Twenty Third Sunday after Pentecost November 17, 2019



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OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

We Welcome All who are worshiping with us today. All guests please fill in your complete address. Peace be with you in Christ.

Attention Visitors: Thank you for joining us in Worship today. We invite you to pick up a gift bag, found by both entrances into our church.

Communion is Served at the 7:30 AM Worship Services on the 1st & 3rd Sundays and at the Sunday 10:00 AM Service on the 2nd & 4th Sundays

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Our Savior in the belief that here God offers His very Body and Blood in the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. We are happy to welcome to the Lord's Table those who embrace this understanding of the nature of the sacrament, repent of sins, and seek to forgive and love as Christ forgives and loves us. We believe that such participation is a statement of fellowship and agreement with our church body and its teachings. As the bread and wine are distributed, white grape juice is also available in the individual cup tray for those that prefer an alternative to the red wine. If you have any questions, we ask that you talk with the pastor or one of the elders prior to the service.

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HEARING ASSISTANCE: Our church is equipped with a hearing assistance system. Please ask an elder for a receiver. **Large Print Orders of Service with Hymns** are available.

YOUR CHILDREN MATTER TO GOD AND US! A cry room is available for infants and toddlers if needed during worship services. The cry room is located close to the front door of the church next to the sanctuary, with live streaming of the service on a TV screen. A staffed nursery for ages 6-36 months is available during the education hour in the cry room and during the 10 am worship service in the lower level. Young children can choose one "Jesus Bag" to take with them into church. Please return the bag to the narthex after worship. Children may take a children's worship bulletin as they enter church. The yellow bulletin is for ages 3-6 and blue is for ages 7-12.

SUNDAY SCHOOL – All children ages 2 to grade 8 are invited to join us for Sunday school from 8:45 to 9:45 a.m. in our lower level. We look forward to seeing you! For more information call Marlene Rieck at (715) 891-0991.

YOUTH BIBLE CLASS – Youth (9-12th graders) are invited to our youth Bible class in our youth room located in our lower level. For more information see Anna Reineke or Brenda Husing.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS today are presented to the Glory of God by the Earl Jones family in memory of Izetta Jones' birthday.

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Signs of the Times

November 17, 2019

AS WE GATHER

During Holy Week, Jesus announced that the temple would be destroyed, and that started a discussion about calamities in history and the Last Day. All that Jesus said would happen is already part of history: wars, earthquakes, famines, floods, and astronomical events. The signs of the times tell us the Last Day is near. For some people, it will be a time of judgment, but for followers of our Lord, His return will be a sign that our "redemption is drawing near." Malachi says in joy they "shall go out leaping like calves from the stall." And the psalm calls on all creation to rejoice. Even the rivers should "clap their hands!" Before that Last Day, Paul urges, we ought to rely on the Lord's faithfulness, get to work, and try not to be a burden to anyone. Today is already a day to "sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things" (Psalm 98:1).

₩ PREPARATION

CALL TO WORSHIP "Show Us Christ"

Praise Team ~

Prepare our hearts, O God. Help us to receive.

Break the hard and stony ground. Help our unbelief.

Plant Your Word down deep in us; Cause it to bear fruit.

Open up our ears to hear. Lead us in Your truth.

CHORUS - All

Show us Christ, Show us Christ,

O God, reveal Your glory through the preaching of Your Word.

Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord.

Your Word is living light upon our darkened eyes.

Guards us through temptations, makes the simple wise.

Your Word is food for famished ones, freedom for the slave.

Riches for the needy soul. Come speak to us today. CHORUS

BRIDGE 3X

Where else can we go, Lord? Where else can we go?

You have the words of eternal life. CHORUS

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. *Romans 8:28*

BAPTISM SONG (10:00) "Children of the Heavenly Father" LSB 725

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the

■ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

BAPTISM (10:00) Bradley James Scafaro Parents: Justin & Lexi

OPENING SENTENCES Based on Luke 21

Pastor: When many say, "The time is at hand,"

People: do not go after them.

Pastor: When you hear of wars and tumults,

People: do not be terrified.

Pastor: When you are brought before kings and governors for My name's sake,

People: I will give you a mouth and wisdom.
Pastor: When these things begin to take place,

People: straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION Malachi 4:2

Pastor: Looking toward Christ's return in judgment and the gracious gift of His own righteousness,

let us confess our sins to God, our Father.

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have

sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. We are bound to sin without Your forgiveness and help. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will this day and walk in Your ways until the dawning of the day of Your

return. Amen.

Pastor: Before we were born, almighty God gave His Son to die for you; He is the "sun of

righteousness." Because of your Baptism into the death and resurrection of Christ, each day He declares you righteous for Jesus' sake. When our Lord returns, we "shall go out leaping like calves from the stall." As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the

Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

₩ WORD ₩

HYMN OF PRAISE "How Great is Our God"

Solo - Dan Scafaro

The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty; Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.

He wraps Himself in light, and darkness tries to hide,

And trembles at His voice, and trembles at His voice.

REFRAIN

How great is our God! Sing with me: How great is our God!

And all will see how great, how great is our God!

And age to age He stands and time is in His hands, Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End.

The Godhead, three in one, Father, Spirit, Son,

The Lion and the Lamb. Lion and the Lamb. **REFRAIN**

Name above all names, worthy of all praise.

My heart will sing: How great is our God.

Name above all names, worthy of all praise.

My heart will sing: How great is our God. REFRAIN

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,

How great Thou art, how great Thou art.

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,

How great Thou art, how great Thou art.

Solo - How great is our God! Sing with me: How great is our God!

And all will see how great, how great is our God!

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SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. O Lord, almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and

precious promises to those who trust in You.

People: Rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may live and abide

forever in Your Son,

Pastor: who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Malachi 4:1–6

(Malachi foretells the Day of the Lord and Elijah's coming.)

"For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ² But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. ³ And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the Lord of hosts. ⁴ "Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and rules that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel. ⁵ "Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the Lord comes. ⁶ And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction."

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 98

Oh sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him. ² The Lord has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations. ³ He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. ⁴ Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises! ⁵ Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody! ⁶ With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord! ⁷ Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who dwell in it! ⁸ Let the rivers clap their hands; let the hills sing for joy together ⁹ before the Lord, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

EPISTLE 2 Thessalonians 3:1–13

(Paul urges keeping busy each day and not being burdensome.)

Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored, as happened among you, ² and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men. For not all have faith. ³ But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one. ⁴ And we have confidence in the Lord about you, that you are doing and will do the things that we command. ⁵ May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ. ⁶ Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from any brother who is walking in idleness and not in accord with the tradition that you received from us. ⁷ For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us, because we were not idle

when we were with you, ⁸ nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you. ⁹ It was not because we do not have that right, but to give you in ourselves an example to imitate. ¹⁰ For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat. ¹¹ For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies. ¹² Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. ¹³ As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL *Luke* 21:5–28 (29–36)

(Jesus foretells both the destruction of Jerusalem and the events of the Last Day.)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-first chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

Pastor:

⁵ And while some were speaking of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, he said, 6 "As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down." And they asked him, "Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?" 8 And he said, "See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is at hand!' Do not go after them. 9 And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once." ¹⁰ Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. ¹¹ There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. 12 But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name's sake. ¹³ This will be your opportunity to bear witness. ¹⁴ Settle it therefore in your minds not to meditate beforehand how to answer, ¹⁵ for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. 16 You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death. ¹⁷ You will be hated by all for my name's sake. ¹⁸ But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹ By your endurance you will gain your lives. ²⁰ "But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation has come near. ²¹ Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, and let those who are inside the city depart, and let not those who are out in the country enter it, ²² for these are days of vengeance, to fulfill all that is written. ²³ Alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! For there will be great distress upon the earth and wrath against this people. ²⁴ They will fall by the edge of the sword and be led captive among all nations, and Jerusalem will be trampled underfoot by the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled. ²⁵ "And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, ²⁶ people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷ And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. ²⁸ Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." ²⁹ And he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. ³⁰ As soon as they come out in leaf, you see for yourselves and know that the summer is already near. ³¹ So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³² Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all has taken place. ³³ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. ³⁴ "But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. 35 For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. 36 But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY "Here I Am. Lord"

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.

All who dwell in deepest sin, My hand will save.

I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

CHORUS

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.

I have wept for love of them. They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone; Give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak my Word to them. Whom shall I send? CHORUS

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

I will set a feast for them; My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide 'til their hearts be satisfied.

I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? CHORUS

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SERMON "Keep Away" 2 Thessalonians 3:1-13

CREED Early Service – Nicene Creed

(Creed can be found on the screens and on the back cover of the hymnal.)

OFFERING "Give Thanks" (arr. Hayes)

OFFERTORY "Give Thanks" LSB 806

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD BLESSING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

After each petition, please respond with the following:

Pastor: Lord, in your mercy **People:** Hear our prayer.

At the end of the prayer:

People: Amen.

Early Service please continue with the Sacrament

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ♣ give you peace. Numbers 6:24-26

People: Amen.

CLOSING SONG "Days of Elijah"

These are the days of Elijah, declaring the Word of the Lord;

And these are the days of Your servant, Moses, righteousness being restored;

And though these are days of great trials, of famine and darkness and sword; Still we are the voice in the desert crying, "Prepare ye the way of the Lord."

CHORUS

Behold He comes, riding on the clouds, shining like the sun at the trumpet call; So lift your voice, it's the year of Jubilee and out of Zion's hill salvation comes.

And these are the days of Ezekiel, the dry bones becoming as flesh;

And these are the days of Ezekler, the dry bories becoming as nesh,

And these are the days of Your servant, David, rebuilding a temple of praise; And these are the days of the harvest, the fields are as white in Your world:

And we are the laborers in Your vineyard, declaring the Word of the Lord. **CHORUS**

BRIDGE There is no god like Jehovah **7X**

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DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace as you serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

▼ SACRAMENT

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: We give thanks, Lord our God, that You have shown Your people signs and wonders so that

they know Your gracious promises and the fulfillment of all Your prophecies. You made us, called us to Yourself, and gave us faith to trust You. At the right time You sent Your Son into this creation of time and space. By His death and resurrection, He has opened eternity to us. The signs of the times that our Lord foresaw have all occurred, and now we eagerly await His return as the sun of righteousness. We give thanks for His redemption and ask

that by Your Holy Spirit we faithfully receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation

that come to us in His body and blood.

People: Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Broken Vessels" (Houston, Myrin) Praise Team

"There is a Redeemer"

There is a Redeemer Jesus, God's own Son;

Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

REFRAIN

Thank You, O my Father, for giving us Your Son, And leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names;

Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Hope for sinners slain. REFRAIN

When I stand in glory, I will see His face;

There I'll serve my King forever in that holy place. REFRAIN 2X

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POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast

to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood.

People: Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His

coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the

Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end;

Pastor: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,

one God. now and forever.

People: Amen.

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IN HIS SERVICE

Elder/Helper Early - Tim Kadlec, Dan Scafaro Late - Steve Kolling Early - Marv Jarvis, Sue Frank, Mark Olson, Bob Merz Ushers Late - Andy Ellenberger, Gerhard Becker, Bill Reckling, Gerald Yetter Early - Carol Johnson, Carol Pluedeman Greeters Late - Hilde Becker Early - Mark Olson Readers Late – Priscilla Ellenberger Early - Cameron Birchbauer Acolytes Late - Nicholas Boxrucker Media Operators Early - Carol Pluedeman Late - Shele Fawcett Altar Care – Carol Johnson, Lois Parnitzke Nursery - Education Hour – Mandy Kersten Late Service - Nicole Rogers ++++++++++ THE MISSION OF OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH IS TO EQUIP AND ENCOURAGE FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST TO SHARE THE LOVE OF JESUS WITH PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY AND IN THE WORLD SO THAT ALL MAY HAVE ETERNAL LIFE. ++++++++++ This week at Our Savior: Monday 18 9:00 am Newsletter Articles Due 10:00 am Staff Meeting 7:00 pm Budget Meeting **Tuesday** 9:00 am Bible Study 19 6:00 pm JuBELLation Choir 7:00 pm Choir Wednesday 20 9:30 am Quilters 4:00 pm Christmas Rehearsal 5:30 pm Confirmation 6:30 Sr. High Youth Group 7:00 pm Council Meeting **Thursday** 21 6:00 pm Ultreya Friday 22 Office Closed Saturday 23 7:00 am Men's Interdenominational Bible Study, ER Firestation Sunday 24 7:30 am Worship 8:45-9:45 Sunday School, HS Bible Study, Adult Bible Study 10:00 am Worship celebrating Holy Communion

ATTENDANCE: Early: 94, Late: 115, Communion: 102, Sunday Bible Study: 15, Sunday School: 34,

Sr High School Bible Study: 3, Saturday Morning Men's Bible Study: 5, Tuesday Bible Study: NA, Wednesday Morning Bible Study: 6, Thursday Evening Bible Study: 8

RECORD OF OFFERINGS Offerings YTD (thru 10/31/19) \$ 321,585.34

Budgeted YTD Offerings \$ 353,809.22

Under Budget \$.32,809.22

God's richest blessings to you on YOUR special day! Birthdays:

Prayers For Our Families – Without a doubt, one of the most important aspects of our relationship with the Lord our God is our prayer life with Him. We are instructed to pray without ceasing (1 Thess. 5:17), and to pray for one another (James 5:16). For we are under attack from the devil and his minions constantly, and we need the best protection we can get! At Our Savior, we are blessed to be surrounded by families whom our Lord has called to walk together in the light of Jesus. Each one of our families has good days and bad, and each one of our families deserves our prayers. Each Sunday we will be praying for members of Our Savior. Those whom we will be praying for are selected at random from our membership roster, and don't be surprised if you will be receiving a phone call from Pastor Kufahl to let you know that your family will be in our prayers this week. We encourage you to use this list in your personal, daily prayers as well. Each one of

Sherri Congleton Family, Leslie Hiller, Austin Croker, Larry Merritt, Bill Reckling & Carol Smith, Chad & Randee Smith, Judy Young

us is precious in God's sight. May our Lord open our eyes to see the gift that each family is!

Our Savior Email List - If you have not yet subscribed to our email list, follow the link on our website to sign up. If you are signed up and did not receive it, please check you spam folder and then make sure <u>oursavioreagleriver@gmail.com</u> is in your address book. Gmail users – these emails will appear in your "promotions' tab.

Disaster Relief - To help our brothers and sisters whose lives have been disrupted through the recent flooding, call 1-888-930-4438, or text LCMSDISASTERS to 41444, or mail a check to The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, PO Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861 with "Disaster Relief" written in the memo.

Nursery Volunteers needed! Loving high school students and adults are needed to care for infants and toddlers during our education hour and 10 am worship services. This is a great way to serve our visiting families and help parents grow in Christ through Bible study and worship. Please contact Mandy Kersten (920-212-0192) or Marlene Rieck if you have questions or are interested in helping.

Harvest Table - Have you planned the menu for your Thanksgiving dinner? How easy it is for most of us to plan and then purchase the necessary food items for an unbelievable family feast. But unfortunately, there are many in our community not as blessed. But you can help. Please donate non-perishable food items during the month of November by placing them on the table in the Narthex. These items will be delivered by the Board of Evangelism to the Vilas Food Pantry in time for many to plan their own family feast. Thank you for sharing your blessings.

Our Savior *Annual Congregational Christmas Party* will be held at the VFW-American Legion on Wednesday, December 11th. Social hour 11:00-12:00 with lunch served at noon. Invitations with details are available at the Welcome Center and in the tract rack. All are welcome!!

Back in the Swing of Things - Have you let some things fall to the way side while enjoying summer vacations, family and friends. Come get your fitness and faith back in shape! With Mandy Rottier, Thursday evenings at 5:45-6:30 with a 15 min. Bible study to follow. Items you will need: a 5lb kettle bell, water bottle and exercise mat or beach towel. This fitness class can be modified for most fitness levels. Give Mandy a call with any questions: 715-479-9703

Aging with Grace - Have you noticed a loss in strength and balance with every Birthday God has blessed you with? Come join Mandy Rottier for a 30-minute workout on Wednesday mornings, starting Oct. 30th. at 10:00 am in our Fellowship hall. Following there will be short bible study lead by Anna. This exercise class is for the senior members of our church and their friends who are interested in maintaining muscle and balance to reduce falls or other injuries, also to join in fellowship in God's word. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a water bottle.

Purple Wristbands – Harrison (Harry) Meyers, is the grandson of Curt Gerard, Congregation Chairman of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Iron River. Harry has cystic fibrosis. Please take a wrist band (located at the Welcome Center) and pray for Harry. New drugs are currently being discovered but only for children 2-12. If you would like to donate, that is also appreciated. If you would like to donate to offset his medical expenses, please make checks payable to St. Paul's Lutheran Church - Harry Meyers. Thank you, Pastor Chuck Sheffler.

2020 Offering Envelopes – Next year's offering envelopes are on the table in the narthex. Please note, we have renumbered the envelopes so please be sure to not use your new envelopes until 2020.

Salvation Army Bell Ringers – The Salvation Army of Vilas County is looking for "Red Kettle" bell ringers. Do you have 2 hours to spare to help others? Signing up is easy: Contact Kathy Holtorp at 715-617-2179 or choose a spot online at <u>savilas.org</u>.

for children in need! Please pray for the children who will receive our gifts that they may come to know, love, and follow Jesus. Thank you for your gifts and prayers! Monetary gifts to help with shipping costs are appreciated.

Operation Christmas Child - Thank you to everyone who helped pack or prepare almost 100 gift boxes

Thanksgiving Eve Worship - Join us on Wednesday, November 27th, for Thanksgiving worship at 7 pm followed by our dessert potluck. Please bring a dessert to share. *Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his Holy Name! Psalm 100:4*