



PARTICIPATION GUIDE

October 21 – October 27, 2018

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Request a Prayer: Complete a HELP / PRAYER Card (available in the pews).

Keep Our List Accurate: Names with a (3) need to be renewed by Wednesday at 3:00 PM to stay on the list. Contact your people and inquire about their health; then contact the church office to renew your request. Thanks!

Special Requests

- **Living as Believers:** Saved and Spirit-powered, let us stay in the Word, let the Word do its work in us, and remember that God knows everything!
- **Deceived?** Let us never see sin as better than the will of God!
- **Our Congregation:** Where blessed – *give thanks*; decisions needed – *pray*; open positions – *serve!*
- **Redeemer Meal:** Thank you to Eileen K, and all who helped serve the meal at Redeemer Crisis Center last Sunday!
- **In Care Facilities or At Home:** Doris B, Loreen D, Hedwig G, John & June G, Nancy H, Eleanor K, Violet M, Marie W, Harry & Martha Z
- **Armed Forces:** Members: James Martin; Chris Sala; Andrew Deka; Others: Warren Gellings; Nick Riviotto; Drew Tenney; Chris Weseloh.
- **Team Jesus/Dr. Giessler:** Blessings on his travel and teaching in Uganda.
- **Lutherans in Africa (LIA) and Lutheran School of Theology (LST):** *Pray for harmony among leaders; teacher and students; construction and workers.*



Members

- **Mel Bucholtz** (3) (sciatic nerve) – continued pain relief, healing.
- **Ray Dmytriw** (3) (ALS) – peace, strength, guidance, and encouragement.
- **Christl Kissinger** (3) (hip replacement) – continued healing, rehab.
- **Eleanor Kuhles** (2) (broken hip) – continued strength and rehab.
- **Tracy Liddy** (1) (another caudal block shot) – cont. pain relief, healing.
- **Connie Pysz** (1) (rehab at Manor Care) – comfort, healing, strength.
- **Susanna Tischler** (3) (nerve pain) – pain relief, proper diagnosis, healing.
- **Marie Weseloh** (1) (back at Danbury; pelvic fracture) – continued healing.

Others

- **Pat Beal** (1) (eye issues, future surgery) – peace, success, healing.
- **Larry Edris** (3) (lung cancer) – peace, comfort, healing.
- **Alex Gielink** (1) (recently back in the hospital) – peace, healing, strength.
- **Marge Green** (2) (pulled back muscles) – pain relief, healing.
- **Melanie Himmelberger** (3) (bone cancer) – peace, comfort, healing.
- **Arnold Kozlowski** (3) (ALS) – comfort, encouragement, peace in Jesus.
- **Christina Waked** (3) – peace, healing, and a full recovery soon.
- **Logan Warmuth** (3) (2 yr. old w/ leukemia; chemo) – peace, healing.
- **Cathy Wirzylo** (3) (needs a liver transplant) – peace, organ donation.

CELEBRATIONS

Physical Birthdays:

10/23 Jeanette De Simone
Dee Kaderbek
10/24 Kathleen Green
10/25 Paul Martens

10/26 Steve Pysz

Spiritual Birthdays: None

Wedding Anniversaries: None

READINGS

These are the Series B three-year lectionary readings for next Sunday.

First Reading: Revelation 14:6-7

PS: 46

NT: Romans 3:19-28

GOS: John 8:31-36

SCHEDULE

Mo – 10/22

- 7:00 – Receive God's Gifts: Divine Service

Tu – 10/23

- 12:30 – Study: BFC Faculty Bible Time
- 6:30 – Choir Rehearsal: *Everyone Welcome!*

We – 10/24

- 9:30 – Teaching: BFC Story Time
- 10:00 – Teaching: BFC Bible Time
- 12:30 – Study: BFC Faculty Bible Time

Th – 10/25

- 10:00 – Study: Living the Lutheran Lectionary

Fr – 10/26

- 1:00 – Pray: With others at Bethlehem

Su – 10/28

- 8:00 – Receive God's Gifts: Divine Service
- 9:10 – Refreshments: Everyone is invited down the hall
- 9:30 – Study: Bible Class & Sunday School
- 10:45 – Receive God's Gifts: Divine Service



SERVE

- PLEASE SEE THE VOTERS MEETING INFO IN THE NEWS SECTION BELOW...
- **Usher:** Sundays at 8:00 or 10:45; contact Matt Kussmaul.

NEWS

- **Key Voters Meeting Items:** Please ♣read, ♣discuss with others, ♣ask, “What is best for my congregation?”, ♣pray, ♣volunteer, ♣receive a meeting agenda on 11/11, and ♣attend the meeting on 11/18 at 9:30:
 - Election of Leaders – candidates are needed for these positions:
 - ➔ **Coordinator:** Lead the LT meetings. Help the Team Leaders grow in their leadership skills. Hold the Team Leaders accountable for their responsibilities as outlined in the Action manual. Be the LT spokesman to the congregation.
 - ➔ **Assistant Coordinator:** Assist the coordinator when he is present and serve in his absence.
 - ➔ **Financial Secretary:** Receive, secure, count, record, and deposit the Offering; Finalize the Offering Envelopes; Prepare and Distribute Statement Summaries each January; serve as Recording secretary at LT meetings and Voter meetings.
 - ➔ **Worship:** Ushers: recruit and train; Candles: Recruit and train people to faithfully keep them filled; Oversee the Leaders of Altar Guild Workers, Nursery Workers; Distribution Assistants; Recruit people to put-up and take-down. Church Year Symbols.
 - ➔ **Childcare:** Promote a positive attitude from the congregation to the childcare center; Invite the children who attend our center to all of our child-friendly activities; Reach out to our faculty members, parents, and children; Offer encouragement and assistance to the Childcare Director; Seek help from the Childcare Director as needed.
 - ➔ **Education:** The person and his/her teammates will oversee things related to education, such as the Sunday School program and the library.
 - ➔ **Outreach:** The person and his/her teammates will oversee and develop various ways in which we reach out to non-members.
 - Approval of Budgets – church and childcare
 - Sunday Schedule – discussion / vote, everyone should participate

GROWTH and OUTREACH

- **Many Resources:** Sermons, brochures, magazines, books, etc.; see what's available in the Narthex and across from the church office.
- **Facebook:** Check-in, like BLC, and write a positive comment!
- **Lutheran Hour:** Sun 6:30 a.m. – WTAM 1100 AM; Sun 8:00 a.m. – The Word 1220 AM
- **Worship Anew** – Sun 11:30 AM: Direct TV: 67, 377; Dish: WRML 47
- **Issues Etc.:** A radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's teachings include: College Campus Diversity, The Person & Work of Jesus Christ, The Flesh & Spirit in the Epistles, Dorcas, Lydia and Phoebe. You can listen at your convenience at www.issuesetc.org
- **Lutherans for Life:** "So, let us say yes to the opportunities before us that God has prepared for us to do! To say 'Here We Stand' ... in defense and protection of the precious and vulnerable human lives that are the handiwork of God from the moment of conception to natural death." *Lynette Auch, president of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life* • www.lutheransforlife.org

NUMBERS – FROM LAST WEEK

- **Divine Services:**
 - ✦ Sunday: 8:00 = 66; 10:45 = 32; Monday: 7:00 = 5
- **Classes:**
 - ✦ Sunday: 9:30 (BC & SS) = 37
 - ✦ Thursday: 10:00 = 5
- **Received:**
 - ✦ Actual: *Received Last Week:* \$4,523
 - ✦ Budget: *January → Last Week* (planned vs. actual): \$ - 17,807
 - ✦ Actual: *Jan. → Sept.* (received: \$170,604; spent: \$185,458): \$ - 14,854



MEMBER CARE PLAN

For those who desire to attend, but are not able to attend!

Hospitalized, Nursing Home, Assisted Living, Shut-In

- Mailing: Every two weeks – last two sermons and last Participation Guide.
- Normal Visiting: Once each month – by Pastor / Jerry H and Others.
- Hospital Visiting: More often – by Pastor.
- Note: If you or someone you know is in any situation noted above, *but is not receiving what is noted*, please contact the church office for help!

