



Covenant News

November 2025



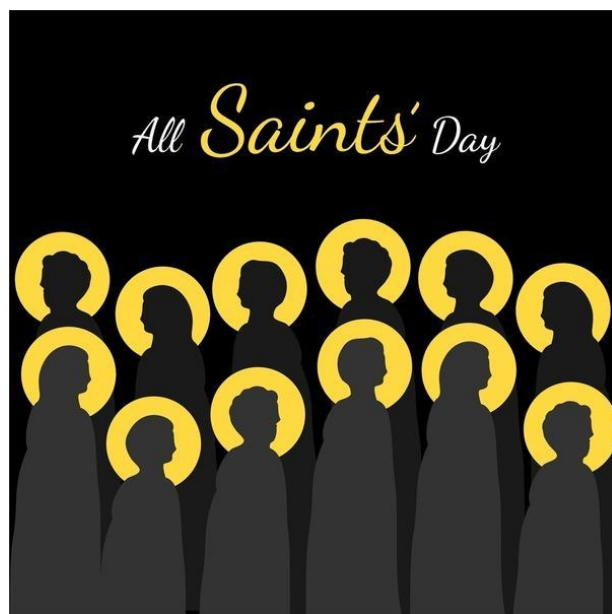
As we enter the season of Advent at the end of the month, our congregational journey takes a turn toward honesty and hope. This year, our worship series is rooted in the theme “What Do You Fear?”, inviting us to name the fears that surround us—and to hold fast to the promise that good news is louder than fear.

This year, the story of Jesus begins “in the time of Herod,” a moment of oppression, instability, and uncertainty—one not so unlike our world today.

We will celebrate the first Sunday of Advent on November 30th with a joint worship service at 10:00 am here at Covenant. We will join with the church of the Master for worship, brunch, and fellowship. Over the weeks of the first Sunday of Advent through Epiphany, each service will invite us into a space where fear is acknowledged—not ignored—while we explore the action, hope, and trust of the Christmas story.



Remember to set your clocks back one hour on
Saturday evening, November 1



On Sunday, November 2, we give thanks for the lives of saints who have gone before us, who continue to shape us to this day.

We also hear God's precious reminder that we too are saints, called out from baptismal waters to serve as the living disciples of our Risen Lord!

The prayer group meets twice a month to explore different ways of praying and to lift up prayers for our church, our neighbors, and our wider community. Whether you want to grow in your own prayer life or simply need someone to pray with you or for you, you are welcome. Come as you are and find a quiet space to encounter God. Our November meetings are:

PRAYER GROUP



COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING MEAL



**CHURCH HALL
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH
5:00-6:00 PM**

**Come and Eat-- enjoy a meal and time
with your church and community.
Serve-- volunteer to set up. serve, greet,
or clean up.
Donate-- provide food items for the
dinner.
If you would like to participate, contact
the church office.**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

11/2 Matt Marik

11/13 Lois Williams

11/3 Donna Franz

11/26 Vince Besednjak

11/3 Steve Senderak

11/29 Emily Garberich

11/7 Donna Kobella

11/30 Dylan King

11/12 Dave Gaglione



*11/17 Elaine & Keary Knerem
Happy 52nd Anniversary*

CALLED TO BE SAINTS

Jean Rusher: January 29, 1943-June 18, 2025



Jean was the devoted wife of Donald D. Rusher, and together they created a nurturing home filled with joy and laughter. She was a loving mother to her children, including her late sons, Donald Jr. and James. Jean's spirit continues to shine through her daughters, Kimberly Russell and Lisa King.

Her family was her greatest treasure and she took immense joy in being a grandmother to Amber, Matthew, Dylan, Alexandra, Haleigh, Blake, and Paige, as well as a great-grandmother to Jayden, Alivia, Aubree, Joel, Skylar, and Landon. Jean's heart was full as she created lasting memories with her grandchildren, whether through baking delicious treats, enjoying bike rides, or sharing stories in her garden.

A woman of deep faith, Jean was very active in her church, where she found community and purpose. Her love of God was evident in her daily life, and she inspired those around her with her unwavering faith, kindness and welcoming spirit. Jean was known for her non-judgmental nature, providing a place of peace and comfort to all her loved ones.

Jean had a passion for gardening, where she found solace and beauty in nurturing her plants, and she was an avid reader, often losing herself in the pages of her favorite books. Her warmth and generosity touched the lives of everyone she met.

Ken Frajter: June 29, 1933-October 4, 2025



Ken was a devoted husband and father to his late wife Carolyn Frajter and his daughter Ruth Williams. He was a loving father to his children, Sandi Pickens and Tim Frajter.

He was a grandfather to Amanda, Megan, Tim, Kenny, Joey, Alyssa and great-grandfather to Benjamin.

Ken's greatest passions in life were his family and his love of sports, especially cheering for Penn State Football. His warmth, humor, and energy will be deeply missed, but his legacy will live on in the hearts of all who knew and love him.



The Lutheran Church of the Covenant

November 2025

Server Schedule	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
AG: Claudia Senderak, Gwen Susaneck							1 9-12AForSoul Program NCMBC 3:00 pm AA meeting Parlor 6-8 CA in hall
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AG: Sheila Werner, Annie Copeland, Paula Hohenstein Charlotte Zaranaka	9 22 nd Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 Eucharist 10:00 Adult Class in Parlor	10 6:-8:00pm AA meeting in Hall	11 6:30 pm Women's AA meeting in Parlor	12 6:00-8:00pm AA meeting in Hall	13 Vacation Jen	14 6:30-8:30pm GOD AA meeting in Parish Hall Vacation Jen	15 912AForSoul Program NCMBC 3:00 pm AA meeting in Parlor 6-8 CA in hall
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AG: Joan Garvin, Marie Zahn, Jen Garberich	23 Christ the King 9:00 Eucharist 10:00 Adult Class in Parlor	24 6-8:00pm AA meeting in Hall	25 6:30 pm Women's AA meeting in Parlor	26 6:00-8:00pm AA meeting in Hall	27 Office closed Thanksgiving	28 Office closed Thanksgiving Weekend 6:30-8:30pm GOD AA meeting in Hall	29 912AForSoul Program NCMBC 3:00 pm AA meeting in Parlor 6-8 CA in hall
	30 First Sunday of Advent 10:00 joint service with Master						

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Our St. Pauly volunteers spent time cleaning out our clothing donation shed this week.

So far the shed has made \$510.03 since we started the collection. A big thank you to the volunteers and all who have contributed to the shed.

(picture courtesy Ted Lockmiller)