



Mid Week Update ~ November 17, 2021

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*The Church Office & Preschool are closed on Thursday & Friday, November 25 & 26 for Thanksgiving. We are thankful for YOU!*

*Worship with us!*

**Saturdays | In-Person Only 5:30 PM**

**Sundays | In-Person or Online 10:00 AM**

[THIS WEEK'S BULLETIN](#)

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The Angel Tree will be up November 21. You can select a child and/or family from the tree then get them gifts from the suggestions listed. No time to shop? Donate and we will do the shopping for you! Note on your check (or online at [MorningStarOmaha.org/Give](http://MorningStarOmaha.org/Give)) that it's for the Angel Tree. Thank you for being the light of Christ to families served by Lutheran Family Services and the Boy & Girls Westside Club. All donations and gifts are due by December 15. If you have any questions please contact Lindsey Tonniges.

[DONATE HERE](#)



***Join us Saturday, November 27 at 9 AM as we make Morning Star look festive for Advent & Christmas! No experience necessary!***

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**Advent Wreath Kits**

Greta and the Faith Formation Team are offering Advent wreath kits again this year. The kit includes a candle holder, candles, devotion book, and a few other materials to make your Advent practice at home meaningful this year. Advent devotionals and a new set of candles are also available if you received a kit last year and want to use it again. This year we will not be providing fresh greenery in the kit. These can be easily purchased at a local nursery or artificial wreaths are available in the Christmas section at most stores. Request your kit by November 17 by contacting Greta ([Greta@MorningStarOmaha.org](mailto:Greta@MorningStarOmaha.org) or call 402-393-5553). Supplies will be available Sundays, November 21 & 28 or arrange to pick up or drop off.

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All are invited to Morning Star's Advent Festival on Saturday, December 18 from 4 to 5:30 PM. We will decorate cookies, have a Christmas sweater contest, and sing along to Christmas carols!

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**Sunday, December 19 at 10 AM**

This year's Christmas Program is interactive fun with the congregation in worship and does not require any rehearsal (no stress)! We invite you to attend worship on Sunday, December 19 to participate! All ages welcome!

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### ***Crafts and Cocoa with Greta***

Come craft and enjoy hot cocoa with Greta on Tuesday, November 30 at 6 PM to prepare simple costume items for the Christmas Program. All ages welcome. We will meet in the conference room.

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Let Greta know if you have a 3rd or 4th grader that hasn't gotten their youth Bible from us!

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Sunday School for the whole family will meet monthly on the second Sundays at 9 AM before Worship. Any youth or adult interested in helping lead an activity or song, please contact Greta!

**Family Sunday School Dates**

December 12	March 20
January 16	April 10
February 20	May 15



Morning Star is partnering with First Presbyterian Church to sponsor a refugee family. No family has been assigned to us yet. We are asking for your help. In addition to the list of items we are already collecting for Lutheran Family Services (see below), we ask that you consider donating household items that you may be replacing in your home. Just as we requested for the family we welcomed three years ago, the items should be in very good condition. It is exciting to partner with another church denomination and to be a part of a new beginning for a family.



Lutheran Family Services of Nebraska, Inc. has been welcoming refugee families and must quickly find housing and supplies to help them resettle in their new community.

**WE CAN HELP!** Bring any household items to the tent display in the Gathering Space ([complete list HERE](#)).

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You are invited to join us **IN PERSON** for Bible Study every Wednesday at 10 AM! We will continue to broadcast on [Facebook LIVE](#) for those who are unable to attend. This week's study texts are

***Bible Study Sheet***

First Reading [Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14](#)

Psalm [Psalm 93](#)

Second Reading [Revelation 1:4b-8](#)

Gospel [John 18:33-37](#)

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Communion pick up can be arranged any time by contacting the Church Office. LIVE Worship Streaming will always be available on Facebook LIVE at 10 AM or shortly after the service ends on our website: [www.MorningStarOmaha.org](http://www.MorningStarOmaha.org)!

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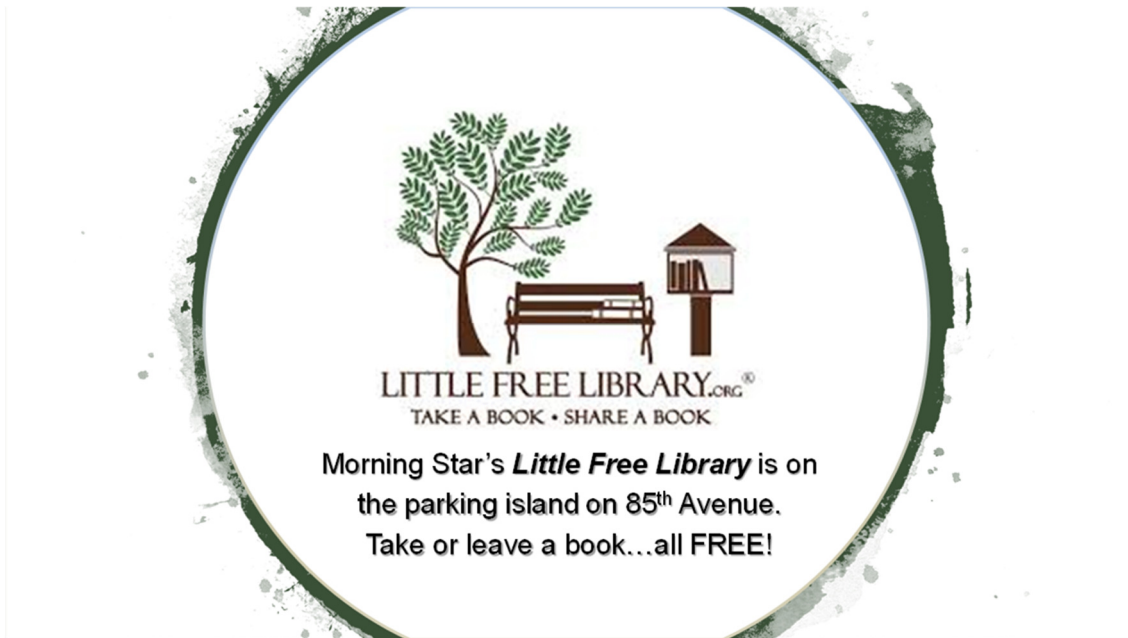
### **Children**

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](#)!

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### *church council* **HIGHLIGHTS**

- The conclusion of our stewardship campaign with timely messages led by Pastor Chris.
  - A very successful Trunk or Treat event with a bounce house, Mobile Grace Cafe, trunks, and activities that served 155 children on a beautiful fall night.
  - A beautiful and bittersweet Reformation Sunday service with a send off and thank you to Bev McCollum and a celebration of 55 years of ministry for Kent Morse.
  - A thank you to all who supported and helped with our outreach to Westside Boys and Girls Club this Thanksgiving. We will be providing 160 meals to our neighbors.
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Morning Star's Little Free Library located on the parking island on 85<sup>th</sup> Ave. needs a little love. If you are handy and have a little time to spare, we would appreciate your help with this neighborhood outreach tool! Contact the Church Office for more info!



 **Lutheran Family Services**  
of Nebraska, Inc.

**LFS** SINCE **1892**  
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Our green envelope offering this month will go to Lutheran Family Services (LFS) of Nebraska. LFS expresses God's love for ALL people by providing quality human care services that build and strengthen individual, family, and community life. They demonstrate their mission broadly through children's

services, community services and behavioral health.

Morning Star's involvement with Lutheran Family Services has included helping refugees relocate to the Omaha area through our Welcome the Stranger program as well as helping families with Thanksgiving meals with Food for Friends and Christmas gifts through our Angel Tree program.

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	<b><i>Flowers</i></b>	<b><i>Flowers</i></b>	<b><i>Bulletins</i></b>
Nov 7	Rod & Cindy Anderson	Don & Bonnie Daubman	Neil & Cindy Lindquist
Nov 14	Virgil & Ruth Johnson	Virgil & Ruth Johnson	Sandy Heskett
Nov 21	Gloria Miller & Nancy Darst	Betty Williams	Joel Rohde
Nov 28	Agneta Gaines	Agneta Gaines	Joel Rohde

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View Morning Star's online calendar by clicking below!

Calendar Today < > October 2020

October 2020

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
27 10am Virtual Worship Sen	28 6pm Stewardship Commit 6pm Stewardship Commit 7pm Outreach Committee 7pm Outreach Committee	29 9:30am Staff Meeting 5:30pm AA Meeting	30 10am Bible Study 6:30pm Confirmation	Oct 1 5pm Task Force Meeting 7pm DBSA Meeting	2 4pm Hamilton/Kasper Reh 4pm Hamilton/Kasper Reh	3 5pm Hamilton/Kasper Wer 5pm Hamilton/Kasper Wer 5:30pm Worship
4 10am Virtual Worship Sen 11am Women of Morning 11am Women of Morning	5 7pm NWFT Trailblazers 7pm Copy: Outreach Zoom	6 9:30am Staff Meeting 5:30pm AA Meeting 6pm Executive Committee	7 10am Bible Study 6:30pm Confirmation 6:30pm Confirmation 3 more	8 5pm Task Force Meeting 7pm DBSA Meeting	9	10 5:30pm Worship
11 10am Virtual Worship Sen	12 Preschool Closed - Staff Den Columbus Day Indigenous Peoples' Day 2 more	13 9:30am Staff Meeting 5:30pm AA Meeting	14 10am Bible Study 6:30pm Confirmation	15 5pm Task Force Meeting 7pm DBSA Meeting	16	17 5:30pm Worship
18 10am Virtual Worship Sen 3:30pm Youth Group Shop 3:30pm Youth Group Shop	19	20 9:30am Staff Meeting 5:30pm AA Meeting	21 10am Bible Study 6:30pm Confirmation	22 12:30pm Sarah Circle 5pm Task Force Meeting 7pm DBSA Meeting	23	24 5:30pm Worship
25 10am Virtual Worship Sen	26 6:30pm Youth Group Cand	27 9:30am Staff Meeting 5:30pm AA Meeting 5:30pm Lydia Circle	28 10am Bible Study 4:30pm Westside Boys & C 6:30pm Confirmation	29 5pm Task Force Meeting 6:45pm Bell Choir Rehears 7pm DBSA Meeting	30	31 Halloween 5:30pm Worship

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## **Wednesday, November 17**

- 10<sup>AM</sup> Bible Study (Conference Room)
- 4:30<sup>PM</sup> Organ Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 6<sup>PM</sup> High School Youth Bible Study (Chapel)
- 6:30<sup>PM</sup> Confirmation Class (Gathering Space)

## **Thursday, November 18**

- 5<sup>PM</sup> Faith Partner's Meeting (Gathering Space)
- 7<sup>PM</sup> DBSA (Chapel)

## **Friday, November 19**

## **Saturday, November 20**

- 5:30<sup>PM</sup> Worship (Sanctuary)

## **Sunday, November 21**

10<sup>AM</sup> Worship (Sanctuary & Facebook Live)

***Monday, November 22***

***Tuesday, November 23***

9<sup>AM</sup> Staff Meeting

5:30<sup>PM</sup> AA Meeting (Chapel)

***Wednesday, November 24***

10<sup>AM</sup> Bible Study (Conference Room)

5:30<sup>PM</sup> Thanksgiving Eve Service

***Thursday, November 25***

***Church Office & Preschool Closed***

***Friday, November 26***

***Church Office & Preschool Closed***

***Saturday, November 27***

9<sup>AM</sup> Hanging of the Greens (Sanctuary & Gathering Space)

5:30<sup>PM</sup> Worship (Sanctuary)

***Sunday, November 28***

10<sup>AM</sup> Worship (Sanctuary & Facebook Live)



## **November 21 Readings**

First Reading [Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14](#)

Psalm [Psalm 93](#)

Second Reading [Revelation 1:4b-8](#)

Gospel [John 18:33-37](#)



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