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*Making peace by the blood of his cross — Colossians 1:15-20*

Grace, peace, and mercy to you from the Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

Over fall break, my family took a day trip to Cumberland Falls. By day, the falls were beautiful. We hoped what we saw after nightfall would be even more amazing.

Cumberland Falls is one of only two locations in the world where you can regularly see a moonbow. Most rainbows are caused by the sun refracting through water in the air. The regular moonbow happens because of all the water in the air around the waterfall. When a full moon rises on a clear night, there's enough light to create the rare night refraction.

With our whole group of kids, we decided to arrive early. There were clouds in the sky, so it took a while for the moon to clear the trees and clouds. Every once in a while, we and the other tourists at the falls would think we were catching a glimpse of something. A ghostly white half-bow would loom a little down-river from the falls. Was that it? Maybe?

As the moon finally entered clear sky, we could see a full milky bow. We thought we were catching some color in the bow, too, but we weren't sure if we were seeing more what we hoped to see than what was really there.

As believers, the rainbow is not just a beautiful phenomenon. It also carries meaning for us. The Lord set the bow as a sign of his mercy. He promised Noah never again would water destroy the earth. Instead, water became a means of grace through baptism.

This is not the only promise God has set in creation. Jesus took bread and wine on the night He was betrayed. To mark His new covenant, the bread becomes His body; the wine becomes His blood. No more do we need to fear the separation of blood from body. Death itself is no longer just for our destruction. Our Lord has promised to save us, to raise us up from death without sin and corruption.

On regular Sundays, this sign is spread out before us. It is a sign of God's favor to us. Just like my family before the moonbow, we sometimes wonder what we are seeing. Is that really something more than bread and wine?

It is! Jesus' body and blood laid out on the table for us show the breadth and width, height and depth of God's love. They show us we who are many are gathered into one. They show us life can overcome death. They show us eternal life will be a feast of celebration.

My family was glad to gather with dozens of others under the full moon to see a wonder of nature. We as a church family are even more glad to gather with all the Lord's people on the Lord's day to celebrate the Lord's Supper until the Last Day when sight replaces faith forevermore. Join with us for what is more than a natural wonder, the wonder of the supernatural hidden in our life.

Your servant in Christ,

Pastor Daniel Guagenti



## CELEBRATIONS IN NOVEMBER

### BIRTHDAYS

- 2- Sam Adams
- 5- Virgie Butts
- 5- Flo Penfold
- 6- Nathaniel Guagenti
- 7- Austin Yaroma
- 9- Kevin McKinley
- 11- Matthew Jager
- 14- Hannah Guagenti
- 14- Roxana Pontius
- 18- John Skellie
- 25- John Feole
- 27- Alex VanPelt
- 29- Carol Spreitzer
- 30- Lindsey Runner

### VICTORIOUS IN THE LORD

Lynn Retzlaff, passed away on October 14, 2018.  
Delores Brooks, passed away October 28, 2018. They both were members of Holy Cross. May our risen Lord comfort those who mourn.

*"I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live."*

*John 11:25*

### MEMBERS OF HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN

Nominations are being accepted for the following additional positions:

Chair of education (committee support is already in place) / Trustee / Youth

Other positions may be open if incumbents choose not to run for office again. Please, prayerfully consider volunteering for your church council. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact me. Thank you.

John Feole, Vice President Elections Chair  
502-655-0056 [Gofastfalcon@gmail.com](mailto:Gofastfalcon@gmail.com)

### SENIOR'S GROUP: NOVEMBER 6

The Senior's Group will meet again for lunch at noon on Tuesday, November 6. Please see Rita Whitehouse for more information.

### DEEP ROOTS: NOVEMBER 8

November 8's Deep Roots looks at the millennial generation and their engagement with the church. Why are millennials, on balance as a group, less engaged with the church? How can the church best minister to millennials? Pastor will bring some thoughts and will be glad to hear from you, too, because Jesus' call is for all tribes, nations, and generations. Join us Thursday at 7 pm in the church kitchen.



### BOOK CLUB: NOVEMBER 11

The book club will meet on Sunday, November 11. They are reading "The Last Disciple" by Hank Hanegraaff. Please see Shelah Shreve for more information.

### LADIES NIGHT OUT: NOVEMBER 14

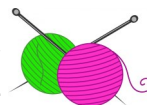
Ladies Night Out will be on Wednesday, November 14. They will be dining at Cattlemen's in Shelbyville. They will meet there at 6:30pm. Please let Rita Whitehouse know if you will be attending.

### MEN'S NIGHT OUT: NOVEMBER 17

Men's Night Out will be meeting for lunch on Saturday, November 17, 11am at Cracker Barrel in Shelbyville. Please let Rod Shreve know if you will be attending.

### THREADS OF GRACE: NOVEMBER 20

Threads of Grace is now meeting at Holy Cross. Whether you knit, crochet, cross-stitch, needlepoint or just want to socialize - all are welcome. Please see Anita Themer for more information. They will meet again on Tuesday, November 20 at 7pm.



### THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE: NOVEMBER 21

Thanksgiving Eve Service will be held Wednesday, November 21 at 7pm.

### THANK YOU

Thank you to all who volunteered to help with Trunk or Treat and to those who donated items for the event. It was a great success and we could not have done it without you. Congratulations to our "Best Decorated Trunk" winners: Max & Danielle Themer and the Guagenti Family.

### HOUSE NUMBER PEDESTALS

Charlie Schufer says he will make anyone a house number pedestal if they give an extra \$20 donation to church.

## Christmas Events



### ADVENT SERVICES: DECEMBER 5, 12, 19

#### ADVENT DINNER: DECEMBER 5

The Advent dinner will be Wednesday, December 5, from 5:45-6:30pm. Please let Rita Whitehouse know if you will attend so we will know how much to prepare.

#### HANGING OF THE GREENS: DECEMBER 2

We will be doing "Hanging of the Greens" again this year. It will take place after the Divine service on December 2nd. Help would be greatly appreciated. Please see Rita Whitehouse for more information.

#### CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The Children's Christmas Program practices will begin November 11 during Sunday School.

#### THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

Christmas Eve Candlelight service will be held Monday, December 24, at 7:00pm. Christmas Day service with communion will be at 10:00am Tuesday, December 25th.

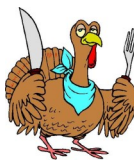
### **GRACE LUTHERAN TURKEY SUPPER: NOVEMBER 3**

Grace Lutheran Church will be holding their annual Turkey Supper / Bazaar on Saturday, November 3 from 4 to 7pm. Supper tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 10 & under. Take outs are available. The Bazaar, Bakeshop & Booths will be open from 2 to 7pm. No admission charge. Grace Lutheran is located at 1787 Klerner Lane, New Albany, IN (812) 944-1267.



### **FAITH LUTHERAN SOUP & CHILI SUPPER: NOVEMBER 17**

Faith Lutheran Church LWML will be sponsoring our Annual Soup and Chili Supper on Saturday, November 17, 2018 from 4 - 6:30 p.m. There will be several different kinds of soup and chili, plus hot dogs, dessert and drinks. We are asking for a free-will offering, which will be used to help Faith's Building Fund. There will also be baked goods, crafts and white elephant items for sale. The proceeds will be given to Elders' Fund at Faith, which helps our members in need and a portion is given to South Louisville Community Ministries.



## 2018 STOCKING STUFFER PROJECT



### STUFFING STOCKINGS

Please Join Us

DATE: Tuesday December 11  
10:00-Noon

Lunch will be served

AT: Grace Lutheran Church  
1787 Klerner Lane, New Albany

### ITEMS NEEDED:

Small toys (McDonalds are fine), **COLORING BOOKS**, Small Stuffed Animals, Candy Canes, Mittens/Gloves, Hats, Children's personal care items, Socks, Hair decorations, Card games, Baseball Cards, Crafts/Art, Games, Stickers, Small cars/trucks, Journals, Small school supplies, Dolls, Jewelry, Playdough, **BOOKS**, Christian items. **Anything that will fit in a Christmas stocking.** Please no gum, play guns, or anything that would encourage violence.

Stockings will be categorized as follows: Small Girls, Small Boys, Older Girls, and Older Boys.

Stockings will be given to children visiting a parent in jail or prison, to children in youth shelters, and to other children needing help and support.

Items may be dropped off at Grace Lutheran Church between 8:30 am and 4:00 pm weekdays, or brought on December 11th. Text or call Dolly Jenkins, 812-989-3093 or [jenkinsfamily09@twc.com](mailto:jenkinsfamily09@twc.com) for special arrangements.



## LIFE QUOTES

"When we see those suffering from disease or disability...vulnerable, helpless, destined by many to assisted suicide or euthanasia—we are compelled to speak and defend and help because it is the Christ thing to do. For Christ reveals a God who knows about suffering not just because He's God, but because He suffered. We have a message of a God present in suffering, at work in suffering, and accomplishing His purpose in suffering."

*Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, former executive director of Lutheran For Life*

**"A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life-  
[www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)**



## KNOW YOUR BIBLE



### Miracle Food

What strange, miraculous, bread-like food did God provide for the Israelites in the wilderness?

Look for the answer in the December's Newsletter  
October's answer: Joseph of Arimathea (see John 19:38)

## VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

SUNDAY	ACOLYTE	READER	USHER	USHER	CLEAN	NURSERY	ALTAR GUILD
November 4	Kameron McKinley	Charlie Moody	Charlie Moody	Rita Whitehouse	Franke family	Jennie Shreve	Jennifer Harrod
November 11	Zoe Shreve	David Themer	Don Williams	Bob Myers	Kathy Vetter	Anita Themer	Non Communion Sunday
November 18	Eden Guagenti	Nancy Kovach	Alex VanPelt	Charlie Adams	Harlan Joseph	Kathy Vetter	Jennifer Harrod
November 25	Elijah Smith	David Franke	Joel Franke	Harlan Joseph	Sandy Runner	Alena Guagenti	Non Communion Sunday
December 2	Max Semeniuk	Jeff Wilson	Rod Shreve	John Feole	Botkins family	Josh Botkins	Chuck & Laura Richburg
December 9	Brenyn Botkins	Madeline Botkins	Harlan Joseph	Aaron Franke	Franke family	Kathy Vetter	Non Communion Sunday

**IF YOU CANNOT SERVE ON THE APPOINTED DAY, PLEASE CALL SOMEONE TO SERVE IN YOUR PLACE.**



**You can help!**  
 Redeemer Lutheran  
 Church  
 is sponsoring a  
**Warm Clothing  
 Give-Away**  
 in conjunction with the  
 Food Pantry.

Items Needed:  
 Coats Gloves  
 Hats Mufflers Socks  
 Sweatpants Sweatshirts  
 Sweaters Quilts  
 Blankets Comforters  
*New or Gently Used*  
*Adult & Children's Sizes*

**Items are needed by  
 October 28th.**  
 Questions?  
 Call the Church Office  
**776-5945**

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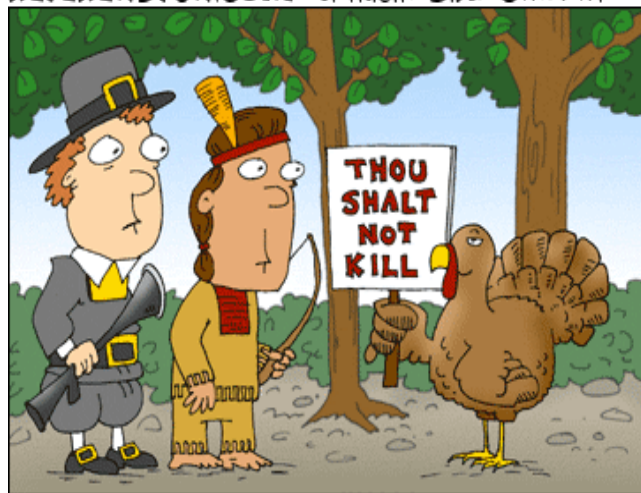
## KENTUCKIANA FEDERATION ELECTIONS

The Kentuckiana Federation of Lutheran Churches holds annual elections at their January delegate meeting. This year the positions of president, and secretary are up for election. Candidates must be at least 18 years of age and a member of one of the congregations of the Federation. Please submit nominations along with name address and phone number to: Pastor Steve Ensley @ Redeemer Lutheran Church, 3640 River Park Drive, Louisville, KY 40211, [pastor@redeemerlouky.com](mailto:pastor@redeemerlouky.com) by January 3, 2019. Nominees will then be contacted, informed of the duties of the office, and given time to prayerfully consider the nomination in time for our upcoming delegate meeting on January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

## YOU KNOW YOU MIGHT BE A LUTHERAN IF...

- You make change in the offering plate for a ten.
- You have more than five flavors of Jell-O in your pantry.
- You wonder why bread and wine are used for Communion instead of coffee and donuts.
- You automatically sing 'amen' at the end of every song you sing.
- You don't question why the seat you sit in at church is called a pew.

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Thanks to Jay Benfield (See Exodus 20:1-21)

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# Care Packages TO DEPLOYED SERVICE MEMBERS

ONE OF MY MANY JOYS serving as an LCMS military chaplain in the Army is the distribution of items from the many gift boxes that we receive while deployed. Often, however, our generous donors aren't fully aware of the conditions in which we serve, and items that are sent at considerable cost are discarded because there is no need for them or they have melted in the heat.

Currently, our U.S. military forces in the Middle East serve in a mature environment. We primarily are in a support mission for our coalition partners and are not primary war fighters. Rather, we support logistics and sustainment and provide training for the forces of the countries we are supporting.

Wi-Fi and connectivity are almost everywhere. Soldiers buy "pucks" to enable them to connect their cell phones via satellite. They phone or "facetime" family and friends on a daily basis. Mailing cards and letters home, therefore, has become a lost art—especially with younger service members.

Service members enjoy basically good balanced food prepared by a government contractor. Very few eat MREs (Meals, Ready to Eat). There is regular access to post exchange facilities. Nevertheless, our service members enjoy the many things that are sent in care packages.

No doubt those who send packages would like to know if the items sent actually arrive and are appreciated. Computer connectivity is commonplace, and it is easier to send a thank-you note electronically via email than it is to send a written response in the mail. Senders are encouraged to include a note in each box identifying the sender and providing an email address at which to respond.

There are many things that are sent that are appreciated and some things that are difficult to give away. Here is a simple list of what I have observed:



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## I. Items **difficult** to give away to service members:

- **Canned goods**  
*no way to cook contents, little desire to do so with hot food at dining facilities*
- **Condiment packs**  
*ketchup, mustard, jelly, hot sauce, BBQ sauce, etc., are generally thrown away.*
- **Toilet paper**  
*no need for it as facilities are properly stocked*
- **Hotel shampoos and soaps**  
*these generally are thrown away as they are too small for regular use*
- **Chocolate candy bars/gummy bears**  
*arrive in a "melted glob" and are inedible and discarded*
- **5-Hour Energy/Energy shots or drinks**  
*these are not healthy in a high temperature environment*
- **Outdated religious literature**  
*outdated religious literature, such as Portals of Prayer, are not desired*
- **Phone cards**  
*not needed; Wi-Fi connectivity is everywhere as well as MWR "free phone calls" home*
- **Old or outdated Halloween candy**  
*this arrives non-edible and is discarded*
- **Comic books and "funny papers"**  
*most entertainment is on social media via Wi-Fi*
- **Handmade cards**  
*these are appreciated by older service members, but are generally not sent by younger service personnel, as they connect almost daily with loved ones via Wi-Fi on their personal cell phones*

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## II. Items **appreciated** by service members (these items, if individually wrapped, go quickly):

- Protein and granola bars are considered desirable.
- Individually-wrapped hard candies, Tootsie Pops, suckers, etc.
- Rice Krispies treats are always winners.
- Small cans of Pringles or small cracker packs (peanut butter, cheese, etc.).
- Nuts, small packages, all kinds are regularly sought after and are a hot commodity.
- Chewing gum, especially "breath enhancers" when you cannot always brush after a meal.
- Personal hygiene items: toothbrushes, toothpaste, razors, bar soap, etc.



# NOVEMBER 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>ALL SAINTS</b> ▪ Rev 7:9-17; ▪ Ps. 149; ▪ 1 John 3:1-3; ▪ Matt. 5:1-12 <b>1</b>	▪ Job 34; ▪ Ps. 115; ▪ Luke 19:1-10 <b>2</b>	▪ Job 35; ▪ Ps. 116; ▪ Luke 19:11-27 <b>3</b>
▪ Job 36:1-26; ▪ Ps. 117; ▪ Luke 19:28-44 <b>4</b>	▪ Job 36:27-37:24; ▪ Ps. 118; ▪ Luke 19:45-20:8 <b>5</b>	▪ Job 38:1-30; ▪ Ps. 119:1-8; ▪ Luke 20:8-26 <b>6</b>	▪ Job 38:31-39:18; ▪ Ps. 119:9-16; ▪ Luke 20:27-40 <b>7</b>	▪ Job 39:19-40:24; ▪ Ps. 119:17-24; ▪ Luke 20:41-21:9 <b>8</b>	▪ Job 41; ▪ Ps. 119:25-32; ▪ Luke 21:10-24 <b>9</b>	▪ Job 42; ▪ Ps. 119:33-40; ▪ Luke 21:25-38 <b>10</b>
▪ Joshua 1; ▪ Ps. 119:41-48; ▪ Luke 22:1-13 <b>11</b>	▪ Joshua 2; ▪ Ps. 119:49-56; ▪ Luke 22:14-30 <b>12</b>	▪ Joshua 3; ▪ Ps. 119:57-64; ▪ Luke 22:31-38 <b>13</b>	▪ Joshua 4; ▪ Ps. 119:65-72; ▪ Luke 22:39-53 <b>14</b>	▪ Joshua 5; ▪ Ps. 119:73-80; ▪ Luke 22:54-65 <b>15</b>	▪ Joshua 6; ▪ Ps. 119:81-88; ▪ Luke 22:66-23:16 <b>16</b>	▪ Joshua 7; ▪ Ps. 119:89-96; ▪ Luke 23:18-31 <b>17</b>
▪ Joshua 8:1-29; ▪ Ps. 119:97-104; ▪ Luke 23:32-43 <b>18</b>	▪ Joshua 8:30-9:15; ▪ Ps. 119:105-112; ▪ Luke 23:44-56 <b>19</b>	▪ Joshua 9:16-27; ▪ Ps. 119:113-120; ▪ Luke 24:1-12 <b>20</b>	▪ Joshua 10:1-15; ▪ Ps. 119:121-128; ▪ Luke 24:13-35 <b>21</b>	▪ Joshua 10:16-43; ▪ Ps. 119:129-136; ▪ Luke 24:36-53 <b>22</b>	▪ Joshua 11:1-14; ▪ Ps. 119:137-144; ▪ Acts 1:1-11 <b>23</b>	▪ Joshua 11:15-23; ▪ Ps. 119:145-152; ▪ Acts 1:12-22 <b>24</b>
▪ Joshua 12; ▪ Ps. 119:153-160; ▪ Acts 1:23-26 <b>25</b>	▪ Joshua 13:1-14; ▪ Ps. 119:161-168; ▪ Acts 2:1-13 <b>26</b>	▪ Joshua 13:15-33; ▪ Ps. 120; ▪ Acts 2:14-41 <b>27</b>	▪ Joshua 14; ▪ Ps. 121; ▪ Acts 2:42-3:10 <b>28</b>	▪ Joshua 15:1-19; ▪ Ps. 122; ▪ Acts 3:11-26 <b>29</b>	▪ Joshua 15:20-63; ▪ Ps. 123; ▪ Acts 4:1-22 <b>30</b>	



## SHARING THE POWERFUL GOSPEL!

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EVERY SUNDAY  
BIBLE STUDY AND SUNDAY SCHOOL-9:45AM  
DIVINE SERVICE-11:00AM

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER 2018



Thanksgiving Eve Service  
November 21, 2018, 7:00pm