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The Psalmist has written:

“Praise the Lord. Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise in the assembly of the saints. Let Israel rejoice in their Maker, let the people of Zion be glad in their King. Let them praise his name with dancing and make music to him with tambourine and harp.”

(Psalm 149:1-3, NIV Version).

Recently, someone outside the church, who had heard of my new call at Christ Lutheran Church, asked me if I was the “interim” pastor or the “real” pastor. I thought to myself, “WOW, this is a trick question.” If I answer “interim” that means I’m not “real.” So, I simply answered, “I’m both.” In these months to come, I perceive us as God’s people coming together, guided by spirit, praising God together as in a dance. I, as your pastor, and you, as the congregation, will find myriad ways to create worship, pray, study the Bible, and play in a wonderful choreography that respects and honors a collaborative relationship between pastor and congregation. Even in a short period of chronological time, we will risk loving each other by getting to know each other and by caring deeply about and for each other. And, then there will be a pause and you will be ready to move on to the next step of the life of this church. And, I as a faithful servant of God will also move on to the next step of my life as a pastor. Hopefully, when that time comes there will be tears of joy and sorrow and as usual there will be some good food.

And for now, lets take it day to day. I look forward to knowing all your names, entering into Advent and Christmas time, learning about your lives, and sharing my life with you. This month let us claim the words of the Psalm and praise God’s name with dancing and make music with tambourine and harp. This is the time of the harvest. As we officially celebrate Thanksgiving let us also be thankful each day for the abundance of food our valley provides and to strive for justice so that ALL may share in that abundance.



Pastor Jillian

THANKSGIVING BOXES

Here it is November again and the final push is on for the Thanksgiving Boxes. This year Christ Lutheran will put together and deliver 45 boxes to needy families in the Yakima area.

We will ask for 25 families through the YMCA Trail Seekers program. We have worked with Greg Nebbekar and this program for many years. Greg knows these families very well and knows their needs. He is also comfortable with our congregation and is grateful for our assistance.

We will also be taking 20 boxes to the Wapato area. Pastor Jill has asked Carmen Pimms for these names through The Campbell Farm and the work that she does there as Farm Manager.

Each box contains a variety of food that will give each family more than just one meal. The boxes include **rice, vegetables, fruit, oatmeal, tuna fish, Jell-o, peanut butter, macaroni and cheese, juice, soup, olives, pickles, fruit snacks, raisins, pumpkin pie mix, evaporated milk, flour, bread and a turkey.** We have added other items, such as cereals and dried milk, in the past years depending on the money available. Last year we spent \$60.00 per box.

The shopping cart will remain in the narthex until we assemble the boxes so that any donations you wish to make can be placed in it. We will also purchase food items from Fred Meyer who gives us the sale price on the items regardless of the amount. The biggest expense is the turkeys.

Please join us on Friday, November 19th at 7:00 to unload and sort the groceries. We will assemble and deliver the boxes on Saturday, November 20th beginning at 9:00. If you have never helped deliver boxes before, please consider it this year. It is a heartwarming experience to see the gratitude on the faces of the people who receive this gift. Contact Ilene Bushnell, Elisabeth Dunbar, Kathy Sebree or Pastor Jillian if you would like to help with this project. This is a hands-on project that takes many hands to complete and your response over the years has been greatly appreciated.



Fall Fundraiser in the Fellowship Hall

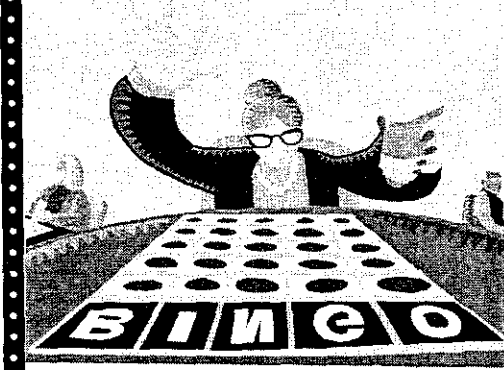
Saturday, November 13, 6pm

Chili, cornbread, dessert and beverage

\$10 Gets you a terrific dinner and a Bingo card

B1...BINGO...YAH!!!!

**\$1.00 "50/50" tickets and extra
Bingo cards will be available for
all you die hards!!**



A HUMOUNGOUS THANK TO...

Billie Hilton for the taking on the bulletin boards as her project. Billie is changing the paper and the themes every new season. If you haven't noticed the boards lately come take a look. There is new information weekly and it is a great place to keep track of missions and other goings on in the your church. Thank you Billie!!

Kathy Sebree for the wonderful decorating job in the sancturay. It looks so festive and inviting. Thank you Kathy!!

Al Bryson for coordinating the clean-up on October 23. If you did not participate you missed our wonderful Boy Scouts doing a terrific job in picking up all the trash and junk outside. Thank you Al and thank you Boy Scouts!

Rita Fisher, Bonnie Eichler, Rochelle Malanca, Marlene Libsack and Joan Miler for getting our newsletter out each month! A special thank you to Inez Bergman, Wanda DeVon and Joan Miler for the years and years of service on the newsletter in previous years! WAY TO GO LADIES!!

It takes time and energy to volunteer at the church but the results are very rewarding. If you are not volunteering or don't think there is anything you are physically able to do to help just contact Pastor Jill or Lynn, in the office, and we can help you to help your church!

SAVE THIS DATE!!

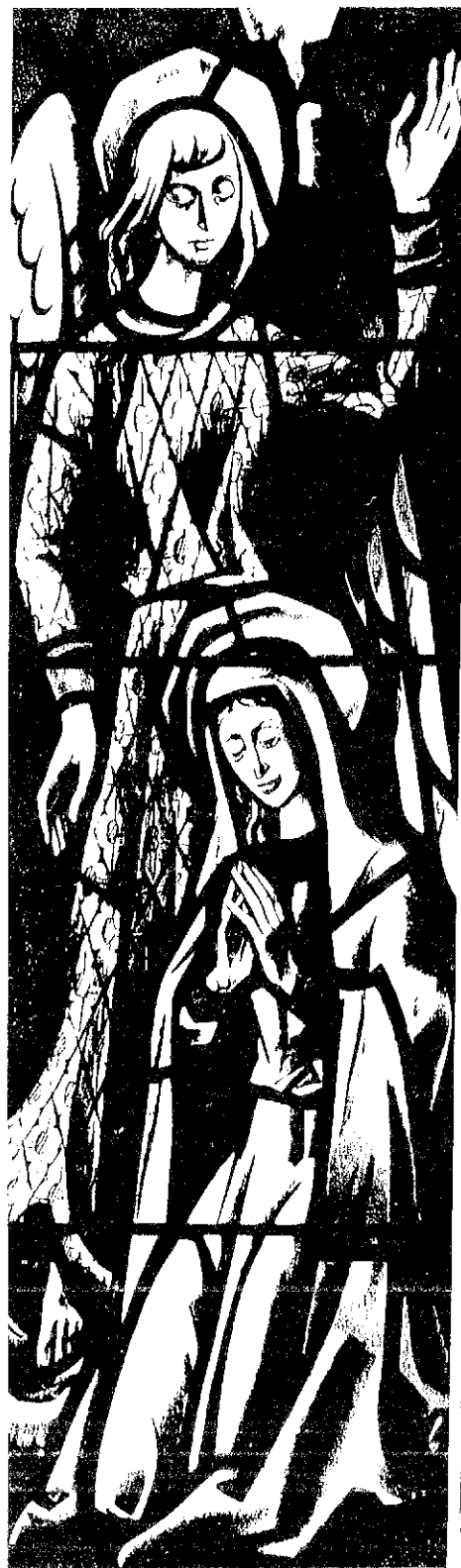
December 10, 6pm

Church Christmas Party

More Info in the

December newsletter!!

☆ Here's a little information about the Angel Tree recipients This year, ☆
☆ the Angel Tree gifts will be given to the "Campbell Farm Kids." Car- ☆
☆ man Pimms has been the pastor for these youth for the past seven ☆
☆ years. She has dedicated her ministry to bringing together young ☆
☆ people in Wapato to be leaders and peacemakers in their communi- ☆
☆ ty. Many of the youth come from families where there is not a lot of ☆
☆ "extra" to provide Christmas gifts. The youth have already met to ☆
☆ write about themselves and make their wish lists. They would like ☆
☆ our congregation to know about them as well as what they want for ☆
☆ Christmas. We will be hosting a Christmas party at Christ Lutheran, ☆
☆ Sunday, December 19th to share fellowship with the youth from ☆
☆ Campbell Farm and to give them their prestants. ☆
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2010 Advent Calendar

Daily Scripture and Reflections in Preparation for Christmas

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>28 NOVEMBER Home Sweet Home Lord, may we enter your house eagerly, for there we are close to you. <i>Psalm 122</i></p>	<p>29 Repent and Believe O Lord, do not judge me harshly, but in your mercy wash my sins away. <i>Isaiah 4:2-6</i></p>	<p>30 Prepare the Way May our Advent preparations testify to the reign of Jesus in both word and deed. <i>Romans 10:9-18</i></p>	<p>1 DECEMBER All We Need God fills the needs of his people; let us send our wish lists to him in prayer. <i>Isaiah 25:6-9</i></p>	<p>2 A Home for Jesus In what will Jesus find us this year: A stone chapel? A wooden house? A straw hut? <i>Matthew 7:21, 24-27</i></p>	<p>3 Soon and Very Soon Soon a dying autumn landscape will transform into a living nativity scene. <i>Isaiah 29:17-24</i></p>	<p>4 Being Apostles As Christ healed us and sent us out, let us shepherd the lost back to him. <i>Matthew 9:35-10:1, 5-8</i></p>
<p>5 God's Seed Jesus is filled with every gift of the Holy Spirit, and in his goodness they overflow upon the earth. <i>Isaiah 11:1-10</i></p>	<p>6 Bringing Glad Tidings God promises the world peace and love, both in this life and the next. <i>Psalm 85:9-14</i></p>	<p>7 By Our Side Emmanuel comes to us whether we enjoy the best times or suffer the worst seasons. <i>Isaiah 40:1-11</i></p>	<p>8 Blessed are You God trusted Mary to carry his Son and Spirit within her. May he do the same for us. <i>Luke 1:26-38</i></p>	<p>9 His Glory As trees begin to twinkle and candles glow, let us recall the divine light waiting to break forth. <i>Isaiah 41:13-20</i></p>	<p>10 Wise Ways Whether you attend a crowded party this year or simply wrap a gift, you celebrate Christ's birth. <i>Matthew 11:16-19</i></p>	<p>11 A Straight Path Looking for a sure way to Jesus? Turn from sin and believe in the Gospel. <i>Matthew 17:9-13</i></p>
<p>12 Waiting on God If Advent isn't what you expected, be assured: Jesus is approaching, and hurriedly. <i>Isaiah 35:1-6, 10</i></p>	<p>13 Divine Vision As we seek God's face, he reveals the beauty and love of those near and far. <i>Numbers 24:2-7, 15-17</i></p>	<p>14 The Good Son Christ humbly obeyed the Father, coming down to save sinners of every nation. <i>Matthew 21:28-32</i></p>	<p>15 Look and See We know the Lord is near when we see healing, wisdom and justice. <i>Luke 7:18-23</i></p>	<p>16 Present-day Prophets May our lives emulate John the Baptist's and lead others to the Lord. <i>Luke 7:24-30</i></p>	<p>17 Son of David Gather and honor your families this season, recalling your ancestors in faith. <i>Matthew 1:1-17</i></p>	<p>18 Family When spouses, parents and children support and protect each other, holiness comes to life. <i>Matthew 1:18-25</i></p>
<p>19 Source of All Good God provides our gifts, whether given or received, and works through them. <i>Psalm 24</i></p>	<p>20 Faithful Servant When we believe in God's Word, we find the trust to ask for what seems impossible. <i>Luke 1:26-38</i></p>	<p>21 Rejoice! Sing a joyful carol today, because the Lord comes to you and me this Christmas. <i>Luke 1:39-45</i></p>	<p>22 Giving Back God has been generous with his blessings; therefore let us share our bounty with others. <i>1 Samuel 1:24-28</i></p>	<p>23 Refining Fire Christmas is not a time for judgment, but a season for reunion and offering. <i>Malachi 3:1-4, 23-24</i></p>	<p>24 Promised Savior Jesus is every sacred promise come true in the flesh—a marvel to behold. <i>Luke 1:67-79</i></p>	<p>25 Throughout the World The Good News is among you now. Make it known in your towns and homes. <i>Luke 2:15-20</i></p>





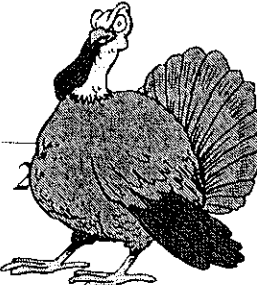




A PRAYER FOR LIGHTING ADVENT CANDLES: In the darkness we light a flame of hope. May it dance not only upon our Advent wreath but within each of our hearts as well. Hope is the flower that blooms from the ground of faith. And so, with joy, we keep the tradition of ages past as we encircle our Advent wreath with love and prayerful expectation. May this Advent season bring us a new birth of hope in the ancient promises of God. Amen.



November 2010



Sun *Mon* *Tue* *Wed* *Thu* *Fri* *Sat*

	1 	2 <i>Election Day</i> 	3 <i>9:00 Text Study</i> <i>12:00 Executive Board</i> <i>12:30 Quilters</i>	4 <i>10:30 Bible Study</i> <i>12:00 Chill w/ Lynn</i>	5 <i>Rick Kenney</i> <i>Verona Sundseth</i>	6
7 <i>Daylight Savings</i> <i>Time Ends</i> <i>All Saints Sunday</i> <i>9:30 Worship/Comm.</i> <i>10:30 Sunday School</i> <i>Teacher's Meeting</i>	8	10 <i>Bettie Roberts</i> <i>Zach Malanca</i> <i>7:00 Support</i> <i>7:00 Scouts</i>	10 <i>9:00 Text Study</i> <i>12:30 Quilters</i>	11 <i>Veteran's Day</i> <i>10:30 Bible Study</i> <i>12:00 Chill w/ Jill</i> <i>7:00 Council</i>	12 	13  <i>6:00 Chili and Bingo</i>
14 <i>Betsy Coomer</i> <i>8:30 Adult Bible Study</i> <i>9:30 Worship/Comm.</i> <i>9:40 Sunday School</i>	15 	16 <i>Newsletter Deadline</i> <i>7:00 Scouts</i>	17 <i>9:00 Text Study</i> <i>12:30 Quilters</i>	18 <i>10:30 Bible Study</i> <i>12:00 Last Chill w/ Jill</i> <i>3:00 Fellowship</i> <i>7:00 Worship & Music</i>	19 <i>7:00 Thanksgiving</i> <i>Basket Assembly</i>	20 <i>9:00 Thanksgiving</i> <i>Baskets</i>
21 <i>Stewardship Sunday</i> <i>8:30 Adult Bible Study</i> <i>9:30 Worship/Comm</i> <i>9:40 Sunday School</i>	22 	23 <i>9:30 Newsletter Gals</i> <i>12:00 Social Ministry</i> <i>7:00 Scouts</i>	24 <i>9:00 Text Study</i> <i>12:30 Quilters</i>	25 <i>Thanksgiving</i> <i>Alan McGuire</i> 	26 27 	
28 <i>First Sunday of Advent</i> <i>8:30 Adult Bible Study</i> <i>9:30 Worship/Comm.</i> <i>9:40 Sunday School</i>	29 <i>Tara Bosch</i>	30 <i>7:00 Scouts</i>				



Giving Thanks

At this time of year, we at Lutheran Community Services Northwest reflect upon our blessings. We are thankful for the faithful support we receive from individuals, congregations, businesses and the community. Your financial support and partnership are making a difference in the lives of children and families right here in our area. Our foster care, family support, and children's intensive services touch the lives of many hundreds of people in our community each year. Thank you for helping us make a real difference!

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