"Miss no single opportunity of making some small sacrifice, here by a smiling look, there by a kindly word; always doing the smallest right and doing it all for love." -St. Therese of Lisieux

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HAINESVILLE CROSSROADS — November 2021 Edition

Dear Siblings in Christ,

Recently, I was reading the October 2021 edition of Living Lutheran magazine and came across an article written by Anthony Bateza, titled "Pandemic Wisdom from Luther." Bateza writes, "One lesson we can pull from the ongoing COVID-19 pan-

From **Pastor Trent**

demic is just how hard life can be when every task is made more difficult and every day is uncertain due to contagion. Sometimes we crave the ordinary because the extraordinary has left us exhausted. Finding time and space to collect ourselves, to know what is happening and what is expected of us, is a needed gift for our souls."

Given that this coming Sunday will be my last Sunday preaching at Hainesville as I enter into an extended time

of discernment, Bateza's words resonated with me. Time and space for discernment, time and space to listen and pay attention to where the Holy Spirit may be nudging, either subtly or not so subtly, is something each and every one of us needs individually and collectively. It is what the congregation needs. It is what I need.

While our time together may be ending in a manner in which some may not have hoped, there is wisdom to be gleaned from our relationship together as pastor and people of the congregation from our five plus years together. You may recall me stating in a sermon or a Bible study, we are our relationships. We are shaped and formed by them with no relationship more significant than our relationship with God when it comes to our identity. When someone asks, "Who are you?" our response first and foremost needs to be "Child of God." Secondarily, our identities are shaped by our relationships with our human siblings. As I leave this place,

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MEETING SCHEDULES

- Sunday morning worship 9:30 AM in person worship in the sanctuary; YouTube live broadcast beginning at 9:30 or available on demand following the service; parking lot service available Sunday mornings on 92.3 FM
- Book Club meets Tuesday Nov 2nd at noon at church
- Men's Bible study meets Wednesdays at 8 AM
- Women's' Bible study: on Tuesday Nov 9th at church continuing with the book of Genesis, chapters 12-16
- W-ELCA Tues Nov 16th at noon at church; all women welcome to attend
- Church Council Tues Nov 16th at 6:00 PM in person at church
- Quilting for LWR: Tues Nov 30th starting at 9 AM (NOTE: date change)
- COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE on Wed Nov 24th at Tanum-Forest Lutheran Church. 5 PM is parking lot service 7 PM is in sanctuary





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FROM THE PASTOR: Jesus Christ, Son of God, Savior



I take part of you all with me and I leave part of myself behind. We will be forever connected.

Change is a part of life. It is part of God's life as God is continuously creating, breathing life into the world, making all things new. While it may feel like the ground beneath our feet is shifting as we struggle to find our footing, it is the seismic shifts in our lives that Bateza explains "can be moments where we can see and share in God's work."

Perhaps it is only fitting then, that our last Sunday together includes the reading of Psalm 46, where verse 10 reads, "Be still and know that I am God." While Hainesville and I could certainly be finding ways to be particularly active and busy right now, it is the stillness that is a needed gift for our souls, as we listen to God's voice calling: Be still and know that I am God. Be still and know that I am. Be still and know. Be still. Be.

May God be with us all today, tomorrow, and always.

Peace and Love,

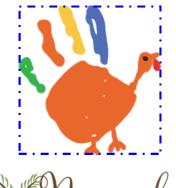
Pastor Trent





Birthdays in November

| Brenda Clark Kirsten Dixner-Young |
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| Rachel Hanson |
| Jayme LaRochelle |
| Kayla Wilke |
| Pat Malley |
| Greg Jacobson |
| Wendy Bloedorn |
| Nancy Keyser |
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Wedding Anniversaries in November

| Books Belief |
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ZOOM Book Discussion <u>TUESDAY NOV 2nd</u> at Noon Leader: to be determined

The Girl in His Shadow by Audrey Blake

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<u>Review from the Hoopla site:</u> "The story of one woman who believed in scientific medicine before the world believed in her.

Raised by the eccentric surgeon Dr. Horace Croft after losing her parents to a deadly pandemic, the orphan Nora Beady knows little about conventional life. While other young ladies were raised to busy themselves with needlework and watercolors, Nora was trained to perfect her suturing and anatomical illustrations of dissections.

Women face dire consequences if caught practicing medicine, but in Croft's private clinic Nora is his most trusted-and secret-assistant. That is until the new surgical resident Dr. Daniel Gibson arrives. Dr. Gibson has no idea that Horace's bright and quiet young ward is a surgeon more qualified and ingenuities than even himself. In order to protect Dr. Croft and his practice from scandal and collapse Nora must learn to play a new and uncomfortable role-that of a proper young lady.

But, pretense has its limits. Nora cannot turn away and ignore the suffering of patients even if it means giving Gibson the power to ruin everything she's worked for. And, when she makes a discovery that could change the field forever, Nora faces an impossible choice. Remain invisible and let the men around her take credit for her work, or let the world see her for what she is-even if it means being destroyed by her own legacy."

December Book Discussion – will be taking time off for now

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LWR Blankets and Kits Shipped from NE Wisconsin

Dear Fellow Churches and volunteers:

On behalf of St. James Lutheran Church, we would like to take this opportunity to **thank you** for helping with the Lutheran World Relief donations. We are very fortunate to have congregations that share their blessings and treasures. Thanks to your generosity we collected:

- · Quilts/Blanket 3,258
- · Baby Care Kits 451
- Personal Care Kits 551
- · School Kits 874
- · Sewing Kits 31
- Boxes/Yards of Fabric 5 boxes
- Shipping Donations \$2,374.63

It is amazing what God has provided us with and has given us the opportunity to share with those in need. Please mark your calendar for next year; we will be having our 2022 ingathering on Friday, October 7th. We appreciate what you have done and may God continue to bless and keep you in his care.

Sincerely,

St. James Lutheran Church Members and Staff

From the Nominating Committee

The nominating committee would like you to know that in 2022 the church will need to elect

- Vice-president (2 year term)
- Secretary (2 year term)
- a worship trustee (3 year term)
- A social concerns deacon (3 year term)
- a deacon for evangelism (2 year term)
- An education deacon (to fill 1 year)
- and an auditor (2 year term)
- Nominating committee (3) I year each
- Synod delegates (2) 1 year each

Please prayerfully consider taking an active role in the function and continuing life of your church. The work of the church continues even during times of transition. What will you do to make Christ known in our community?

Advent begins Sunday November 28th

Advent Wreath



The Advent wreath is a symbol of watchfulness and increasing joy as we anticipate Jesus' birth. The wreath's circular shape symbolizes eternity, or life without end. The candles remind us that Jesus is the Light of the World — he brought light and life to a dark world (see John 1:4-5). On each of the four Sundays of Advent, we light a new candle. As the light grows, so do our hope and joy.

For at home Advent readings, you can use the TAKING FAITH HOME resource. Pinterest has some wonderful ideas to help you make your won Advent wreath for your home devotions.

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HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL OCTOBER 12th,2021 6:00 PM MEETING

COUNCIL MEETING

Present: Pastor Trent, Rick Hannemann, John Melland, Bonnie Kohn, Linda Monahan, Ellen Klister, Marie Weber, April Mascorro Absent: George Sincock, Gene LaPlante Opening prayer; Call to order by Rick @ 6:03pm. Amended agenda accepted, motion by April, 2nd by Ellen

Worship report (Bonnie): No updates

Social Ministry report (Marie): No updates

Evangelism report (Linda):

- Will send a memorial for Pastor Wick's passing Motion by Marie, 2nd by Ellen
- The Pulse advertisement will be modified to utilize existing funds in the account that must be used by end of the year (use it or lose it). Motion by Ellen, 2nd by Bonnie

Property report (Gene/George): No updates

Education report (Trent):

- Sunday school is continuing as is, however, with masking as per recommendation from the COVID-19 task force since this age group is not eligible for COVID vaccinations.
- Pastor Trent sending a letter to Confirmation students/ parents/teachers with contact information as a resource to improve communication and share notices of planned/unplanned absences or changes to the schedule. Jane Roalkvan has volunteered to teach on the days Pastor Trent was scheduled to teach.

Vice President report (John):

Will mow the lawn at least one more time this year

Secretary report (April): Motion to approve September minutes, by Marie, 2nd by Bonnie

Treasurer report (Ellen):

Motion to approve September financials, by Marie, 2nd by Bonnie

President report (Rick):

- Additional memorial brick orders will be installed soon
- Annual rummage sale, Carolyn Melland will oversee. Council approves Carolyn to start accepting new items as donations for the sale.

Stained glass window lights to be completed in November. Sunday school room flooring research is in progress

Copy machine lease is ending January 2022. Council decided to continue with the current machine. Pastor Trent will confirm the process of renewing the lease with Quality Assured Office Machines/Impact Networking.

Will confirm if Irene would like to transition State water sam-

ple tasks to Russ Klister

Pastor's report (Trent):

Monthly Pastor report emailed to council

- Possibly welcoming 4 new members during October 31st service
- Church constitution Pastor Trent will submit 2010 version to synod, until council has time to thoroughly review updates provided during September meeting.
- Routine cleaning of the church; Sunshine House doesn't have staff to support HLC, at this time. A request will be posed to the congregation for help.
- Church records the parochial record book is approximately 90% complete, as Paula has been diligently working on this. Some past records written in Norwegian still need to be translated. Suggested that when fully updated, the record book be stored in the church safe, and remove when additions are needed to the church records throughout the year.
- Will train April M on Zoom account administration
- Will check with Paula regarding handling Pastor email account. Ellen volunteered to be the alternate.
- Paula is willing to manage any website updates needed. Council recommends Jane Roalkvan and Heather Haese also take part in website administration as Jane and Heather are now administrators for HLC Facebook page.
- Will contact visiting pastors to see who can preach for 5 dates (4 Sundays and Christmas Eve) Trent was scheduled for, between November 7th and year-end.
- Council to meet with Pastor Asher from the synod regarding Pastor Trent's departure. Pastor Asher will be invited to the November 16th council meeting, to attend in person. If there is bad weather, council will meet with Pastor Asher digitally.

COVID-19 Task Force report

Next meeting is November 9th

Cases are very high in the county

Bill Aune resigned from task force

The congregation will be polled via email to get feedback regarding several topics, including masking in church. Those without an email address, will receive a paper survey in the mail.

Masks are still recommended, but not required

Closed with prayer; meeting adjourned @ 7:22pm., motion by April, 2nd by Ellen

Next meeting is 11/16 @ 6pm.

April Mascorro (Council secretary)

CHRISTMAS "Secret Santa" SHARING PROJECT

Greetings!

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2021 ~ Holiday Season! We will be having a "Secret Santa" project this Holiday Season. It's with hope we can continue this "project" at Hainesville Church. Once we get a "family" from the school we will send an update of everything we find out.

Please send All contributions directly to Hainesville Church per check and in the mail. Or leave an offering in the offering plate on Sunday morning. (Memo section write <u>Secret Santa</u>)

Deadline: December 5, 2021 Thank you as always.....God Bless



Kyle (Adlon), Rusty (Allen), Lindsay (A), Tom (Angermeier), Devin (Bartos), Shirley (Brandt), Asher Tracey (Breider), Karen & Del (Brewer), Eugene (Clark), Danielle (Davis), Linda (Freier), Judy (Germain), Ruth (Grainger), Anna Lisa (Jilburg), Terry (Kinney), Jean (Klansky), Ellie (Krull), Judy (Larson), Larry (Mallien), Natalie (Markham), Joe (May), Francine (Meyer), Ken (Overland), Jodi (P), Matthew (Roque), Alice (Roque-Angermeier), Troy, Deanna, Lexi, & Laci (Schiesser), Eric (Thorson), Kari (Uetz), Aubrey (W), and Jeanine.



TOP SECRET

A blessing or a curse?

Holocaust survivor and devout Christian Corrie ten Boom recounts how her sister Betsie thanked God for the fleas infesting their packed barracks. When Corrie resisted the idea, Betsie pointed out that 1 Thessalonians 5:18 says to "give thanks in all circumstances."

Still, Corrie wasn't convinced — until the sisters realized the infestation kept the guards away, giving prisoners in those quarters freedom to worship and pray. The biting pests, which seemed like added misery, became a blessing.

Anger and bitterness sometimes cloud our vision, causing us to forget to thank God *in* all situations, though not necessarily *for* them. Other times we don't wait long enough for blessings to be revealed. But faith is like waiting through a storm, knowing a rainbow is coming eventually. Meanwhile, the Lord holds an umbrella for us, and the closer with him we walk, the less wet we'll get. —Julie Le



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The journey begins at Advent

When Advent begins on November 28 this year, so does a new church year for liturgical congregations. The church seasons, which correspond to key events in Jesus' life, begin with the four-week Advent period of preparation for our coming Savior at Christmas. After the 12-day season of Christmas is Epiphany, which begins January 6 and continues through Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. That period of preparation culminates in Holy Week, and then Easter marks the pinnacle of every church year. Forty days after the Resurrection we celebrate Ascension, and 10 days after that, the Pentecost season begins; it lasts until Advent, when the cycle begins again.

"Like a great waterwheel," writes Joan Chittister, "the liturgical year goes on relentlessly irrigating our souls, softening the ground of our hearts, nourishing the soil of our lives until the seed of the Word of God itself begins to grow in us, comes to fruit in us, ripens in us the spiritual journey of a lifetime."



Salvation Army Bell Ringers Needed

The Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons will be upon us soon! With them comes the sound of The Salvation Army ringing bell! Let's help our neighbors in need by volunteering to ring! Door County families needing emergency assistance and shoes for children returning to school benefit from the proceeds from local bell-ringing, and your help is needed! Volunteer to ring at one of many locations in Door County. It's fun and rewarding!

Ringing starts Friday, November 19th and runs through Friday December 24th. Early ringers are especially needed. Sign up to ring by contacting Nancy Kexel-Calabresa by text or call at 920-883-7886 or email nakc1@icloud.com for questions and to sign up.

Many locations available throughout Door County including Main Street Market, Walmart, Walgreens, Tadych's Econo Foods and Pick 'N Save. Starting Friday, November 19th through Friday, December 24th, weekdays and weekends 8 or 9 a.m. to 7 or 8 p.m.



VOLUNTEER 2 HOURS OR MORE! TO "RING IN" THE THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS SEASON!

THE SALVATION ARMY'S RED KETTLE CAMPAIGN IN DOOR COUNTY, WITH HELP FROM COMPAS-SIONATE VOLUNTEERS LIKE YOU, PROVIDES EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO OUR NEIGHBORS IN NEED WITH:

RENT FOOD AUTO UTILITIES SCHOOL SUPPLIES AND MANY OTHER AREAS

PLEASE HELP THE SALVATION ARMY SERVE OUR COMMUNITY!

Ask others to help too! Bring a friend, family member, a boom box of Christmas music, dress in uniform or holiday attire, play your flute, trumpet or guitar, sing carols, read poetry, etc.







| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | |
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| | 1 | 2 Book Club at noon at church in the fel- lowship hall <u>The Girl</u> in <u>His Shadow</u> by Audrey Blake | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | |
| 7 9:30 am In person wor- ship as well as parking lot service Confirmation class after wo | 8 SAINTS DAY | 9 NOON: Women's Bible Study— Genesis Chpts 12-16 Covid-19 Task Force 6:30 PM | 10 8 AM Men's Breakfast group | 11 | 12 | 13 | |
| 14 9:30 am In person wor- ship as well as parking lot service Confirmation class after wor- ship | 15 | 16 NOON: Women of the ELCA at church in the fellowship hall 6 PM Church Council | 17 8 AM Men's Breakfast group | 18 | 19 | 20 | |
| 21 9:30 am In person wor- ship as well as parking lot service Confirmation class after wor- ship | 22 | 23 <i>Newsletter</i> <i>deadline</i> | 24 <i>Community</i> <i>Thanksgiving</i> <i>5 PM Drive in</i> <i>7 PM Sanctuary at</i> <i>Tanum-Forest</i> <i>Lutheran Church</i> | 25 | 26 Office closed | 27 | |
| 28 1st Sunday of Advent 9:30 am In person wor ship as wel parking lot | 29 | 30 9 AM—Noon: quilt/ blankets made for LWR Newsletter printed | | | | | |
| Service Confirmation class after w ship Tive o F | Sunday Sunday | Sunday morning worship will be in person, masks are encouraged but not required. The service is also broadcast to the parking lot on station 92.3 and will be live broadcast and then made available on YouTube. You do not need to have YouTube TV to watch the service. | | | | | |



November Newsletter

Hainesville Lutheran Church – ELCA

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Hainesville Lutheran is a fellowship of Christians, empowered by the Gospel, who share their faith through witness, service and hospitality



GUEST COPY PLEASE HELP YOURSELF

A new Thanksgiving tradition

At Thanksgiving, we give thanks for things (food, home, clothing, work) and loved ones (family, friends, pets). But if the people we name aren't present, they may never know how precious they are to us. This November, start a new tradition by writing notes of thanks to people you appreciate.

Follow Paul's model of starting letters with thanksgiving: "First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is being reported all over the world" (Romans 1:8, NIV). Notice how he thanks his addressees by thanking God for them. Paul is specific too, not writing, "Thanks for everything!"

Expressing genuine thanksgiving to God and another person, you might write some thing like this:

Dear Judy, This Thanksgiving I'm thinking about special people in my life. You are one! I thank God for our friendship, for your strong witness for Jesus and for your willingness to lend a hand as a substitute teacher. (Your chocolate cookies are icing on the cake!) I praise God for you! Sincerely, Joan