



Mid Week Update ~ October 21, 2020



Reformation Sunday Communion for those worshipping from home will be available for pick up in our west circle drive on Friday, October 23 from Noon to 3 PM or Saturday, October 24 from 9 AM to Noon.



VIRTUAL WORSHIP INFORMATION:

Click [HERE](#) to join the LIVE service on Sunday at 10 AM. Don't forget to "like" or comment so we can count you present!

Follow along in the bulletin [HERE](#): [Reformation Sunday](#)

All Worship services, past and present, can be viewed by visiting www.MorningStarOmaha.org/virtual-service-archive.



Giving just got easier! Scan the code with your phone to be linked to our secure online giving form. You can also download the Give Plus+ app to your phone and donate that way. Call the Church Office if you have any questions!



Don't forget to bring your filled piggy banks this Sunday for the ELCA Good Gifts program!



We will be doing Trunk or Treat a little differently this year! We are taking this scaled down event to the Boys & Girls Club on October 28, 4:30-6 PM. But we need your help! We are only asking for candy donations from the congregation this year. Bring candy donations to the church by October 25. Mobile Grace will be there with their Kids Eat Free program!



COVID-19 UPDATE

In an ongoing effort to keep our worshipping community safe, we continue to monitor the infection rate in Douglas County. Thank you to our Covid-19 Task Force for helping to evaluate worship and provide recommendations for gathering safely and providing protocols that decline the risk of infection. Thank you for your cooperation in wearing masks, social distancing, and hand hygiene during your time in worship.

If you are experiencing any symptoms known to be related to Covid-19 we ask that you refrain from public worship and join us online at home. If you are in one of the identified "high risk" categories as defined by the CDC and/or the Douglas County Health Department, we ask that you please consider worshipping online, if possible.

Due to a substantial infection increase in Omaha in the past few weeks, we ask that all worshippers self-monitor for symptoms and discern your risk of gathering in a community setting. Please visit public.tableau.com for the latest infection rate per day per 100,000 people (20 or more is considered unsafe by the ELCA Nebraska Synod & other church leaders). Or visit douglascountyhealth.com for accurate Covid-19 information in our community.



The Sarah Circle will meet socially distanced and masked in the Chapel on Thursday, October 22 at 12:30 PM. Bring your own drinks. We have a great lesson on compassion planned!



Children

Check out our Children's & Youth Ministry page by clicking on the picture above for help to strengthen young people's faith at home! Your very own children's bulletin is [HERE](#)!

Hey Parents & Kids

We have an online response form because we would love to hear from you! Have any questions you want to ask the teacher about the story? Want to share what your finished craft looked like? We want to know! Fill out the form any time. [FORM HERE](#)

Sunday School

Click [HERE](#) for this week's video! Stay tuned for the monthly ZOOM link. Questions? Call Greta or the Church Office!

Parent's Page

Download the Sunday School parent's page [HERE!](#)

Youth Dates

The youth group will prepare candy bags for the Westside Boys and Girls Club Trunk-or-Treat. Meet in the Gathering Space at church on Monday, October 26 at 6:30 PM!



We are in need of Greeters/Ushers for our worship services each week. If you would like to receive brief training on how to serve this way, contact Pastor Glenn at 402-393-5553.



Join us for Bible Study every Wednesday. Contact the Church Office for the Zoom link or join us LIVE on Facebook at 10 AM. You can always watch at your convenience at www.MorningStarOmaha.org/Virtual-Service-Archive.

Bible Study Sheet

First Reading [Jeremiah 31:31-34](#)
Psalm [Psalm 46](#)
Second Reading [Romans 3:19-28](#)
Gospel [John 8:31-36](#)



Confirmation

See you tonight Wednesday at 6:30 PM on ZOOM! Click [HERE](#) to join our class each week.



The Church Office is closed Tuesdays
from 9:30-10:30 AM for
Staff Meeting.



The 2021 Calendar is out and many dates are still available for 2020. Call the Church Office to reserve your special day!

November 1	Nancy Darst	Nancy Darst	Don Liebe
November 8	Rod & Cindy Anderson	Available	Available
November 15	Virgil & Ruth Johnson	Virgil & Ruth Johnson	Available
November 22	Francy Van Meter	Francy Van Meter	Available
November 29	Gloria Miller	Gloria Miller	Available

Council Highlights & CELEBRATION

- Letters and 2021 commitment cards were mailed to members. The council asks for your prayerful consideration in sharing your gifts with the church.
- Our youth program is thriving virtually. We are grateful for Greta's leadership! We have 15 students in our confirmation class, our largest class in a number of years.
- The Council and our Task Force continue to stay informed about COVID cases, as well as state and city mandates. As we approach the Christmas season, we're being very thoughtful as well as creative for our worship services. We will keep the congregation informed.



View Morning Star's online calendar by clicking below!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, October 21

6:30 ^{PM} Confirmation (Zoom)

Thursday, October 22

12:30 ^{PM} Sarah Circle (Chapel)

5:00 ^{PM} Task Force Meeting (Zoom)

7:00 ^{PM} DBSA Meeting (Chapel, Library & Lg Conf Rm)

Friday, October 23

Saturday, October 24

5:30 ^{PM} Worship (Sanctuary)

Sunday, October 25 ~ Reformation Day

10 ^{AM} Worship (Sanctuary & Facebook Live)

Monday, October 26

6:30 ^{PM} Youth Group Candy Prep

Tuesday, October 27

9:30 ^{AM} Staff Meeting (Lg Conf Rm)

5:30 ^{PM} AA Meeting (Chapel)

Wednesday, October 28

10:00 ^{AM} Bible Study (Zoom & Facebook Live)

4:30 ^{PM} BGC Trunk or Treat (Westside Boys & Girls Club)

6:30 ^{PM} Confirmation (Zoom)

Thursday, October 29

5:00 ^{PM} Task Force Meeting (Zoom)

7:00 ^{PM} DBSA Meeting (Chapel, Library & Lg Conf Rm)

Friday, October 30

Saturday, October 31 ~ Halloween

5:30 ^{PM} Worship (Sanctuary)

Sunday, November 1 ~ All Saints Day

10 ^{AM} Worship (Sanctuary & Facebook Live)



October 25 Readings

First Reading [Jeremiah 31:31-34](#)

Psalm [Psalm 46](#)

Second Reading [Romans 3:19-28](#)

Gospel [John 8:31-36](#)