Redeemer News November 2024





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"Sharing God's Love through Jesus Christ"

A message from Pastor Ed -

At the risk of mentioning the word - "election" let me first say this is **not** a political article. It is however going to be an article about "election" as the word is used in the Bible and as it applies to us today.

In the New Testament we read, "Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to make your calling and election sure, for if you practice these qualities, you will never fall." (2 Peter 1: 10) The qualities Peter is talking about are listed in the preceding verses beginning in verse 5, "...virtue, knowledge, self-control, steadfastness, godliness, brotherly affection with love." This is not a complete list but it is a very good start for Christians to have and to use. Having the right tools is always important when accomplishing a task. Our responsibility is to witness well with our lives. To say that one will "never fall" is a very big promise packed into four words! This refers to falling away from saving faith. The elect – the predestined - are assured of their future not only here but also in Ephesians chapter one. So how can a person make sure their calling and election is solid? We take to heart and make our own the words Peter used earlier. "His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him, who called us to his own glory and excellence, by which He has granted to us His precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature..." (2 Peter 1: 3-4) Notice who is the one making it happen? The *His*, *Him*, & *He* point us to God who makes it all happen and to whom all glory, praise and worship is to be given. Bottom line: on our own we fail; in communion with Christ our calling – our election is sure!

As saints who are believers in Jesus Christ, we take comfort from the words of our Lord Himself regarding His faithful saints. "He will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather His <u>elect</u> from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other." (Matthew 24:31) The elect from heaven and all four corners of the earth will be gathered to Him because of His mercy and grace. Our election to salvation is His gift not our merit. He obtained it for us with His death and resurrection, indeed with His perfection. For this reason, we give Him all the glory, praise, and worship.

Blessings on our November activities and celebrations as we give Him thanksgiving for His goodness and bounty. – Pastor Ed





Ean Norenberg	1
Jackson Jones	3
Tyler Kuhl	3
Kelly Jones	5
Mike Elmer	8
Erik Loverude	10
Todd Schulte	10
Phyllis Powers	10
Anna Beste	11
Brock Lewandowski	11
Eva Vasiljevic	12
Dale Koehler	20
Dubravka Vasiljevic	22
Tristen Madison	27
Cory Haugen	28



Roger and Delores Knutson 1 Terry and Richelle Holman 20



LAY MINISTER:

November 3 Jerry Langland November 10 John Kuhl November 17 Jim Danielson November 24 Dan Meyer

USHERS:

Marvin Gorres Tom Cuper

GREETER:

Joanne Gorres

READERS:

November 3 Pam Clemens November 10 Jeanne Wilman November 17

November 24 Kate Koehler

VIDEO:

November 3 David Brown
November 10 Randy Richter
Larry Loverude
November 24 Tom Cuper

COUNTERS:

Jim & Marcia Meyer

COMMUNION SETUP:

Pam Humpal

INSIDE CLEANERS:

Pilar & Christ Norenberg (first 3 weeks)

Nick & Katie Lauterbach

Community Thanksgiving Service

Wednesday, November 27th 7:00 pm

St Joseph's Catholic Church 1050 Keller Ave. N. Amery





Amery Food Pantry

This month we are providing food items to help furnish a Thanksgiving meal.

Your choice!



Christmas Flower Sign-up

Please sign up if you would like to beautify our church altar for the holiday season. The price this year is \$16.00 for red, white, or pink. You may take them home after our Christmas Eve service. Sign up sheet with all the details is on the bulletin board.



Deadline to order is November 10th.

REDEEMER LADIES AID MINUTES October 2, 2024

Members Present: 12 + Pastor Ed. Welcome to Jeanne Wilman

Pastor Ed led a short devotion on Hebrews.

The meeting was called to order by President Nancy. Thank you to Joanne Worden for serving.

The minutes of the September meeting were read. A motion was made by Joanne Worden and seconded by Pat Meyer to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Janet gave the treasurer's report. Month-end balance for September is \$4,410.74. A motion was made by Nancy Danielson and seconded by Joanne Stumo to approve the report as presented. Motion carried. Members were reminded to bring their mite boxes in November.

Old Business

Rummage Sale — Joanne Stumo applied for a Thrivent card. Thank you to Tom Cahill for donating hamburger. Nancy Henck has taken care of the permit from the Polk Co. Health Department and it will cover the rummage sale and the fall dinner. She will also order 6 dozen doughnuts for the Voters meeting. Marcia will get 60 pieces of chicken from Dick's for the potluck. Pam Humpal will take care of advertising, and Connie printed posters for members to put up. Cathy Loverude and Joanne Stumo will make the BBQs on Wednesday, Oct. 23, 9 am. A signup sheet will be posted for bars. Any leftover items from the sale will be taken to the thrift store in Rice Lake on the Monday following the sale.

New Business

- A motion was made by Joanne Stumo and seconded by Pat Meyer to purchase a blue stoll to match the altar cloths we bought. Motion carried.
- Lucy Moll donated four guilts that she made.
- A motion was made by Nancy Danielson and seconded by Cathy Loverude to give Lucy \$100 to cover the cost of the yarn for prayer shawls. Motion carried.
- A motion was made by Pat Meyer and seconded by Marcia Meyer to give Pastor Ed and Pam and Connie tickets for the Wapo Dinner Theater for Christmas for Thursday, December 12. Motion carried.
- The Fall LWML Rally will be Saturday, October 12, in Menomonie.

The fall dinner will be on November 1st from 4:30-7. Debbie will get a Thrivent card. A signup sheet for pumpkin bars will be posted.

Janet DeLong will serve in November.

A motion to adjourn was made by Joanne Stumo and seconded by Debbie Raether. Motion carried. We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Patty Kuhl, Secretary

PARISH PLANNING COUNCIL

October 8, 2024

Present: Mike Sandell, Patty Kuhl, Jim Danielson, Nancy Danielson, Kate Koehler, Peg Kuhl, Dave Brown, Pastor Ed Clemens.

Mike Sandell called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM. Pastor Clemens opened with a prayer.

The minutes of the September Parish Planning meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Nancy Danielson, seconded by Jim Danielson, to accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

We had a shortened agenda because of the October Voter's meeting.

Old Business

- 1. Work program reviewed to present at the congregation voter's meeting. Reviewed and reached a final budget that increased by approximately \$2000 from 2024.
- 2. Discussed options regarding the walkway by the parsonage. Plan to wait on concrete until next summer.

The parking lot was evaluated. Overall, there are a few trouble spots: the entrance off of Fay Street and the curb area by the back entrance. Seal coating process was explained.

Roundtable

- 1. Talked about Youth Gathering and will have an information meeting with families of eligible youth on Tuesday, October 22nd to see if we have an interest in attending.
- 2. Exploring problems with the furnace this past week

We discussed setting up an acolyte schedule. Lay Ministers will follow up.

A motion was made by Patty Kuhl seconded by Jim Danielson to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM. Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

The next parish planning meeting will be on November 12, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Koehler

Congregational Secretary