Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer



Our Redeemer's Voice

### November 2024

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### From the Pastor's Desk

I can't believe it's November already! We're well into the school year, and the holidays are just around the corner. We've had a lot going on this fall, and as we continue through the year, the opportunities to help out, make connections, and be a community of faith continue as well.



All of the church committees have ways to engage or events to attend at LCOR. I mentioned some of them back in August as we were looking forward to the fall season, but it's time to revisit the work that's being done

by these groups as the year progresses. This congregation really does have a lot happening, and I encourage you to read through the rest of the newsletter for all of the events and details.

The Stewardship Committee works to remind us that living faithfully happens every day. Last week, they spoke about having an "Attitude of Gratitude" towards all we have and all we get to do each day. As they finish up their Stewardship Series, they'll be focusing on financial stewardship as well as stewardship of time and interests, highlighting the church committees as a way for everyone to learn more about what's going on and how they can participate.

The work of the Worship and Music Committee is probably easiest to see as they plan and coordinate the worship services. From organizing volunteers for Sunday morning to planning special services like the Blessing of the Animals, they make sure that LCOR has worship services that run smoothly and are grounded in theology and faith.

The Social Ministry Committee, Community Life, and Christian Education Programs almost always have something going on. In addition to ongoing concerns like collecting donations for local Food Pantries, the Social Ministry Committee has a special project, outreach, or collection almost every month. For example, this month they're coordinating and serving a meal at Food'n'Friends. Community Life has continued their month-ly "Eat-Out-After-Church" event, and added some trips, dinners, and gatherings for people to connect with the church community and enjoy time together. Sunday School and Adult Education coordinators have been putting together engaging and thoughtful lessons that spark questions and conversations.

The Finance Committee has a big role in making sure things keep going well, too. They track the budget for the year and work to communicate the financial situation as well as any recommendations to the council and congregation. This year, they are adding an informational session prior to the annual meeting. I encourage you to check that out on November 10.

## From the Pastor's Desk (continued...)

The Building and Grounds committee takes care of coordinating needed repairs as well as lawn and building maintenance and the semi-annual clean up days. Many hands make light work, and all work contributes to the whole project as we saw with the fall clean up day on October 26. The ORCCC Board ensures good communication and organization between LCOR and the Daycare here, so that both work well on their own and with each other.

This article has been highlighting the committees at LCOR, but it would be a mistake not to mention the staff here as well. Our music directors, office administrator, and custodian work together to ensure everything runs smoothly and all of those little details are taken care of. From having an accurate bulletin to a clean building to meaningful and faithful worship music to this very newsletter, the staff plans, practices, and coordinates across committees and programs with efficiency, understanding, and grace.

I'm thankful for all the people that work to add so much to the community of faith here at LCOR. I hope you get the chance to talk with the committee members and staff at some point, and maybe ask what they have coming up or how you can engage or help out with these programs and events. The extra opportunities we get to enjoy each year would not be possible without their work and everyone's participation.

### **Remember in Your Prayers**

Bud, Sonya, Augustina and Charlene, Carol, Claudia, Dayron and Daisia, Glenn, Laurie, Mark, Rich, Rylee, Mike & Brianna, Joe B, Judy B, Judy C, Tom C, Eden D, Joe F, Georgia G, Joanne H, John & Evy H, Ted J, Ola S, David W, those homebound, in nursing homes, recovering and/or taking treatments, those serving our country both home and abroad, those who face difficult situations or problems, and those who are hurting or struggling or have lost loved ones.

Prayer requests can be made by emailing Alice Wuschke at <u>alwuschke@gmail.com</u>. Names will remain on the list for three months, unless otherwise indicated. Requests must be resubmitted to continue an additional three months. Eat Out After Church & Social Event—October 6th, 2024 — Wards Berry Farm





































The Stewardship Campaign—Stewardship 24 for 2024 began on October 20.

Joanne H kicked off the campaign with (her favorite thing) Children's Sermon!

Saying "Thank you Jesus" for everyday things. Wonderful Thoughts! We put our thanks on a big board with brightly colored stickers! This continued Pastor's sermon series of "Being the Church" every day of the week.

Don J gave a wonderful talk on October 27 about being good Stewards daily, minute by minute.

Pastor continued her FRIDAY sermon with a moving piece saying each day has special meaning, but Friday (*as in Good Friday*) makes everything different! What a special day!

This was only to be capped off with the innovative teachings of Bruce R He and our amazing Sunday School Kids hosted the Fellowship Hour with the foods that Jesus ate. This was a valuable lesson teaching the kids about making these foods and trying them. Great Job Bruce and kids!

The first week of November, Lenny H will share his Stewardship feelings and insights for the finale of our Stewardship Campaign. Always invigorating when the Ideas of many come together!

Please pray about your Stewardship goals for the upcoming year. Money is always important, but not the only thing. Giving of yourself is such an individual specialty-whether it is extra time you can give- or your skills and talents. Together we can help Build LCOR stronger than ever.

Pledge Information will be available and more information on E-Giving will be given on Nov 10. During the time between services, the Adult Ed group will host a special Fellowship Hour. The Church Council members will be available for all to gather information about what each team does and how we can all help to make the committees stronger.

Please pray about how you can participate and help us do this together.

God's Blessings,

Joanne H, Don J, Gary D, Lenny H and Pastor Sarah Your Amazing Stewardship Team

### **Birthdays & Anniversaries**

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Jack H 11/02 Chad P 11/03 Martha P 11/04 Charles P 11/09 Sarah C 11/10 Henry V 11/10 Katarina B 11/11 Carol N 11/11 Logan B 11/12 Martha H 11/14 Katrina C 11/16 Nicholas G 11/16 Sienna C 11/17 Cooper B 11/18 Jasmine P 11/20 Nancy B 11/26 Kristen B 11/26 Derek H 11/26 Riley M 11/26 Colleen F 11/29

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Al & Heather S 11/24 Roger & Irene C 11/30

## November Announcements

#### Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>:

- End of Daylight Savings Time
- No Adult Education Class.
- 11:45 a.m. Eat Out After Church- Jake & Joes, 25 Foxboro Blvd, Foxboro
- 2:00-3:30 p.m. First Communion Class. This class is for anyone ready to celebrate their First Communion. There are no age requirements. Parent/Guardian (s) of school-aged students will need to attend with their children. Please sign up on the bulletin board or by emailing or calling the church office.

#### Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>:

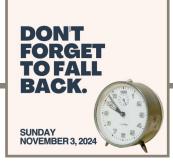
- Adult Ed resumes with a focus on Gratitude. Classes will run during the Sunday School hour, 9:30 AM in the Nazareth Room, through the end of December.
- Finance Information Session- Finance has important updates to share that significantly impact our church community, and we warmly invite you to join us. Our Finance Chair, Madeline E, will give a brief presentation, offering insights into these developments. This session will be held after the first service. We hope to see you there!

#### Saturday, November 16th - Food'n'Friends, Soup Kitchen

#### Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup>- Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting.

**Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> 11:00 AM**- Join us for a road trip to Cape Cod. \$30.00 fee includes tour and transportation. A signup is on the Bulletin Board and the deadline is 11/17/24.





# **Building & Grounds**



### **OUR FALL 2024 CLEAN-UP**

# Thanks to all those that participated in our LCOR FALL CLEAN-UP ACTIVITIES ON 10/26/24.

#### The WORK :

We had plenty to be doing in terms of :

- Removing "ALL" the summer growth / brush from around the property front, sides and back.
- Playground cleaning/blowing as well as the preparation of the garden for the winter months.
- Mulch Bed edging and weeding always an important part.
- Trimming all the hedges and edging along the walkways.
- Both Sanctuary PEW and Kitchen area CLEANING.
- With leaf raking/blowing being unavoidable.

#### The TREAT :

After the working activities , the team gathers for a luncheon each Fall and Spring .

• Burgers, Dogs, and Chicken with Salads, Fruit, and Beans, top off with some great desserts for sure The opportunity for the entire team to just sit and talk after the work is done is as important as the work itself.

#### **The BENEFIT :**

These LCOR Clean-up EVENTS matter, and where everyone is invited to lend a hand.

## These LCOR CLEAN-UPS are an important part of what helps to keep our LCOR Building and Property looking excellent.

Thanks,

Mike Building and Grounds



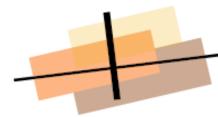
## **E-Giving**

The Finance Committee would like to invite you to explore the option of contributing to church electronically through Vanco Services. This allows the process to be set up to your convenience and also provides you the option of transitioning from envelopes to online giving. For more details, please contact Madeline E. You can find our convenient QR Code in the Sunday Bulletins or click the link below.

Home | The Lutheran Church Of Our Redeemer (myvanco.com)

### **Fellowship Hosts Needed!**





### NOVEMBER 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 *EAT OUT AFTER CHURCH *END OF DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME 8:30 AM Contemporary 9:15 AM Fellowship 9:30 AM Sunday School *No Adult Ed Today 10:30 AM Traditional 2:00 PM 1st Communion Class	4 7:15-8:15 AM Ladies Bible Study Via Zoom Worship & Music Meeting 6:30 PM	5 BOD Meeting 6:00 PM	6	7 7:15-8:15 AM Ladies Bible Study Via Zoom	8	9
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November 2024 Server Schedule

### If you are unable to serve our parish on your assigned date or time, you need to seek a replacement from the current volunteer listing. If you should notice "NEED" and find YOU can serve in that slot, please DO! Schedule updated weekly on bulletin board and on www.lcor.org

Server Volunteers Needed—All roles come with appropriate training and we don't expect people to be scheduled more often than once a month. If you can help in any of these roles or if you are just looking for more information, contact Karen DiCanzio at dicanzio@comcast.net. Tellers do not need to be just from the second service, tellers can come from the first service as well.



### **Altar Flowers**

If you'd like to put flowers on the altar, simply sign up on the large flower chart on the bulletin board in the hallway leading to the education wing.

They may be given in honor of someone, in memory of someone, an event (anniversary birthday etc.), or simply to the glory of God! If the flowers are being given in honor or memory of someone, please write that on the flower chart. If no reason is stated on the chart then flowers will be given to the "Glory of God."

You must sign up a minimum of 7 days in advance. Flower arrangements are **\$35 each**. Please place your payment in the offering plate and be sure you designate the payment as "altar flowers."

These flowers belong to you, after the flowers adorn the altar area for both services, please take your flowers home.

#### Summer Worship Schedule

8:30 am - Contemporary Worship

9:15 am Fellowship Time

10:00 am - Traditional Worship

#### Fall, Winter, and Spring Worship Schedule

8:30 am - Contemporary Worship

9:15 am - Fellowship Time 9:30 am- Christian Education

10:30 am - Traditional Worship