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Pr. Maribeth McGoven

Service of Gratitude & Thanksgiving

November 19, 2023

GATHERING

PRELUDE		Resurrection Band
BELLS		
CALL TO WORSHIP		screen
GATHERING SONG	<i>Your Love Defends Me</i>	WB #116
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		
REFLECTING UPON OUR BLESSINGS		screen
OPENING HYMN	<i>Seek Ye First</i>	WOV #783
PRAYER OF THE DAY		screen

WORD

PSALM		<i>Psalm 95:1-7</i>
SECOND READING		<i>Philippians 4:4-7</i>
GOSPEL		<i>Matthew 6:25-28, 31-32</i>
THANK YOU LORD, GRATITUDE BOARD		
SERMON		Pr. Maribeth McGoven
HYMN OF THE DAY	<i>Untitled Hymn</i>	WB #110
APOSTLES' CREED		screen
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION		
P: God of Blessings,		
C: Receive our prayer.		
SHARING THE PEACE		

OFFERING

MISSION FOCUS:	Lutheran Disaster Response	
OFFERTORY PRAYER		screen

MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMN *Just As I Am*

LBW #296

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

SENDING

BLESSING

BELLS

CLOSING SONG *Jesus Loves Me*

WB #49

DISMISSAL

P: Go forth with gratitude and love in your heart.

C: Amen. Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Resurrection Band

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THIS WEEK'S BIBLE READINGS

Mon	Psalm 83:1-4, 9-10, 17-18; Judges 4:8-24; Romans 2:1-11
Tue	Psalm 83:1-4, 9-10, 17-18; Exodus 2:1-10; 1 Thessalonians 5:12-18
Wed	Psalm 83:1-4, 9-10, 17-18; Esther 7:1-10; Matthew 24:45-51
Thu	Psalm 100; Genesis 48:15-22; Revelation 14:1-11
Fri	Psalm 100; Isaiah 40:1-11; Revelation 22:1-9
Sat	Psalm 100; Ezekiel 34:25-31; Matthew 12:46-50
Sun	Psalm 95:1-7a; Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24; Ephesians 1:15-23; Matthew 25:31-46

SERVICE ASSISTANTS

This Week

Greeters Weckwerth Family
Ushers Tina Ericson & Shannah Geimer
Reader Danny Lecy
Communion Assistants: Betty Lecy & Greyson Goehring

Next Week

Wayne & Heather Lenander
Tina Ericson & Shannah Geimer
Mike Jones
Communion Assistants: Carol Jones & Raylan Stanley

Prayer Concerns: The people of the Ukraine, The people of Israel, The ARCC Emergency Shelter, Lutheran Disaster Response; The family of Bob Mechelke; Marlys Stainbrook, Dorothy Pohl, Kristine Schlagel (Carl Anderson's niece), Carl & Linda Anderson, Sharon Arvik, Billie Marie Larson, Phyllis Carlson, Tim Atwater (brother-in-law of Carol Jones), Johanna Jones, (niece of Mike Jones), Jean (cousin of Vi Sundermeyer), Emily (friend of Vi Sundermeyer), Elaine Kelsey (friend of Peg Davies), Lori, Rose & Don (Vi Sundermeyer's sister and brother-in-law), Jerry Johnson (brother of Jay Johnson), Ryan Lau, Suzanne Dock (friend of Carol Lenander & Larry Gass), Don (Corina Bronczyk's brother-in-law), Carla & Scott (friends of Corina Bronczyk), Ryan Wood (Darrin & Corina Bronczyk's nephew), Ron Nepl (friend of Peg Davies), Mike O'Rourke (friend of Peg Davies), Karen Rich (sister of Mike Jones), Bonnie & George Lueck, Peggy Lindstrom (friend of Cina Pidde), Carole Olafson (friend of Peg Davies & Aunt of Wayne Lenander), Tina Riggs (friend of Bobbie Wosika), Susan Nyhusmoen, Jerry Levenson (Resurrection Band singer), Jim Thomsen, Lee Johnson (husband of Denice Johnson), Deb Britton (friend of Cina Pidde), Gail Buck, Mark Hiene (Linda Anderson's brother-in-law), Boyd Nelson (son of the late Catherine Nelson), Mike Husby (friend of Peg Davies), Bryanna Hegg (granddaughter of Denice Johnson), Matthew Lane (Carl Anderson's step grandson), Erika W. (friend of Vi Sundermeyer), Liz Lau and her family, Laurel Yae (niece of Vi Sundermeyer), Billie Jo Gaffney (friend of Bobbie Wosika), Christina & Emmy Rose (nieces of Dave & De Carlson), Pr. Glenn Anderson

Opportunities This Week

Today	Bible Study	9:00 AM
	Worship Service	10:00 AM
	Coffee Fellowship	11:00 AM
	Church Council meeting	11:30 AM
Tues	Quilting – contact Bernie or Shane	9:30-11:00?
Sun	NO Bible Study	9:00 AM
	Worship Service	10:00 AM
	Coffee Fellowship	11:00 AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- If you haven't had the opportunity to fill out a time and talent slip, there's a sheet on the table in the narthex. We really need **everyone** to let us know in what you'd like to be involved.
- The funeral service for Bob Mechelke will be held here at FLC on December 2 at 2:00. Volunteer helper sheets are on the table in the narthex.
- Bethany Lutheran of Nevis is open to the community on Tuesday mornings from 6:30 – 8:00 and Thursday afternoons from 3:30 – 5:00 for silent prayer and meditation. No commitment, sign-in or time limit. .

The November Mission of the Month Lutheran Disaster Response

We are a church that is a catalyst, convener and bridge builder. Lutheran Disaster Response collaborates with other disaster response organizations and religious entities in the United States and around the world. This enables the greatest stewardship of resources and maximum impact of response. We are a welcome partner because we respect the perspectives and strengths of others.

We recognize that every disaster is local. Because of this, we believe every response needs to be rooted in the community; we work to accompany that community from immediate relief through long-term recovery.

Lutheran Disaster Response strives to help the church continue to be church in the midst of disaster — following Christ's call to share hope and healing with our neighbor in need.

Some key areas of work include:

- Providing emotional and spiritual care for people who have been affected by a disaster and for leaders who respond to a disaster**
- Coordinating volunteers through our local affiliates**
- Assisting refugees in a holistic way by meeting the varied needs of the community**
- Promoting disaster risk-reduction by helping communities build their assets thereby reducing the effects of likely disasters**
- Providing long-term recovery efforts by addressing the unmet needs months or even years after a disaster strikes**

If you wish to donate, please make your check to FLC with Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR) on the memo line.