Christ the King Sunday: November 22, 2026

I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strays, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.
–Ezekiel 34:16

This week at Shalom:

WORSHIP AT SHALOM: Enjoy treats and fellowship afterward in our Community Room! Every Sunday, we are ready for guests!

SERMON: Whenever we hear a parable of Jesus, we immediately wonder where we fit in the story. And few parables invite such wondering as that of the sheep and the goats in Matthew 25. Jesus invites the sheep to inherit the kingdom prepared for them, and sends the goats away to punishment. But what if this parable is not about what we have done at all, but about who we have been called to be and how God makes that happen? For Christ the King Sunday, Pastor David preaches "Killing Goats" based on Ezekiel 34:11-24 and Matthew 25:31-46.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE: Everyone is invited to a beautiful evening of ecumenical worship led by St. Mary's Catholic, Shalom Lutheran, First Lutheran, First Congregational, Emmanuel Episcopal, and the United Methodist churches on Sunday, November 22. Fellowship time with refreshments is at 5:30 pm and worship begins at 6:00. Worship in person or watch live on United Methodist's YouTube page: **https://www.youtube.com/live/hXF-J3A7jVI?si=7AAieis-rDf_e3Bg**

TRANSPORTATION NEEDS: Sometimes our members need transportation to our Sunday service. If you are available to provide transportation, please provide your name and phone number to the church office. To request transportation to church services, please contact the church office. This service can help people stay connected to Shalom. Carol Hedlund is available if you need a ride.

HOSPITALITY: The Malvin/Freier Families.

ALL SHALOM FRIENDS are invited to attend the 90th birthday celebration for Marlene Silver on Friday, November 27, 2026 at 2 o'clock at Windmill Ponds.

WOMEN'S EVENT: Join Tammy and Kim on Saturday, December 5th from 9:30 am-12:30 pm for some fun and fellowship! Our Theme- Bag Lady. Lunch will be provided. Cost is $20 payable to WELCA. Money can be placed in Kim's mail box. Please sign-up in the Community Room.

Lakes Area Opportunity Builds Africa 26th Annual Appeal

Jason Bergmann, Director of Opportunity Builds Africa, will give a Temple Talk at Shalom on Sunday, Dec.6. He will recap his latest trip to Tanzania and focus on the School Lunch Program. Our goal 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 so 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

Shared Ministry	11-22-26	11-29-26
Acolyte		Olivia Flaten
Audio/Visual	Brian C/Dan R	Brian C/Dan R
Assisting Minister	Deb Kramer	Nola Smith
Communion Assist	Dave Morgan	Carol Hedlund
Communion Assist	Angie Erickson	Sharon Hermanson
Greeters	Amy Schlosser	Corey Drewes
Greeters	Pris Fieldhammer	Tammy Drewes
Lector	Sarah Fleener	John Smith
Musicians	SOS Band	
Proclaim/FB Live	CJ/Kim/Julie	CJ/Kim/Julie
Ushers	Renae Hills	Craig Neubarth
Ushers	Cheryl Burbank	Lona Neubarth
Counters	Derek Navratil	Vic Dale
Counters	Virginia Leutgers	Charmaine Munt

THIS WEEK AT SHALOM

Sunday	11-22	9:30 am 10:30 am	Worship in-person or online Hospitality
Tuesday	11-24	7:30 am 9:00 am 6:00 pm	Text Study at Common Grd Dartball Newcomers
Wednesday	11-25		No Activities
Thursday	11-26		Thanksgiving Day
Friday	11-27	8-12	Office Closed
Sunday	11-29	9:30 am 10:30 am	Worship in-person or online Hospitality

Around the Synod and the ELCA:

Northwestern Minnesota Synod Office Is Moving!
Beginning the week of **November 16**, the Northwestern Minnesota Synod Office will move to a new location on **Concordia College's main campus**, connected to the Knutson Campus Center. Our current space is needed for other campus uses, and we will no longer have an office presence at the Riverside Center.

Finding Our New Office
Visitors can enter through the Knutson Campus Center at the Centrum and head up one floor by taking the stairs or elevator. We are still working on parking arrangements, signage, and clearer directions. If you have trouble finding us, please call 218-399-3019, and we will be happy to help guide you!

Temporary Office Hours: November 16–December 4
During our move and transition, the Synod Office will be **open by appointment only from November 16 through December 4**. If you call, please leave a voicemail, and we will return your call as soon as possible. Please also allow extra time for responses to calls and emails as we pack, move, and get settled into our new space.

We appreciate your patience and grace during this transition!
Our Mailing Address Remains the Same
Please continue sending all mail to:
Northwestern Minnesota Synod
901 8th St. S.
Moorhead, MN 56562

We look forward to welcoming you to our new space and continuing to serve the congregations and communities of the Northwestern Minnesota Synod!



Join the Northwestern Minnesota Synod for Mental Health First Aid training, open to anyone—including rostered ministers, church leaders, staff, and volunteers. Learn to identify, understand, and respond to signs of mental health and substance use challenges in adults and connect people with professional help.

Saturday, November 21, 2026
9:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m. via Zoom
Cost: $35 per person
Participants must complete approximately 2.5 hours of self-paced prework before the live session.
Learn more and register



THANKSGIVING COMMUNITY MEAL

Thursday, November 26, 2026

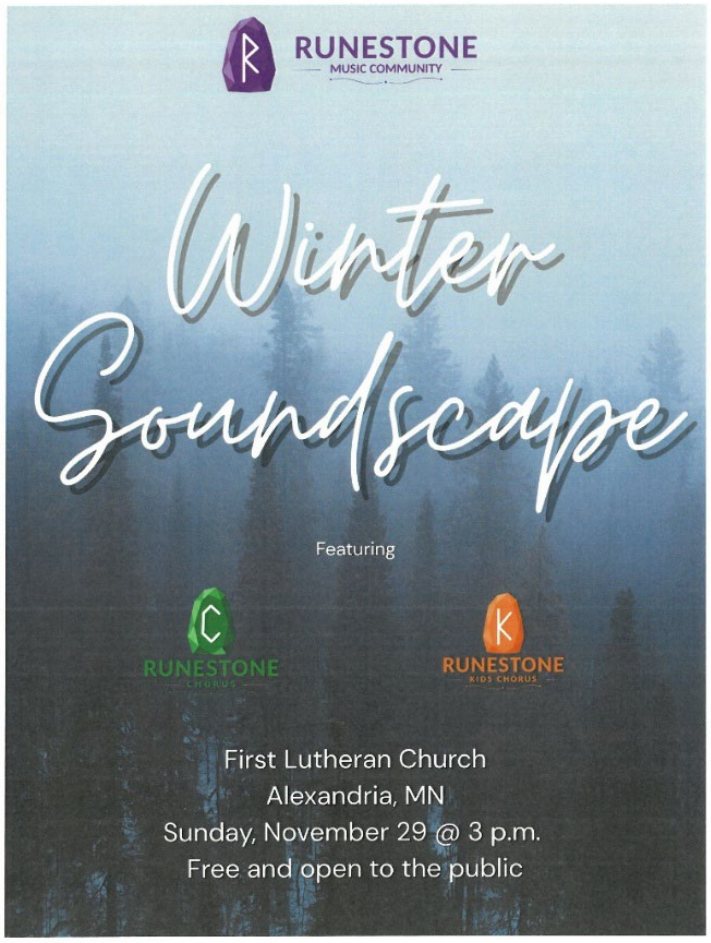
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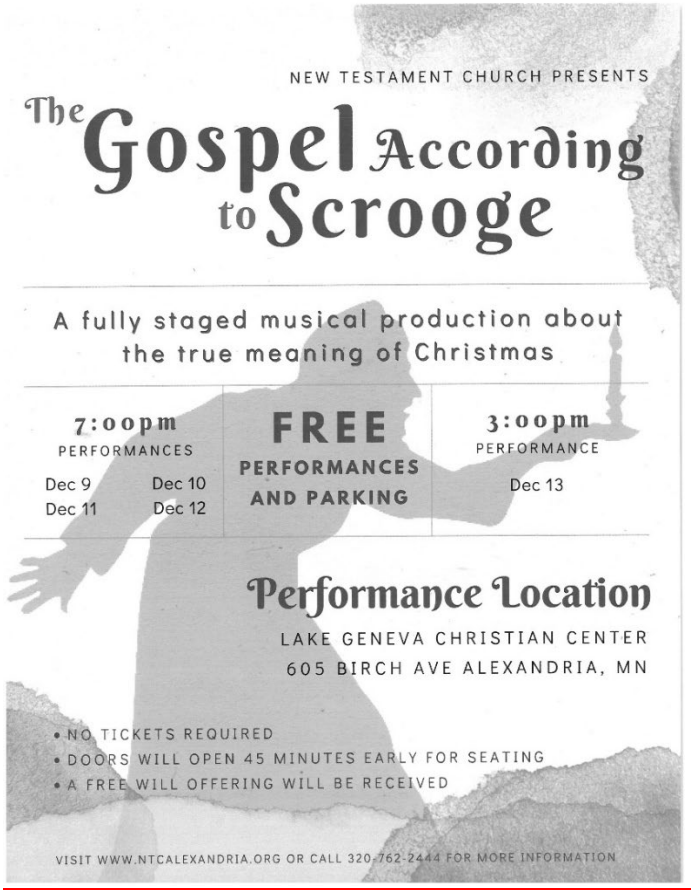
St. Mary's School Gymnasium
420 Irving Street ~~ Use Courtyard Entrance
Alexandria, Minnesota

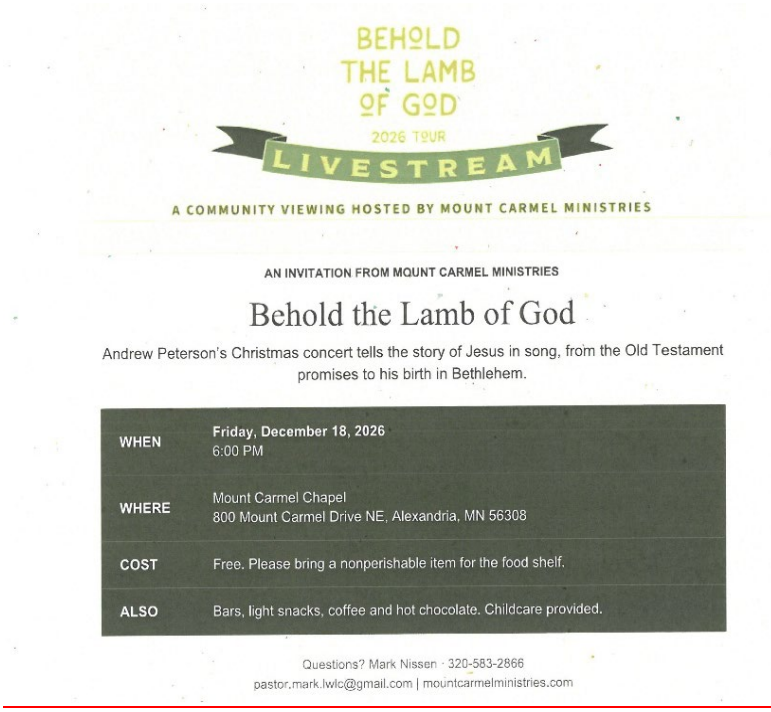
Please join us for a FREE Thanksgiving Community Meal. Come to meet and enjoy fellowship with other Alexandria area residents.



Community Opportunities:







PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

*John Carlberg, *Bob Hildebrandt, *Dave & Mary Owen, *Skeeter & Gerry Kingsberg, *Delores Martin, *Evie Raguse, Teri Market (Pastor David's friend), *Jeanette Priebe, *Bonnie Anderson, *Dave Burbank, *LaTelle Bailey, *Kim Casavan, *Amy Schlosser & family, JP Phelps (nephew of John & Nola S), , Brian Lein (Son-in-Law of Barb B), *John Smith, *Ed Arneson, Rick Heike (brother of Linda Fenelon), *Carolyn Carlson, *Naomi Paine *Darrell Nielsen. **Shalom member*