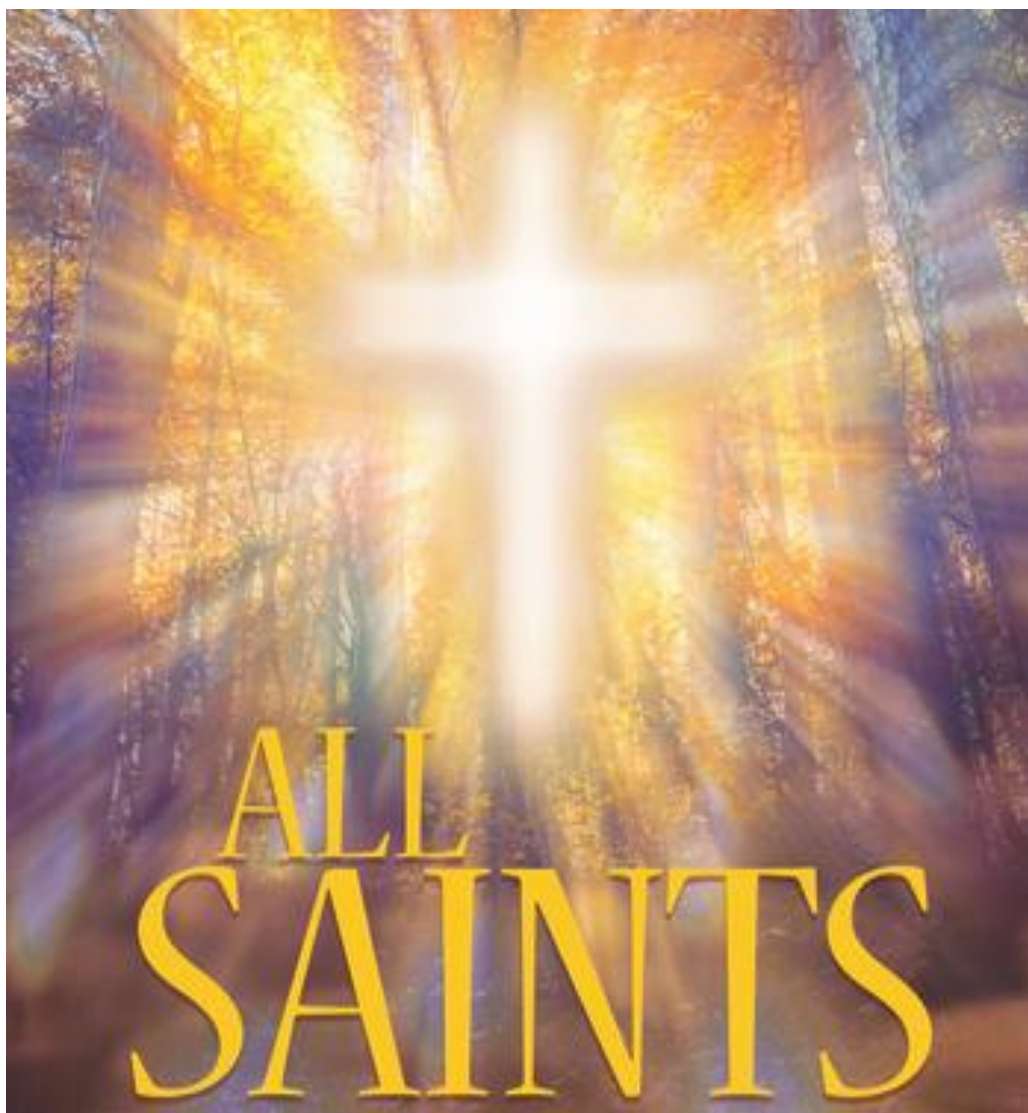


ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
Belleville, PA



All Saints Day
November 1, 2020

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

***HYMN ~ verses 1 and 3**

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Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In

1 Oh, when the saints go march-ing in, oh, when the
2 Oh, when the Lord in glo - ry comes, oh, when the
3 Oh, when the new world is re - vealed, oh, when the
4 Oh, when they gath - er 'round the throne, oh, when they

saints go march-ing in, O Lord, I want to be in that
Lord in glo - ry comes, O Lord, I want to be in that
new world is re - vealed, O Lord, I want to be in that
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num-ber when the saints go march-ing in.
num-ber when the Lord in glo - ry comes.
num-ber when the new world is re - vealed.
num-ber when they gath - er 'round the throne.

- 5 Oh, when they crown him King of kings,
oh, when they crown him King of kings,
O Lord, I want to be in that number
when they crown him King of kings.
- 6 And on that hallelujah day,
and on that hallelujah day,
O Lord, I want to be in that number
on that hallelujah day.

***CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
in whose image we are made,
who claims us and calls us beloved.

C Amen.

C Holy One,
we confess that we are not awake for you.
We are not faithful in using your gifts.
We forget the least of our siblings.
We do not see your beautiful image in one another.
We are infected by sin
that divides your beloved community.
Open our hearts to your coming,
open our eyes to see you in our neighbor,
open our hands to serve your creation. Amen.

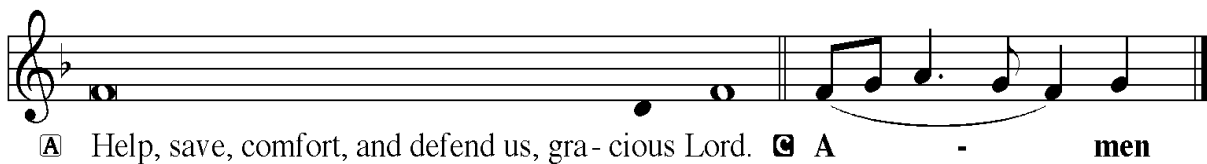
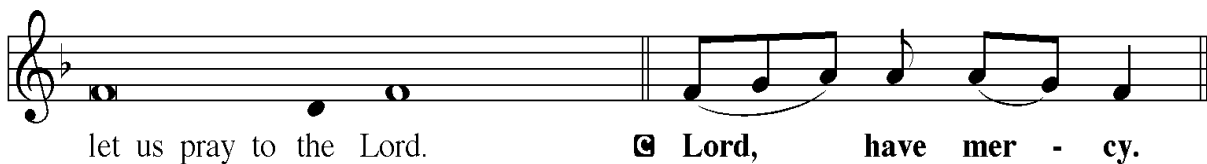
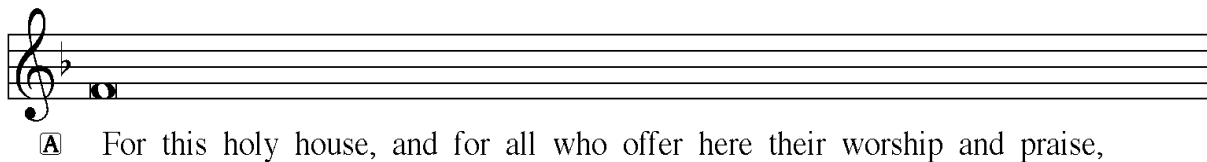
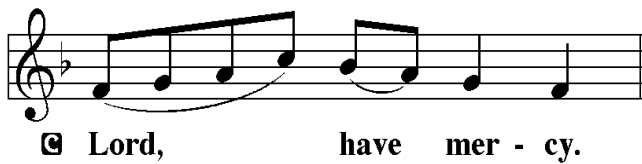
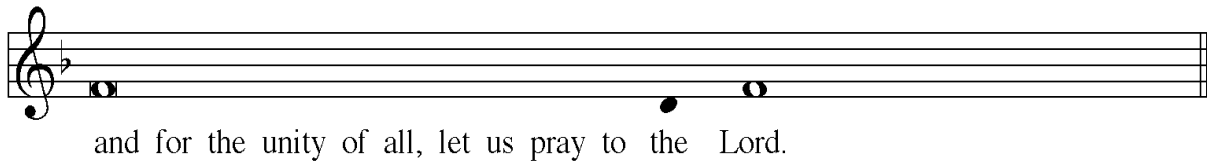
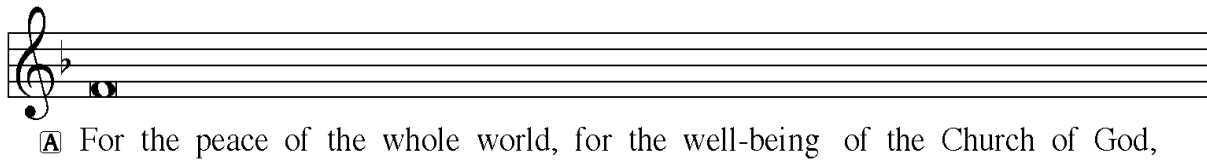
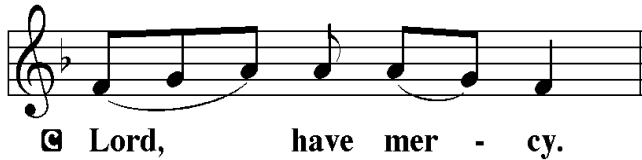
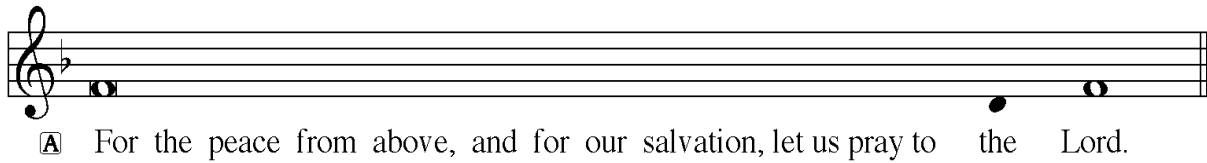
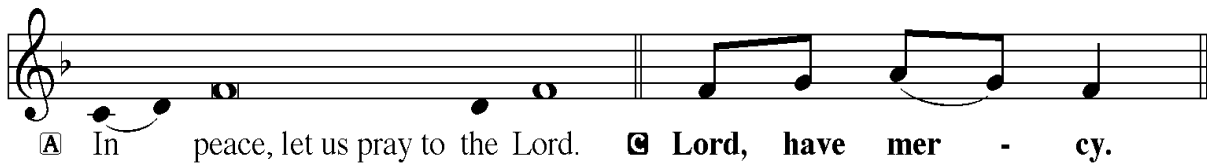
a moment for silent reflection

Beloved, we are God's children,
and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us.
Through ☩ Jesus you are forgiven,
by Jesus you are welcome,
in Jesus you are called to rejoice!
Let us live in the promises prepared for us
from the foundation of the world.
Amen.

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the
communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

***KYRIE**



***HYMN of PRAISE**



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



B Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:



We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men

***PRAYER OF THE DAY ~ in unison** *Prayers and Lessons are found in Celebrate*

P The Lord be with you. C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray...

LESSONS

***First Lesson ~ A reading from Revelation 7:9-17**

after the reading

R The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

***Psalm 34:1-10, 22 ~ with response**

***Second Lesson ~ A reading from 1 John 3:1-3**

after the reading

R The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

***GOSPEL READING**

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 5th chapter.

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

After the reading

P The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

*HYMN ~ verses 1, 4 and 8

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For All the Saints

1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest,
2 You were their rock, their for - tress, and their might;
3 Oh, may your sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold,
7 But then there breaks a yet more glo - rious day: The
8 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, Through

All who by faith be - fore the world con-fessed,
You, Lord, their cap - tain in the well-fought fight;
Fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old
saints . . . tri - um - phant rise in bright ar - ray;
gates . . . of pearl streams in the count - less host,

Your name, O . . . Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
. . . You, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.
And win with . . . them the vic - tor's crown of gold.
The King of . . . glo - ry pass - es on his way.
. . . Sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost:

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Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

4 Oh, blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine, We fee - bly strug - gle,
5 And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long, Steals on the ear the
6 The gold - en eve - ning bright - ens in the west; Soon, soon to faith - ful

they in glo - ry shine; Yet all are . . one with - in your great de -
dis - tant tri - umph song, And hearts are . . brave a - gain and arms are
war - riors comes their rest; . . Sweet is the calm of par - a - dise the

sign.
strong.
blest.
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: William W. How, 1823-1897, alt.
© Tune: R. Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958

SINE NOMINE
10 10 10 and alleluia

***NICENE CREED**

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all that is seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God of God, Light of Light, true God from true God, Begotten, not made, of one being with the Father, through him all things were made; Who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; and He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He shall come again in glory to judge both the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son He is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and life of the world to come. Amen.

*We remember the souls of the faithful departed at this time,
especially those members of St. John's who have
gone on to their heavenly home since last All Saints Day;
R. Thomas Metz and Nancy Aumiller*

***PRAYERS of the PEOPLE ~ See Celebrate**

***PEACE**

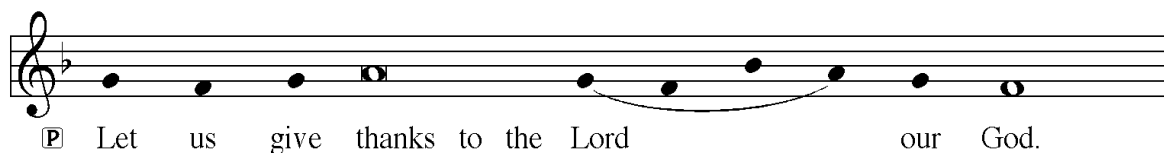
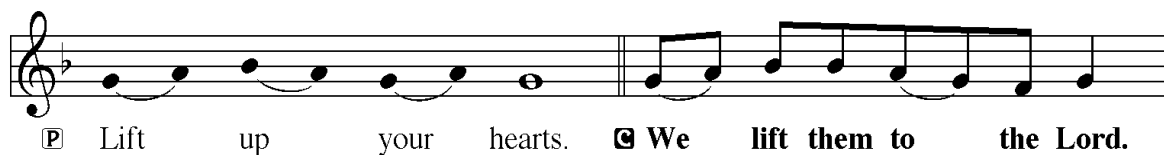
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

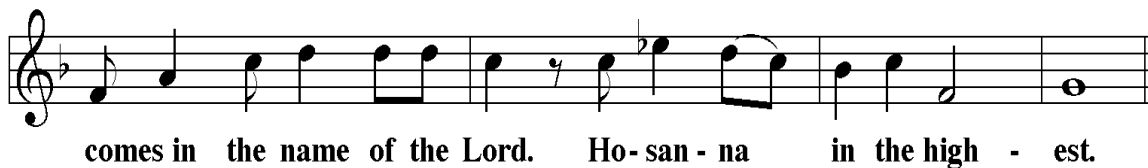
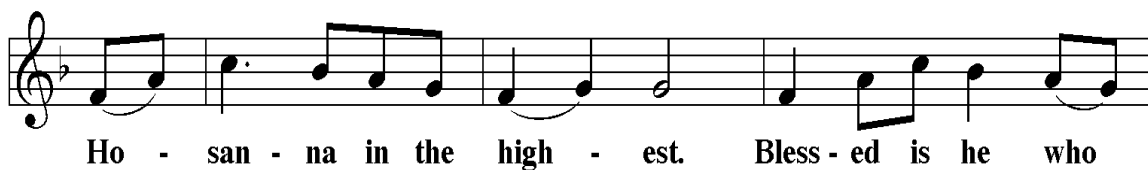
The peace is shared

OFFERING (please leave your gifts in one of the offering plates **at the end of the front and back pews** (Mechanic St. side) on your way out)

***GREAT THANKSGIVING**



P The Preface



P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

The Lord's Prayer

P Let us pray as Jesus taught us:
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P Let us pray.
P We give you thanks, almighty God, that you refresh us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

***DISMISSAL**

P Come forth to take the sacrament. Then go forth in peace and fellowship to serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

***BLESSING**

P Almighty God, Father and + Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen

HYMN ~ Verse 1 and continuing

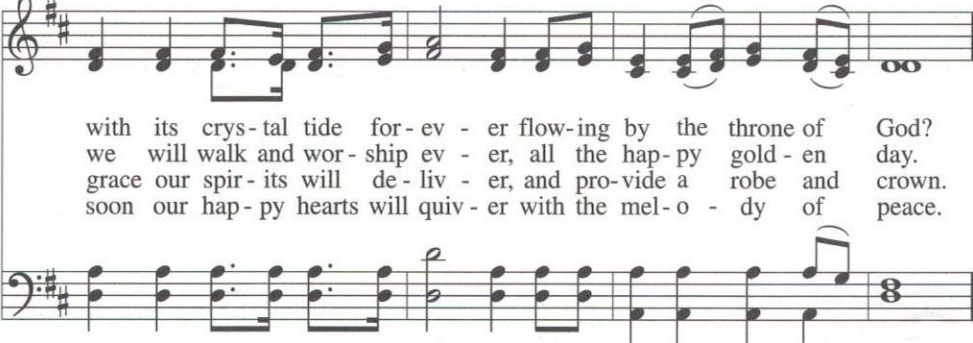
We will begin singing **Shall We Gather at the River** as we gather for communion affirmed in God's everflowing river of Grace. Please continue singing or humming during communion and as we leave.

Shall We Gather at the River

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1 Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,
2 On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,
3 Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;
4 Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, soon our pil - grim - age will cease;




with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow - ing by the throne of God?
we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day.
grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro - vide a robe and crown.
soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the mel - o - dy of peace.

Refrain



Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, the beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;



gath - er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826-1899
Music: HANSON PLACE, Robert Lowry, 1826-1899

***COMMUNION** and sending Christ's gifts and love into the world.

Observing distancing markers, we will come up for communion by the center aisle and depart by the side aisle (Mechanic St. side) or elevator and leave by the front doors downstairs.

POSTLUDE

Blessed are Those Who Mourn for They Shall Be Comforted

How could there be any blessing
now that my loved one had died,
leaving me alone in the world?
what comfort can there be after death?
I walk the path wearing ashes of grief,
to keep others away in my loneliness;
but another, wearing ashes too,
has come to walk beside me in the dusk,
wordless, bent in sorrow;
I look up in this fading light--
it is you, friend Jesus, a mourner too,
your loved ones, your whole world, left you too,
and now you walk into the night with me,
however long this night may be,
your tears of kindness comforting me,
until a new day rises from the ashes.

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Blessed are the Peacemakers for They Shall be Called the Children of God

Jesus, teach me how to bring a little more peace into this world,
a little less fear,
how to be a healing child of God;
teach my heart, so often anxious in this anxious world,
to be a little less anxious, to settle into quiet with you,
and let God's living peace fill me as it fills you,
the peace of a parent singing her child to sleep;

and when I wake,
knowing I am still safe in God's care,
feeling God's song of peace in my heart,
teach me, friend Jesus, the courage to sing this sweet song with you
into the anxious world (whose anxiety can so readily become
chronic fear, greed, addiction, violence, war)
teach me, Jesus, to bring my fellow children of God a little less fear,
a little more of God's living peace this day.

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Our Mission Statement

*We, the members of St. John's congregation, promise to share
the good news of Jesus Christ, to worship and to love one another
in our homes, church, community and the world.*

Our Vision Statement

*To be people who are welcoming and encourage God's love in our community
through our prayer, devotion, benevolence and deeds.*

Today

Greeter: Jami Zook and Mike Boring; **Lay Reader:** Jim Buchanan

Next Sunday, November 8

Greeter: Edna Chester; **Lay Reader:** John Chester

The Altar Flowers in St. John's are given to the Glory of God
by Buck and Sandra Metz in honor of their family.

Notes from the Pastor:

UPCOMING SERVICES

Sunday, November 22 ~ Christ the King

Sunday, November 29 ~ First Advent

MEETINGS

Thursday, November 5 ~ 7:00pm Music and Worship Committee

Saturday, November 7 ~ 9:00am-12:00pm Council Retreat w/fellowship at 8:30am

Thursday, November 12 ~ 6:30pm Council meeting

Monday, November 16 ~ 6:30pm Property Committee meeting

The 5k (just over 3 miles) fundraiser for Camp Mt. Luther is today, and may be done anywhere you like to walk or run. Pastor Ela and the Harshbargers are participating. Any pledges or donations for their participation will go directly to Camp Mt. Luther. You may leave a check with the office or go online to make your donation. You can also enter with a \$25 registration fee and then you can also get at least five sponsors for your 5K with all proceeds going to Camp Mount Luther.

Be part of this exciting new opportunity for LOM and Camp Mount Luther! To sign up as a 5k'er, visit <https://lomnetwork.wufoo.com/forms/mi2zyf1liow6ol/>

Announcements

The November newsletter was mailed out from the Belleville post office on Thursday. IF, you did not receive yours, extra copies can be found in the narthex.

The knoter's group will resume this Thursday, November 5 at 9:30am. After 7 months, all are looking forward to the fellowship they share while getting back to their mission of making the comforts, which provide comfort to those in need.

The ordination anniversary celebration for Rosalie Smith scheduled for next Sunday, November 8 has been postponed for the time being, and will be held a later date.

Advent begins on Sunday, November 29 and we are hoping to complete another Advent devotional with help from West Kish. Volunteers are needed to write the meditations. A sign-up sheet with the scripture reading for each day has been placed on the table in the narthex. **Please be sure and return your submission by next Friday, November 15.**

The Gift Show is scheduled to be held on Friday, November 26 and Saturday, November 27. Live wreaths are once again being sold; and include a hand-crafted bow; please notate your choice of color. You can pre-order by signing up in the narthex or contacting the church office (2032). All orders must be picked up at the gift show; payment can also be made at that time. More information about the show is being included in the newsletter going out next week.

We are looking for donations of **homemade soup, cookies, pies, fudge, cakes, etc.** **All food will be packaged for take-out.** If you would be willing to help in this way, please sign-up in the narthex or contact the church office.

Reminder ~ Service Schedules for next year will be compiled in November. If you are no longer able to/or are interested in serving please contact the church office or your Good Shepherd by **today**. **We will not be scheduling communion assistants or ushers at this time.**

If you are currently serving and do not respond, it will be assumed that wish to continue.
Please note ~ there are fewer people to help, so you may be scheduled more often.

In the narthex, are sign-up sheets for anyone who would like to place Altar flowers next year. We will once again refrain from using them during Lent beginning Sunday, February 21st through Palm Sunday, March 28th. Please remember to notate whether you would like to keep the flowers or have them delivered.

January thru October 29
Last week's attendance ~ 26 Offering ~ \$1,925.00

St. John's ~ YTD Income \$ 494,684.67 Expense \$ 204,488.22
Net Income \$ 290,196.45

The income includes the bequest of \$290,421.27 received from the Gladys Mahady Estate which was deposited to non-budget income for the time being.

The expense includes the final payment for the parking lot paving \$22,990.00 and \$11,087.96 for the boiler repair.

Daycare ~ YTD Income \$ 239,575.20 Expense \$ 183,472.78
Net Income \$ 56,102.42