Grace Lutheran Worship Folder

November 16 & 17, 2024



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Grace Lutheran Church

Grace Lutheran's Purpose Statement

"We share God's love by welcoming all and making a Christ-like difference in our community and world."

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

WELCOME/PRELUDE

GATHERING

(the assembly stands as they are comfortable)

(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P: Gracious God,
- C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first, we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
- P: God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace we have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, our sins are forgiven.
- C: Amen.



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- With voic es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer







Text: Julia C. Cory, 1882-1963

Music: KREMSER, A. Valerius, Nederlandtsch Gedenckclanck, 1626 This selection is in the public domain.

GREETING

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.

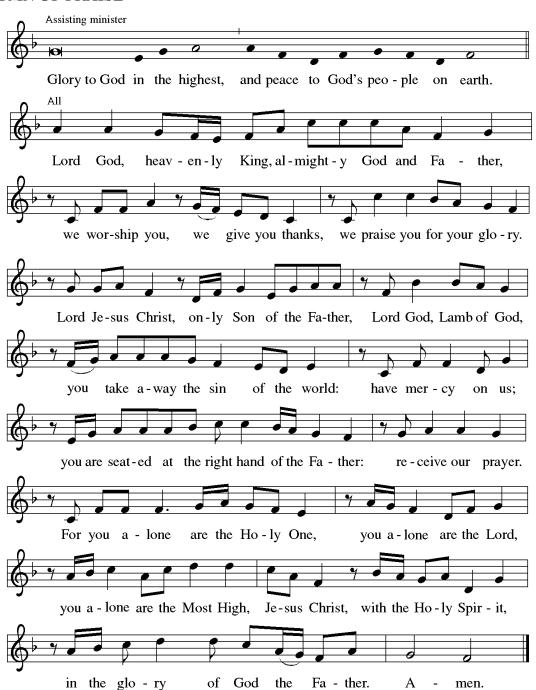
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men.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A

HYMN OF PRAISE



- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Let us pray.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM "A Time for All Things"

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WORD

God speaks to us in scripture, preaching and song.

SCRIPTURE READINGS **Daniel 12:1-3**

The book of Daniel is an example of apocalyptic literature, which is full of strange visions and symbolism. Arising during times of great persecution, apocalyptic literature is concerned with God's revelation about the end time and the coming kingdom of God, when God will vindicate the righteous who have been persecuted.

¹ "At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. ² Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³ Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 16

My heart is glad and my spirit rejoices; my body shall rest in hope. (Ps. 16:9)

¹ Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."

² All my delight is in the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.

³ But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.

⁴ I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods, never take their names upon my lips.

- ⁵ O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.
- ⁶ My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.
- ⁷ I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.
- ⁸ I have set the LORD always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.
- ⁹ My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.
- ¹⁰ For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.
- ¹¹ You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Hebrews 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25

Images of worship and sacrifice are used throughout Hebrews to highlight what Christ has uniquely accomplished through his death. Because we have received forgiveness through Christ's death, we live with sincere hearts by trusting in God's promises and encouraging love and good works from each other.

¹¹ Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. ¹² But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," ¹³ and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." ¹⁴ For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. [¹⁵ And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying, ¹⁶ "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds," ¹⁷ he also adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." ¹⁸ Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.] ¹⁹ Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵ not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

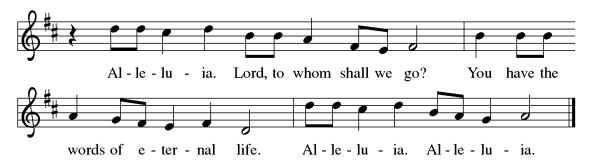
P: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(The assembly stands as they are comfortable for the Gospel)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Mark 13:1-8

In the last week of his life, Jesus warned his disciples concerning trials that were to come upon them and upon the world. He exhorts the listener: Do not be alarmed.

¹ As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" ² Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down." ³ When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴ "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" ⁵ Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁶ Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. ⁷ When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸ For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs."

P: The Gospel of Our Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

HOMILY

HYMN OF THE DAY "My Lord, What a Morning"

R438



My Lord, what a morn-ing; my Lord, what a morn-ing; oh,





- 1 You will hear the trum pet sound,
- 2 You will hear the sin ner cry, to wake the na-tions un-der ground,
- 3 You will hear the Chris-tian shout,



look-ing to my God's right hand, when the stars be-gin to fall.

Text: African American spiritual

Music: BURLEIGH, African American spiritual

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APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again;

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

(Response after each petition)

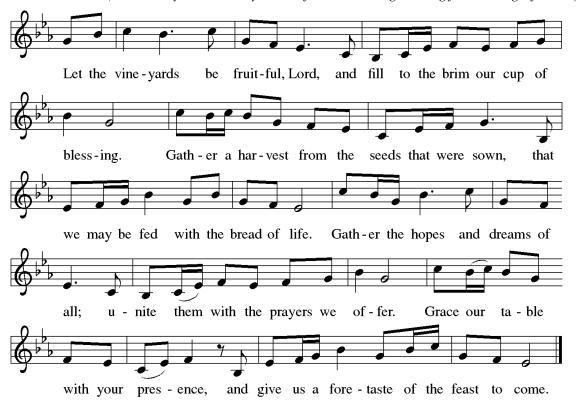
P: Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

MEAL God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY (the assembly stands as they are comfortable and sings as the gifts are brought forward)



Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980

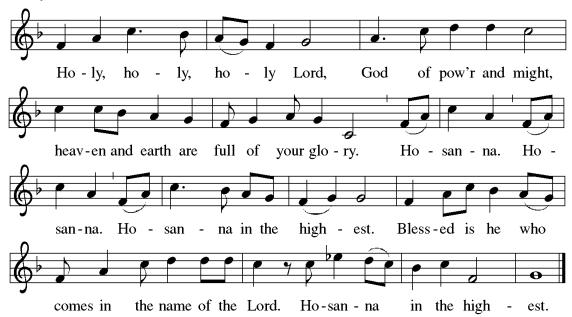
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P: Let us pray...Blessed are you, O God,

C: source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...(concluding)...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER/WORDS OF INSTITUTION

- P: Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God... Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:
- C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- P: We pray for the gift of your Spirit... Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end.
- C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

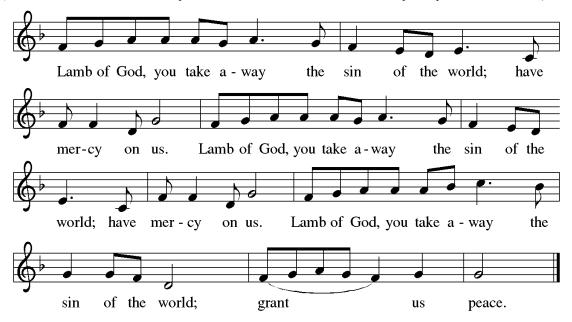
P: Lord, remember us in your Kingdom and teach us to pray.

C: 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: Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is our God.

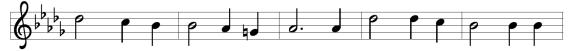
HOLY COMMUNION

(All who desire to receive Christ's presence in bread and wine are welcome to participate in the Eucharist)





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- of this lives—oh, the bliss glo ri - ous thought; my
- has ten the day when our faith shall be Lord. sight, the



sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll, what - ev - er my lot, thou hast that Christ hath re - gard - ed my this blest as - sur - ance con - trol. part, but the whole, is nailed to his cross and I not in clouds be rolled back as scroll, the trum - pet shall sound and the a



taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul. shed his blood for my help - less es - tate, and hath own soul. Lord, praise the Lord. it no more. Praise the O soul! mv Lord shall de - scend; it is well with my soul. so



Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828-1888

Music: VILLE DU HAVRE, Philip P. Bliss, 1838-1876

(the assembly stands as they are comfortable)

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

C: Amen.

P: Let us pray...Holy God,

C: you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

P: God all mighty, God most merciful + bless us, keep us, and give us peace.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

R632



- 1 O God, our help in a ges past, our hope for years to come,
- 2 Un der the shad ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se cure;
- 3 Be fore the hills in or der stood or earth re ceived its frame,
- 4 A thou-sand a ges in your sight are like an eve-ning gone,



- 5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all our years away; they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the op'ning day.
- 6 O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, still be our guard while troubles last and our eternal home.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt. Music: St. Anne, William Croft, 1678–1727

ANNOUNCEMENTS

P: Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

C: Thanks be to God.



POSTLUDE

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT GRACE LUTHERAN A congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

We are glad to have you here worshiping with us. For visitors, we would be glad to tell you more about Grace Lutheran and how we share God's love. Please leave the best way to contact you on the visitor sheets in the Sanctuary Narthex or the Office Lobby or use the bulletin and give it to an usher.

COFFEE HOUR AFTER SUNDAY WORSHIP

Join us for a time of fellowship with coffee/tea/juice and treats in the Fellowship Hall off the Office Lobby after our Sunday worship.

ALTAR FLOWERS

In Honor
of
Joseph Gentry, Sr.
Whose birthday would have been on Tuesday, November 19

IN OUR PRAYERS

Bill Whitscell, Gary Bettega, Don & Myra Cross, Adam Kamyszek, Kelly Pankey, Joanne Kindt, Tammy Furze, Eleanor Coddington, Sandy Malaski, Janet Chroninger, Bonnie Cross, Elfie Jahnke, Budd & Marlene Jobson, Don Barnard, Meredith Smith, Robert Larsen, Vicki Piontkowski, Elaine Hatch, Scott Lancaster, Dorothy Hansen, Larry & Emma Nelson, Michele Amelotte, Jim Malaski -- Danielle Lawrence, Bishop Emeritus Gary Hansen, Deborah Al-Duwaisan, Julie Stafford, Daphne Flack, Dixie Crevier, Brenda Donajkowski, Rev. Sarah Samuelson, Linda, Kaye Harry, Sandra Beck, Kevin Carlson, Laura Fettes (Don Cross' granddaughter), Arlie Prevost, Donna Kendziorski, Jeff Kendziorski, Geraldine Rhoads, Herb Schiller, Ann Haske, Jimmy Lappan, Donna Hatch, Jordyn, Maggie, and Joseph Hansen.

PRAYER PARTNERS

From the LARCC (Lutheran, Anglican, Roman Catholic and Congregational UCC) parishes of Alpena, this weekend we pray for the Funeral Service Groups at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Our Synod Prayer Partner for this week: Immanuel Lutheran Church/Allegan, Rev. Christopher Laughlin, and Bishop Craig Satterlee and Synod Staff.

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED

Our Christian Identity

How do you live and show your Christian identity? Among your many identities that you have, how often do you name it, claim it, and use it? *The Wired Word* tells the story about one person's identities and their priorities in using them. So springing from that we will think about our lives and how we do that. Join us at 11 in the Lounge.

THANKS FOR TREATS FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Thanks to all who shared treats with the neighborhood on Halloween. Seemed like there were more kids and families out this year. We had quite the crew there, 13 in all. Especially thanks to the two *HOT DOGS and Pumpkin* who went down the block - both ways to let parents and kids know we had something for them. We saw lots of unique costumes and neat kids. We handed out information on Worship and Sunday School. Thanks to all who donated treats for the evening. Join us next year to have a good time too.

RUTH CIRCLE

The Ruth Circle will meet in the lounge at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 20. All women are welcome to come and see what we do.

GRACE LUTHERAN THANKSGIVING DINNER! Thursday, November 28, 2024 ~ 5 p.m.

Grace Lutheran will provide a church family Thanksgiving Day dinner at 5:00 pm. The turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes and gravy will be provided. Everyone is welcome to bring a dish to pass – your favorite side, dessert, rolls, salads, whatever you feel inclined to bring! We will offer pick up/delivery to our Loving Care Members at 4:00 pm to allow them to also partake in our Thanksgiving Dinner. For delivery, please call Peggy at 989-354-2640. Delivery will be made shortly after 4:00 p.m. so our delivery crew can make it back to eat as well. If you can help with delivery please contact Peggy so she can list the drivers we will have as well.

Please sign up and include the number attending and the dish you wish to bring and share. (Sign-up sheets are located in the Office Narthex.) There is also a sign-up sheet for Set-Up Committee and Clean-Up Committee for those who want to assist. Requests for delivered meals need to be called in to the church by Sunday, November 24 so deliveries can be coordinated. All are welcome!

BAKE SALE

The Ruth Circle is planning a bake sale at Grace on **December 7 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.** We would like everyone in the congregation to please donate to make this a success. We depend on the bake sale money to enable us to donate to 12 charities from Grace Lutheran through the Women of the ELCA at Grace. **Bake sale items can be brought to the church on Friday, December 6 beginning at 8 a.m. and continuing throughout the day.** We appreciate any baked goods, canned items and craft items also donated. Any questions, please call Darlene Freel at 989-354-8866. Please also let us know if you can help on Friday or Saturday.

LITTLE FOOD PANTRY

Winter is fast approaching and the Little Food Pantry is again collecting hats, gloves and mittens for the pantry.

CHRISTMAS CAROLING - DECEMBER 15

You are invited to join in Christmas caroling around the community! There will be lunch provided after church on Sunday, December 15th at 11:00 am and caroling will begin at 12:00pm. A sign up sheet will be posted. We will be going to assisted living homes as well as homes of some of our members. Please join in the fun!

2024 CHRISTMAS WISH LIST

We are joining the United Way of Northeast Michigan again this year in supporting local families through the Christmas Wish List program. This program provides gifts to local families in need. *Recipient tags are available on the giving tree located in the Office Lobby*. Gifts will need to be wrapped (NO GIFT BAGS), with the gift tag securely taped to the package and returned to the church no later than SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1. Thank you for making a difference in our community. --The Discipleship Committee.

REMEMBERING OUR CHILDREN CANDLE LIGHTING 6:30 p.m. Sunday, December 8 ~ Grace Lutheran Church

Please join us as we celebrate the life and memory of our children, of any age, that have passed. There will be inspirational music, readings, candle lighting, a power point presentation, and recitation of each child's name. Light refreshments and time for sharing will follow. Candles will be provided. Personalize and hang an ornament on our "Remembrance Tree!" We will be collecting new and unwrapped toys in our child's memory for "Toys for Tots." Questions: Karen 989.619.7728 or Polly 989.356.0849. Please see poster on bulletin board for more information.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

If you are a Thrivent client with benefit membership, please consider directing your Thrivent Choice Dollars to Grace Lutheran Church.

SUNDAY WORSHIP LIVESTREAMED AND RECORDED

Our Sunday worship service is livestreamed, shown on the internet, as it is happening and recorded for viewing online later. People in the sanctuary attending the Sunday service may be seen as part of the livestream and recording.

GENERAL FUND GIVING FOR OCTOBER 2024

Average needed in October (4 weeks) to meet budget \$18,944.00 Monthly Giving - October 21,068.37

We received:

109 envelopes, 60 Simply Giving recurring payments, 10 Give+ payments made from our website, and 1Thrivent Choice donation



November

Anniversaries of Baptism

November 9 Mary Bock

November 11 Jessica McKenzie Rodney Szymanski

November 12 Nicholas Schillerstrom

November 13 Norman Schillerstrom

November 21 Elaine Hatch

November 23 Ashley Timmreck-Walker Madison Timmreck Melissa Timmreck Nicholas Timmreck Paige Timmreck



November 24 Chris Christopherson

November 25 Emmett Suszek

November 26 Bruno Hirzel

November 27 Beckett Granata

November 29 Scott Kuligowski Brian Schiller Ellie Walker



November 2 Olivia Haske Cindy Suszek

November 4 Britni Nowak

November 5 Raylynn Suszek

November 7 Phyllis Colagross

November 8 Edward Jahnke Melissa Timmreck

November 10 Hannah Matzke

November 11 Linda Gapske Gracie Gillard Brent Welch

November 12 Diane O'Connor

November 13Doug Chroninger

Birthdays

November 14 Mary Bock

November 17 Chloe Hayward Kassandra McInerney

November 18 Nancy Stachnik Karyn Vass

November 20 Kelli Liske Sherie McTaggart Chris Moors

November 25 Jeffrey Diemond Monica Jahnke Erin McCourt

November 26 Bruno Hirzel

November 28 Janie Hansen Lisa McIntosh Brody Yuchasz

November 30 Matthew Timrick



4th Bill & Mary Bock 9th Ian & Amelia Kamyszek

25th Anthony & Laura Thompson 27th Alex & Anna-Marie Struble

HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

Sunday	–17th
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8:50 am Choir Practice 9:00 am Sunday School 9:30 am Worship

11:00 am Adult Christian Ed - Lounge

Monday - 18th

8am-noon Church Office Open 8am-2pm Kitchen Reserved 2:00 pm Audubon Society - Lounge

Tuesday - 19th

9:00 am Church Office Open Sewing/Quilting 11:00 am Pastor's Text Study

Wednesday - 20th

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

12:00 pm Mary Lappan's Book Club - Fellowship Hall

1:00 pm Ruth Circle - Lounge 6:00 pm Bell Choir Practice

Thursday - 21st

8am-noon Church Office Open 8am-2pm Kitchen Reserved

Friday - 22nd

8am-noon Church Office Open 8am-2pm Kitchen Reserved

Saturday - 23rd

5:00 pm Worship

SERVING NOVEMBER 16/17

Ministers	God's People
Pastor	Rev. Tom Orth
Music Director .	Claire Witt
Recorded Accor	npanimentKat Tomaszewsk
Lector	Bob Greene
Comm. Asst	Audrey Garant, Wayne Lewis
Ushers	Dale Schultz, Bruno Hirzel,
	Diane Prevost (Saturday)
Greeters	Rick & Sharon Engstrom
Altar Guild	Sandy Welch, Karen Slaght
Livestream Tea	m Dawn Anderson, Jan
Chart	er, Don LaBarre, Alex Struble
Counters W	ayne & Chris Christopherson,
D	arlene Freel
Coffee Hour	Dale & Pat Schultz,
	Darlene Freel

SERVING NOVEMBER 23/24

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Pastor Rev. Tom Ort	h	
Music DirectorClaire Wi	tt	
Recorded AccompanimentKat Tomaszews	ki	
LectorRuby Hask	æ	
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Livestream Team Dawn Anderson, Ja	n	
Charter, Don LaBarre, Alex Strub		
Counters Wayne & Chris Christopherson,		
Darlene Freel		
Coffee Hour Joel & Cindy Susze	k	

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