

Purpose Statement

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

News for Sunday, October 19

Join us for Worship at 9:00 a.m. Sunday school at 10:15 a.m.

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

Click **HERE** to watch the Livestream

We Remember in Prayer; those on our Home Visitation list and those on our prayer list: Michelle Klinger, Raymond Graftaas, Matt Friel, Sandy Julifs, Mike, Lori Dewey, Dylan Wescott, Ken & Sharon Mager, Phyllis Jacobson, Betty Steinke, and Larry Wahler.

<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.

Thank you!

A big thanks to Dave Koster and David Carrillo for taking care of the broken limb that fell last week near the parking lot.

Trunk or Treat

Sign-up today to bring your decorated Trunk to church on Saturday, October 25. Trunk or Treat will be from 2:00-4:00 p.m. The sign-up sheet is at the back of the sanctuary.

Trick or Treat UNICEF collection will be received on Sunday, October 26. Young people are welcome to wear costumes and will be collecting offerings after worship at the back of the sanctuary. UNICEF was established on December 11, 1946 by the United Nations to meet the emergency needs of children in post-war Europe and China. UNICEF is the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund. For over 70 years, across 190 countries and territories, UNICEF defends the rights of every child. In cooperation with governments and non-governmental organizations (NGOs), UNICEF saves and protects the world's most vulnerable children, working to ensure child rights and providing health care, immunizations, nutrition, access to safe water and sanitation services, basic education, protection and emergency relief. You can learn more about UNICEF at www.unicef.org.

November 2 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.

Holy Communion

A Holy Communion education session for all children (and parents, too, if they wish to attend) will be led by Pastor Mark during the Sunday school session of October 26th. We will meet after worship that day -- starting in the Sunday School area and probably moving into the sanctuary. The session will conclude by 11:00 a.m. Questions? Don't hesitate to ask Pastor Mark.

Hospice Cookies

We have been asked to provide 30 dozen cookies for this year's Hospice Festival of Trees County Store. There is a sign-up sheet on the kitchen counter in the Fellowship Hall. Cookies will need to be delivered to the Rock River Hospice & Home (2706 Avenue E, Sterling) on Saturday, November 9 between 9:00-9:45 a.m. Thank you! Any Variety (i.e. Christmas cookies (a favorite), snickerdoodle, sugar, cut-outs, oatmeal, peanut butter, thumb prints, chocolate chips, peanut blossoms with Hershey kisses, etc. Cookies should be in disposable containers that do not need to be returned. The sign-up sheet is on the clipboard located in Fellowship Hall on the counter.

Children's Offering

During the month of October, our children's offering at worship is going toward Lutheran Social Services of Illinois (LSSI) Holiday Hope Chest. LSSI offers children and their families gifts for Christmas through the purchase of gift cards to specific vendors. Thank you for helping young people served by LSSI have gifts for Christmas this year! More information will be coming in regards to purchasing gift cards/gifts on your own.

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, October 21

Pastor Mark will be in the office – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Tri-Church WELCA at Immanuel – 9:00 a.m.

Thursday, October 23

November newsletter deadline

Friday, October 24

Trick or Treat downtown Rock Falls – 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 25

Trunk or Treat at St. Paul – 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Next Sunday, October 26

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

Next week - October 26

Opener/Head Usher/Closer – Dan Bartel
Acolytes – Bartel family
Greeters – Bartel family
Ushers – Gary Fields, Janie Billings
Reader – Marilyn Geiger
Sound – Bradyn Arians
Communion Assistant – Janie Billings
Altar Guild – Audrey & Cathy Cox
Coffee Fellowship – Volunteer Needed