

Trinity Lutheran Church

Proclaiming, Teaching and Living the Gospel of Christ!

WORSHIP SERVICES

November 2025 - Newsletter

Saturday: Sunday:

5:00pm 8:30am

Holy Communion is celebrated weekly on Saturday & Sunday

Sunday School & High School Bible Study Sundays at 9:30am

Sat. Adult Bible Study 4 Sun. Adult Bible Study 9

4:00pm 9:45am

A Prayer of Thanksgiving to God

Heavenly Father, God of all grace, govern our hearts that we may never forget Your blessings but steadfastly thank and praise You for all Your goodness in this life until, with all Your saints, we praise You eternally in Your kingdom; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.



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LSB pg. 310

Thessalonians
5:16-18

Give Thanks—With a Grateful Heart!

Church Council/ Voters' Meeting Election Results

Congratulations to our new officers elected at the October 19th Voters' Meeting. They will begin their 3 year term January 1, 2026.

Elders: Stan Schwark; Dan Shute; Position Open

Council Secretary: Samantha Dehning Board of Education: Emmalyn Kruse

Special thanks to our outgoing officers for their faithful service.

Elders: Joe Hart; Alan Janssen; Don LaChappell

Council Secretary: Kevin Kruse Board of Education: Laura Peters

Fall Back

Daylight Savings Time ends November 2nd. Set clocks back one hour Sunday, November 2nd at 2:00am.



Herscher Council of Churches Community Thanksgiving Service

Trinity will host the annual Community Thanksgiving service Sunday, November 23rd at 7:00pm. Light refreshments will be served following. A free will offering will be taken. All monies will help fund the Herscher Council of Churches food ministry.

Thanksgiving Day

A worship service with Holy Communion will be held Thanksgiving day, Thursday, November 27th at 9:00am.

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The 5th Commandment

The 5th commandment seems simple enough – *You shall not murder*/ *Thou shalt not kill*. But even there the difference in translation between the olden days and the modern days shows the rub. We know and see that life itself is gift from God, a gift to be protected and valued, but the problem is that in a sinful world, sometimes protecting one life means ending another. Every one of our veterans understands this reality. How do we balance this out?



The 5th commandment shows the tension of our lives in this world more than any other. Valuing and protecting life, helping and supporting our neighbor in every bodily need is

supporting our neighbor in every bodily need is nigh impossible when people are bent upon death and destruction and chaos. So there is a point to translating this commandment as not to murder. We understand the difference between just murdering someone out of anger or for personal gain as opposed to defending someone else. Practically speaking in this fallen world that's the moral and ethical line that will have to be drawn.

But that's not how it is supposed to be, and the wonder is this. Come the resurrection, all killing will be gone. This is how Isaiah describes the resurrection in chapter 11 - "The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together; and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze; their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the cobra, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea." In the end, death will come to an end. That's what Christ Jesus brought about by going to the Cross and rising – a destruction of death and destruction.

So in the meantime, we fight against any and all things that would hurt or harm our neighbor. We strive to support them in their body, to remind them that their body is a gift from God. This is getting harder day by day as our society denigrates our bodies and life itself more and more! Yet we are to strive to actually value our neighbors, to restrain our own anger that would lead us to disdain them, and to support them. In the face of this struggle, we look forward to the life of the world to come, where there will be no more need for soldiers or social programs or anything like that. Come quickly, Lord Jesus, so that we may simply enjoy the life you have won for us!

Pastor Brown

Christian Education Schedule

Sunday School is held Sundays at 9:30am. Meet in the front of the church for the opening.

High School Bible Study meets in the church basement Sundays at 9:30am.

Sunday Adult Bible Study is held Sundays at approximately 9:45am after Sunday worship and the Sunday School opening. We are studying the book of Job.

Saturday Adult Bible Study is held Saturdays at 4:00pm before the worship service. We are studying Luther on the 23rd Psalm.

Facebook Live devotions are held online most weeks, Monday through Thursday at 8:00am.

> Be in the Word! It's a great place to be! All are welcome.

Sunday School

Rehearsals for the 2025 Children's Christmas Program will begin Sunday, November 16th. Please reach out to Heather Thurston (815-791-6708) or Heather Meredith (815-573-1056) with questions or if your child would be interested in any particular part or a solo.

Playground Use

We respectfully ask that all equipment/toys used are returned to their correct places in the shed. We also ask that the mulch remain in the playground area and the exterior doors are locked. Adult supervision is appreciated. Thank you for your cooperation keeping the playground in order.

Parish Hall Rental/ **Property Check-Out List**

The Parish Hall may be rented to Trinity members for various functions. Please contact Diane in the office to schedule, remit rental fee, and obtain a copy of the guidelines. Reminder, the kitchen, tables and chairs should be left clean and floors swept. Restrooms should be checked for tidiness.

Also, any property borrowed (old tables, kitchen items, etc.) need to be signed out on the check-out sheet in the church office. Please note, per the Church Council, the white tables and chairs may not leave the church property. Also, all items used are to be returned clean and stored appropriately.

Weekly Bulletin Deadline

Items for the weekly bulletin are due in the church office each Wednesday by noon. Thank you!

Monthly Newsletter Deadline

Articles, announcements and information for the December newsletter are due Monday, November DEADLINE! 17th by 9:00am. Thank you!



Pastoral Care & **Regular Church Office Hours**

Pastor Brown will be in the office on Mondays & Wednesdays 8:00-11:00am-ish. He will be happy to meet with you at other times as well, just call, text or email.

Pastor's Email: pastorbrown.trinity@comcast.net Pastor's Cell phone (call or text): 815-953-9995 Pastor's Office phone: 815-426-2262 x102

Diane Hart will continue to be in the office as often as needed. Phone messages and email are checked multiple times daily.

Diane's Email: trinityher1@comcast.net

Diane's Office phone: 815-426-2262 x101 Diane's Cell phone (call or text): 708-307-2710

Missionaries

Please continue to pray for our missionaries Rev. Shauen & Krista Trump and their family as they continue to share God's love and spread His Word. The most recent postcard dated June 3rd from them is posted in the Parish Hall along with a current picture of their family. There are also copies of the



June 5th Field Notes from Pastor Trump on the table in the Parish Hall.

Villas at Herscher Services



Worship services are planned for Villas at Herscher Mondays, November 10th & 24th at 2:00pm. Watch the bulletins for updates.

Kantor's Korner

Kantor Dehning's Trip To Concordia - Chicago "Lectures in Church Music"

This past week, I attended the annual Lectures in Church Music up on the campus of Concordia University - Chicago. As an alum, I had witnessed this conference as a student during my Undergraduate study, but this was my first full experience as a participant! I give thanks to God for my time in the presence of SO many gifted church musicians. I haven't even fully grasped how much I learned from these 2 days, and the lasting areas of study the conference inspired in my own personal devotions. There is simply not enough room on this page to talk about everything, so if any of the following topics interest you, feel free to come discuss anything with me! The following are short summaries of the lectures I attended during the conference:



"Shaping Cultures of Music as a Pastoral Task"

In a world of despair, anxiety, isolation and fear, the church's musicians steward astonishing resources that offer comfort, strengthen fellowship, and stoke the heartwarming fire of faith in Jesus Christ. Our plenary speaker, John D. Witvliet, catalyzed a conversation about the deepest purposes of church music and suggested approaches in the areas of funeral service playing, Advent/Lent worship planning as a means to look ahead beyond to later seasons in the church year, and youth and children's music ministry, that ground us in joy of the Lord.

"Singing the Psalms: Insights from Biblical Scholars"

Bible scholars continue to probe often unexplored layers of meaning in even the most familiar Psalms, with insights that emerge from fresh analysis of ancient metaphors, the structural elements of particular Psalms, the shaping of the Psalter as a whole, and the interplay of divine and human agency in the rhythm of the text. Many of these insights have shaped experimentation in musical composition, some resulting in the hymns we sing today in LSB!

"Beyond the Hymnals: Choosing Christian Song for the Lectionary"

The last 25 years have witnessed a tremendous outpouring of original hymns for Lutheran congregations. Of course, our hymnals are a treasure trove of Christian song useful for worship. But, despite not being included in current Lutheran worship books, many other hymns are also very appropriate when planning services used in our lectionary and these "hidden gems" should not be forgotten.

"Portraits in American Lutheran Sacred Music: 1847-1947"

In the 1940's, musicologist Walter Bruszin and theologian Theodore Graebner wrote articles for *The Lutheran Witness* magazine dedicated to preserving the memories of church musicians in the early days of the Missouri Synod. If you look at authors/composers of hymns in our hymnal, you may recognize some names like Karl Bauer, Martin Lochner, Edward Rechlin, and Theodore Stelzer. The presenter, Benjamin Kolodziej, discussed his new book (titled the same as the lecture above) and some of the interesting pieces he uncovered and strung together as he completed the project.

"Have You Sung This? Music for Smaller Choirs Through the Church Year"

The final session I attended was an hour of singing through newer publications of choral music that were written specifically with the small church choir in mind. I was sent home with a TON of sample pieces... some of which you might hear our choir sing very soon...

Caleb Dehning

If you are interested in joining either of our music groups or if you have any questions, speak with Caleb Dehning or send an email to tlchmusic1909@gmail.com.

Little Lambs Preschool



Some years, it feels like the world is flying and you're just along for the ride. October was an unusual month at Little Lambs. The water main and hydrant work at Park and 3rd meant we were moving pick-up and drop-off at short notice. There were a couple of school days where the water was shut off, and we were managing in the bathroom with pre-filled buckets (at least we already had a supply of bottled water due to September's surprise of elevated lead levels). ClassDojo, the app we use to communicate with families- especially about last minute changes, like moving drop-off and pick-up- went down. And, bizarrely, our Pre-K 4 field trip left Diane Hart out of the office until her knee was cleared to return to work. What a month! Every time we turned around, we were having to flex and adapt.

However, Pastor Brown likes to point something out in Bible Study that very much applies here: God can use everything for good, and every need is an opportunity to show love. Brian Noffke coordinated with the Public Works department to organize repeat water testing, shut off valves to decrease sediment in the church lines, and worked to flush the lines in between. Student families took all the changes in routine in stride and good humor. Herscher's village workers helped Mrs. Hart get back to the church after her injury, and Caleb Dehning managed immediate first aid. The Hart family- especially Joe Hart- became Diane's hands, ferrying items to and from the church so she could work from home. Mrs. Hart used every tool at her disposal to keep the preschool's finances and payroll in order and communicate with parents. Brian Noffke, in addition to the water management, took over some of Mrs. Hart's financial duties, while Lynne Noffke took over managing Trunk-or-Treat. One way or another, all the disruptions were covered with grace and equanimity, and most importantly, an abundance of care.

When the world leaves you feeling upended, the church is a great place to be. Look at everything happening to help others: hundreds of quilts and hats lovingly made, school supplies, eyeglasses, and comfort care items being collected, donations taken up for dozens of excellent causes and charities, the building being maintained and kept in good working order for this generation and those to come... Look at the care! Look at the love! Little Lambs is no exception. Cheryl Brutlag once again donated pumpkins to our preschoolers, bringing them great joy to have a pumpkin of their VERY OWN that THEY PICKED OUT! An anonymous benefactor allowed us to replace our cracked playground slide immediately, without worry. Thanks to the Properties Committee, I did not have to figure out how to install it alone. Rachel Grace subbed so teachers could stay home with sick children. And when we finish our wreath fundraiser (orders due by November 7th), I will be able to report again on how well-supported we are.

November is the month when we traditionally reflect on the many blessings God has poured upon us and give thanks. Clearly, there is much at Trinity to be thankful for. Thanks be to God!

– Mrs. Brown

Little Lambs Wreath Sale Fundraiser

Trinity's Little Lambs Preschool is once again holding their annual wreath fundraiser! If you would like to add some festive greenery to your doors this Christmas, order forms are available in the parish hall or on the preschool website (link to our fundraiser page at the end), or you can ask your nearest Little Lamb. For those who like to spruce up their porches and patios with a few strategically arranged boughs, we also offer the option of purchasing a bundle of assorted branches. All orders are due with payment by noon on Friday, November 7th. Thank your support! https://www.littlelambsherscher.org/fundraisers



Martha Circle &

Martha Circle will meet for breakfast Friday, November 7th for breakfast at the Herscher Restaurant at 8:30am. Members will then proceed to church to fill the college/serviceman goodie boxes. Anyone wanting to contribute may bring items to the church kitchen counter prior to November 7th. We have 5 college students and 1 serviceman.

Trinity Sewing/Quilting Group LWML & LWR

Trinity sewing has boxed 201 quilts for this year. Brian Noffke has agreed to deliver the quilts to Thomasboro on October 25th along with 120 School bag kits. Our group has started on next year's guilts. Since we do so many we have to find additional ways to make our quilt backs. We are buying fabric and sewing it together. We use sheets, but our supply is extremely low. As we only use sheets for backs, we cannot use any spotted or torn sheets. Remember these are precious to the individual receiving them. Diane is helping us with ordering batting tax exempt through Amazon or Walmart. She is a good shopper and found it cheaper than we could. Thrivent cards are a blessing to purchase these items. We appreciate all fabric donations. Get the word out to your sewing friends. Some are looking for a good place to donate. Thank you everyone for your support. We have changed our quilting times to 10-3. We may meet on the first and third Tuesday. Individuals come for the length of time that works best for them.

Check the newsletter or bulletin for dates and times! LWML fall gathering was held on October 4^{tdth.} After the meeting 115 shoe boxes were filled for Operation Christmas Child. Thank you, Trinity, for your continued support in purchasing items for the shoe boxes. You can shop year-round at the dollar store when seasons change. We have a box in our sewing closet to hold items. If you get a toothbrush from your dentist and use an electric one, we can store until next year's shoe box collection. All items must be new, or customs may stop the full shipment.

Lutheran World Relief has responded to the Alaskan flooding and sent quilts and supplies to the area.

Board of Education

Please contact Laura Peters for the next Board of Education meeting date or with any questions.

Church Council

The Church Council will meet Tuesday, November 11th at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall.

Trini-Teens

Upcoming Trini-Teens Events!

Mark your calendars! The Trini-Teens have the following fun-filled Fall festivities:

Friday, October 31st - Trinity Lutheran Church Trunk-or-Treat @ 5:00pm, meet at church by 4:30pm

Friday, November 14th - Trini-Teens Meeting and "Takeover Night" @ 6-8pm

Stay tuned for details on the first-ever Trini-Teens Christmas Party!

Hannah Circle



Along with Martha Circle we gathered items for Operation Christmas Child. We provided and decorated 40 shoe boxes and postage to mail many of them. At the LWML Fall Rally in October, 115 shoe boxes were filled! May

they be a blessing to all who receive them.

Priester's Pecans are coming in early November for our annual fundraiser to benefit our missions and ministries. We hope you will stock up for gift giving and your baking needs! We will be selling one-pound bags of:

| Fancy Mammoth Pecan Halves | \$15.00 |
|---------------------------------|---------|
| Roasted and Salted Pecan Halves | \$15.00 |
| Honey Glazed Pecan Halves | \$16.00 |
| Pecan Brittle | \$11.00 |
| Milk Chocolate Pecan Halves | \$12.00 |

Our next meeting will be held Tuesday, November 18th at 6:30 at the home of Deb Weerts (219 South St, Herscher). Please read ahead chapter 2 (Rachel and Leah) in *The Women of the Bible Speak*.

November Card Care: Diane Hart

Dartball



Dartball practice will be held Mondays, November 3rd, 10th and 24th at 7:00pm. The first Dartball game of the season will be Trinity 1 vs. Trinity 2 at Trinity Monday, November 17th at 7:00pm.

Raise Right Gift Card Program

Trinity's Gift Card Program through Raise Right—This program is available year-round.



All orders will be placed on Mondays, allowing for delivery usually by Thursday of the same week (online orders will be submitted with the paper orders). New customers please contact Diane Hart in the office for the enrollment code or with any questions. Go to raiseright.com for more information or ask for a printed list of vendors if you prefer.

Thank you for supporting Little Lambs Preschool simply by shopping!

Herscher Council of Churches

Herscher Christian Church continues to distribute food boxes on the second Tuesday of each month beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Trinity will be distributing the Holiday Food Baskets (Thanksgiving and Christmas) on Saturday, November 15th from 9:00-10:00 a.m. If you know of someone in need, have them contact County West Market at 815-421-4007 by Thursday, November 13th. We thank VBS and SBH for providing us with canned fruits and vegetables to supplement the \$100 vouchers. We also thank Thrivent for a \$250 grant to help cover the costs involved.

It's Trinity's turn to host our annual Community Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, November 23 at 7:00 p.m. Caleb is organizing a community choir with practices Sunday, November 16th at 7:00pm and also at 6:00pm on the 23rd, prior to the service. Bells will also provide special music. We received a \$250 Thrivent grant to cover the cost of refreshments which will be served after the service. A free will offering will be collected to support our food ministry. We hope you all will join us and support our mission!

Wreaths Across America

The Herscher American Legion Auxiliary, will organize Wreaths Across America 2025

This year's theme is Keep Moving Forward and the date is December 13, 2025. Last year, with the help of the community, they covered 10 cemeteries placing 520 wreaths.



They are once again seeking community support between now and November 15th, to sponsor wreaths at \$17 each.

Orders can be placed online using the link at the end of this article or Lori Teders can be contacted directly at 815-955-3375 and lmteders@hotmail.com.

In addition, volunteers – groups welcome – are needed on Saturday, December 13th to place the wreaths. There will be a brief ceremony at 11AM followed by the wreath placement.

The link below is very important to use when sponsoring a wreath – not only will it go to the appropriate cemetery, but the Herscher American Legion Auxiliary received \$5 for each wreath to honor our local veterans.

https://www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/pages/172360/Overview

Altar Flowers from Karyn's Floral

Karyn will be closing the flower shop in Herscher and "retiring". She will continue to service Trinity from her home with altar vase flower arrangements and if requested, Christmas poinsettias. You may reach Karyn on her cell phone at 815-549-6560. She will be happy to accept orders for Trinity's altar. We wish her blessings on her "retirement" and look forward to enjoying her services providing beautiful arrangements for our altar.

Member Birthdays



- Misty Gaus, Ethel Jordan
 Chuck Baker, Michael Suess, Tiffany Zirkle
- 5 Bianca Berns
- 6 Jessica Hanson, Nicole Collins
- 8 Layla Mercer
- 9 Tonya Gross, Chris Knobloch
- 10 Braylee Hanson
- 11 Logan Harrod, Breanna Varvel
- 12 Stanley Schwark
- 13 Sharon Shelby, Cindy Witheft
- 14 Dominic Hendrix
- 17 Carter Schwark, Luke Shute
- 19 Tiffany Emery, Cristin Kersten
- 20 David Malone, Kenneth Royal, Linda Winterroth
- Oliver Bruner, Breanna Ewald, Diane Hart Tammy Ramsey
- 23 Elizabeth Fortado, Jay Grace
- 24 David Hull, Nikky Shute
- 25 Quincie Taylor Zirkle, Kristin Winterroth
- 27 Marsha Kerschke, Kim Weerts
- 29 Sandra Anderson, Christopher Mau
- 30 Edith Schwark

Please notify Diane in the church office if there are any errors or omissions. Thank you!

A Birthday Prayer

Dear heavenly Father, You have brought me through another year. Be with me this day and for the next year. Guide and protect me. The best gift I have ever received is Your only Son, whom You sent to pay for my sins. I am undeserving of such love, but I am thankful that I have received forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. My life is filled with joy! In Jesus' most precious name. Amen.

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Trinity Lutheran Church September 30, 2025 Financial Summary

General

| Beg. Balance | \$ 3,799.96 |
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| Receipts | 30,943.41 |
| Expense | 24,735.36 |
| Ending Balance | \$10,008.01 |

Mission Fund

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| Beg. Balance | \$ 4,304.00 |
| Receipts | 1,536.00 |
| Expense | 000.00 |
| Ending Balance | \$ 5,840.00 |

Little Lambs Preschool

| Beg. Balance | \$ 1,435.65 |
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| Receipts | 11,822.00 |
| Expense | 6,224.55 |
| Ending Balance | \$ 7,033.10 |

Complete financial reports are reported at Quarterly Voters' Meetings held usually on the third Sundays of January, April, July and October.

Please contact Diane in the church office if you need to pick up your offering

Treasurer's Report

envelopes, have them issued, or wish to be removed from the offering envelope list.

2025 Photo Directory

The completed directory has been published and distributed to those that were photographed. Additional copies are available in the Parish Hall to purchase for \$10 each. Please make checks payable to: Trinity Lutheran Church and place in the envelope/basket provided.

Directory Updates

Please add the following new members to your directory:

Tyler & Andrea Palmer 3309 N. 200E Rd Herscher, Il 60941

Jeanette Pfeifer (after 11/1/25) 502 E 3rd Street Herscher, II 60941 (815) 603-4203 (Mobile)



LCMS Stewardship Ministry – lcms.org/stewardship Newsletter Article – Newsletter Article — November 2025

Pointing to the Rock of Ages

Not the labor of my hands Can fulfill Thy Law's demands; Could my zeal no respite know, Could my tears forever flow, All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone. (LSB 761:2)

While the classic hymn "Rock of Ages" shows up in the *Lutheran Service Book* in the "Hope and Comfort" section, it can also teach us a valuable lesson about Christian stewardship. If that surprises you, stay with me on this one.

No Lutheran would ever dispute the fact that our work does not save us. Ephesians 2 makes it truly clear that we are dead in our trespasses and sins and would remain in that state until Christ raises us by grace. There is not a ladder on which we can climb out of the grave that our sins have dug for us. No blood, sweat nor tears will be able to rescue us. We all know this.

Our works do not save. Christ's work on the cross of Calvary does! He bore human flesh. He carried the burden of our sin to the cross. His body was beaten, bruised and bloodied for us. He has indeed atoned for us! This is more than enough reason for this hymn to be bouncing around in your head all day today!

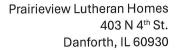


But our work has a place. The place is in response to what the Father has done for us in Jesus. The Rock of Ages, who is Jesus, becomes the foundation on which our lives of faith are built. The Holy Spirit uses the means of grace to make us God's workmanship that Paul talks about in Ephesians 2:10.

Our workmanship does not display our power or prowess. Like the heavens declare the handiwork of the Creator, the works of a redeemed sinner point others to the salvation that is worked only by Jesus alone. Our work is a response to and reflection of a grace and glory that we ourselves could never accomplish or achieve.

We become stewards of the treasure that is the Gospel. When we faithfully support the work of the Gospel of Jesus Christ with our financial support, we are doing the work which points to the One who alone atones. When we come alongside a struggling sister or brother for whom Christ died and we share the stewardship work of compassion and care, we enflesh the treasure of God's love and redemption. When we make it a weekly priority to arrange our schedule to be in the Lord's House with other stewards of the Gospel to receive again and again the Gospel's precious gift, we are stewards of the Body of Christ in the congregation that points even more people to Jesus.

We cannot do this. Jesus does it through us. We are simply stewards of this precious treasure!





Greetings,

I hope this letter finds you well. I want to express my eternal gratitude and thank you from the bottom of my heart for the support that we received from you this year for our Fall Festival. This event is by far our largest of the year, and is instrumental in raising funds for Prairieview, as well as fostering a sense of community in the area. This year, all funds raised at Fall Festival are being utilized to progress Phase 1 of our Community Enrichment Project, which will see a new Walking Path, updates to Prairieview's buildings, and a Community Daycare Center built on our Campus.

We have been fortunate enough to host the Fall Festival for nearly 5 decades, and it's due to your continued support of the event, and our mission here at Prairieview as a whole. This year, we saw an incredible success both from a fundraising standpoint, and from a "friend"-raising standpoint, with an estimated 2,000 people enjoying the festivities between the two days. We have built an event that every member of the family can enjoy, which is something we've always dreamed to do. We are so fortunate for people and groups like you, who volunteer time, money, and love to create such a wonderful event for Prairieview Lutheran Homes. Your help was invaluable to the efforts of growing Fall Festival to bigger than it's ever been, and we are so thankful to have you as a part of our team. Our hearts are so full, and we couldn't be happier to host this wonderful event each year!

May God bless you in all that you do,

Jared Lauritson, Director of Marketing and Development

Serving Our Lord This Month — November 2025

Elder/Communion Assistant

November 01* Mike Bruner November 02* John Varvel

November 08* Available
November 09* Mike Bruner

November 15* Jerry Brutlag November 16* Ken Taube

November 22* Jeremy Thurston

November 23* Ken Taube

November 27* Thanksgiving Day-Don LaChappell

November 29* Kevin Kruse November 30* Joe Hart

*Denotes Holy Communion Served



Usher Captains

Usher Team

Gerald Kruse (Sat.)

Kevin Kruse

Dan Shute (Sun.)

Don LaChappell; Jeff Stutz



Pam Matern & Brian Noffke

Altar Flowers

Weekend or date:

November 01/02 Available

November 08/09 Available

November 15/16 Available

November 22/23 Joe & Diane Hart in honor Luke's, Diane's, & Nikky's birthdays; and

Dan & Nikky's 10th anniversary

November 29/30 Bryan & Kamber Johnston in honor of Sawyer's 9th birthday

Trinity—November 2025

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