communion.

What  
ARE ..... You  
Thankful  
for?

## FOOD PANTRY IN-GATHERING

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We will be having a food in-gathering for the Food Pantry's in Carroll, on Sunday, November 12th during our Worship service. Items needed are: canned fruit, soup, crackers, cereal, canned tomatoes, tomato sauce, canned spaghetti sauce, spaghetti, egg noodles, pancake mix, pancake syrup, tuna, peanut butter, jelly, pork & beans, chili beans, and non food items such as: bath soap, toothpaste, shampoo, toilet tissue and laundry soap. Cash donations are always welcome so that we might provide milk, eggs, meat, oleo, cheese, potatoes, and fresh fruits and vegetables.



## HARVEST ACCOUNT

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For the past several years many members of Zion have offered their thanks to the Lord of the Harvest by presenting a portion of their harvest to the Lord. If you would like to offer a gift to the LORD, you can do so by letting the Arcadia Co-Op know how many bushels of corn or beans you wish to have placed in Zion's Harvest Account.



*A Time to Say  
Thank You*

### **What we have**

When we look at what we want, and then compare that with what we have, we shall be unhappy.

When we think about what we really deserve, and then compare that with what we actually have, we shall thank God.

# SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Christmas is fast approaching. If your child is planning on participating in the Christmas program please have them let their teacher or the church office know as soon as possible as we are preparing for the program. During December our practices will be held on Sunday mornings during the Sunday School time. Please watch the December newsletter for more information



On Saturday, November 4 Daylight Saving Times ends, so remember to set your clocks **BACK** 1 hour before retiring on Saturday evening November 4th.



## ADVENT SERVICES

November 29	11:00 am Lunch to follow 6:30 pm
December 06	11:00 am Lunch to follow 6:30 pm
December 13	11:00 am Lunch to follow 6:30 pm
December 20	11:00 am Lunch to follow 6:30 pm

## CHRISTMAS EVE:

Children's Service	5:00 pm
Candlelight Service	11:00pm

CHRISTMAS DAY	9:00 am
NEW YEARS EVE	6:00 pm

## MIDWEEK SERVERS

1st:	Emmett Neumann
8th	Will Ragaller (2 pm)
15th	Damon Ehlers
22nd	NO CLASS—THANKSGIVING
29th	Payton Henningsen

## ACOLYTES

5th:	Payton Henningsen & Jaxson Henningsen
12th:	Sammie Hinnens & Lydia Dose
19th	Maggie Ragaller & Danica Ehlers
26th:	Jonathan Dose & Cody Bair

# ZION LUTHERAN LYF

The LYF is taking orders for these Beautiful Crosses made by Christy Hanson.

8" cross with 2" base

\$45 Each

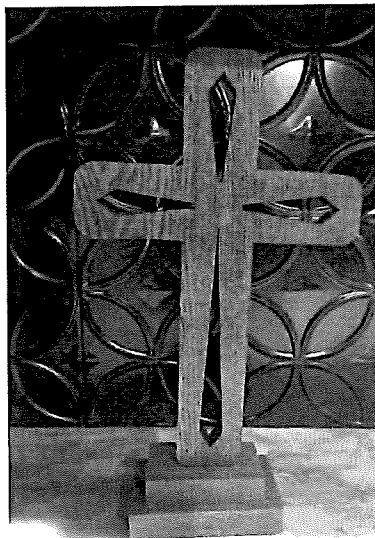
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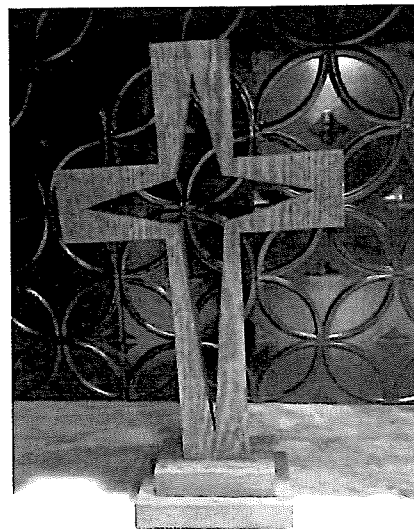
**Orders Needed by: Sunday NOVEMBER 19th**

**Crosses Delivered by: by December 15th**

**Please contact an LYF member if you would like to purchase one of these crosses**



STYLE 1



STYLE 2

## All Saints' Day

On November 5th (All Saints' Day observed) we will remember those who have gone before us.

This year in our prayers, we remember those who have died in the Lord during the last year:

Eddie Holdsworth  
Ruth Liechti  
Duane Meggers  
Leonard Koch



## The beginning of Advent

November is the month of Thanksgiving, but it often also includes the beginning of a new church year. This year, December 6th is the first Sunday of Advent. The season of Advent is about Jesus, the Word, "coming." It's about anticipating and preparing for Christ's arrival.

God comes to us in many and various ways. He speaks to us through the prophets and saints. He comes and speaks to us when we are listening. He comes in the beauty and mysteries of nature. Most of all, God comes in the person of Christ, speaking to his listeners face to face.

Pastor Edmund Steimle put it this way: "The Christian story is a story of God coming into the middle of life, of our lives, opening the dialogue with us."

That's what Advent is really all about: God visiting the earth in person to speak with anyone and everyone who is ready to do so.



Cornucopia, a Greek word meaning "horn of plenty," has origins in Greek mythology. But the cornucopia became a religious symbol and was even stamped on Jewish coins. Overflowing horns, now common as Thanksgiving centerpieces, came to symbolize abundance and blessings.

## Giving thanks for all things

It's easy to list the blessings in life: good health, family, a satisfying career, a comfortable home. We might even be thankful for things others take for granted, such as freedom, clean drinking water, reliable transportation and food enough to eat. Then there are the little things, such as gardens, sunrises, pets and coffee.

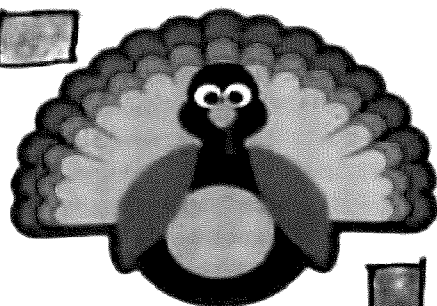
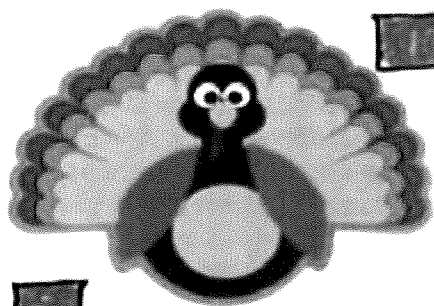
What about life's storms or unanswered prayers? Should we be thankful for these? Loss and hardship remind us of our dependence on God. He uses trials to draw us closer to him, to show us that he is our rock and refuge. In misfortune and grief, we discover God's comfort and strength. Should we not, then, be thankful for the storms, too?

## God's precious saints

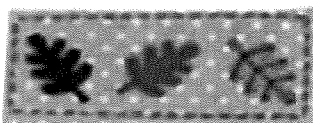
A man mourning the sudden death of his young wife wondered, "Where was God when Jenny died?" Unable to sleep, he turned to Scripture and read Psalm 116:3 (NIV): "The anguish of the grave came upon me: I was overcome by trouble and sorrow." The man's anguish echoed the psalmist's. Reading on, he discovered verse 15: "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints."

"What does it mean by precious?" the man wondered. The footnote proved helpful: "Not in the sense of highly valued, but of that which is carefully watched over." The widower pictured God watching over his wife in her last moments. "That's where God was," the man thought with relief.

May we, too, be assured that God cares for his saints — not only at death but also in life, through grief and into healing.



# Give



**T**aste and see that the  
LORD is good. *Psalm 34:8*

Enter **H**is gates with thanksgiving  
and His courts with praise.  
*Psalm 100:4*

**A**scribe to the LORD the glory  
due His name. *Psalm 29:2*

Glory in  
His holy **N**ame; let the hearts of  
those who seek the  
LORD rejoice.  
*Psalm 105:3*

Let us **K**neel before the LORD  
our Maker.  
*Psalm 95:6*

**S**ing and make music in your  
heart to the Lord, always  
giving thanks to God the  
Father for everything.

*Ephesians 5:19-20*



## Have we forgotten God?

We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of heaven; we have been preserved these many years in peace and prosperity; we have grown in numbers, wealth and power as no other nation has grown.

But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us, and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own.

Intoxicated with unbroken success we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us.

It has seemed to me fit and proper that God should be solemnly, reverently and gratefully acknowledged, as with one heart and one voice, by the whole of the American people. I do therefore invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November as a day of Thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the heavens.

—Abraham Lincoln,  
1863 Thanksgiving Proclamation

### Control

Things we **CANNOT** control:

- Someone else's faults
- How long we will live
- Another person's opportunities

Things we **CAN** control:

- Our attitude
- The kind of life we live
- What we do with our opportunities

### Three kinds of giving

"There are three kinds of giving: grudge giving, duty giving and thanksgiving. Grudge giving says, 'I have to'; duty giving says, 'I ought to'; and thanksgiving says, 'I want to.' The latter comes from a full heart. Thanksgiving is an open gate into the love of God."

—Robert N. Rodenmayer



# LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES

The Lutheran Hour may be heard on Sundays on the following radio stations in our area: KAYL, 990 AM, Storm Lake, 10 am; KDSN, 107.1 FM, Denison, 6:30 am; KDSN, 1530 AM, Denison, 10:30 am; WHO 1040 AM, Des Moines, 7:30 a.m. Also available 24 hours/day on the Internet @ [www.lutheranhour.org](http://www.lutheranhour.org)

November 5

## **"Blessed Are the Pure in Heart"**

Guest Speaker: Dr. Dale A. Meyer

This weekend many churches observe All Saints Sunday, remembering those who have died in the Christian faith. That prompts us to ask, what does it take to get to heaven? Jesus tells us in Matthew 5:8, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." What that means is this week's Lutheran Hour message. (Matthew 5:8)

November 12

## **"More Than a Wish"**

Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

Not so long ago over 370 million tickets were sold for a Powerball drawing. Each person who made a purchase had hope that they might become rich. Most were disappointed. In 1 Thessalonians 4, St. Paul explains how the resurrection hope of Christians is better than the hopelessness of the world and far more solid than groundless wishful thinking.

(1 Thessalonians 4:13-14) November 19

## **"The Reckoning"**

Guest Speaker: Dr. Dale A. Meyer

You hear little talk about the 'Fear of God' anymore, but if you don't in some way fear your Creator who judges you down to your inmost being, why would you love your only Savior whom He sends you? A message about fearing and loving God. (Matthew 25:14-30)

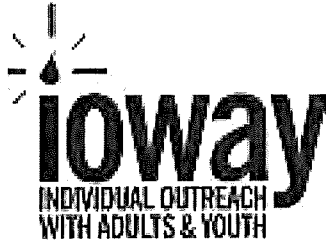
November 26

## **"Show Me"**

Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

In Lerner and Loewe's musical, My Fair Lady, Eliza is being wooed with words by weak and wimpy suitor. She comments: "Don't talk of stars, burning above If you're in love, show me Tell me not dreams, filled with desire If you're on fire, show me." In Jesus' description of Judgment Day, the Savior goes on record: true love needs to show itself in action.

(Matthew 25:31-46)



## Thanks, Iowa District West

There are so many needs in our world. How can we help? We cannot help everyone, but everyone can do something! It has been a whirlwind since the hurricane season started. After the hurricanes did their dirty work, we in Iowa District West reached out to Lutheran South Academy in Houston and to Zion Lutheran Church in Fort Myers, Florida. For updates, go to [www.idwlcms.org](http://www.idwlcms.org) under District News. It has been and continues to be a privilege for me to work with God's people in Iowa District West who at this time have donated over \$66,500 for relief to Texas and Florida.

Gregg Pinick, CEO of Lutheran Education Association of Houston (LEAH) expressed his thanks to Iowa District West.



My first connection with Ellie Menz came on August 31, 2017. Ellie is the Director of IOWAY (Individual Outreach With Adults and Youth) for Iowa District West of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. She had heard that one of the LEAH School campuses, Lutheran South Academy (LSA), had been significantly flooded from the effects of Hurricane Harvey. She was calling to see if there was anything she could help us with as we recovered from the devastation. I'll never forget her telling me, "We have a semi-truck ready to come to you in Houston. What do you need?" I asked our response team, and we all agreed, "As much sheetrock as you can send us."

Harvey had just left the area. We had a major mess requiring that whole panels of sheetrock be removed from every wall of every one of our four buildings, and we weren't sure we could get any since everyone in the region was going to require sheetrock to rebuild. She responded, "No problem. I'll get right on it."

About a week later, she called saying she and her team could get another semi-truck and asked what else we needed. I told her we needed all the sheetrock supplies: mud, tape, etc. She stated that it was a big truck and they could bring anything for our workers who had lost much in the flood waters. We thought that was a terrific idea, and she went on to talk about how she could help the young children in our school as well. It was overwhelming. Then just like the first time, Ellie stated, "I'll get right on it!"



Less than three weeks later, our first shipment arrived at the LSA campus. It was a semi-load of 702 pieces of sheetrock. The driver, Troy, was so honored to be a part of this plan of reconstruction.

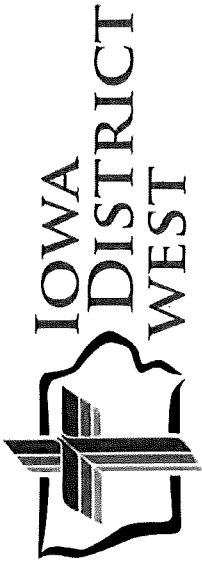
Two weeks later, Troy returned with another semi-truck full of sheetrock supplies, 10 totes full of dolls and monkeys for our younger children, supplies requested by some of our teachers who experienced the worst losses, new appliances for the school's uninsured rental house, and 13 large containers full of startup supplies for each of our worker families who had lost many of their possessions. The container held things like a crock pot, coffee pot, pots and pans, kitchen supplies, can opener, etc., that were so needed in the rebuilding process for our workers.



When I had first heard that water was rushing in our buildings due to the heavy rains and a swollen creek near the LSA campus on August 27, I asked God to guide and direct our community in the process of what to do next. His response has been beyond anything I could have imagined. A true Ephesians 3:20-21 experience: “Now to **him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think**, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.” Our God is faithful and nothing is too hard for Him. He used the people of Iowa District West to bless many people in Houston. He used people throughout the world to offer their love and prayers and support in helping LSA rebuild. By God's grace and mercy, the LSA students and faculty were back in their nearly completed buildings on Monday, October 16.

Thank you to the men and women of Iowa District West, and especially our newest friend, Ellie Menz! May God continue to use you to shine His love on those who are hurting in His world.

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THE LUTHERAN CHURCH-MISSOURI SYNOD

## Planting Together

### November 2017

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515-576-7666 Fax 515-576-2323 [www.idwlcms.org](http://www.idwlcms.org)  
Contact email: [sue@iowadistrictwest.org](mailto:sue@iowadistrictwest.org)

## On a Mission to Support Christ's Mission!

### Using your IRA for a gift to ministry



If you are at least age 70½ you can have money transferred from your IRA directly to your congregation or your favorite ministries and not have to show the distribution on your income tax for that year. The distribution counts towards your annual minimum distribution. Many individuals find this form of giving to be tax wise as a Christian steward. If you have any questions about this form of giving please contact me.

Jim Schroeder, Iowa District West Gift Planning Counselor  
515-490-7371 [jim@iowadistrictwest.org](mailto:jim@iowadistrictwest.org)

### Don't Delay—Donate Today Before CREDITS ARE GONE!

Although the deadline for donating to the Iowa Lutheran School Tuition Organization (ILSTO) is December 31, 2017, last year tax credits were gone by the middle of December. Please consider donating today to help fund tuition assistance to Lutheran students in our Iowa Lutheran schools. How much Iowa tax do you pay each year? Why not send this money to help Lutheran students' families instead! Donors receive a 65% Iowa tax credit and probable Federal charitable deduction. Forms are on the web at [iowalutheransio.org](http://iowalutheransio.org) or call ILSTO program manager Dewey Torkelson at 712-260-2991 for more information.

For more information on Iowa District West activities, view *The Messenger* at [www.idwlcms.org/publications.php](http://www.idwlcms.org/publications.php)

### Donate to District by shopping online!

Check out [www.heartfeltgiving.net/np24](http://www.heartfeltgiving.net/np24) before making your next online purchase. There is no additional cost to make a purchase on this unique shopping and travel website. The HEARTFELT GIVING website features over 1,000 brand name stores such as Macy's, Kohl's, Nordstrom, Bloomingdales, Walmart, Bass Pro Shops, Target, Best Buy, AutoZone, JC Penney, Stein Mart, Guess, Walgreens, GNC, Barnes and Noble, FTD, Office Depot, Staples, Office Warehouse and more.

### Creation Theater at Mission Central

Mission Central is now ready to receive tour groups to see the Lord's Creation Theater where they will hear the REAL STORY of how our God made the world in 6 days! Due to the number of people coming to Mission Central, it's important to contact them for available tour times. Come and see what the Lord has done at this place in the middle of nowhere as it will "blow your socks off" and will truly be a "once in a lifetime experience." Contact Mission Central at 712-882-1029 or email Gary at [Gary.Thies@lcms.org](mailto:Gary.Thies@lcms.org).

### Help the Victims of Disasters

There are so many needs in our world. How can we help? We cannot help everyone, but everyone can do something! It has been a whirlwind since the hurricane season started. As of mid-October, the District has received \$74,000 in disaster support! Funds can also be sent directly to the Synod; giving options are online at [www.lcms.org/disaster-response](http://www.lcms.org/disaster-response). Thank you to all who have generously donated!

### Around the District

The "new" page in *The Messenger* titled "Around the District" will include information from congregations/circuits regarding guest speakers, events, or special occasions. If you'd like to invite others in the District, let us know and we will share it "Around the District." Send information to Sue ([sue@iowadistrictwest.org](mailto:sue@iowadistrictwest.org)) at the District office.



Iowa District West Convention  
June 24-26, 2018

### Calendar of Events

November 4... Treasurers Workshop, Zion, Manning  
November 4... IOWAY Banquet, St. Paul, Fort Dodge  
November 9... District Board of Directors, Fort Dodge  
November 12... Missions Banquet, St. Paul, Sac City  
November 23-24... Thanksgiving Holiday, District Office Closed



**November 2017 (Please Copy, Post, and Share)**

# Camp Okobojo News

What is Happening at Your Camp



For More Info. / Fliers / Schedules  
And to Register Online  
[www.campokobojo.org](http://www.campokobojo.org)

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**Our Promise of Jesus at the Lake**  
A friendly, safe, refreshing and relaxing Christian experience  
An exceptional value for you and your family

## In the Spotlight

**Nov. 5: Omelet Brunch:**  
9:30 am to 1 pm  
Last One for 2017  
Benefiting JOY Camp  
Program (Special Needs).  
Mmmmm Good!



Starting Nov. 18, the Discover Center will be hosting this new monthly program.

A Chalk Board is appropriate for this event because it will be constantly changing.



Each month will feature a different focus and activity. Families and individuals are encouraged to take a few hours on a Saturday afternoon to spend time together. A small fee will be charged to cover costs with each event.

Each activity will be led by talented volunteers. November's Focus: Fun Christmas crafts and/or decorations for either personal use or to give as gifts. **Join Us!**

**Nov. 18: Make It Take It Family Fun Crafts For Christmas!**  
1 to 4 pm  
New Activity in the Discover Center!  
Price Range: \$5 to \$10



**Dec. 4: Decorating Camp For Christmas**  
Join us for a festive day of decorating, fellowship, food, and fun.



### Your Retreat & Event

A variety of retreats and events dot the calendar.

- Family Reunions
- Confirmation Retreats
- Sewing Retreats
- Congregational Gatherings
- District Functions
- Family Ministry Cabin Use

They see the benefit of this amazing site to further their goals and mission. Camp Okobojo offers a truly unique and charming location. The calmness of little Emerson Bay. The solidity of Refuge Chapel. The variety of accommodations and settings. The views of the lake from indoors and outside. Perfect for your event!

**How can Camp Okobojo help You?**  
**Let's find out together**

### YOUR Participation & Support Needed!

We ask our Camp Friends for the following:

1. Pray for the ministry of Camp Okobojo.
2. Attend Camp programs and events.
3. Support Camp verbally and financially.
4. Share Camp with others and invite them.

### Discover CAMPAign Okobojo

The *Discover Center* is up and running. Look for programs, activities and uses. What will you *Discover* the next time you attend Camp.

**\$250,000 Matching Gift Challenge Complete!**  
**Your Support Made It Happen!**  
**Thank You!**

### Your Future and Camp Okobojo:

Charitable Generosity Gifts, whether a Remainder Trust, Gift Annuity, Bequest, or Endowment Fund can make a huge impact on the future ministry of Camp Okobojo. Please consider Camp Okobojo in your charitable plan.

Your Generosity is Appreciated!



### Camp Okobojo Salutes!



And Their Many Supportive Members.

'Summer of Impact' Impacts Camp Okobojo  
Many Thrivent members received an extra \$50 in their ChoiceDollar accounts and graciously designated them to Camp. Over \$20,000 was received in Aug. and Sept.

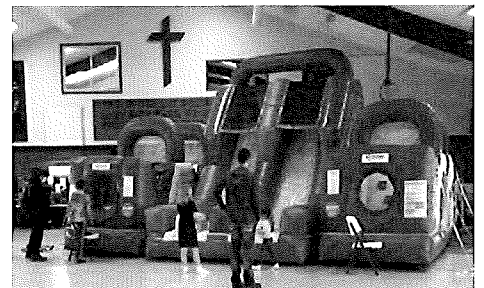
We thank those who remembered us with their designations. We were truly blessed and humbled by the response. **Thank You!**

### Thrivent Action Teams Spread Generosity

Thrivent members have joined together throughout the year to help Camp Okobojo in a variety of ways.

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|----------------|--------------------|
| Winter Games   | Volunteer Weekends |
| Quilt Auction  | Omelet Brunches    |
| Basket Auction | Promotional Events |
| Bike Challenge | Program Support    |
| Special Events | Special Projects   |

Action Team support helps on a variety of levels:  
Engages volunteers to get involved  
Provides needed initial funding for projects  
Opens new opportunities to promote Camp  
Allows for more creativity and new ideas



Thanks to a Thrivent Action Team!  
**Winter Games Inflatable – A Huge Hit (literally)**

Contact Camp for help in Planning & Conducting YOUR Action Team Project!

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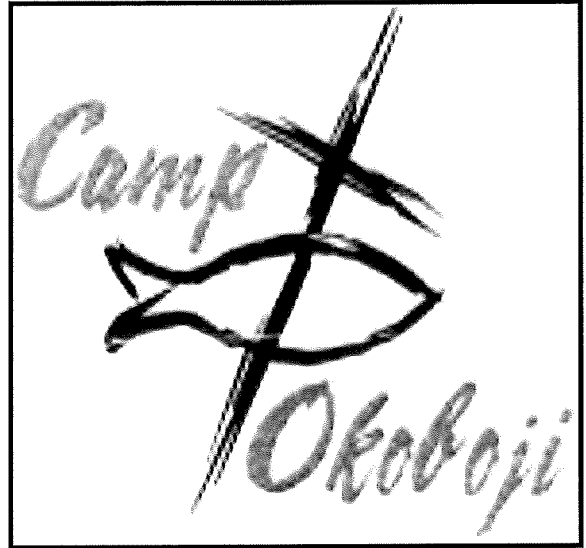
**Make It  
Take It**



**CHRISTMAS  
CRAFTS**



Each month, Camp Okoboji  
will host a different  
"Make It Take It"  
December 9:  
Christmas Cookie Delights!  
Join Us!



Children and Youth Ages 5-18  
and families are invited for an  
afternoon of creating crafts  
to keep or give as gifts.

Cost: \$5-10 per craft

Come and Go during the hours  
listed below!!

1531 Edgewood Drive  
Milford, IA 51351

(Hwy 86, turn at Crescent Beach sign)

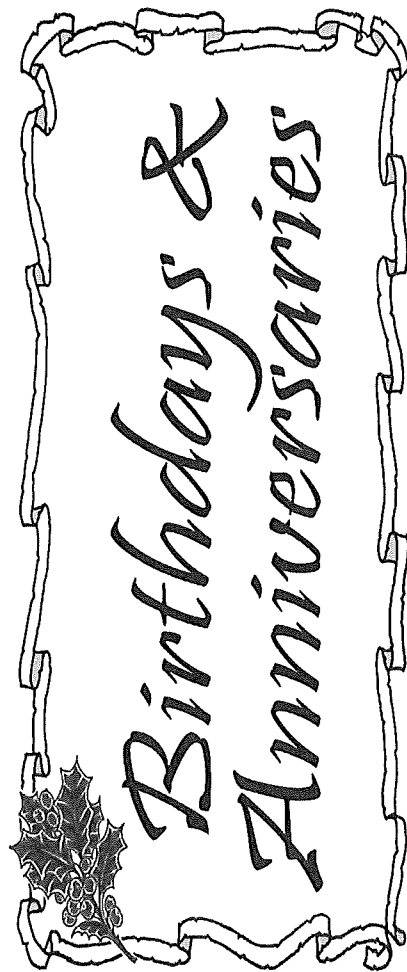
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712-337-3325

**November 18, 2017  
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
Discover Center**



# November Birthdays & Anniversaries

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3 Greg Gronau Peggy Hinners	4 Jacob Kraus Gladys Rickers
5	6 Keith Vetter	7 Kelsea Hawley	8	9 Sara Schurke	10 Cory Wittrock	11 Curtis Ehlers
12	13 Stacie Muhlbauer Brian & Jean Hausman	14	15	16 Alison Ehlers	17	18 Jerzie Bruch Jean Hausman Deb Wittrock
19 Christy Hanson	20 Tom Lipton Tyler & Jackie Petersen	21	22 Stan Grundmeier Sharon Maasen Betty Nobiling Ryan Schurke	23 Jolene Stoelk	24 Jered Greene Gail Mumm	25 Deb Owen
26 Becky Vetter	27 Brayden Schmitz	28	29	30		





# November 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<b>1</b> 9:30 Bible Study 4:00 Midweek 7:00 Evening Cir	<b>2</b> 1:30 Ladies Aid	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> 9:00 ChrEd 10:00 DW/HC 4:00 Harvest Supper	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 9:30 Bible Study 2:00 Midweek	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 
<b>12</b> 9:00 Chr. Ed 10:00 DW	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 9:30 Bible Study 4:00 Midweek 7:30 Council	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> 9:00 Chr Ed 10:00 DW/HC	<b>20</b> 1:00 Sewing	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 6:30 Thanksgiving Eve Worship/HC	<b>23</b> 	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> 9:00 Christian Ed 10:00 DW	<b>2</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>		

## USHERS

Keith Vetter  
 Jeff Luetje  
 Jim Luetje  
 Rob Klink  
 Michael Brockman

CHANCEL CIRCLE  
 Cathy Meyer & Nikki Lenz

## PARISH CIRCLE

Cathy Meyer & Deb Owen

## MIDWEEK SERVERS

1<sup>st</sup> Kate Neumann  
 8<sup>th</sup> Denise Ragaller (2 pm)  
 15<sup>th</sup> Melissa Ehlers  
 22<sup>nd</sup> NO CLASS

## ACOLYTES

5<sup>th</sup>: Payton Henningsen & Jaxson Henningsen  
 12<sup>th</sup>: Sammie Hinnens & Lydia Dose  
 19<sup>th</sup>: Maggie Ragaller & Wade Ragaller  
 26<sup>th</sup>: Jonathan Dose & Cody Bair  
 29<sup>th</sup>: Jamie Hausman & Delaney Schurke

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*FRIENDS WHO CARE*

<i>Christian Education</i>	<i>9:00 am</i>
<i>Divine Worship</i>	<i>10:00 am</i>



Thanksgiving