



CONRAD LUTHERAN PARISH

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⌘ Remember to set your clocks back 1 hour, Nov. 5th!

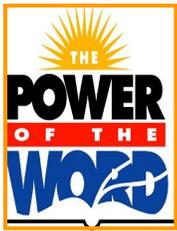
WORSHIP TIMES Sept. - Dec.

Pondera Valley at 9 a.m.

Golden West at 11 a.m.

***except Sun. Nov. 20th Joint Worship
at Pondera Valley at 11 a.m. only (see below)**

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**SEEK THE LORD WHILE YOU CAN FIND HIM.
CALL ON HIM NOW WHILE HE IS NEAR.**

Isaiah 55:6



COME!

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20th
JOINT WORSHIP AT
PONDERA VALLEY
at 11 a.m.**

**Congregational Potluck to
follow worship.**



**Thank you to our sponsors for the RADIO BROADCAST on KZIN, 96.7 FM at 11 am
November 6th: The Martin Family in loving memory of their parents, Cliff & Donna and
brother, Douglas Martin AND by Frances Larson in loving memory of her husband, John
Larson. *May God bless the hearing of His word!***

Pastor's Letter

In the last chapter of *Knowing God*, "The Adequacy of God", J.I. Packer wrote, "Paul's letter to Rome is the peak of Scripture, however you look at it. Luther called it the 'clearest gospel of all.' ... All roads in the Bible lead to Romans, and all views afforded by the Bible are seen most clearly from Romans, and when the message of Romans gets into a [person's] heart there is no telling what may happen." But first the text has to get into one's head.

I took a technical exegetical course on Romans at Fuller Theological Seminary back in the early 90's in which we engaged in a very close study of the text -- in the original Greek. It made my head hurt. It was a FOUR EXCEDRIN class period twice a week for ten weeks. Well, be assured dear reader, that this Pastor's Letter will not give you a tension headache. However ... I do want to 'rattle your cage' a bit. That is, I want to shake you -- gently -- to get your attention. Fair enough? Here goes... When was the last time you read Paul's letter to the Romans in one sitting, in one go, beginning to end, alpha to omega, first sentence to last? *Silence*. Okay, -- may I gently encourage you to do so -- this month, or next month, or next year? I'm now officially on record of so encouraging you, dear readers.

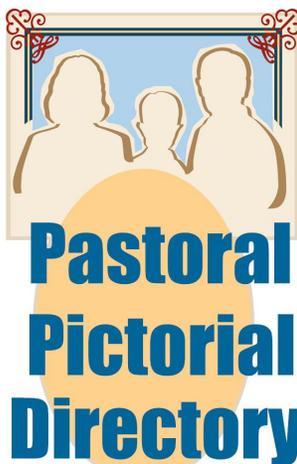
Paul's letters were written with the understanding that they would be read straight

through, in one sitting, by someone who could read and speak clearly, to the whole assembled group of Christians in the house fellowships that made up the 'parish' or 'churches' of the city or province to which they were addressed. Then they were copied and recopied and sent all over the Mediterranean world to Christians who may or may not have seen or even heard of Paul the Apostle. That historical fact is why we have Paul's words to the First Century Roman Christians today -- that and the providential activity of our Creator.

The late James Innell Packer was an English Anglican cleric, theologian, and professor. His many books have been a very real blessing to many thousands of Christians all over the world. *Knowing God* is certainly worth reading. It is a significant exposition of the biblical understanding of how and why we must know God, our Creator.

Reading Romans, I suggest, is *required* reading for every Christian. *Knowing God* is *recommended* reading. That book shouldn't be read cover to cover in one sitting -- it wasn't intended to be read that way. A little bit every day for a month would be just enough to fill mind and heart with a clearer vision of the God we were made to know and love.

Pastor Jeff Stoope



ATTENTION!! Get your photos in!!!

ELECTRONIC DIRECTORY

This will not be a public directory but might morph into one at a later date. This is for the private ministry use of the pastor only.

Please send an email attached photo of yourself or family to: pvlcdirectory@gmail.com OR Faith and others will also be taking photos at church after services at Pondera Valley and we welcome anyone who will do the same out at Golden West. It would be great to get as many as we can! Thank you!



**COME to the
64th Annual Praise & Thanks Celebration
at Golden West Lutheran Church, 23 miles
East of Conrad on the Sollid Rd
Sunday, November 13, 2021 ~ 2 p.m.**

Pastor Beth Roen of Rudyard will be the featured speaker. The musical program will include vocal, piano, harp and guitar selections. Pie and coffee will be served following the service of thanksgiving. Please join us for this special service of Thanksgiving.



FROM SCARCITY TO ABUNDANCE

Author Parker Palmer recounted being stuck on a storm-grounded airplane for hours. Though it was lunchtime, meals weren't available, and passengers grew irritable. One flight attendant apologized for the delay, expressing empathy for people's stress, and then passed around two breadbaskets, asking everyone to contribute something.

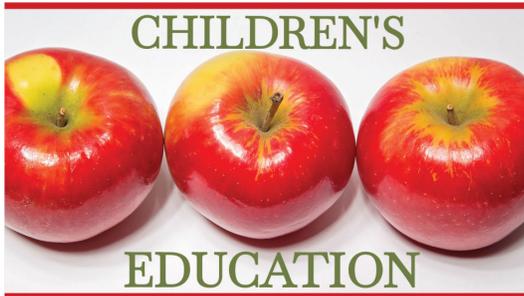
"Some of you brought snacks to tide you over, and some of you have a few LifeSavers or chewing gum," she said. "And if you don't have anything edible, you have a picture of your children or spouse ... or a bookmark or a business card." Then, she said, "we'll pass the baskets around again, and everyone can take out what they need."

Complaints soon ceased, Palmer recalled, as passengers searched for items and stopped focusing

on themselves. The plane became a community of sharing as scarcity and deprivation transformed into abundance and joy.



PLEASE CONSIDER: Being a substitute! Call the church office, 271-3934.
Ed. Board members are: Donna Fowler, Barb Judisch, Kara Baker, Linda O'Brien,
Kathy Walter, Julene Peters, and Carol Wood.



Wednesday Night Education:
Preschool/K - 4th 5-6pm in the
Education Building;
5th-9th 6-7:30 pm
Meal & Class in the Fellowship Hall

♥ **If you could cook a meal for 10, please sign up in F.H. Thank you!!**



BIBLE STUDIES, All are Welcome!

- ☞ Women's **Noon Mondays** "Putting on a Gentle & Quiet Spirit", a study of 1 Peter, **church library.**
- ☞ Men's **6:30 a.m.** with Breakfast on **Tuesdays, F.H.**
- ☞ Women's **9 a.m. Tuesdays** "A Woman's Heart, God's Dwelling Place" with Beth Moore in the **F.H.**
- ☞ Women's on the **3rd Sunday of each month at 6 p.m.** in the **F.H.**, "Jesus & Women" with Christy McLelland.



On Oct. 11th the Pondera Valley Council met. There will be a Mental Health walk on Conrad's walking path October 27th. We were contacted by Christian counselor Steve Baliko in case we wanted to provide something for the walkers. Susan Gustafson suggested Bible markers and she will take care of getting them. Thanks Susan! The council voted on the recommendation by the Call Committee to bring to the congregations on October 30, 2022 a vote on extending a Conditional Term Call to Pastor Jeffrey A. Stoopes until December 31, 2025 as our part-time pastor. If the Call Committee finds a suitable candidate before

then, as the pastor, and a call is extended and accepted, Pastor Stoopes will resign at an appropriate time. This has been agreed to by Pastor Stoopes. It pass unanimously! Hence the council also voted to pass forward the Letter of Call and definition of compensation, benefits and responsibilities of the pastor that the congregations will be voting on. The letter to go out to the members was also discussed and voted to accept. It will be mailed on Oct. 17th. If the congregations vote to call Pastor Jeff, it is hoped that sometime in November there can be a Joint Worship and Installation with a parish potluck to follow.

The next PV Council meeting will be a JOINT Council as well on Tuesday, November 1st at 6 p.m. at Golden West.



MEMORIALS Received:

PONDERA VALLEY BUILDING RESERVE *in memory of Harry & Lola Arvidson* - Marian Turk



Giving Tree

Watch for the Giving Tree on or around November 27th!

Pondera Valley members who are coordinators this year are: Shauna Ellefsen and Donna Fowler. Thank you Ladies for this ministry!

King of kings and Lord of lords

In the Bible, no one is called “Lord of lords” but God and Christ. Although a couple of Old Testament earthly kings (Artaxerxes and Nebuchadnezzar) are referred to as “king of kings,” only in reference to Christ is the term capitalized — “King of kings.”

Earthly rulers can claim supremacy, but we celebrate Christ the King Sunday as the culmination of the liturgical year to testify that our Lord Jesus is Ruler of all. In the words of the famous “Hallelujah” chorus from Handel’s *Messiah*: “King of kings and Lord of lords; and he shall reign for ever and ever!”

Christ the King Sunday is November 20th.



God, the blessed and only **Ruler**, the **King** of kings and **Lord** of lords.
1 Timothy 6:15, NIV



PASTORAL Acts in October:
At Pondera Valley on the 29th a funeral for Kevin Thielmann

Pondera Valley Offering through October 23rd: \$7,277

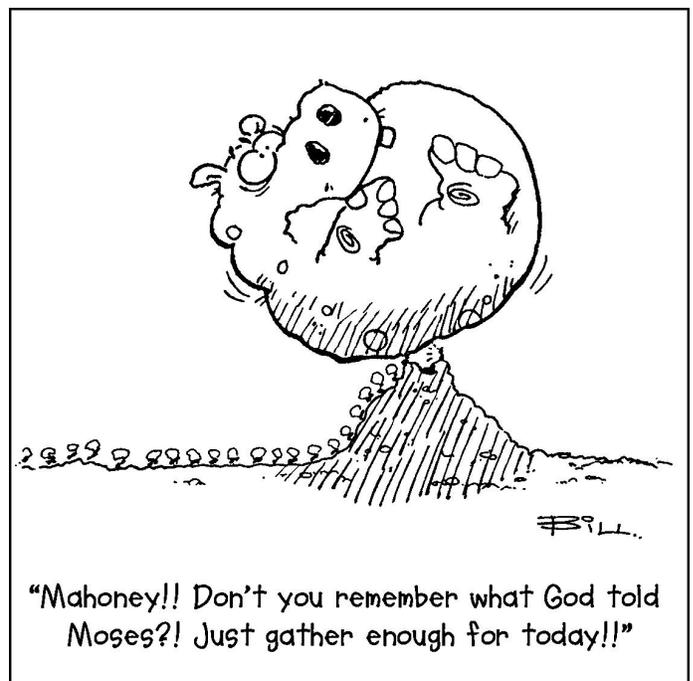
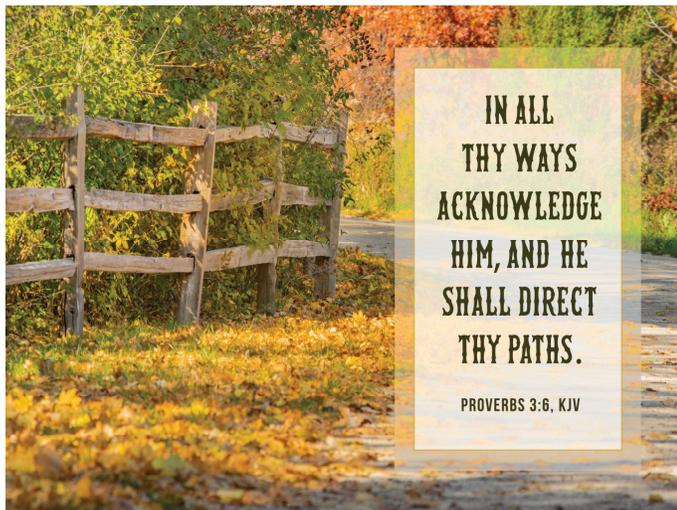
Average PV Sunday Attendance in October: 48

♥ **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.



A Christian symbol the TRUMPET—In the Old Testament, trumpets, often made from ram's horns, called people to worship or war (and often promised victory). Joshua and the Israelites used trumpets to fell the walls of Jericho. Under Gideon, the small Israelite army blew trumpets and smashed jars to confuse the Midianites into surrender. The New Testament says trumpets will sound at the Last Judgment and the resurrection of the dead. In Revelation

11, a seventh trumpet proclaims God's final and complete triumph.



"Mahoney!! Don't you remember what God told Moses?! Just gather enough for today!!"



www.holyfamilytime.com A great resource!

Puzzle!

Although the Bible doesn't mention turkey feasts, the gospels do describe a miracle dinner that made thousands of hungry people thankful (see Matthew 14:13-21). Fill in the words to complete a poem about that meal.

Hint: Each pair of line endings should rhyme.



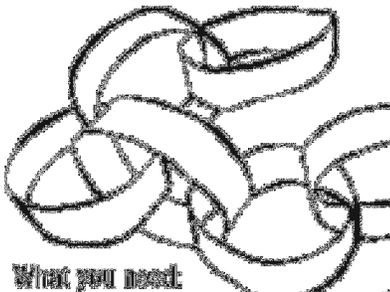
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bunch	lunch	rest	true
done	men	spaces	you

Jesus was tired and went to find _____.
 So away from the crowd he started his _____.
 It came to an end before it _____.
 The crowd followed Jesus; they walked and they _____.
 His boat pulled ashore, and he looked at their _____.
 Five thousand men, plus families, filled all open _____.
 And so Jesus spoke, and he taught until _____.
 The disciples told him it was time they all _____.
 Jesus said, "Yes, that is certainly _____."
 And feeding this crowd is now up to _____."
 Feeding five thousand! It could not be _____.
 What would they do? They'd need a whole _____.
 But then a young boy came and offered his _____.
 Five loaves and two fish to feed this big _____?
 Jesus gave thanks and blessed it and _____ ...
 it fed all the women, the children and _____.

Answer: rest, quest, began, ran, faces, spaces, late, ate, true, you, done, ton, lunch, bunch, then, men

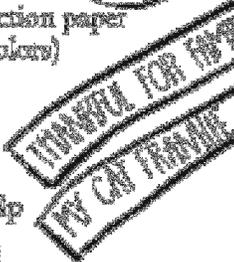
Links of GRATITUDE

Makes this meaningful decoration for your Thanksgiving table.



What you need:

- Construction paper (in fall colors)
- Scissors
- Pen
- Jar
- Stapler
- Adult help



What you do:

1. Cut the paper into strips about 2 inches wide.
2. Place the strips and pen in the jar. Then set it in a prominent place in your home.
3. Throughout November, have family discussions about what you're thankful to God for. Write or draw each item on a paper strip.
4. Make a paper chain by linking and carefully stapling the strips.
5. Keep adding to your decoration and display it during your Thanksgiving meal.



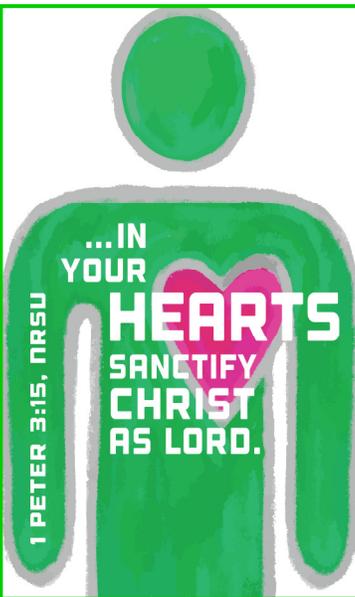


Illnesses or other concerns: (*denotes relation to*)

Art & Lori Pearson, Jack & Marian Larson (*Art Pearson*), Dave Kluver (*Rona Matheson*), Brenda Haun (*Kim Wiest*), Margaret and Bob Lee (*Pastor Stoopes*), Loretta, Amy Glimm (*2Louise Glimm*), Kenny Matheson, Hartley Herndon (*Carol Wood*), Roman Ketterling, Brad Stuart (*Kenny Matheson*), Beccy Lockyer, Derek Matheson, Ron Thaut, Tristan West, Sara McLean, Don Bandow, Marilyn Waite, Georgia Smeltzer, (*Carol Kaldor*), Evan Bell, Roger Brastrup, Teagan Bartoo, Faith Birnel Crouch (*3Ruth Fladstol*), Madelyn Erickson, Rose Peterman, Annie Schlosser, Marvin Baker, Sandy Webb (*JoAnne Unger*), Norman Stordahl, Debbie Ries, Mitchell Moore (*Josita Montgomery*), Juelie McLean (*Bill McLean*), Poppy Dahl, Melvin Pocock, (*Wanda Bollinger*), Terry Smith, (*Carolyn Widhalm*), Jolene Wynn (*Kim Hofstad*), 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: Kevin Thielmann, Ashley Bissett (*Mark Hinricksen*);

Those deployed in the service abroad: Cameron Bowen (*England*), Shane Hofstad (*Japan*)



Prayers to Prepare for Worship

* * "Great is the Lord. ... One generation shall praise Your works to another" (Psalm 145:3-4, NKJV). With all the saints, O God, I praise your name.

* * Dear Jesus, amid global wars, earthquakes and plagues, may your words and wisdom sustain our hope in you. (Based on Luke 21:5-19)

* * "Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne. ... Awake, my soul, and sing, of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy matchless king through all eternity." (Matthew Bridges, 1851)

* * May my prayers to you, O God, begin from a place of thanksgiving, recognizing your countless gifts.

* * A new church year, a new season, a new focus. Thank you, Creator God, for the coming weeks to prepare our hearts anew for the arrival of your Son.



Conrad Community's Night of Prayer
First Monday of each month
November 7th at 6:30 p.m.
in the Conrad Sr. Center

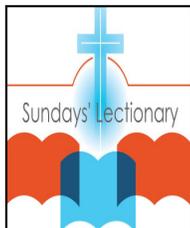
EVERYONE WELCOME!



Golden West WORSHIP Sundays 11 a.m. Ushers: Jim & Chris Bjelland; Reader: Chris; Communion Assistant: Rona Matheson; Communion Preparer: Bill McLean

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 9 a.m.	November 6th	November 13th	November 20th	November 27th
Reader	Kim Wiest	Linda O'Brien	Faith Weber	Leslee Weber
Communion Assistants		Linda & Mike O'Brien		Lyn & Linda Carlson
Ushers	June Hovde & Kim Wiest			
Communion Preparer	Linda O'Brien			
Sound Tech.	Jack Judisch			
Greeters	Wanda Bandow			
Offering Custodian	Ramsey Offerdal			



Nov. 6th ALL SAINTS DAY - Revelation 7:2-17; Psalm 149, 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12
Nov. 13th - Malachi 4:1-6; Psalm 98; 2 Thessalonians 3:1-13; Luke 21:5-36
Nov. 20th CHRIST THE KING - Mal. 3:13-18; Psm 95:1-7a; Col 1:13-20; Luke 23:27-43
Nov. 24th THANKSGIVING - Deut 26:1-11; Psalm 100; Philippians 4:4-9; John 6:25-35
Nov. 27th 1st ADVENT - Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 122; Romans 13:8-14; Matthew 24:36-44