



# THE LAMPLIGHTER

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November 2020

## IN-PERSON WORSHIP

Worship has returned to In-person. Guidelines are in place to create a safe environment.  
The Live Stream Worship option will continue!

**We are in need of one adult to join the Wednesday evening Confirmation team.**

If you are interested please, contact Pastor Linda at 651-368-0085 or the church office at 786-0910.

*Thank you!*

**There will be a Special Congregational meeting, Sunday, November 15th**

Special Congregational Meeting immediately following Worship  
for the express purpose of hearing the report of the Nominating Committee  
to elect Elders, Deacons and Nominating Committee members for 2021.

## Looking for a place to serve and volunteer at church?

We have a role for you.....the sound booth needs more helpers. Please consider serving in the sound booth on Sundays during our live streaming production and during the return to In-person Worship. Mask wearing is required. Please text or call Tiffani LaJeunesse with any and all questions or interest at (608) 780-7420. Thank you so much.

## HOLIDAY SERVICES

Session has decided that this year we will NOT be having a Thanksgiving Eve service, but that we WILL be having a Christmas Eve service. The Christmas Eve service will start at 5:30 pm and follow the safety procedures we are using for all services. In addition, since our capacity is limited to 75 total people, we will be requiring pre-registration for the service. Registration can be done by e-mailing the church, or calling the church and leaving a message.



*Tithes and Offerings can be mailed to:*

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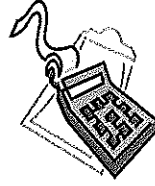
*Please do not use the church street address.*

## Secretary Office Hours

Monday: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM  
Tuesday: 7:30 AM-1:30 PM  
Thursday: 7:30 AM-1:30 PM

**September 2020 Financial Summary****Operating Budget**

Balance September 1st	\$22,033.66
Receipts	8,487.93
Expenses	(10,570.08)
<b>Ending Balance—September 30th</b>	<b>\$19,951.51</b>

**Prayer Chain**

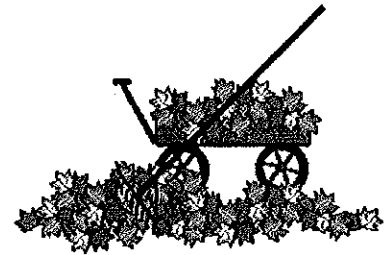
Helen Harold	786-0856
Sharon Shaw	786-0653
Vickie Holt	786-1659
Sharon Cullmann	608-797-1732
Sue Strauss	786-0758
Marilyn Bahr	786-0315
Diana Engel	786-1560
Becky Auna	786-0097
Rose Cooper	608-369-3848

**HIGHLIGHTS FROM SESSION:**

- Congregational Meeting – November 15th
- Christmas Eve—December 24th at 5:30 PM
- Approved 2021 Budget

**BIRTHDAYS**

2—Curtis Matthews	20—Richard Carlson, Jerry Quackenbush
4—Robert Twining	21—Mariah Terry
9—Pamela Twining	22—Ayden Bjorkman, Danielle Wehrs
11—Kendall Hill, Aubree Hill	23—Marilyn Bahr, Loris Ann Griffin
12—Colene Miller	24—Annabelle Baker, Matthew Schnitzler, Addison Hamilton
13—Avis Evenson, Mark Wuensch	25—Keahna Littlejohn
14—Will Griffin	26—Charles Engel, Janet Twining
16—Lindsey Buehler	27—Joy Raymer
18—Michael Koeneke	28—Fran Leicht
19—Laura Stephenson	30—Alex Twining

**Elders**Class of 2020

Valerie Olson  
 Carolyn Lindeman  
 Charles Engel  
 Kathy Schedin  
 Anna Bohnsack—Youth Elder

Class of 2021

Barbara Hopkins  
 Sherry Bonsall  
 Becca Bohnsack  
 Greg Meeuwse

Class of 2022

Mike Siekert  
 Kristjan Sells  
 Nancy Olson  
 Shayna Arndt

**Deacons**

Class of 2020 Jean Pearson, Nancy Olson, Jackie Siekert, Rita Thompson and Lill Twining

Class of 2021 Norm Sanwick, Lois Sanwick, Helen Harold, Diana Swim, Rose Wolbrink

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...**

On the first day I met Holly at church I noticed a pile of photos on the table. Surprisingly, right on top was a photo of my confirmation class in the 1960s. I know from the photo that I was there but I can't remember clearly anything about the classes. Is that the case for you?

Confirmation is meant to be a rite of passage in the church - a time of transition, a time of becoming something new, a time of shaping and living into their identity as an adult believer in Jesus Christ. This image is helpful for the congregation in the lifelong journey of young people. It also provides students with opportunities to learn and explore the story of the particular congregation they will join and its witness in the world.

The students coming to class are not coming as blank slates. They have been exposed to the Bible stories of the Old and New Testament, they have learned more in Sunday School and Vacation Bible School. Family discussions about faith are important, too. They are nurtured by the "un-curriculumed" life of the congregation: observing baptisms, communion and worshipping; compassion for others, praying for others, stewardship, and mission projects. They learn hospitality in the way they are welcomed at fellowship events and worship.

We have come to expect that confirmation will teach student about how we are "Presbyterian", our history in the Reformed tradition, the polity and what worship means. They can also see them as part of the larger church nationally and globally.

**We ask for PRAYER SUPPORT FOR THE CONFIRMATION STUDENTS AND LEADERS:** *Lord, You send out Your Spirit to touch the hearts of all people, so that they may believe in You and in Jesus whom You sent. Look kindly on all candidates for Confirmation as they listen to Your voice. Open their hearts to Your Spirit and bring to fulfilment the good work that You have begun in them. As we prepare these Youth for Confirmation teach us to appreciate what is holy in others, and to be patient with what we do not understand. Deepen our faith in the Gospel and help us to pass it on by our example. We pray that You will continue to guide us and sustain us. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.*

*Pastor Linda*

Psalm 27:4

Email: pastorlindawsp@gmail.com or phone: 651-368-0085



**Join us for a BIBLE STUDY for post confirmation students and adults**

**The Letter to the Ephesians** Sundays 9:00-10AM in the conference room

Bring your own Bible, colored pencils for marking it, and if you are able to get the app called Bible Hub for your study tools on your ipad/tablet or smart phone you will have some of the tools right at your fingertips. Inductive bible study is not a lecture but studying the words and concepts of scripture and forming your own conclusions.

**On-going MORNING PRAYER** via Zoom (7:00-7:25AM) Monday-Thursday

The practice of daily prayer is a way of living out our baptism—dying and rising with Christ. Each night we rest in Christ's peace; each morning we rise to walk in newness of life. *Get signed in once you are in for good -- the link doesn't expire.*

The next Red Cross Blood Drive will be Monday, November 2nd from 12:30-5:30 PM. Call Connie Blunck for an appointment at 786-0684.



## PW MISSIONS

Due to the lack of the Salad Luncheon and Fall Festival, the main fundraisers for Presbyterian Women, the mission giving to local worldwide mission is suffering. Please consider writing a check to Presbyterian Women so we can continue to be a light to the world.



## Columbarium

Reservations may be made for the columbarium. The cost is \$860 per niche which includes engraving and the perpetual care fund fee mandated by the State of Wisconsin.

Contact the church office or a Buildings & Grounds Committee member for more information. The Session approved the new policy which allows anyone in our church or the community to use the columbarium. Our columbarium provides a comfortable way to make advance plans. It is a place of memorial and remembrance of deceased family and friends.

## HATS OFF TO:

- All those who have helped with the Live Stream Worship Services in October: Greg Meeuwsen, Barb Hopkins, Julie Baker, Tiffani LaJeunesse, Avis Evenson, Shawn McAlister, Brynn Loging, Becca Bohnsack, Logan Oldenburg, Gideon and Josiah Wolbrink, Isaku Saito and our Interim Pastor Linda.



### Usher for the month of November is:

Dave Bohnsack

### November Acolytes:

1—Deacon Meyers  
8—Dax Pfaff  
15—Tate Pfaff  
22—Ayden Schuster  
29—Elsa Wolbrink

### November Liturgists:

1—Kevin Arndt  
8—Shayna Arndt  
15—Martha Burdick  
22—Jenni Loging  
29—Charlie Evans

### Confirmation Class Schedule

November 4th—Promise  
November 11th—Jacob & Esau  
November 18th—Joseph  
November 25th—no class

### The sympathy of the congregation is extended to:

...Marie Haugen on the death of her father on October 2nd.

...Elinor Johnston's family.  
Elinor died on October 4th.




### Lectionary Passages for the month of November:

- November 1st—Joshua 3:7-17; Psalm 107:1-7; 1 Thess. 2:9-13; Matthew 23:1-12
- November 8th—Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25; Psalm 78:1-7; 1 Thess. 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13
- November 15th—Judges 4:1-7; Psalm 123; 1 Thess. 5:1-11; Matthew 25:14-30
- November 22nd—Ezek. 34:11-16, 20-24; Psalm 100; Eph. 1:15-23; Matthew 25:31-46
- November 29th—Isaiah 64:1-9; Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19; 1 Cor. 1:3-9; Mark 13:24-37



# November 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 <i>All Saints' Day!</i> <i>Daylight Savings Time ends</i> 9:00 Sunday School 9:15 Bible Study <b>10:15 In-person Worship &amp; Live Stream</b> <b>Worship w/Communion</b>	2 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer	3 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer	4 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer 5:00 Confirmation 7:00 AA & AI-Anon	5 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer	6 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer	7
8 9:00 Sunday School/Handbells Practice 9:15 Bible Study <b>10:15 In-person Worship &amp; Live Stream</b> <b>Worship</b>	9 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer 6:30 Committee Meetings	10 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer	11 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer 5:00 Confirmation 7:00 AA & AI-Anon	12 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer	13 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer	14
15 9:00 Sunday School/Handbells Practice 9:15 Bible Study <b>10:15 In-person Worship &amp; Live Stream</b> <b>Worship</b>	16 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer 7:00 Session Meeting	17 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer	18 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer 12:00-4:00 WTC 5:00 Confirmation 7:00 AA & AI-Anon	19 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer	20 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer	21
22 9:00 Sunday School 9:15 Bible Study <b>10:15 In-person Worship &amp; Live Stream</b> <b>Worship</b>	23 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer	24 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer	25 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer 7:00 AA & AI-Anon	26 <b>Happy Thanksgiving!</b> 	27	28
29 <b>10:15 In-person Worship &amp; Live Stream</b> <b>Worship</b>	30 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer					

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### **Quick Look Ahead:**

- All Saints' Sunday – November 1st
- Daylight Savings Time end – Sunday, November 1st – turn your clocks back!
- Red Cross Blood Drive, Monday, November 2nd
- There will be NO Thanksgiving Eve Worship this year

The Lamplighter is published monthly by the Presbyterian Church of West Salem to inform church members and friends about the events, programs, and mission of the congregation. Information for The Lamplighter is to be submitted to the church office by the 15th day of each month.

**Please inform the church office of any change in your address.**