Ascension Lutheran Church of Navarino

"The Visitor"

NOVEMBER 2026

"Joyfully, we invite and equip all people to share Christ's love"
The Mission Statement of Ascension Lutheran Church.

Ascension Lutheran Church
W6106 Navarino Road,
Shiocton, WI 54170

Church Office: (715) 758-8312
Office hours:
Tuesdays 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

In case of a Emergency call
Glen Peebles at (715) 584-3029

Church Email:
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Church website:
www.ascensionavarino.com

Pastor Mark Sabin
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Or 715-445-2097 *(Home)*

Visitation Pastor
Marcia Sabin
715-340-5951 *(Cell)*

November 2026 Events







December 2026 Events

- December 6 & 13 -
  - **Candy Sale**
- December 13 -
  - **Christmas Program** during the 9:30 am Worship Service
- December 24 -
  - **Christmas Eve** Worship Service at 4:00 pm
- December 27 -
  - **Lessons & Carols** Worship Service at 9:30 am

Your Church Council

Carmen Wetzel, President	(715) 853-7101
Brad Schuelke, Vice President	(920) 659-2402
Lisa Wollenberg, Treasurer	(920) 525-2024
Jacob Hartlaben, Secretary	(715) 851-1904
Bonnie Weyers	(715) 758-2488
Mike Homan	(715) 853-2996



The council usually meets the third Wednesday of each month. You are welcome to attend.
The next council meeting will be Wednesday, November 18, 2026 at 5:30 pm.

Message from the Pastor ~ Learning Opportunities



"Salvation to God, who sits on the throne! Let all cry aloud, and honor the Son: The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, Fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb. Then let us adore, and give him his right, All glory and power, all wisdom and might, All honor and blessing, with angels above And thanks never ceasing, and infinite love." Charles Wesley This is a familiar hymn found in the Service Book and Hymnal. I remember singing this hymn growing up. It is only right to give thanks to God our Father.

In our worship service we do give thanks in liturgy and in the prayers. If we are honest with ourselves, we cannot begin to comprehend what God has and continues to do in our daily lives. We are not able to fully be in awe of a sovereign God who did what was necessary to bring us back to him. The Psalmist writes in Psalm 8:4 *"What are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?"*

In our schools we teach our children about the pilgrims coming to the new land and the Native Americans teaching the immigrants (us) how to plant or crop the land. There was a great feast from the produce of the land that the Native Americans and the immigrants shared. I am thinking that the introduction of the turkey came much later. I remember our children bringing home a picture drawing of their hand to look like a turkey.

In our stores we find all kinds of decorations of pilgrim figures, cornucopias, along with pumpkins, scarecrows and everything orange. We enjoy these traditions at this festive time. One Thanksgiving Mark and I along with our son were the only ones for Thanksgiving dinner. I thought out loud that I would do all the fixings and just get a large chicken. Jon piped up and said NO, we must have Turkey, and so we did.

It is nice to be able to get together with family and friends and enjoy their company. For us it is a special time. We will drive four hours to see some of my family. It has been a while since we have seen them and we are looking forward to it. Do not take it for granted, for it may be the last time you see them. This happened to me five years ago.

Remember God in your celebration. It is he who has given us his daily bread. Come to worship. Come and receive the body and blood of your Savior who has saved us by his grace. Come, partake in the table of Life. Have a blessed Thanksgiving.

Blessings to you all,
Pastors Marcia and Mark ╬

Learning Opportunities at Ascension

Adult Bible Studies
Sunday Mornings at 8:30 am
Monday Evenings 6:30 pm
Tuesday Mornings 9:00 am



Confirmation & Children's Church School

Wednesday Evenings at 6:30 pm

Assisting Ministers

November 2026 *(9:30 services)*	Communion Server	Reader	Money Counter
November 1	Denelle Daniels	Denelle Daniels	Ruthann Meiers
November 8	*No Communion*	Denise Klemp	Glen Peebles
November 15	Linda Bubolz	Darrel Klemp	Phyllis Peebles
November 22	Patty Lorenz	Patty Lorenz	Rita Olson
November 29	Pastor Marcia	Chris Schley	*Volunteer*

If you would like to help out with any of the above tasks, please call the church office at 715-758-8312 and we will add your name to the list. If you are unable to be here on the date you are assigned, please find a replacement. Thank you.



Happy Anniversary

11/02	*Rodney & Barbra Hillsberg (52 years)*
11/04	*Russ & Cheryl Wilkinson (59 Years)*
11/06	*Matt & Angie Johnson (27 years)*
11/10	*Mike & Jane Shulze (47 years)*
11/24	*Ralph & Jean Mueller (53 years)*
11/27	*Steve & Navid Kienast (16 years)*
11/30	*Bruce & Betty Ladwig (43 years)*

Happy Birthday

11/03	Becky Wudtke
11/04	David Doucette
11/07	Cynthia Garrigan
11/08	Mason Dingeldein
11/08	Autumn Lorenz
11/09	Jessica Riebe
11/12	Vayda Doepker
11/19	Henry Mitchler
11/20	David Hillsberg
11/22	Emma Scharmann
11/23	Greg Ehrle
11/23	Cade Johnson
11/25	Jason Steinbach
11/30	Devin Doucette
11/30	Brady Olson
11/30	Lloyd Allen
11/30	Jacob Schley

Mark Your Calendars

- **Sunday, November 15, 2026** (after Worship Service at 9:30) -
  - Veterans Recognition
  - Hunter's Breakfast
- **Wednesday, November 18, 2026 -**
  - Thanksgiving/Hunter's Worship Service at 7:00 pm
- **Wednesdays, December 2 & 9 -**
  - Christmas Program Practice at 6:30 pm
- **Sundays, December 6 & 13 -**
  - Candy Sale after Worship Service at 9:30 am
- **Sunday, December 13, 2026 -**
  - Christmas Program during Worship Service at 9:30 am
- **Thursday, December 24, 2026 -**
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Loaves & Fishes
FOOD PANTRY

Focus Item for November 2026:
KETCHUP & MUSTARD

Remember...
it never needs to be a brand name!

Ascension Budget

Council would like the membership to be aware of our financial status on a month to month basis.

Through August 2026:

YTD Income received:	$73,534.83
Expenses paid out:	$59,619.61
Income Exceeding Expenses:	$13,915.22

Venmo Giving Option

We are pleased to offer an electronic giving option through Venmo for those who prefer to give digitally. This convenient and secure option makes it easy to support our church anytime and from anywhere. Just scan or click on the QR code:

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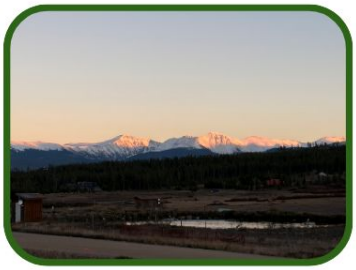
Maddie's Ministry Update

October, 2026

Picture this: you're at a conference center in Indy on a Saturday night, it's an hour and a half after the session was supposed to wrap up, and the worship team is leading 200 college students singing praises to God, hands raised in worship to the King of the universe. Definitely an image of heaven that I won't forget! I was so fortunate to be able help with the production for this Fall Retreat a few weeks ago and witness how the Lord was moving. It was crazy to me how spontaneous the time was. And yet, no one was worried about moving on to the next item in the program. We were content to be present and worship the Lord - something that seems to be foreign in a culture focused on the next task!

> Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labor or spin [...]. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today, and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, how much more will He clothe you - you of little faith!
> Luke 12:27-28







The other big thing that happened this month was our National Conference Operations gathering in Colorado! This was a really cool time of fellowship up in the Rocky Mountains. A lot of our team is spread out across the states, so this was the first time I met some of them in person. Our time was filled with team bonding, exploring the mountains, and sessions where we focused on self reflection, lies we believe about ourselves, and how those lies can impact our relationships with others - including our coworkers. It was crazy to look up and think that the same God that created these mountains also created me!

Prayer Requests

- Worship Arts Conference this weekend!
  - For the behind the scenes aspects: production team, band, speakers, food, hotels, etc
  - For students to leave feeling more equipped to lead worship on campuses and with a greater understanding of what worship is
- I would feel prepared for the upcoming events that I'm playing acoustic. So that my focus would be on worshipping God and leading others to worship Him, too!
- Travels back home for Thanksgiving

Up Next

Worship Arts Conference & Auditions | Oct 30-Nov 1
Indy Metro Fall Retreat | Nov 6-8
Staff Gathering (Cohorts 7 & 8) | Nov 19-22

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Fundraising & Scrip Information

ShopWithScrip®

September Scrip Report

Cards Sold - 45
Card Sales - $2,335.00
Profit - $94.00
YTD Profit - $1,493.85
Inventory - 72 Cards = $5,330.00

Shop and Earn This Holiday Season with SCRIP

Celebrate the season by earning funds for our Special Projects while you shop!🎄

Please think about submitting your Christmas order as soon as possible.🎁Orders through our vendor must be placed by **Sunday, November 15**, as special-order cards can take 2-3 weeks to arrive. Kwik Trip and Fleet Farm cards are available with just a one week turn around.

All proceeds go to the Special Projects Fund. Thank you for your support!





VandeWalle's CANDIES

There are VandeWalle's candy bars on the table by the library for sale. The candy bars are $1.50 each. Please put your money in the envelope in the box.

If you'd like to sell a box at your place of employment or another business, please see Toni Klemp. All profits will go to the Special Projects Fund.

Looking for Thrivent Members

Any Thrivent member is eligible to apply for two $250 Thrivent action cards per year which can be used as seed money for our fundraisers or for community service projects. We will help you with the application process and completing your final report for any project you may be involved with.

Fundraising Committee

Do you have a fundraising idea? We have a form for you to complete and give to the Fundraising Committee. You can pick up a copy on the back table in Church.

Committee members: Dawn Dingeldein, Ruthann Meiers, Lois Rohrer. Fundraising supports the Church's Special Projects Fund.

Our November Benevolence:

SAM25
Hope • Health • Housing

Sunday Fellowship ~ VDC ~ Prayer List ~ Online Worship Service Info

Sunday Fellowship

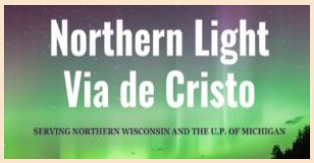
Everyone is welcome to stay for food and fellowship after Sunday worship.
A free will donation is accepted.

November 1 - Birthday Cake & Ice Cream
November 8 - Hot Dishes
November 15 - Hunter's Breakfast
November 22 - Subs
November 29 - Pizza



Via de Cristo News

For information on upcoming VDC weekends please contact Denelle Daniels, Toni Klemp or Darrel Klemp





Prayers for those ill, injured or hospitalized:

- Alice Mueller
- Dave Richter
- Pat Zuiches
- Arnie Kloes
- Russell Kloes
- Beck & Rosie Pues
- Linda Ogi
- Carl Schoettler
- Dave Rohrer
- Jenifer Erb



Online Worship Services

Ascension's website for online services: https://www.facebook.com/AscensionNavarino

OR you can find a link to our online services on our website: https://www.ascensionavarino.com

To view past church services: http://www.youtube.com/@AscensionLutheranChurch-w1l

If you are worshipping at home and would like to follow along with a bulletin, you will find both the Bulletin and Announcement sheet on our website.

The services are also audio-recorded onto CD's when possible and delivered to the homes of those without internet who are unable to attend worship.

If you have something you would like to be included in the "Visitor", please have the information to the church office by the third Sunday of the month. Thank you!

Pastor Appreciation Photos



Thank You, Pastors!

The Wednesday evening Sunday school surprised us this evening. The kids made a beautiful wall decoration in honor of Pastor Appreciation Sunday. Thank you kids, it's great and will be put up in our office. Ah, that special grape 🍇 jelly and last but not least, a BIG tootsie roll (that's mine 😉). Thank you Kris, Rita, Ezra, Quinn and Carrigan for your ministry to our young people. You are loved.

~ Pastor Marcia Sabin





Polka Worship and Chicken Dinner ~ October 18, 2026









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Phil and EJ Blohm Visit – October 25, 2026 ~ Dartball Schedule





AFRICA INLAND MISSION

Ascension's Dartball Schedule 2026-2027
Start Time 7:30 pm

Oct. 19 - Ascension @ Black Creek U.C.C.
Oct. 26 - Seymour Methodist @ Ascension
Nov. 2 - Ascension @ Oneida Methodist
Nov. 9 - Cicero Lutheran @ Ascension
Nov. 16 - Ascension @ Black Creek Lutheran
Nov. 23 - Deer Hunting & Thanksgiving
Nov. 30 - Seymour Lutheran @ Ascension
Dec. 7 - Ascension BYE
Dec. 14 - Black Creek U.C.C @ Ascension
Jan. 11 - Ascension @ Seymour Methodist
Jan. 18 - Oneida Methodist @ Ascension
Jan. 25 - Ascension @ Cicero Lutheran
Feb. 1 - Black Creek Lutheran @ Ascension
Feb. 8 - Ascension @ Seymour Lutheran
Feb. 15 - Ascension BYE
Feb. 22 - Make up game
Mar. 1 - Captain's Meeting
Mar. 8 - PLAYOFFS
Mar. 15 - PLAYOFFS
Mar. 22 - PLAYOFFS/CHAMPIONSHIP
Mar. 29 - BANQUET

DARTBALL



Dear Friends at Ascension Lutheran –
It was so good to be with you all yesterday! Thank you for your kind attention as we shared about our ministry in Kenya and about what God is doing in our new season as U.S. based missionaries. Your prayers & financial support have made a big impact! God bless you!
As we serve the Lord together, our influence expands and grows! Thank you for being part of our lives. You always encourage us. ❤
Love, Phil & EJ Blohm & Matthew

Council Minutes

Ascension Lutheran Church Of Navarino
Council Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 21, 2026

Present: Brad Schuelke, Mike Homan, Bonnie Weyers, Jake Hartlaben, Pastor Mark Sabin, Pastor Marcia Sabin.
Absent: Carmen Wetzel, Lisa Wollenberg **Guest**: Glen Peebles

The meeting was called to order at 5:36 by Brad

Devotion and Prayer led by Pastor Mark Sabin. 2 Corinthians 12:4-14, 21

Last Month's meeting minutes approved. Motion to accept by Bonnie second by Mike. Voice vote passed.

Pastors Report

- Funeral Jackie Echtner 10/20/2026
- 4- Youth education sessions
- 4- Tuesday Bible study sessions
- Shut in visits

Treasurer's Report - No report this month will have 2 next month

Old Business

1. Maintenance items (Brad S)
   a. 10' table for library- completed paid $275 out of special projects, old one will be offered to congregants
   b. Chairs for offices, library- still looking
   c. Railings in the sanctuary- still working on
2. Pastors' Retirement- nothing new to report

New Business

1. Chicken Dinner brought in $1300.00 served 120 people
2. Contract for snow removal with Wilkinson Excavating renewed.
3. Women's bathroom floor- loose/deteriorating tile around drain
4. Discussed passing offering plate during special services
5. Finance meeting held on 10/20/26 No concerns

Church Council Minutes

Committee Updates

Worship:

- November 1 - 3rd graders get their bibles (2 students)
- November 8 - Ralph Mueller leading service; Pastor Mark, Darrel and Toni Klemp attending VDC weekend
- November 15 - "Honoring our Veterans" service, Hunter's Breakfast
- November 18 - Thanksgiving worship 7 PM

Youth: Wednesdays at 6:30- Confirmation class and Sunday School

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Council Minutes Continued ~ Thank You's ~ My Thoughts in Words

(Council Minutes Continued:)

Property: None

Fundraising: None

Miscellaneous: None

Next meeting date: November 18th @5:30 PM

Adjournment: Motion by Bonnie 2nd by Mike. Voice vote passed.

Respectfully submitted by Jake Hartlaben, Secretary

Church Council Minutes

Thank you Ascension

Pastor Mark and I thank you for remembering us on our 53rd wedding anniversary. We also thank you for remembering us on Pastor Appreciation Sunday. You have always been kind to us and we consider you to be our friends.

Blessings, Pastor Marcia and Mark

Dear Members of Ascension Lutheran Church,
Our gratitude cannot be fully expressed through words in this card. Please know, however, that we fully appreciate the gifts you have given to our school.
Thank you for being valuable members of our ministry team as we work together to bring in, build up and send out disciples in Christ!
Mary God bless you!
Clay Reisler, St. Paul Lutheran, Interim Principal

My Thoughts in Words
By The Church Lady

A hymn that has meant a lot to me through the years is "It Is Well With My Soul." This hymn was written in 1873 by Horatio G. Spafford. Horatio was an attorney in Chicago and was heavily invested in real estate. After the Great Chicago fire swept through the city in 1871 Horatio had lost a fortune. Around that same time, his only son (age 4) died as a result of contracting scarlet fever. Grief-stricken Horatio poured himself into rebuilding the city.

Horatio decided in November 1873 to take his wife and daughters to Europe. Unfortunately he was unable to go with them, as an urgent matter came up. He sent his wife and 4 daughters on the *Ville du Havre* assuring them he would join them soon. In the evening of November 22, 1873 the ship collided with an iron sailing vessel and water began pouring into the *Ville du Havre.* Passengers clung to anything they could find as loved ones were swept away in the dark into the icy currents of the ocean. In just 2 hours the mighty ship vanished beneath the surface. Only 47 of the 273 souls on board survived - one being Mrs. Spafford. All four Spafford girls perished that evening.

Horatio immediately went to join his wife. While passing over the area the *Ville du Havre* went down, the captain took him aside and told him this was the spot of the wreckage. Horatio went to his cabin but could not sleep. He said to himself, "It is well; the will of God be done." He later wrote this hymn based on his words spoken in silence that evening.

I will share why this hymn means so much to me in later issues. For now, use the words of the first verse as a prayer: *When peace like a river attendeth my way. When sorrows like sea billows roll. Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul."*

God bless you all! Denise

This & That

Isaiah 12:4 NIV

In that day you will say: "Give praise to the LORD, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done, and proclaim that his name is exalted.

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Festive Cranberry Bread



2 cups sifted flour
1 cup sugar
2 tsp. baking powder
½ tsp. soda
1 tsp. salt
2 tsp. orange rind (or orange extract)
⅓ cup orange juice
½ cup water
1 egg well beaten
2 tbsp salad oil or melted shortening
1 cup chopped nuts
1 cup raw cranberries, halved

Sift together flour, sugar, braking powder, soda and salt in a large mixing bowl. Combine orange rind, orange juice, water, egg and oil; add to dry ingredients. Stir just until thoroughly moistened. Fold in nuts and cranberries. Turn into well greased 5x10x3 inch pan. Bake at 350° 50-60 minutes.

Everyday English expressions that began as Scripture

The King James Bible gave us more than Scripture — it gave us the words we live by every day.

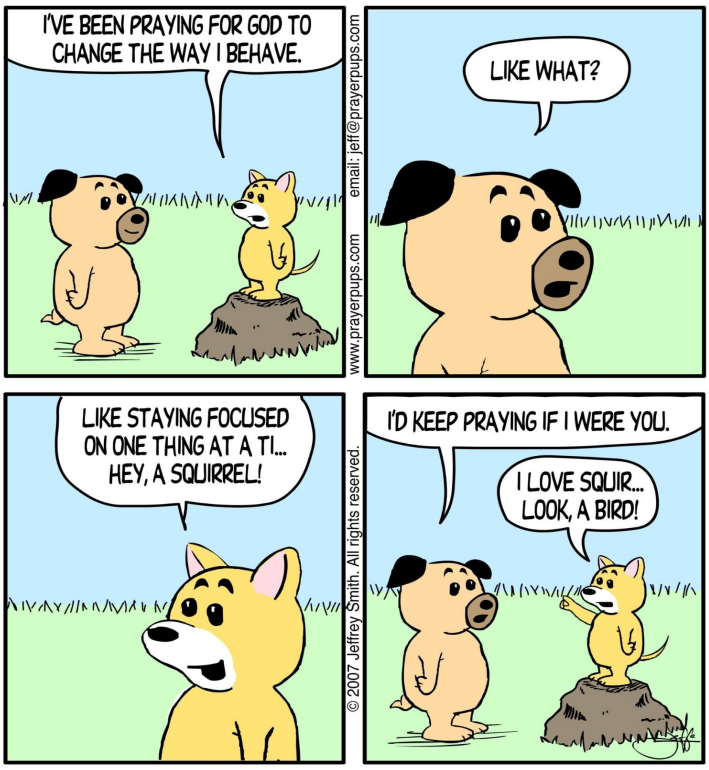
Hundreds of phrases that we use in everyday conversation — at work, at home, in newspapers and novels — originated in the King James Version of 1611. Most people have no idea they are quoting the Bible when they say "a drop in the bucket," "the writing on the wall," or "go the extra mile."

Below are some common English phrases that trace their origin to the KJV.

- **"A drop in the bucket"** ISAIAH 40:15
  An insignificant amount compared to what is needed.
- **"A house divided"** MARK 3:25
  Internal conflict will destroy any group.
- "A labour of love" 1 THESSALONIANS 1:3
  Work done out of devotion rather than obligation.
- **"A soft answer turneth away wrath"** PROVERBS 15:1
  A gentle response defuses anger.
- **"A thorn in the flesh"** 2 CORINTHIANS 12:7
  A persistent source of annoyance or difficulty.
- **"A wolf in sheep's clothing"** MATTHEW 7:15
  Someone who appears harmless but is actually dangerous.

Kids Korner

PRAYER PUPS BY JEFFREY SMITH



GOD WILL HELP US CHANGE ANYTHING ABOUT OURSELVES THAT WE DON'T LIKE.

THE MISSING HAT!

This turkey has lost his hat! Can you help him find it?



Psalm 107:1 NIV

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.

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NOVEMBER JOKES

FUN JOKES FROM TWOKIDSANDACOUPON.COM

- **Why did the turkey cross the road?** It was the chicken's day off.
- **Knock, Knock Who's there?** Omar. **Omar who?** Omar gosh, it's November already!
- **Why should trees wear sweaters this time of year?** Because it's Novem-brrrrr.
- **Did you hear about the hungry clock at Thanksgiving dinner?** It went back for seconds.
- **What sound does a turkey's phone make?** "Wing, wing!"
- **What is it called when snowfall comes early?** Snow-vember.
- **Why does this month seem to last forever?** Because it's Slow-vember and we have to wait for turkey and pie.
- **Knock, knock. Who's there?** Don. **Don who?** Don't eat all the turkey! I want some more!
- **What music did the Pilgrims like?** Plymouth Rock!
- **Knock knock. Who's there?** Aunt. **Aunt who?** Aunt you glad it's Autumn?





November 2026



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 *All Saints Day* **Birthday Sunday** **8:30am** Bible Study **9:30am** Worship Service **Fellowship Meal -** Birthday Cake	**2** **6:00pm** Bible Study	**3** **9:00am** Bible Study	**4** **6:30pm** Church School & Confirmation	**5**	**6** 	**7**
8 *24th Sunday after Pentecost* **8:30am** Bible Study **9:30am** Worship Service w/ Guest Preacher **Fellowship Meal -** Hot Dishes	**9** **6:00pm** Bible Study 	**10** **9:00am** Bible Study	**11** **6:30pm** Church School & Confirmation	**12**	**13**	**14**
15 *25th Sunday after Pentecost* **8:30 am** Bible Study **9:30am** Worship Sevice **Fellowship Meal -** Hunter's Breakfast	**16** **6:00pm** Bible Study 	**17** **9:00am** Bible Study	**18** **4-6pm** Loaves and Fishes **5:30pm** Council Meeting **6:30pm** Church School & Confirmation **7:00pm** Thanksgiving/ Hunters Service	**19** 	**20**	**21** **9-11 am** Loaves and Fishes
22 *Christ the King Sunday* **8:30am** Bible Study **9:30am** Worship Service **Fellowship Meal -** Subs	**23** **6:00pm** Bible Study	**24** **9:00am** Bible Study	**25** **6:30pm** Church School & Confirmation	**26** ***Thanksgiving Day***	**27**	**28**
29 *1st Sunday of Advent* **8:30am** Bible Study **9:30am** Worship Service **Fellowship Meal -** Pizza	**30** **6:00pm** Bible Study					



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