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REGULAR SUNDAY EVENTS

9:30 a.m. Christian Education

11:00 a.m. Worship Service

Pastor - Rev. Dr. Damon D. Laaker

Editor/Church Secretary - Brenda Spahr

Organist - Colleen Jeffrey

Sexton - Alma Lopez

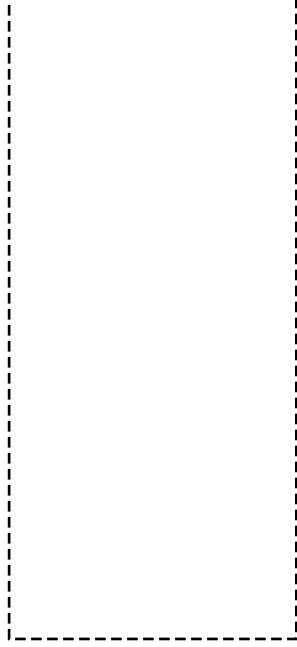
Community Outreach - Malachi Black

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Inspired By Christ, it is our mission
to share God's Word and Love in
care and service to all.



2016 Council Members

Ron Adrian	Vicki Cox	Arlone Farber
Ralph Fittle	Greg Hula	Loren Moyer
Brenda Spahr	Amanda Vazquez	Pastor Laaker

Officers Serving the Congregation:		
Financial: Janet Hula	Treasurer: Ralph Fittle	

The regular meeting of the Council was held on Tuesday, October 11.

Council Members shared their prayer concerns: The Vazquez family welcomed a new little boy, Pastor and Mary’s ninth grandchild. Prayers were requested for family members and congregational members facing health concerns. Prayers were requested for the victims, survivors and families of Hurricane Mathew, we especially raise up in prayer the Haitian people. We pray for peace and stabilization in Syria and the South Sudan.

Devotions were led by Pastor Laaker reading the selected verses in the “Daily Texts” from Isaiah 63:7 And 1Peter 2:3. It tells us about the gracious deeds of the Lord and all God does for us.

Visions for Ministry: The Council continued its discussion of “The 3 Colors of Leadership.” We were challenged to get out of our comfort zone and engage in conversation with another around our growth areas. Members were encouraged to finish reading the book and take the Empowerment Test once again.

Minutes of the regular September meeting were approved as presented.

Reports were received from the Financial Secretary and the Treasurer. An extra gift each month would help us end the month in the black instead of the red.

Mission Share was remitted from the Memorial Fund for September.

Committee Reports:

Evangelism/Outreach

Seven people walked in the CROP walk.

Nine persons participated in the neighborhood trash pickup as we observed “God’s Work, Our Hands!

Reading at Liberty has begun. Pastor Laaker received “Thank you” cards from the 3rd grade class he reads to.

Continued...

The Planning for the Halloween Party on October 28th is under way. Malachi is spear heading the party and the Haunted House. Thrivent Action Fund dollars have been received.

Malachi asked for a donation of any Halloween costumes that you have that are no longer being used, for children in need.

Finance

A member inquired help for a large automotive bill. Avenues of help will be explored.

Property

The crack and sealing repairs of the church are completed and guaranteed.

The leak in the entry has been evaluated and McKinnis Roofing will now schedule time to repair it.

Service/Social Ministry

The Habitat for Humanity home is completed. The Habitat celebration will be October 29th at 10 am.

Support/Stewardship

Fall Stewardship emphasis will begin the first part of November.

Worship

We had a delightful worship on the bank of the Missouri. Since the River City Star was disabled, we will receive our rent payment returned.

New Business

The Treasurer asked about the reasons for the four separate accounts. Does it make sense to have four accounts or would one account suffice?

Announcements

Brenda will bring treats for our November meeting.

Respectfully Submitted, Vicki Cox, Acting Secretary

Election Day is Tuesday, November 8th.
Remember to Vote.
Every Ballot Cast, Counts!





You may recall a story in the Bible in which Jesus heals ten lepers. At the close of the story, the lone Samaritan returns and gives thanks. Jesus response is "Was there no one to return and give thanks to God except this foreigner?" (Luke 17:18). R.W. Greene shared this story: A legend tells about a servant whose master died, leaving the servant a bag of blessings, full to the brim. "The bag will always be full," said the master, "so long as you remember the four magic words." As the servant started off on his merry way, he partook of the blessings in the bag until finally the bag was almost empty. He then sought desperately to remember the words, but he could not.

He asked a wise man nearby what the four words were. He was told, "Perhaps the words are 'I wish I had.'" So, with his nearly empty bag, he ran down the road shouting, "I wish I had! I wish I had! I wish I had as much as all my neighbors have of the blessings of health and wealth and such!" But still the bag held no more blessings.

Further along the way, he asked another person, "Can you please tell me what the magic words are that will restore blessings to the bag?" This person said, "Perhaps the words are, 'Give me some more!'" So, again, he went on his way, shouting to the skies, "Give me some more! Give me some more! Oh fill my bag of blessings as full as it was before!" Still the bag remained empty.

Lonely and dejected and unhappy, he sat down by the side of the road to take the last piece of bread from the bag. As he started to eat it, a beggar came along and pleaded for the bread. He gave it, forgetting his own hunger, and watched in wonder as the beggar looked heavenward and said, "I thank Thee, Lord!" Whereupon, the servant jumped for joy, higher than he had ever jumped before, and ran down the road shouting, "I thank Thee, Lord! I thank Thee, Lord!" And the bag of blessings was full once more.

There is much for which we can be thankful. We will soon gather around tables for the celebration of Thanksgiving. Let us give thanks for our families and friends, for elections and electricity, for sunshine and showers, for pumpkins and pickles, for debates and rebates, for turkeys and tea, and for homes and homecomings.

Continued.....

While none of us have such a proverbial bag of blessings that will refill if we simply remember a few words, we still can say with deepest gratitude, "I thank Thee, Lord!" Or as the hymn writer once penned, "Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices."

May our Thanksgiving celebrations be times of great joy and thankfulness.

Pastor Laaker

PS. This past week we received a memorial donation from Carole (Reimer) Battan with a note; "Please use this money in a way that will benefit Grace Lutheran." I thank thee, Lord.

LEADING GENEROUSLY

Our 2016-17 Fall Stewardship Program features the third in the RE Imagine Series. Below is the outline of the segments of the program.

Leading Generously: Believe in the Seed

- Promises: God's Promises are Secure and Real Faith Believes
 - Scriptures: 1Corinthians 1:18-22
 - Generous leaders trust God, even if circumstances don't seem good.
- Legacy: Tossed Trophies, Legend vs. Legacy
 - Scriptures: Philippians 3:7-11
 - Generous leaders invest in the eternal, not temporary rewards.
- Ambition: Godly Ambitions and Pure Motives vs. Selfish Ambition
 - - Scriptures: James 4:4-10
 - Generous leaders kneel to serve others instead of serving themselves.
- Capacity: Worldly Demotions for Godly Promotions
 - Scripture: 2 Timothy 2:1-2
 - Generous leaders model and transfer a life of gracious self-giving.
- Essence: Poured Out for Christ
 - Scripture: Philippians 2:5-11
 - Generous leaders help others to be all God made them to be.



And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people.

Ephesians 6:18

Please keep in your prayers the individuals listed below who have health issues and concerns:

Ron Adrian
Norma Courtney
Andrew Edwards
Ken Hilmer
Carolyn Matson
Jack Pablo McGill
Don Olson
Pam Reents
Dan Taylor



Christian Barajas
Theresa Courtney
James Harrahill
Dottie Hula
Cesar Martinez
LaVonne Moss
Linda Pafford
Brian Sutej
Urbano Vasquez



Pray for wisdom for your Church Council here at Grace Lutheran.

Pray for the Council Members. Ask God to bless their ministry among us. Pray for strength and spiritual wisdom for the leaders in the local church and the Nebraska Synod:

Pastor Damon Laaker, Grace Lutheran Church
Bishop Brian Maas, Nebraska Synod
Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, ELCA Bishop

Pray for the Sudanese community in general. David Nange, John Boato and Charles Tuw are the elders for the Sudanese Worshipping Community.

*Let's encourage each other as we see
God's hand in answering our prayers.*

Pray for our Shut-ins and Nursing Home residents:

Ferne Matson - Home.
Joe and Barbara Narducci - Home.
Barbara Nelson - Life Care Center, Elkhorn.



**Grace Quilters for
Lutheran World Relief**

Monday mornings from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Join a lively group of people and assemble amazing tie quilts for Lutheran World Relief organization. These quilts are delivered around the world to areas most in need of a little comfort. Please feel free to stop by check out the activity. Coffee break and joke time is 10:00 a.m.; another opportunity in fellowship with one another. No experience necessary!



Overflowing With Thanks

Truly Thankful and Grateful for all the prayers, cards, blessings, visits and well wishes that were shared during my stroke recovery.

Good As New
Ron Adrian



Congratulations to
Juan and Amanda Vazquez
and big brothers,
Jaydn, Jackson and Jericho!

Jordan Jude Vazquez arrived on
Monday, October 10, 2016



Jordan weighed 7 pounds 10 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Both Amanda and Jordan are healthy, thriving and at home.

May God bless the Vazquez family abundantly with God's love and care. Congratulations!



Thank you to all who participated in this year's CROP Hunger Walk! There was a great group of seven walkers and many more who sponsored different walkers. Total amount donated this year was \$550.00.

Local agencies receiving funds will be Open Door Mission, Siena Francis House, and the Stephens Center.

Carol Joy Holling Camp has a few upcoming events:



Explore is a one-day retreat, nature-themed retreat for 1st through 6th graders. Saturday, November 12th from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm, \$10.00 per child.

Family Advent Retreat

Bring your family together to be purposefully present as we prepare for the Christmas season. Through devotion, projects and intergenerational fun, the whole family will be actively engaged in learning about the meaning of the season. December 2-4, 2016, \$225 per room at the Sjogren Retreat Center.

Early Bird Savings

A savings for camper families if you register by December 1st you can choose to receive a discount of \$50 or a really cool, "I Don't Get Homesick, I Get Campsick" hoodies that comes along with a \$30 discount for a full week summer camp session at Carol Joy Holling in 2017. Families will still be able to register for the \$50 Early Bird discount for a full week of through January 31, 2017.

Register today for any or all three events at caroljoyholling.org/ registration.

Death Penalty Referendum

In the last month, there have been several headlines that have captured the attention of Nebraskans. One had to do with the cost of keeping the Death Penalty in Nebraska. Another had to do with the language on the ballot. There were other headlines, too.

In 2015, the Nebraska Legislature voted to end the death penalty in Nebraska. The vote to end the death penalty was supported by 16 Republicans, 13 Democrats and 1 Independent. Following this vote, a ballot measure was put underway to restore the death penalty and was successful in putting this on this November's ballot.

I wrote earlier that the ELCA adopted a Social Statement in 1991 specifically on "The Death Penalty." In the Social Statement it says, "We begin by assuming that government plays a God-given, protective role. "God entrusts the state with power to take human life when failure to do so constitutes a clear danger to society" (p. 2). This view is qualified, though: "[T]his does not mean that governments have an unlimited right to take life" or "must punish crime by death" (p. 2). The text quickly questions whether it is even possible to administer the death penalty justly. By the end, the social statement concludes that it is not.

"Three reasons are given to oppose capital punishment: 1) executions represent an unacceptable, non-restorative approach to violent crime; 2) executions can reinforce social injustice; and 3) the death penalty cannot possibly be administered justly."

In an Op-Ed Commentary piece within the Omaha World Herald, on Monday, September 19, Tom Venzor, the Executive Director for the Nebraska Catholic Conference, summed up the Roman Catholic stance on the death penalty. He ended his commentary by saying, "the bishops of Nebraska urge Catholics and all people of good will to vote to retain the repeal of the death penalty this November."

While I honor those whose opinions differ, I will be voting to Retain the Referendum Measure 426. I believe this bipartisan solution to replace the death penalty with mandatory life without parole is the direction my Christian conscience calls me to support.

Pastor Damon Laaker



While there is always much work to do in the year, this is typically considered a time for harvest. A time when planting, toiling, planning, and maintaining efforts come to the end of the cycle for the year. A return on the investment of efforts made is expected. We can also ask ourselves what harvest we expect in our spiritual lives. How have we matured through the experiences of spiritual growth and renewal this year?

The key of spiritual harvest is recognizing the work God is doing in and through us. We aren't simply getting a return on our own efforts. We are reaping the multiplicative effect of God's active and creative work in the world. Similar to the moniker, "God's Work, Our Hands" we are reminded that we are the part of the catalysts God uses to make His Presence known in the world. Crafted like fine tools or instruments for specified purposes, we are shaped and fashioned for great things. God is active in the many things we accomplish and seek to engage within our local community.

We are thankful for those who participated in the annual Crop Walk, whether it was through donations or walking. Many will be helped in the fight to eliminate hunger and food shortages around the world. Our efforts at Liberty Elementary have been noticed as well. We have had teachers and students mention how thankful they are to have us come read each month. I have also firsthand witnessed the enthusiasm and excited of the students when we come to engage their classrooms. I am thankful to be a part of such God moments here in Omaha. Let us continue to be an active presence in the community, country, and world.

Malachi Black
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“For three things I thank God every day of my life: thanks that He has granted me knowledge of His works; deep thanks that He has set in my darkness the lamp of faith; deep, deepest thanks that I have another life to look forward to – a life joyous with light and flowers and heavenly song.”

—Helen Keller, blind and deaf from infancy
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For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Ephesians 2:10

-  Thank you Marilyn and Jerry Van Ormer for their on-going dedication in caring and tending to the plants in the entry way, they continue to thrive and look welcoming.
-  Thank you ESL tutors; Malachi Black, Vicki Cox, Arlone Farber, Mary Laaker, and Amanda Vazquez, for making connections with the students willing to learn and form friendships.
-  Thank you Jerry and Marilyn Van Ormer, and Greg and Janet Hula; who take turns picking up altar flowers every Sunday morning.
-  Thank you June, LaVonne, Eva, and Marilyn for your continued dedication in creating a reflection of God's love and care in every quilt sent to support Lutheran World Relief.
-  Thank you LaVonne, June, Gloria, Marilyn, Jerry, Eva, and Malachi for your dedication and help in assembling the monthly Grace Messenger!
-  Thank you Ron, Donna and Brenda for taking turns in the care of the altar, and preparing the communion table.
-  Thank you to all ushers, Andrew, Jerry, Ron, Vicki, Larry, Mary, and Malachi for greeting everyone on Sunday mornings.
-  Thank you to all the Grace readers who participate in reading books and growing imaginations to both 2nd and 3rd grade students at Liberty Elementary School.

Since Christmas Day and New Year's Day both fall on Sundays, Grace and St. Luke's Council Members have decided to have one worship service on each of those Sundays at 10:00 a.m. Christmas Day worship service will be held at St. Luke's Lutheran Church and New Year's Day worship service will be held at Grace Lutheran Church. Please look in the December Grace Messenger for any additional information.





Grace Lutheran Church
Halloween Party
October 28, 2016
7:00 - 8:30 pm



Costume Contest will be judged in three different categories: scariest, funniest, and most creative. First and second place prizes will be awarded in each category.

Plenty of games, prizes, and refreshments! Fun for the whole family, please be sure to invite family, friends and neighbors!

Any questions, please call the church office at 402-341-7730.

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- Why did the witches cancel their baseball game? — They couldn't find their bats.
 - Why is it safe to tell a mummy your secret? — It'll keep it under wraps.
 - Why was the jack-o-lantern afraid to cross the road? — It had no guts.
 - What is a scarecrow's favorite fruit? — STRAW-berries.
 - Where do baby ghosts go during the day? — Day-scare centers.
 - What do birds say on Halloween? — Twick o Tweet.
 - What kind of roads do ghosts haunt? — Dead ends.
 - How do you make a witch itch? — Take away the W
 - Why didn't the skeleton go to the ball? — Because he had no BODY to go with.
 - Why don't ghosts like rain? — It dampens their spirits.
 - Why do witches wear name tags? — So they will know which witch is which.
 - How do you make a skeleton laugh? — Tickle its funny bone.

Jokes from amomwithalessonplan.com



Midland University will host its "2016 Gospel Honors Choir Project" concert at The Holland Center in Omaha, Nebraska on Sunday, November 6th at 7:00 p.m. The event, designed to bring together local youth and community members through gospel music, will feature local leaders such as Salem Baptist Church's "Salem Mass Choir", the Christ Community Church Choir, Midland University performers, and hundreds of hand-selected high school singers from around Nebraska and Iowa. Ticket sale proceeds will be used to offset the costs of providing students the experience of a lifetime; performing at The Holland Center. Unlike other collegiate honor choirs, there is no fee to the participating students. The main purpose of this spiritually uplifting event is to unite young people and adults through the power of music. Together we can bring the magic of music to our community!

To obtain tickets go to www.TicketOmaha.com or call 888-434-8587 or visit the Ticket Omaha Box Office at 13th and Douglas Streets. Prices for individual tickets start at \$35.



**Thanksgiving Eve Service
St. Luke's Lutheran Church
November 23, 2016
7:00 pm**

St. Luke's Lutheran is hosting a Thanksgiving Eve Service, inviting Grace Lutheran congregation along with several other congregations to attend and celebrate together. A Dessert reception and Fellowship time will follow the worship service.

Let's gather as friends and thank God for the marvelous gift of friendship and grace as God's people in Christ.

November 2016



- 6 - Terry Nielsen
- 13 - Mary Laaker
- 20 - Margie Sutej
- 27 - Malachi Black
- Dec. 4 - Brenda Spahr

- 2 - Barnaba Nyiwe
- 5 - Alexandra Granillo
- 6 - Jan Monico
- 9 - Mickey Andersen
- 10 - Telly Mounto
- 11 - Margie Sutej
- 17 - Emerita Alberto
- 18 - Charlotte Palczynski
- 20 - Pastor Laaker
- 22 - Don Olson
- 26 - Greg Hula
- 29 - Ron Adrian

Did we miss your birthday?
Please contact the church
office and let us know!



November Acolytes

- 6 - Andrea Spahr
- 13 - Donna Adrian
- 20 - Greg Hula
- 27 - Brenda Spahr
- Dec. 4 - Janet Hula

November Ushers

- Vicki Cox
- Larry Foreman
- Andrew Edwards

Ushers & Greeters



November Greeters

- 6 - Vicki Cox and Larry Foreman
- 13 - Bobby Stechenfinger & Andrew Edwards
- 20 - Andrea and Brenda Spahr
- 27 - Ralph Fitle and Gloria Moore
- Dec. 4 - Ron and Donna Adrian



Responsibility List

Altar Flowers



- 6 - OPEN.
- 13 - OPEN.
- 20 - OPEN.
- 27 - Jack, Leo and Maddi in celebration of their Grampy, Ron Adrian's birthday.
- Dec. 4 - OPEN.

Flower Pick-Up for November:
Jerry and Marilyn Van Ormer

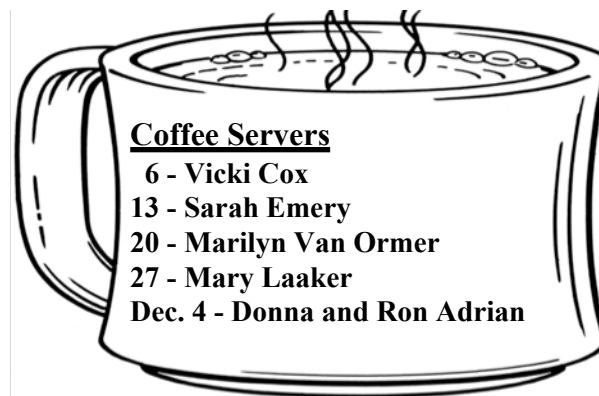


Backpack Program

- 6 - Jerry and Marilyn Van Ormer in celebration of their granddaughter, Jeanna's birthday.
- 13 - Vicki Cox, in celebration of her husband, Cliff's birthday.
- 20 - Vicki Cox, in celebration of her Wedding Anniversary.
- 27 - Ron and Donna Adrian in celebration of their son, Jim's birthday.
- Dec. 4 - Margie Sutej in honor of her grandchildren.

Coffee Servers

- 6 - Vicki Cox
- 13 - Sarah Emery
- 20 - Marilyn Van Ormer
- 27 - Mary Laaker
- Dec. 4 - Donna and Ron Adrian



Buy Your 2017 God's Creation Calendar!

The Calendars Are Here! Calendars are open for everyone, if you would like to purchase a copy, please look for Donna or Brenda on Sunday mornings or call the church office at 402-341-7730.



Calendars include beautiful monthly scenic photography enhanced with inspiring Scriptures from the Holy Bible. High-quality, heavy-weight stock with gloss coated photo pages and ample space to write appointments and family events.

Same Great Price ~ Only \$5.00



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Get started today! Ask for an authorization form in the church office.

Grace's Free Little Library is now on display in the front island of the parking lot! Stop on by and browse for an interesting book! If you have any books for all ages you would like to contribute to the outdoor library or have any questions regarding this new adventure, please speak with Malachi. Let's help spread the joy of imagination through reading a good book!



Grace Lutheran Church
ESL (English as a Second Language) Classes
Saturdays 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.
402-341-7730




Do you know anyone searching for the opportunity to learn the English language? Please direct them here at Grace. Every Saturday morning they would be greeted with a smile and very helpful tutors to start their education in one of the most difficult languages to learn as a second language.

Bible Quiz

Fill in the blank to complete this verse from a psalm of thanksgiving: "Bless the LORD, O my _____, and forget not all his benefits."

A. people B. soul
C. heart D. children



Answer: B (See Psalm 103:2, ESV.)

Lutheran South Pantry
4401 South 23rd Street
402-502-7070



Items that clients cannot purchase with their food stamps are always appreciated: Dish Soap, Kleenex, Bar Soap, Deodorant, Toothbrush and toothpaste, Shaving Cream, Razors, Mouthwash (without alcohol), Feminine hygiene products, Hair products (combs, brushes, picks), Bathroom tissue, Shampoo, Dry Laundry Soap, Can Openers, Diaper wipers, and Diapers, especially sizes 4, 5, 6 and pull-ups.

We always need paper or plastic bags.



How to Waste Less Food

Did you know that Americans spend \$90 billion each year on food that never gets eaten? That 40% of our food ends up in the trash instead of our stomachs? Those are just two of the sobering statistics from a Natural Resources Defense Council report.

Luckily, it doesn't have to be this way. United Kingdom cut down their food waste by 18% in just five years through better awareness. And you can too, with these tips from the Natural Resources Defense Council.

Shop Wisely. Plan meals, use shopping lists, buy from bulk bins, and avoid impulse buys. Don't succumb to marketing tricks that lead you to buy more food than you need, particularly for perishable items.

Buy Funny Fruit. Many fruits and vegetables are thrown out because their size, shape, or color are not "right". Buying these perfectly good funny fruit, at the farmer's market or elsewhere, utilizes food that might otherwise go to waste.

Learn When Food Goes Bad. "Sell-by" and "use-by" dates are not federally regulated and do not indicate safety, except on certain baby foods. Rather, they are manufacturer suggestions for peak quality. Most foods can be safely consumed well after their use-by dates.

Mine Your Fridge. Websites such as www.lovefoodhatewaste.com can help you get creative with recipes to use up anything that might go bad soon.

Use Your Freezer. Frozen foods remain safe indefinitely. Freeze fresh produce and leftovers if you won't have the chance to eat them before they go bad.

Request Smaller Portions. Restaurants will often provide half-portions upon request at reduced prices.

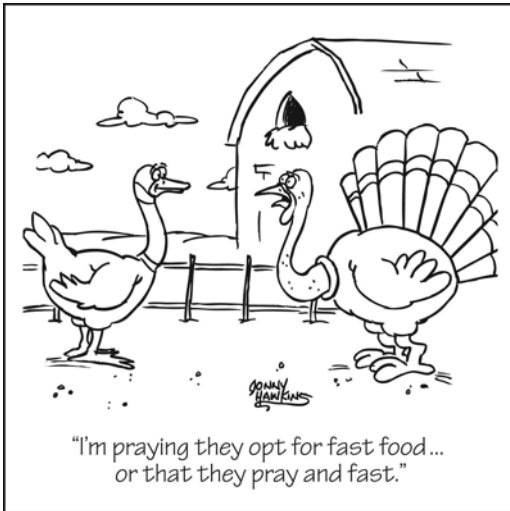
Eat Leftovers. Ask your restaurant to pack up your extras so you can eat them later. Freeze them if you don't want to eat immediately. Only about half of Americans take leftovers home from restaurants.

Donate. Non-perishable and unspoiled perishable food can be donated to local food banks, soup kitchens, pantries, and shelters. Local and national programs frequently offer free pick-up and provide reusable containers to donors.

Reading Your Bible in a Year - November 2016

1	1 Tim 3	Isaiah 36-37	Psalms 119:97-120
2	1 Tim 4	Isaiah 38-39	Psalms 119:121-144
3	1 Tim 5:1-22	Jer 1-2	Psalms 119:145-176
4	1 Tim 5:23-6:21	Jer 3-4	Psalms 120
5	2 Tim 1	Jer 5-6	Psalms 121
6	2 Tim 2	Jer 7-8	Psalms 122
7	2 Tim 3	Jer 9-10	Psalms 123
8	2 Tim 4	Jer 11-12	Psalms 124
9	Titus 1	Jer 13-14	Psalms 125
10	Titus 2	Jer 15-16	Psalms 126
11	Titus 3	Jer 17-18	Psalms 127
12	Philemon	Jer 19-20	Psalms 128
13	James 1	Jer 21-22	Psalms 129
14	James 2	Jer 23-24	Psalms 130
15	James 3	Jer 25-26	Psalms 131
16	James 4	Jer 27-28	Psalms 132
17	James 5	Jer 29-30	Psalms 133
18	1 Peter 1	Jer 31-32	Psalms 134
19	1 Peter 2	Jer 33-34	Psalms 135
20	1 Peter 3	Jer 35-36	Psalms 136
21	1 Peter 4	Jer 37-38	Psalms 137
22	1 Peter 5	Jer 39-40	Psalms 138
23	2 Peter 1	Jer 41-42	Psalms 139
24	2 Peter 2	Jer 43-44	Psalms 140
25	2 Peter 3	Jer 45-46	Psalms 141
26	Gal 1	Jer 47-48	Psalms 142
27	Gal 2	Jer 49-50	Psalms 143
28	Gal 3:1-18	Jer 51-52	Psalms 144
29	Gal 3:19-4:20	Lam 1-2	Psalms 145
30	Gal 4:21-31	Lam 3-4	Psalms 146





Ode to Thanksgiving

May your stuffing be tasty
 May your turkey plump,
 May your potatoes and gravy
 Have nary a lump.
 May your yams be delicious
 And your pies take the prize,
 And may your Thanksgiving
 dinner
 Stay off your thighs!

Horn of Plenty



When a music student brought his French horn to my shop for repair, he complained that the instrument “felt stuffy” and he couldn’t blow air through it. It’s not unusual to find partial blockages in brass instruments if small items get lodged in the tubing, but when I tested the instrument, the horn was completely blocked. After much probing and prodding, a small tangerine dropped out of the bell.

“Oh,” said the musician when I handed him the fruit. See the bewildered look on my face, he explained, “My mom used the horn for a cornucopia in a Thanksgiving centerpiece.”

Shared by Mark L. Madden, rd.com

Daylight Savings Time Ends

Don't forget to set your clocks back an hour before going to sleep on Saturday, November 5th!



Bible Wordsearch

Wordsearch 254

Matt.10:34-11:3

Jesus the Teacher

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EARTH	DAUGHTER
EXPECT	DISCIPLE
FATHER	ENEMIES
FOLLOW	FINISHED
GIVES	GALILEE
HEARD	MEMBERS
JESUS	MOTHER
PEACE	PREACH
PRISON	PROPHET
SWORD	RECEIVES
TRUTH	REWARD
TEACH	SHOULD
TOWNS	SOMEONE
TWELVE	SUPPOSE
WATER	WORTHY

After you find all the hidden words the left over letters spell out a Bible verse reading from the top left to the bottom right



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Turkey Help in a Pinch

One caller to Butterball’s Thanksgiving Turkey Talk-Line had always cut the legs off the turkey before putting it in the oven, thinking that was how you had to cook a turkey. She later learned that the only reason her mom had been doing that was because their oven had been so small that that was the only way to get the bird into the oven!

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