

“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 2020 Edition

Dear Siblings in Christ,

When I woke up this morning and looked in the mirror, I didn't like what I saw. The frown on my face and the furls in my forehead projected an image of a grumpy old man. The startling image in the

*From
Pastor Trent*



mirror made me ask myself, “Is this really what other people see when they see me? Is this the person who I have become – an aggravated, annoyed, and angry version of myself?”

If this is what others are seeing when they see me at the pharmacy, on a Zoom call, or standing on top of the front steps at church on a Sunday morning, then I need to get back in front of that mirror and ask myself some hard ques-

tions, primarily, “Who are you and what happened to Trent?”

In a time unlike any other in our lifetime, it is far too easy to find oneself feeling F.I.N.E. – Frustrated, Irritated, Neurotic, and Exhausted. Tensions are high. There is a constant tug-of-war between the kingdoms of the world and the kingdom of God. As followers of Jesus, we find ourselves caught in the cross pressures of voting for a president, choosing how to respond to a pandemic, and wrestling with bias and prejudice. These are all part of the same pool of politics we are drowning in right now.

While our current conundrum may seem like a bad dream, it is the reality we are immersed in right now. Yet, we are not alone in the struggle. Jesus has a pretty clear perspective on political pressures and tumultuous times. He can relate. He lived, he died, and

A Prayer of Thanksgiving



CHECK OUT MEETING SCHEDULES

- Sunday morning on-line worship available by 8 AM online through our web site or Facebook or YouTube
- Parking lot worship on Nov 1st & Nov 22nd at 9:30 AM
- Sunday morning coffee hour on ZOOM beginning at 10:30 AM
- Book Club Tuesday Nov 3rd at noon online using ZOOM
- Women's Bible study: Tuesday Nov. 10th at 1:00 PM online using ZOOM (Read Mark: 10,11,12)
- Church Council Tuesday Nov 17th at 6:00 PM using ZOOM
- Men's Bible study meets Wednesdays at 8 AM online using ZOOM

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



he rose again against the backdrop of the façade of Roman “peace”. Everything Jesus said and did had political ramifications under Roman rule. His words and actions got him nailed to a cross.

As citizens of this country, we have a responsibility to participate in the political process by voting to elect our leaders. As

citizens of God’s kingdom, we have responsibility to participate in God’s work of reconciliation. While we may be drowning in the deep waters of Washington politics, through our Baptism in Christ, we drown and die daily to sin and rise up to walk in newness in life. By God’s grace and mercy, we have been strengthened for the journey ahead.

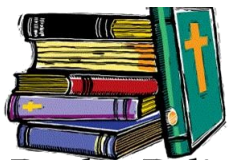


I am reminded this morning that despite the ominous clouds that loom large, the Son shines upon every moment of our waking hours and during our slumber and sleep.

We don’t walk this path alone. When I stand in front of the mirror, take another look, and I am reminded of this, a funny thing happens. The furls in my forehead disappear. The corners of my mouth turn upward. I can see my face again. I can see who I have been called to be as a reflection of God’s grace and mercy in the world. For that I am grateful. Thanks be to God!

Peace and Love,

Pastor Trent



Books Belief Belonging

ZOOM Book Discussion

TUESDAY NOV 3rd at Noon

Leader: Marie Weber

FINDING CHIKA by Mitch Albom

Chika Jeune was born three days before the devastating earthquake that decimated Haiti in 2010. She spent her infancy in a landscape of extreme poverty, and when her mother died giving birth to a baby brother, Chika was brought to The Have Faith Haiti Orphanage that Albom operates in Port Au Prince.

With no children of their own, the 40-plus children who live, play, and go to school at the orphanage have become family to Mitch and his wife, Janine. Chika’s arrival makes a quick impression. Brave and self-assured, even as a three-year-old, she delights the other kids and teachers. But at age five, Chika is suddenly diagnosed with something a doctor there says “no one in Haiti can help you with.”

Mitch and Janine bring Chika to Detroit, hopeful that American medical care can soon return her to her homeland. Instead, Chika becomes a permanent part of their household, and their lives, as they embark on a two-year, around-the-world journey to find a cure. As Chika’s boundless optimism and humor teach Mitch the joys of caring for a child, he learns that a relationship built on love, no matter what blows it takes, can never be lost. Told in hindsight, and through illuminating conversations with Chika herself, this is Albom at his most poignant and vulnerable. *Finding Chika* is a celebration of a girl, her adoptive guardians, and the incredible bond they formed - a devastatingly beautiful portrait of what it means to be a family, regardless of how it is made.



Birthdays in November

Nov 6th	Brenda Clark Kirsten Dixner-Young
Nov 10th	Rachel Hanson
Nov 17th	Jayme LaRochelle
Nov 18th	Kayla Wilke
Nov 20th	Pat Malley
Nov 21st	Greg Jacobson Dorothy Twiton
Nov 23rd	Wendy Bloedorn
Nov 26th	Nancy Keyser



Wedding Anniversaries in November

Nov 4th	Kim & Greg Jacobson
Nov 10th	Alice & Tom Angermeier
Nov 27th	Ellen & Russ Klister

Special Council Meeting September 1, 2020 6:30 PM

Special Council Meeting – 9/1/2020

Present: Pastor Trent, Jim Vogel, Gene LaPlante, Rick Hanemann, Linda Monahan, Bonnie Kohn, Ellen Klister, April Mascorro

Absent: Marie Weber, Frank Pudlo, John Melland

Call to order by Jim Vogel at 6:34pm.

The purpose for a special council meeting was to discuss the request to allow church members to use the facility for church related activities, such as gardening, cleaning, quilting.

Discussion points:

Allow a small group of members to use the facility, doing church related activities, using task force guidelines with regards to safety and sanitation

If we don't start with baby steps, we may begin to lose members

Fellowship is needed for the mental health and well-being of our members

Only allow a small group when Paula is not working
COVID-19 protocols will need to be modified
County cases have gone up

Last task force meeting was held 8/11; on hold since that time. Note: Margie resigned from the task force.

Motion was made by April, 2nd by Bonnie. The following guidelines were discussed and voted upon (7 voting council members; 6 for, 1 dissent; Pastor Trent):

No more than 4 members at one time, per day
Ellen offered to be the scheduler. Groups that want to use the facility should contact Ellen
No groups will be allowed the days Paula is working
Groups are required to:

Wear a mask

Sign in

Take their temperature (thermometer provided) and leave if they have a fever

Social distance – 6 ft apart

Before leaving, sanitize all areas the group touched

Sign out

Bonnie and Ellen will document changes to COVID-19 protocols for insurance purposes

Drive-in Service update:

Dave and George are spearheading. Equipment has been ordered; some has arrived. A letter will be sent via snail mail, to all members explaining the drive-in service process. Scheduled dates are September 13th and 27th.

Closed with prayer; meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm., motion by Rick, 2nd by Bonnie.

Next regularly scheduled meeting is 9/15 @ 6pm. We will meet virtually.

April Mascorro (Council secretary)

From the Nominating Committee

The nominating committee would like you to know that in 2021 the church will need to elect

- president (2 year term) ,
- a property trustee (3 year term) ,
- a deacon for evangelism (3 year term),
- and an auditor (2 year term).

If you would like a job description one will be made available to you. Please begin to prayerfully consider how you can help your church during this interesting time that we are living through. Nominating committee members are Bill Albert, Russ Klister and Deb Grunwald. You can contact them if you have any questions or are interested in being on council.



Advent begins Sunday November 29th

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.

Since we are not meeting in person to light an Advent wreath, you may want to make your own so you can add it to your home devotional/worship time. Pinterest has some wonderful ideas

HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL OCTOBER 20th, 2020 6:00 PM MEETING



Present: Pastor Trent, Jim Vogel, Bonnie Kohn, Marie Weber, Rick Hannemann, Linda Monahan, Gene LaPlante, John Melland, Ellen Klister, April Mascorro Absent: Frank Pudlo
Opening prayer; Call to order by Jim Vogel at 6:08pm.
Due to COVID-19, Stay at Home order, council met today, via ZOOM (video conferencing application).
Agenda accepted; motion by Rick, 2nd by Bonnie
Drive-in service schedule for remainder of 2020 sent via email - FM radio frequency (92.3)

Worship report (Bonnie): No updates

Social Ministry report (Marie): No updates

Evangelism report (Linda): No updates

Property report (Rick/Gene):

Culvert river rock will be placed
Gene will handle replacing GFI in bell room

Education report (Frank, given by Jim):

Parents working with kids at home. Suggestion to draw pictures and send to local nursing home.

Children's Christmas program to be discussed; incorporate into 12/20 worship service

Vice President report (John):

Will add driveway reflectors
Will periodically flush toilets and turn on faucets

President report (Jim):

Christmas eve (will discuss in more detail at next council meeting):

Will be a drive-in service
No plans to put up/decorate a tree or have flowers inside
Decorate a tree and church sign outside
Backlight stained glass inside; Pastor Trent to discuss with Pastor Mike
Include luminaries in parking lot for Christmas eve service; Rick will coordinate.

Approved Christmas gifts for Pastor Trent, Paula and Irene; motion by Marie, 2nd by Bonnie

Sunday school room update; painting and handprints on canvas is complete, furniture in place.

COVID-19 Door County remains in the high category

Task force; 5 members resigned, 3 new volunteers, for a total of 9. Task force will work on developing guidelines for future in-person worship.

Sunday drive-in service is going OK

Use of church facility; decision to continue allowing only 1 group (max 4 members) per day

Outgoing Bishop - Gerald Mansholt leaving the synod, will send a card from HLC

Annual church meeting (2/7/2021); will it be via ZOOM? Ballots will have to be mailed to members; will discuss at next council meeting

Will be out of town late December to early February; may discuss budget before Jim leaves town

Secretary report (April):

Motion to approve September minutes by Marie, 2nd by Rick

Treasurer report (Ellen):

Motion to approve September financials by April, 2nd by Rick
Received insurance refund check

Received \$500 video grant

Memorials received; Harold Larsen, Barbara Foster

GBU (Greater Beneficial Union) balance \$97,712 at 3.65% interest; April motion, 2nd by Rick

Pastor's report (Trent):

YouTube service – provided viewer counts via email

Pastor/keyboardist schedule for remainder of 2020 provided via email

Revised work schedule, is manageable

Special September council meeting notes (9/1) will be included in next newsletter

Men's breakfast/Bible study; will participate once a month
HLC would like to adopt a local family for Christmas again.

Lana Ferry will be asked to help identify a family and coordinate with Marla Vogel. Discussed sending a collection envelope to the congregation, for the adopted family.

Video equipment; need to purchase and call for installation.

Will be used for future Live Stream worship services.

Status of updating HLC Constitution, Pastor Trent, with Jessica Zeitler's assistance, is editing based upon the 2019 HLC council recommendations, as well as the most recent ELCA model, adopted at the ELCA churchwide assembly in 2019. The edited version will be forwarded to the ECSW office for review and recommendations. Will be adopted by HLC council for presentation to the congregation for review, discussion and vote.

Closed with prayer; meeting adjourned @ 8:20 pm., motion by Bonnie, 2nd by April.

Next meeting is 11/17 @ 6pm. We will meet virtually.

April Mascorro (Council secretary)



You will be enriched
in every way to be
generous in every way,
which through us will
produce thanksgiving
to God.

2 Corinthians 9:11



CHRISTMAS “Secret Santa” SHARING PROJECT

Greetings!

We miss Our Church Community and due to this “unusual” pandemic we’re trying our best to communicate no matter what!

As a Person, we could mention how we have felt being overwhelmed during this duration of time: lonely, stressful, scared, loosing trust and not being respectful. But as a Christian, we are Blessed that working together through good times and bad is essential. We continue to have faith through love and the beliefs of Jesus Christ.

2020 ~ 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. Thanks to Lana Ferry for following through with getting a needy family through the Southern Door School System!!!! 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.

(Memo section write Secret Santa)

Deadline: December 4, 2020

Thank you as always.....God Bless

From Marla Vogel



Deadline December 4th



Rusty (Allen), Riley (A), Lindsay (A), Trudy (Berkhahn), Nancy (Bontempo), Shirley (Brandt), Evelyn (Breider), John (Breider), Karen & Del (Brewer), Dennis (Buckingham), Eugene (Clark), Danielle (Davis), Mike (Grainger), Ruth (Grainger), Joanne (Huhta), Cindy & Terry (Kinney), Ellie (Krull), Judy (Larson), Natalie (Markham), Christina (Madsen), Janet & Roger (Mettelman), Francine (Meyer), Ken (Overland), Jodi (P), Mary Lee (Riddle), Elaine (Roalkvan), Matthew (Roque), Alice (Roque-Angermeier), Troy, Deanna, Lexi, & Laci (Schiesser), Eric (Thorson), Dorothy (Twiton), Kari (Uetz), Aubrey (W), Laddie (Watson), Judy (Willacker), Judy (Zeitler), Julie(Zeitler), and Jeanine.



What you need:

- M&M’s or other colored candies
- A bowl
- The list below (adapt the colors, as needed)

Red: a need God has provided for

Orange: a gift you’ve received

Yellow: something you’ve recently learned

Green: something in nature

Blue: a special memory

Brown: someone you love

What you do:

1. One at a time, people pick a candy and share what they’re thankful for (according to the color).
2. Pass the bowl around and continue reflecting on God’s goodness until all the candy is gone!



A meaningful month

Consumerism can prevent us from noticing needs, writes Walter Brueggemann (*The Prophetic Imagination*). A culture steeped in materialism and greed can “block out the cries of the denied ones ... so that no one discerns misery alive in the heart of God.”

In November, we celebrate Thanksgiving, Christ the King Sunday and the start of Advent. What does it mean that Christ is our King? How can we truly give God thanks and prepare for Jesus’ coming? It’s a good time to ponder what hurts God’s heart — and how we can help.

If someone is lonely, perhaps we can invite them to Thanksgiving dinner. If we sense inequality saddening God, we might advocate for fair policies. If God is in pain because some of his children have too little, we can share our resources. In so doing, we welcome Christ the King among us, and give him meaningful thanks.

Thank you, Quilters

Quilts were dropped off at Wellspring Homeless Shelter in Green Bay and also the LWR drop off site. Thank you to everyone who kept this important outreach ministry going in spite of the Covid-19 restrictions.



Salvation Army Bell Ringers Needed

The 2020 bell-ringing campaign for the Salvation Army has begun. NEW for 2020 – wear your masks and practice social distancing! Per the Bell Ringer COVID-19 Safety Protocols, before reporting for a shift, please watch the brief national training video at <https://f.io/ktqaXUbg> to safely perform duties and engage with the public in this COVID-19 environment. Apple/Google Pay technology will be available for donors.

Attached are Ringer Guidelines to read, a Flyer to post, and blurbs for newsletters and bulletins.

Get a head start! You are invited to help by volunteering to ring the bell, organizing other ringers and spreading the word that many more ringers are needed.

There are 4 sites to consider in Sturgeon Bay – Walmart,

Walgreens, Econo Foods and Pick ‘N Save. The 5th location is Main Street Market in Egg Harbor. Walmart permits inside ringing during inclement weather – rain, wind, cold etc. The other locations permit inside ringing anytime. Ringing starts Friday, November 20th and ends Saturday, December 26th, starting at 8 or 9 am and ending at 7 or 9 pm, depending on location. Schedules available by request. IF POSSIBLE, HELP IS NEEDED FOR THE EARLIEST DATES.

Please sign up for a convenient time and let others know many ringers are needed! Contact Nancy by phone or text at 920-883-7886 or nakc1@icloud.com



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 COMPASSIONATE 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.

From our church email



CROSSWAYS
CAMPING MINISTRIES

Do you love plotting and planning each winter for a spring garden planting? Waypost Camp is looking for one or two volunteers to dream up the garden of 2021. Do we work for maximum food production, or share blooming flowers with our community? To help tend the tending, email Ben@CrosswaysCamps.org and dream of summer!

After enjoying the beautiful Fall Colors, Pine Lake Camp is in need of your help cleaning them up to best care for our site! A wise volunteer once said "The way camp looks in the Spring depends on how you care for it in the Fall." Will you share 2 Hours of raking time with us anytime from October 30th - November 8th? We welcome you, your family, or a small group who can safely distance. Volunteers will receive a Rake-the-Lake gift! Contact Robyn Koehler at robyn@crosswayscamps.org to reserve your time!

A Scam email is circulating around from someone pretending to be Bishop Mansholt. The email asks for the recipient to pick up gift cards and email the code on the card back to sender. This is a scam!

If you have any questions regarding the validity of a synod email you can always contact jeanne.jerks@ecsw.org or call 920-734-5381.

SCAM



LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

DONATE

One in five. That's how many Lutherans were left homeless in Europe after World War II. It was in response to this burgeoning humanitarian crisis that Lutherans in the United States came together to form Lutheran World Relief.

And in the decades that followed, you — and so many other compassionate Lutherans — were relentless. Wherever a need arose, you were there, providing help and hope to countless families struggling under the gripping weight of poverty.

And so I write to you today to say thank you. Thank you for being a part of the great cloud of witnesses. Thank you for not becoming weary — day after day, generation after generation. Thank you for keeping this ministry going strong for 75 years.

But I'm also writing to implore you. The needs are still so great and there are still so many suffering families we haven't yet reached. Please don't stop. Please persist — until your love reaches every neighbor.

In Faith, Daniel Speckhard President and CEO

P.S. In honor of the work you have done, and the work that is

left to do, I pray you can [make a commemorative anniver](#)

[sary gift of \\$75 or more](#) that will keep us on the ground providing food, water, medicine, masks and other lifesaving assistance to see families past this pandemic and toward a future free of poverty.



Glad gatherings

The first Christians met together over a meal. Today church families still gather to break bread and thank God.


Follow the instructions below. Then write the remaining words in order from left to right and top to bottom to complete the verses.

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	They	found	break	bread	acts	in
2	houses	their	homes	beautiful	and	thought
3	ate	world	beginning	together	follow	lesson
4	with	numbers	glad	happiness	and	tradition
5	thanks	sincere	disciples	gathering	hearts	God
6	celebrate	good	praising	Christian	God	their

Cross out all words in column E with double letters.
 Cross out all words that are books of the Bible.
 Cross out all words in column B that end in d.
 Cross out all words in column A that have more than 4 letters.
 Cross out all words in row 5 with 3 syllables.
 Cross out all words in the table with 9 letters.
 Cross out all words in column F with 2 or more vowels.


_____ . ACTS 2:46-47, NIV

Fall Puzzle Fun



A feast of praise

Throughout the Bible, God's people give thanks and praise for his goodness.



Directions: Draw lines to match the scriptures (all NIV) with the correct speaker.

"I thank my God every time I remember you." Philippians 1:3 Hannah
 "My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior." Luke 1:46-47 David
 "He is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him." Exodus 15:2 Mary
 "My heart rejoices in the LORD." 1 Samuel 2:1 Paul
 "I will praise God's name in song and glorify him with thanksgiving." Psalm 69:30 Moses

Answers: They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God. Acts 2:46-47, NIV

Answers: Philippians 1:3, Paul; Luke 1:46-47, Mary; Exodus 15:2, Moses; 1 Samuel 2:1, Hannah; Psalm 69:30, David



Books Belief Belonging

ZOOM Book Discussion –December 1st at noon

Killers of the Flower Moon by David Grann

Discussion Leader: Linda Freier

In the 1920s, the richest people per capita in the world were members of the Osage Nation in Oklahoma. After oil was discovered beneath their land, the Osage rode in chauffeured automobiles, built mansions, and sent their children to study in Europe.

Then, one by one, the Osage began to be killed off. The family of an Osage woman, Mollie Burkhart, became a prime target. One of her relatives was shot. Another was poisoned. And it was just the beginning, as more and more Osage were dying under mysterious circumstances, and many of those who dared to investigate the killings were themselves murdered.

As the death toll rose, the newly created FBI took up the case, and the young director, J. Edgar Hoover, turned to a former Texas Ranger named Tom White to try to unravel the mystery. White put together an undercover team, including a Native American agent who infiltrated the region, and together with the Osage began to expose one of the most chilling conspiracies in American history.



2020



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:30 am Park- ing Lot service and online service 10:30 AM ZOOM coffee hour 	2	3  ZOOM Book Club at noon <i>Finding Chika by Mitch Albom; Ma- rie Weber leader</i>	4 ZOOM 8 AM Men's Breakfast group <i>Confirmation 6:30 at BVLC – Zoom</i>	5	6	7
8 9:30 Worship online only 10:30 AM ZOOM coffee hour	9	10 ZOOM 1 PM Women's Bible Study (Mark Chapters 10,11,12) <i>ZOOM Covid-19 Task Force 6:30</i>	11 ZOOM 8 AM Men's Breakfast group <i>Confirmation 6:30 at BVLC – Zoom</i>	12	13	14
15 9:30 Worship online only 10:30 AM ZOOM coffee hour	16	17 ZOOM 6 PM Church Council	18 ZOOM 8 AM Men's Breakfast group <i>Confirmation 6:30 at BVLC – Zoom</i>	19	20 <i>Newsletter deadline</i>	21
22 9:30 am Park- ing Lot service and online service 10:30 AM ZOOM coffee hour	23	24	25	26 	27 <i>Newsletter printed</i>	28
29 9:30 Worsh- ip online only 10:30 AM ZOOM coffe hour 1st Sunday <i>First Sunday</i> Advent <i>OF ADVENT</i> 	30	PARKLING LOT SERVICE: USE FM STATION 92.3 TO LISTEN TO THE SERVICE FROM THE CHURCH PARKING LOT. BRING YOUR OWN ELEMENTS OF GRAPE JUICE AND CRACKER/ BREAD FOR COMMUNION.				



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PLEASE HELP YOURSELF

"Greet God!"

A Facebook acquaintance who's in the ministry shared an interesting bit of culture from his time in Germany. By way of greeting, instead of "Guten Morgen" or "Hallo," locals often said "Grüße Gott" — literally, "Greet God." My friend took it to be a vestige of old, much as the English "goodbye" emerged from "God be with ye."

Though most people probably say "Grüße Gott" without much thought, my friend pondered: How might our encounters change if we heard in our greetings an invitation to "greet God" in the other person and in our shared interactions? What if we truly believed God was present in others and in the space between us? Jesus said when we welcome another, we welcome him. If Jesus came physically to our door, how would we welcome him? Can we treat the person before us that very way?

—Heidi Mann