



Shalom Tidings

The Week of All Saints Sunday: November 2-8, 2025

"But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you.... Do to others as you would have them do to you." –Luke 6:27-28, 36

This week at Shalom:

WORSHIP AT SHALOM: Come join us for a festive traditional worship service at 9:30 am. Enjoy special music by the Shalom Singers and a special musical guest! Enjoy treats and fellowship afterward in our Community Room. Seekers and guests are expected!

SERMON: In a world that is often devoid of mercy, Jesus' Sermon on the Plain might strike us as foolish, making us unnecessarily vulnerable. The poor, mourning, and hungry are blessed? Disciples are called to love their enemies, turning the other cheek and giving to absolutely everyone who asks? Where the world says, "Do to others *before* they do to you," Jesus says, "Do to others *as* you would have them do to you." So, what do we make of these familiar but seemingly impractical words of Jesus? Is Jesus giving us an impossible list of directives or is there something more going on here? For All Saints Sunday, Pastor David preaches, "The Community of Sinner/Saints" based on Luke 6:17-36.

HOSPITALITY THIS SUNDAY: Dave & Barb Beyer, Carolyn Carlson, Eldie & Randy Dertinger.

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE: There will be a community Thanksgiving service hosted by First Lutheran this year on 11/26 and we are looking for two volunteers from each congregation to help with hospitality and greeting. Please let Pastor David or Sam know if you would like to help with this.

SHARING IN MINISTRY: WAYS TO SUPPORT SHALOM: We are grateful for the many ways people support the ministry of Shalom. Our general offering continues to be the foundation of our shared ministry and mission. For those who feel called to give above and beyond their regular offering, several existing and newly designed funds are also available through our online giving platform, Vanco. These funds provide opportunities to support particular ministries while keeping our general offering strong. Vanco Funds are: General Fund, Building Fund, Youth Pizza and Chili, Youth Donations, Youth Meals, Food Shelf, someplace Safe, ELCA Disaster Response, Bake Sale, BBQ, WELCA Fall Bazaar, Radio Ministry, Shalom Technology Fund, Shalom Youth Playground. Please note that you can also give by check. Be sure to write where you wish the donation to go on your memo line.

OBA 25TH ANNUAL YEAR-END APPEAL: Jason Bergmann, Director of Operation Bootstrap Africa, will kick off our 25th Annual fundraiser at First Lutheran Church on Sunday, November 9th. His temple talks at 8:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. will recap his latest trip to Tanzania and focus on the School Lunch Program. Our goal this year is to raise \$5000 to feed primary school children in East Africa and Madagascar. Remember: a mere **20 Cents a Day** provides a school lunch which ensures that these kids get at least one meal a day. LET'S FEED THESE KIDS.

SHARED MINISTRY & CALENDAR: [Here is the link to our shared ministry sign-up.](#) You can find the [monthly calendar here.](#)

Shared Ministry

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11-02-25

11-09-25

Acolyte

Dave Morgan

Skylar Cadena

Assisting Minister

Sarah Fleener

Nola Smith

Cantor

Shalom Ringers

SOS Band

Communion Assist

Amber Whipkey

Judy Hoffman

Communion Assist	Cheryl Burbank	Sue Engstrom
Greeters	Connie Facciotto	Dave Rogosheske
Greeters	Linda Fenelon	Joyce Rogosheske
Lector	Brian Casavan	John Smith
Proclaim	CJ/Kim/Julie	CJ/Kim/Julie
Ushers	Al Anderson	Dave Malvin
Ushers	Darrell Nielsen	Renae Hills
Counters	Cheryl Burbank	Vic Dale
Counters	Dave Harris	Charmaine Munt

THIS WEEK AT SHALOM

Sunday	11-02	9:30 am 10:30 am	Worship in-person or online Hospitality Receive New Members GWOH Daylight Saving Time Ends
Tuesday	11-04	7:30 am 9:00 am 5:00 pm 6:30 pm	Men's Bible Study at Common Ground No Dartball Gospel of Uke Runestone Chorus
Wednesday	11-05	5:00 pm 5:30-6:30 pm 6:30 pm	Meal Confirmation/Faith time Shalom Ringers
Thursday	11-06	8:00-9:45 am 10:00-11:00 am 6:00 pm	No Shalom Piecemakers No Bible Study Shalom Singers
Saturday	11-08	9:00 am - 1:30 pm	Bazaar
Sunday	11-09	9:30 am 10:30 am	Worship in-person or online Hospitality Radio Ministry

Shalom opportunities

SHALOM LUTHERAN CHURCH

3-Item Raffle, Bake & Craft Sales, Rolls,
Lefse & ala Cart Lunch

November 8, 2025 9 am - 1:30 pm

CRAFTS: Crafters, bring your items to the church and set up your table(s) on **Thursday, Nov 6**, starting at 10:00 am or **Friday, Nov 7**, between 9:00 am – 5:00 pm. Any craft items left over after the Bazaar, will be the responsibility of the crafter to take home.

BAKE SALE: All bake sale items must be wrapped individually or boxed/covered. Do not price your items. Bake sale items may be delivered to Shalom on the following days and times:

Thursday, Nov 6: 7:00 am – noon Friday, Nov 7: 7:00 am – 5:00 pm

If you need to make arrangements to drop off items outside of the above hours, call CJ @ 703-585-8810.

Labeling: Please label your baked goods and note if they have nuts, are gluten free, have coconut or other potential ingredients that could cause allergic reactions. Thank you for your attention to this detail.

SIGN-UP SHEETS: YOUR HELP IS NEEDED to make this event successful. It takes a village. Won't you be a part of the Shalom village? Sign-up sheets will be in the Narthex or Community Room.



Shalom Lutheran Church

FALL BAZAAR

LUNCH CRAFTS BAKE SALE

RAFFLES

Saturday | November 8 | 2025
9:00AM - 1:30PM

681 Voyager Drive Alexandria, MN 56308

For more Info: Call CJ @ 703-585-8810

All gifts are tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law. Contributions are solicited with the understanding that Shalom Lutheran Church has complete control over the use of all donated funds. Our policy is that all gifts designated for a specific project be used for that project. If we receive more gifts for a given project than is necessary for that project we will use the excess funds for similar projects if possible. The Shalom Church Council is the final arbiter of fund usage in accordance with the needs God lays before us.

LEFSE-MAKING SCHEDULE

- TUES- 11/4. 8 a.m. -? PEEL & RICE POTATOES
- WED- 11/5. 8 a.m.-? ROLL LEFSE & PACKAGE





BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND
THE LUTHER CREST CHRISTMAS

BAKE SALE

ORDERS OPEN NOV. 1
VISIT LUTHERCREST.ORG STARTING
NOV. 1 TO ORDER ONLINE OR TO
PRINT AN ORDER FORM TO MAIL IN.



Retreat Season



MEA Day Camp Oct. 16-17, 2025 Grades: K-5	High School Recharge Retreat Feb. 20-22, 2026 Grades: 9-12
Advent Family Retreat Dec. 5-7, 2025 Grades: All ages	Spring Break Day Camp March 12-13 Grades: K-5
Children and Youth Retreat Jan. 16-18, 2026 Grades: 3-9	
Children and Youth Retreat Feb. 6-8, 2026 Grades: 3-9	



Registration is open for fall and spring retreats!

Summer camp registration opens Nov. 1 with early bird rates continuing until Feb. 14.



Contact us today about more retreat options for fall, winter, and spring. We can craft the perfect retreat together with you!

Phone: (320) 846-2431
Mail: 8231 County Rd. 11 NE
Alexandria, MN 56308
Website: www.luthercrest.org
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@luthercrest



Around the Synod and ELCA:



SYNOD HUNGER TEAM NOTE:

As we head toward the holidays, we're hearing the same story from many corners of our synod: food costs remain high, and the end of COVID-era SNAP boosts continues to strain families. Thank you to every congregation already responding—collecting groceries, hosting community meals, supporting local food shelves, and quietly caring for neighbors. Your faithfulness matters.

This month, the NWMN Hunger Team invites each congregation to choose one doable step to strengthen local food security:

Try one of these November actions:

- Reverse Advent Calendar: add one pantry item each day of late November/Advent; deliver the box to your local shelf.
- Thanksgiving Meal Kits: collect sides (stuffing, potatoes, gravy, canned veggies, pie mix) and a grocery gift card for the protein.
- Soup & Bread Night: offer a free community meal with to-go containers; no fundraiser, just hospitality.
- Round-Up or Matching Gift: ask a local grocer to "round up" at checkout or invite a member to match up to a set amount for the food shelf.
- Youth & Confirmation Project: assemble weekend snack packs for the school social worker to distribute.
- Dignity First: provide a discreet way for members to share needs (locked box, QR form, conversation with a deacon/leader).
- Pray Weekly: include a brief "Hunger Prayer Moment" in worship; invite testimonies from local partners.

Communication tip: Name the specific partner you're helping (food shelf, school pantry, shelter) and the exact items they request this month. Clarity increases generosity.

Pastoral note: Hunger is rarely just about food. Transportation, housing, wages, and health all intersect. When we listen with compassion, we often discover hidden needs—and new partners.

Thank you for being church together and making God's love tangible "one meal, one act, one connection at a time." If you'd like help brainstorming or want a quick Zoom with the Hunger Team, reply to this email and we'll set it up.

A short prayer you may use in worship or meetings:

God of abundance, stir our hearts for all who hunger. Bless growers, gleaners, cooks, and volunteers. Strengthen ministries that feed your children, and move us to share generously, that all may taste and see your goodness. Amen.

Community Opportunities:

"One Small Child"
A Christmas Cantata,
presented by Prairie Wind Players
Saturday, December 6, 7 p.m.
and Sunday, December 17, 2 p.m.

Rehearsals, Sunday afternoons, 2 - 4 p.m.
at Roosevelt Hall, Barrett:
October 19, 26, November 2, (off 9th) 16, 23, 30
Director: Ruth Blom/Pianist: Joyce Engel

Open to Sr. High students and adults of all ages.
If interested, please write to: blom.ruth@gmail.com
Or Darla Johnson/Producer darla@runestone.net



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PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

*Phyllis Strand, *John & Carrie Carlberg, *Bob Hildebrandt, *Dave & Mary Owen, *Gerry Kingsburg, Bill Malvin (Dave Malvin's Father), *Delores Martin, Roger Riley (Colleen Rooney's father), *Evie Raguse, *Charles & Jeanne Tanksley, Teri Market, *Jeanette Priebe, *Bonnie Anderson, *Dave Burbank, Joan Searles (Pastor David's aunt) Nova Vacek (Granddaughter of Fritz and Tam Bukowski), *Skeeter Kingsburg.

**Shalom member*