



# CONRAD LUTHERAN PARISH

## LOGOS

### WORSHIP TIMES:

**Golden West at 9 a.m.** (Nov. 7th it will be 2 p.m.)

**Pondera Valley at 11 a.m.**

September - December

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Put your clocks back **ONE** hour  
before you go to bed **November 6th!**



**"SEEK THE LORD WHILE HE MAY BE FOUND; CALL UPON HIM WHILE HE IS NEAR;"** ISAIAH 55:6



COME to the  
**63rd Annual Praise & Thanks Celebration**  
**at Golden West Lutheran Church**

Sunday, November 7, 2021 ~ 2 p.m.

Message by Pastor Travis Powers from Our Savior's in Chester and St. Olaf in Ledger. There will be a variety of local musical talent. Also, there will be pie & coffee following the service. A free-will offering will be taken to help support Golden West Women's benevolent programs.



**Thank you to our sponsors for the RADIO BROADCASTS on KZIN, 96.7 FM at 11 am November 7th:** *Frances Larson* in loving memory of her husband, John AND *The Martin Family* in loving memory of their parents, Cliff & Donna, and brother, Douglas.  
*May God bless the hearing of His word!*

## 2021 Confirmation Retreat: October 21st-23rd Rasmuson Wildlife Conservation Center

On a beautiful autumn weekend we had fourteen students arrive west of Dupuyer, MT for a confirmation retreat many have been hearing the call for. It took some time to prepare but it came sooner than we thought. Four churches were able to take part, and in the future others plan to join us. We see the event growing and were greatly impressed by the attentiveness of the students. They sat and listened to everyone of us present catechesis throughout the weekend. They participated in small groups, played games, sang, and even completed a hike over five and a half miles. The students remarked about those that did not come had missed out. The weather could not have been better. We even had campfires at night and could listen to the hunters harvesting on opening weekend at the base of the mountains.



Pastor Robin Bjella of American Lutheran Church in Winifred, MT was our opening presenter. She talked about the call students had in our current country and culture. Most important maybe was the discussion the students had about the difference between joy and happiness. They remarked after Pastor Robin spoke that happiness had to be a fleeting emotion while joy was an attribute that faith makes constantly present because of Jesus. The students participation was remarkable during the first large group session and it continued through the weekend.

The next morning, Pastor Travis Powers of Our Savior's and St. Olaf Lutheran Church in

Chester, MT presented on the crux of our belief, justification by faith. The kids listened again intently as Pastor Travis presented with his usual high energy. The kids were listening because they knew in those moments that it mattered to him. His words were close to the heart and he presented the grace and mercy we receive through Jesus Christ's death and resurrection. Following his conclusion we sent the students on a wilderness adventure that is a whole story in itself. To say as little as possible, we gave them directions and let junior high students lead the way back to a slot canyon containing a waterfall.



That afternoon Pastor Ken Waag of Faith Lutheran Church in Great Falls turned our attention to the roots of our faith after we took a rest and cleaned up a bit. What stood out was how he showed the faith of others being vital to our own journey. He reminded us about the people that prayed for years and years for each of us. They were a part of planting a seed needing to not only be planted but also given wings. He showed how firmly rooted the faithful can be in a world today. Where many feel trapped we are free and God gives hope and courage in the midst of the best and worst things. Then we ate, played games, and went to bed.

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We were all exhausted, but the pastors stayed up with our musician and cooks to celebrate the events success. We were all encouraged because it was apparent that the kids would not forget the weekend.

When we woke up on the final morning we had breakfast and began initial cleaning. Because many had traveled very far to get there we wanted to get them driving quickly. Our final session contained a testimony by Pastor Drew Nelson. He spoke about the fruit of the Gospel as seen in his own life and summarized how what the others pastors spoke on was experienced in his life. Then we gathered around the Lord's Supper, sang the doxology, and we were blessed with a sending and promise of a next event (Perhaps skiing?! Contact us if you would like to participate or expand this event into your congregation or community). We thank God for the opportunity to share Jesus with the students and each other over the weekend. Many of us were brought into a new and even uncomfortable place but left without any heaviness. Instead we pray that we brought home the story of this journey that brings others with us to the foot of the cross daily.

In Christ, Pastor Drew Nelson



Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him and he will make your paths straight. Proverbs 3:5-6

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Thank you to my extended church family for all the cards, visits, encouragement and offers for help, meals, and especially prayers. I can't imagine going through this without you!

Dick & Mary Jane Kinyon and family



♥ **THANK YOU** to all who give! Your offerings are much appreciated. You can use the enclosed blue envelope or mail them to:

**PO Box 883, Conrad MT 59425.**

*Believe it or not, this is coming this month!*


*Be on the watch for it around Thanksgiving time...*



Go to our website for videos, updates, materials to use for worship!


PLUS, the newsletter is in **COLOR!!**

[www.conradlutheran.com](http://www.conradlutheran.com)




**Wednesday Night Education:**  
**5– 6 p.m.** for Preschool – 4<sup>th</sup> grade  
**6 -7:30 p.m.** Meal\* for grades 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> with class to follow  
 \*We need volunteers to cook meals. Call the church office to help, 271-3934 or sign up in the Fellowship Hall.

**MEMORIALS Received:**  
**General Fund *in memory of Barb Shephard* - Vern & Kathy Gjullin**



**In October:** There was a wedding of Colby & Danielle Johns in Great Falls, an interment for Raymond Noyd in Choteau, and a funeral for Arnold Rohrer at PV.

**Pondera Valley OCTOBER Offering:**  
**(thru Oct. 24th) \$ 9,151**  
**PV Average Sunday Attendance in**  
**OCTOBER 56**

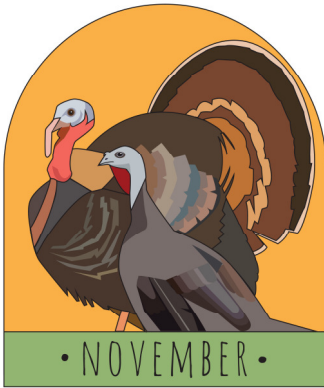


**Pondera Valley Council met Oct. 12th.** Pastor Drew will be attending a training meeting in Iowa in early November but will not miss a Sunday. He will however be preaching at Absarokee on the 14th of Nov. when they are scheduled to vote whether to leave the ELCA. We will then have pulpit supply. He is working with several churches to do a confirmation retreat at the Boone & Crockett Club on Oct. 21-23. The Ed. Board is pleased with their new materials. Everyone is encouraged to attend worship on Oct. 31st (Reformation Day) as 3 confirmands will publicly affirm their faith. There will be a potluck following.

Buildings & Grounds have been doing some repairs. It's probable that the front doors of the church will be replaced. There are high hopes to get a new pictorial directory within the next year. It is still in the beginning stages. The November meeting will be a joint meeting with the Golden West council and each council will meet separately afterward. Pondera Valley Council will host Golden West council here, beginning with a soup supper on **Tuesday, November 9th at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.**

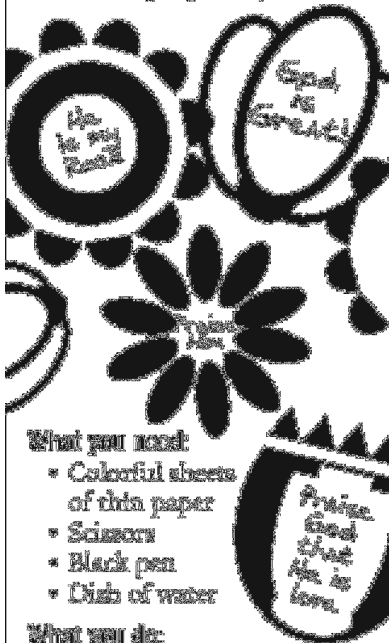



November 7 ALL SAINTS DAY - Revelation 7:2-17; Psalm 149; 1 John 3:1-3; Matt. 5:1-12  
 November 14 - Daniel 12:1-3; Psalm 16; Hebrews 10:11-25; Mark 13:1-13  
 November 21 CHRIST THE KING-Isaiah 51:4-6; Psalm 93; Revelation 1:4b-8; Mark 13:24-37  
 November 28 FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT-Jeremiah 33:14-16; Psalm 25:1-10; 1 Thess. 3:9-13;  
 Luke 21:25-36



# PRAISE-FILLED petals

Create an interactive display of God's provision for a Thanksgiving centerpiece.

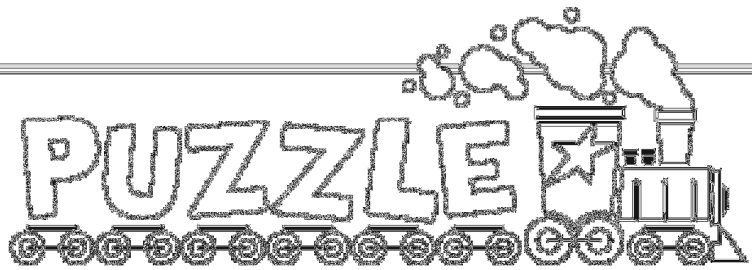


### What you need:

- Colorful sheets of this paper
- Scissors
- Black pen
- Dish of water

### What you do:

1. From the paper, cut out various shapes and sizes of flowers and petals.
2. In the center of each flower, write a praise to God. Thank him for who he is and for answered prayers.
3. Fold petals inward, toward the center of each flower.
4. Gently place flowers on the water. Petals will slowly unfold to reveal the words.
5. Invite meal guests to participate in this centerpiece that blossoms with thanks.



# GOD'S WILL

God wants us to follow his will, but how can we know what that is?

*Directions: Write the letters on each vine in the correct order on the lines provided to complete 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, NIV*

continually,

in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

1 THESSALONIANS 5:16-18, NIV

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### AROUND YOUR TABLE...

Knock knock. Who's there? Arthur.  
Arthur who? Arthur any leftovers?



Why was the Thanksgiving soup so expensive?  
It had 24 carrots.

If you use boxed mashed potatoes ...  
... Great-Grandma will turn over in her gravy.

My family said, "No more Thanksgiving jokes." ...  
... but I said I couldn't just quit cold turkey.



Check out this website: [www.holyfamilytime.com](http://www.holyfamilytime.com)

## STRUGGLE

*Pray: Begin by making the sign of the cross and calling upon God's name.*



From God to us, from death to life, from me to you ... in the name of the Father, and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Almighty God, you know what we need to learn -- even when we aren't aware of our need. Please be with us as we study our Bible story today, and teach us to what it means to live out our faith in the world. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

*Listen: Pay close attention as these verses from the Bible are read aloud.*

### James 2:14

*James wrote to people of the Church:* My friends, what good is it to say you have faith, when you don't do anything to show that you really do have faith? Can that kind of faith save you? (CEV)

*Engage: Talk about the Bible by having parents respond to children's questions.*

Child: Why do you think James wrote to the people of the Church, asking them to show that their faith mattered? What do you think he was noticing in the people around him?

Child: Can you give some examples of how our faith affects the way we live?

*Affirm: Pray for God to put his Word into action in your daily life.*

Lord, it can be easy to call ourselves Christians, but sometimes we forget what that means. Strengthen our faith, and give us the courage and energy we need to reach out to others and make a difference in their lives. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Have each person in the family bless one another with these words.

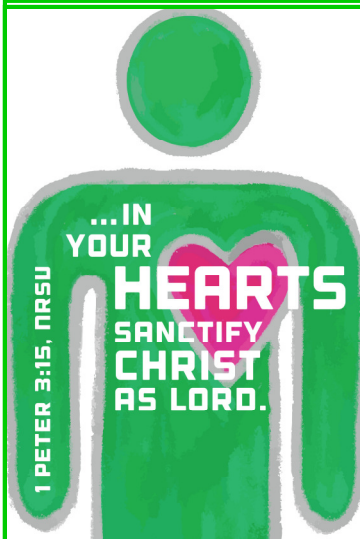
May you treat others with kindness. Amen.






**Illnesses or other concerns:** (*denotes relation to*) Mary Jane Kinyon, Ashley Bissett (*Mark Hinricksen*), Amber (Rodney's) Hofstad, Jana Young, Teresa Roderick, Beccy Lockyer, Dennis Fladstol, Derek Matheson, Pinky Thaut, Ron Thaut, Dale & Lela Zuck (*Pinky Thaut*), Craig Mitchell (*Barb Judisch*), Dugan Family, Tristan West, Doug Mason (*Betty Olson*), Sara McLean, Don Badow, Rachael Hitchcock (*Amber Hofstad*), Zach Greene, Ashby (*Carol Kaldor*), Evan Bell, Roger Brastrup, Teagan Bartoo, Faith Birnel Crouch (*Ruth Fladstol*), Madelyn Erickson, Hanna Peterman, Rose Peterman, Annie Schlosser, Marvin Baker, Sandy Webb (*JoAnne Unger*), Norman Stordahl, Debbie Ries, Mitchell Moore (*Josita Montgomery*), Juelie McLean (*Bill McLean*), Poppy Dahl, Audrey Kieft, Gerald Bruner, Melvin Pocock, (*Wanda Bollinger*), Terry Smith, (*Carolyn Widhalm*), Lorie Hasner, Jolene Wynn (*Kim Hofstad*), all COVID-19 frontline workers (health, grocery, truck drivers, etc), all: Logan Health Ext. Care, Bee Hive, and Horizon Lodge Residents, Missionaries and Christians all around the world who are being persecuted - and their persecutors, All in crisis due to COVID 19, weather conditions, CASA-the kids and all who work with them **All those who mourn...** Arnold Rohrer, Vern Greyn, Tom Shephard

**Those deployed in the service abroad:** Cameron Bowen



**Prayers to Prepare for Worship**

- ◆ God, you went ahead of Elijah to Zarephath to provide for him and the widow's family (1 Kings 17). Remind me that wherever I go this week, you're already there, preparing the way.
- ◆ I pray with Hannah: "My heart exults in the Lord; my strength is exalted in my God. There is no Holy One like the Lord.. no Rock like our God" (1 Samuel 2:1-2, NRSV).
- ◆ Alpha and Omega, the A and the Z, the beginning and the end: King Jesus, please rule in my life.
- ◆ Giver of all good things, I am thankful beyond words for your generosity and love. Help me share your love broadly. Amen.
- ◆ Lord, you are our righteousness (Jeremiah 33:16). We wait with bated breath for your awesome promises to spring forth.

Community Prayer Night

**at the Sr. Citizen Center at**  
**6:30 p.m. Monday,**  
**November 1st**

**It's a non-denominational event.**  
**Come to pray or listen to others pray!**

Veterans Day has its roots in what was called Armistice Day, when a peace agreement ended World War I on November 11, 1918. President Wilson proclaimed that Armistice Day was to be marked with solemn pride in heroism and with gratitude for victory as well as the “opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and justice.” In 1954, the remembrance was renamed Veterans Day to honor all U.S. military personnel. It’s a reminder to pray for and honor all who serve and sacrifice, to support and assist their families, and to pray that God will bring peace on earth.



**A Blessing or A Curse?**

Holocaust survivor and devout Christian Corrie ten Boom recounts how her sister Betsie thanked God for the fleas infesting their packed barracks. When Corrie resisted the idea, Betsie pointed out that 1 Thessalonians 5:18 says to “give thanks in all circumstances.”

Still, Corrie wasn’t convinced — until the sisters realized the infestation kept the guards away, giving prisoners in those quarters freedom to worship and pray. The biting pests, which seemed like added misery, became a blessing.

Anger and bitterness sometimes cloud our vision, causing us to forget to thank God *in* all situations, though not necessarily *for* them. Other times we don’t wait long enough for blessings to be revealed. --Julie Lee

*God help us to know that whatever our situation, You are with us. Guide us as we trust in You for salvation. Thank You! In Jesus name we pray. Amen!*

***“The more you recognize and express gratitude for the things you have, the more things you will have to express gratitude for.” --Zig Ziglar***



When Advent begins on November 28 this year, so does a new church year begin for us. What does that mean? The church seasons, which correspond to key events in Jesus’ life, begin with the four-week Advent period of preparation for our coming Savior at Christmas. Advent also is a time to remind us to prepare for Jesus’ 2nd coming at the end of the age. After the 12-day season of Christmas is Epiphany, which begins January 6 and continues through Ash Wednesday, March 2nd this year, the

beginning of Lent. That period of preparation culminates in Holy Week, and then Easter (April 17th) marks the pinnacle of every church year. Forty days after the Resurrection we celebrate Ascension, and 10 days after that, the Pentecost season begins; it lasts until Advent, when the cycle begins again. Each season the altar clothes change accordingly so that too will tell you when we come into a new season.





**Golden West WORSHIP Sundays 9 a.m.**  
**Ushers: Jim & Chris Bjelland; Reader: Chris;**  
**Communion Assistant: Bill McLean; Communion Preparer: Chris**

**Pondera Valley:** VOLUNTEER! to help with ushering, greeting, reading the scripture lessons, serving or helping with communion set-up, call the church office, 271-3934. Info /instructions would be made available.

PONDERA VALLEY SUNDAY WORSHIP 11 a.m.	NOV 7	NOV 14	NOV 21	NOV 28
Reader	Kim Wiest	Stacy Eneboe	Faith Weber	
Communion Assistant		Eneboes		Karla Breeding & Page Russett
Ushers	Jessily Seidler & Stephanie Haugestuen			
Communion Preparer	Linda O'Brien			
Sound Tech.	Jack Judisch			
Greeter	Wanda Bandow			
Offering Custodian	Mike O'Brien			

