

East St. Olaf Lutheran Church

6200 County Road 3 SW – Byron, MN

November 17, 2024: 26th Sunday after Pentecost

Rev. Paul Thompson – Organist: Pat Nelson

WELCOME! WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE VISITING:



If you're visiting, please sign our guestbook (in narthex).
Worship times rotate monthly between East & West St. Olaf.



NOVEMBER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

WEST 9:00 am worship (coffee hour at 10:00 am)

BOTH 10:00 am JAM at West church

EAST 11:00 am worship (with coffee after church)

THANK YOU TO THOSE SERVING US

Note: Anyone interested may join Altar Guild

Altar Guild: Nov. – Gena Cahill

Deacon: Nov. – Jane Williams

Reader/Helper: Nov 17 - Jen Briske

Acolytes: If none listed, then ushers are covering

Fellowship Servers: Nov. 17 – Luncheon for Confirmands

READINGS FOR THIS WEEK: **Sun., Nov. 17:**

INTRODUCTION: *November begins with All Saints Day and ends in or near Advent, when we anticipate Christ's coming again. It is fitting, then, that the readings today tell of the final resurrection and the end time. In the turmoil of hope, fear, and disbelief that these predictions provoke in us, Hebrews sounds a note of confident trust. Christ makes a way for us where there is no way, and we walk it confidently, our hearts and bodies washed in baptismal water, trusting the one who has promised forgiveness. The more we see the last day approaching, the more important it is to meet together to provoke one another to love.*

FIRST READING: Daniel 12:1-3: *The book of Daniel is an example of apocalyptic literature, which is full of strange visions and symbolism. Arising during times of great persecution, apocalyptic literature is concerned with God's revelation about the end time and*

the coming kingdom of God, when God will vindicate the righteous who have been persecuted.

PSALM: Psalm 16

SECOND READING: Hebrews 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25: *Images of worship and sacrifice are used throughout Hebrews to highlight what Christ has uniquely accomplished through his death. Because we have received forgiveness through Christ's death, we live with sincere hearts by trusting in God's promises and encouraging love and good works from each other.*

GOSPEL: Mark 13:1-8: *In the last week of his life, Jesus warned his disciples concerning trials that were to come upon them and upon the world. He exhorts the listener: Do not be alarmed.*

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

ECUMENICAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE

The evening before you gather around the table with family and friends... please join us Wed., Nov. 27 at 7:00 pm at Sacred Heart Church of Hayfield, for an Ecumenical service of Thanksgiving involving numerous area churches. *Free will offering benefits Share Christmas.*

THE CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS ARE COMING UP!



PRACTICES WILL BE on Sundays at 10am:

Today, Nov. 17 and 24: One hour long, at West.
Dec. 1 will be two hours long, at East.

PROGRAM DATES:

First program is at EAST, Dec. 8, at 9am.

Second program is at WEST, Dec.. 15, at 11am.

Come help us remember and celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior!!

DECORATING CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS!



Sunday, Dec. 1st – We will decorate our church for Christmas after the church service. Helpers needed, and many hands make light work.

BEAUTIFYING OUR SANCTUARY FOR CHRISTMAS!



If you'd like to donate a poinsettia, we will recognize it in the Christmas Eve bulletin. **Please inform one of the following people by Mon., Dec. 16 (please specify who the plant is from and whom it's in memory-of).**

EAST or WEST: Email Gina at eastwest@kmtel.com and certainity@kmtel.com . You may also call the office (365-8222).

EAST WELCA & OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

NOVEMBER: Worship 11:00

19 10:00am Quilting/Sack Lunch

26 NO East quilting (*due to Thanksgiving week*)

DECEMBER

1 after service DECORATE church - Helpers needed

EAST CONTRIBUTIONS:

(11/10/24) Current \$1,180.

HAPPENING TODAY & THIS WEEK

Deadline for bulletin information - Wednesdays by 7:30 pm.

TODAY	9:00 am	West worship
	10:00 am	JAM at West (<u>practice prog. 1 hr.</u>) West coffee
	11:00 am	East worship, <u>AFTER CHURCH,</u> <u>a special meal to honor the East</u> <u>Oct. 27th confirmands: EllaMae</u> <u>Ohman, and Rachel & Riley Pyfferoen</u>
Monday	9am-Noon	Pastor at office
Tuesday	10:00 am	East quilting/sack lunch
	4:00 pm	<u>Deadline to submit newsletter info</u>
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Confirmation class at West church
Thursday	9am-Noon	Pastor at office
Friday	_____	Pastor's day off-work
Sun. 09/24	9:00 am	West worship, <u>Comm.</u>
	10:00 am	JAM at West (<u>practice prog. 1 hr.</u>) West coffee
	11:00 am	East worship, <u>Comm.</u> East coffee after church

COMING UP AT EAST & WEST

- Nov. 25 (Mon.) 9am-Noon Pastor at office
Nov. 26 (Tue.) >>> NO quilting at East - holiday week
>>>> NEWSLETTER DAY at office
(9:10-print, 9:25-fold, 9:40-collate)
Nov. 27 (Wed.) ----- NO class for conf - school break
7:00 pm Ecumenical Thanksgiving service at
Hayfield Sacred Heart Church
Everyone is invited.
Nov. 28 (Thur.) ----- OFFICE CLOSED - Thanksgiving!
Nov. 29 (Fri.) _____ Pastor's day off-work

DECEMBER:

EAST 9:00 am worship with coffee after church

10:00 am JAM at West (for both), West coffee

WEST 11:00 am worship (coffee before church at 10:00 am)

- Dec. 1 (Sun.): 9:00 am East worship, Comm.
East coffee after church
10-11:30 am EAST DECORATES CHURCH
FOR CHRISTMAS
10:00 am JAM at EAST (practice prog. 2 hrs.)
West coffee
11:00 am West worship, Comm.
After church WEST DECORATES CHURCH
FOR CHRISTMAS

TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

East Prayers: Todd Pyfferoen, Kathy B., Orillie Iverson, Mary Madson, Jerry Nelson, Kaysie Peterson, Scott Kittleson (*son-in-law of Paul Jordan*), Dawn Hugelback, Debra Moekel (*daughter of Audrey Carlson*), Keith Roeder (*son-in-law of Paul Jordan*), Dalton Mansfield (*in military*), John (*cousin of Pat Nelson*), Sylvia Torstenson, Heidi Guenius (*cousin of Becky Brakke*), and John Heydt (*brother of Pat Nelson*).

CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

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