

Purpose Statement

Living Christ centered lives so we may love all, serve our community, and share the Word.

News for Sunday, October 20

Join us for Worship at 9:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship will be served following worship

Click HERE for the 9:00 a.m. Worship bulletin

Click **HERE** to watch the Livestream

This morning we extend a welcome to Pastor Mark Luepke.

We Remember in Prayer; those on our Home Visitation list and those on our prayer list: Bev Julien, Phyllis Jacobsen, JoAnn Garcia, Barb Lenn, Lori Dewey, Shirley Graftaas, Betty Steinke, Michael Harting, Larry Wahler, JoDell Cruz, Sandy Julifs, and Lila Edeus.

<u>During this time of transition</u> if you have an emergency, please call Sue in the church office or one of the council members who will contact the pastor that is covering during that time.

<u>Thank you to everyone</u> that helped with Lee's funeral, donating food, serving, setting up, cleaning up after, your thoughtfulness is much appreciated. God Bless. ~ Nancy, Brent, Lynette and Brad.

6th-12th Graders—JOIN US for Tri Church TEEN TIME this month! We will be gathering outdoors at Selmi's (1206 Dixon Avenue, Rock Falls) on Tuesday, October 22, at 4:00 p.m. and adventure through the Maze together before enjoying some Cliff's donuts. All 6th-12th graders are welcome! This event is free! Meet us in front of the ticket booth at 4:00 p.m. if you plan to participate! (If you are running late please call or text Gabby at 815-981-6470.) We will also dive into God's Word a bit together and continue to know God, ourselves and each other more! If it is storming, this event will be cancelled. We are hoping for an outstanding early evening of sharing life and God's love together!

November 3 is All Saints Sunday

During worship we will be reading the names of loved ones who have died this past year and pray for those who mourn. If you would like to have a name read during the service please put the name on the clipboard in the sanctuary or call the office.

Coffee Fellowship

Please check your calendars to see what Sunday you could provide treats and make coffee. During this time of transition, this time of fellowship helps keeps us all united. If you don't want to do it alone, ask a friend to hep! The list to sign-up is posted on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

Trunk or Treat

Sign-up today to bring your decorated Trunk to church on Saturday, October 26. Trunk or Treat will be from 2:00-4:00 p.m. The sign-up sheet is at the back of the sanctuary.

6th - 8th graders check your calendars:

The Fall Retreat will be at LOMC November 22-23! This overnight adventure involves digging into God's word and creation while sleeping in a cabin at LOMC! Cost is \$80 per camper. If you are interested in attending this retreat please let Gabby know by October 1. We will attending with a few other churches in the area and sharing chaperones among our churches. St. Paul will be covering \$60 of the cost of this event for each attendee.

Plastic Bags Needed

The Loaves & Fishes Breakfast Program at First United Methodist Church, Sterling, serves hundreds of meals each week day! Plastic grocery bags are needed to hand out their meals. Drop them off in the basket in the back of the sanctuary. Thank you!

Hospice Cookies

THANK YOU to all who signed up to donate cookies. Cookies will need to be at the church on Friday, November 15. Cookies should be in disposable containers that do not need to be returned.

Children's Offering

This month we will also be supporting the harvest of food for those in need through the Buddy Bag Program, a free meal program that provides food to school kids on the weekends, when school lunch is not available. Our Children's offering for the month of October will be given to the program. The Tri-Church Confirmation Class helps to pack these several times during the school year.

THIS WEEK

Monday, October 21

November Newsletter Deadline

Tuesday, October 22

6th – 12th Graders at Selmi's in Rock Falls – 4:00 p.m.

Friday, October 25

Church office will be closed

Saturday, October 26

Middle School Retreat at St. Paul – 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Trunk or Treat – 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Next Sunday, October 27

Worship/Communion service at 9:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship at 10:00 a.m. Sunday school – 10:15 – 11:00 a.m.

Next week - October 27

Presider: Pastor Kathy Burkheimer
Opener/Head Usher— Chad Arians
Closer — Mary Ordean
Acolytes — Ordean family
Greeters — Gary Fields, Diane Yoeckel
Ushers — Keith Peugh, Mel Johnson
Reader — Keith Peugh
Sound — Greg Zeigler
Coffee Fellowship — Volunteer Needed

Sunday School Teacher - Mary Ordean