



The Messenger of Grace



November 2023

MESSAGE FROM PASTOR SHERIDAN

I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,
and I will glorify your name for ever. ~ Psalm 86:12

One of my wise rabbi friends reminded us at an Interfaith Thanksgiving Service that we have no “Grumbling Day” special holiday; that’s every day. We need a day for “thanks-giving” because it’s easier to forget to be thankful. Especially when we get busy, and this time of year is a busy one for most of us, we can forget to give thanks to God and even become ungrateful. A new phrase I recently learned is “micro-spirituality.” It was coined by a busy pastor mom who encourages busy people to find very small moments – maybe even just 30 seconds – to connect with God in gratitude and praise. Setting aside an entire day to give thanks with family and friends on Thanksgiving is great; building in small habits to give thanks every day is even better!

So rather than thinking you have to carve out 10 minutes to half an hour of intentional prayer time with God, when you are driving and notice the changing leaves on the trees say a small prayer of thanks to God – say another prayer of thanks when you arrive at your destination safely! Turn off electronic devices when you go for a walk and be grateful for the good weather or the breath going in and out of your lungs. Thank God when someone or something makes you laugh. Thank God for getting you out of bed today. Before you go to sleep, no matter how bad the day was, think of one thing that went well, one joyful moment, and give God thanks. These “micro-spiritual” moments not only help our attitude and outlook, they connect us more deeply to God to see everything we have as a gift. In building in regular moments to practice gratitude, you’ll probably be amazed at how much truly we can be thankful to God for. May thanks-giving not just be a wonderful one-day holiday, but a daily lifestyle.

**DON'T FORGET!
DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS
THE WEEKEND OF NOVEMBER 4/5.
SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK ON SAT-
URDAY NIGHT.**



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Worship Schedule

November 5, 2023

Pastor Charles Vogeley

November 12, 2023

Pastor James Anderson

November 19, 2023

Pastor Martin Nale

November 26, 2023

Pastor Perry Kirchbaum in Merrick

Worship Servers Schedule

Sundays at 9:30am [sung]

DATE	AM/READER	USHER	ALTAR CARE	COUNTERS	COFFEE SOCIAL
Nov. 5	Alan Hulsaver	Don Field	Maryellen Field		Jean Blom

Nov. 12	Tracy Niedfeld	Dan McNamee	Adele Hofmann	Jean Blom and Karin Trabold	Maryellen Field
Nov. 19	Diane McDermott	Mike Trabold	Terry Freyvogel		Karin Trabold
Nov.26				Terry Freyvogel and Maryellen Field	

Weekly Altar Memorials

A calendar for memorials is posted on the bulletin board opposite the church office. There you can make a request for a floral, bulletin or candle memorial dedication.

We are appreciative of the gift of flowers to grace our worship.

November Birthday & Anniversaries

November 1st Thomas Pistone
November 4th David Zahn
November 7th Kimberly Hutter, Gavin Mehlauff
November 10th Ashley Petti, Corey Preattle
November 11th Nicole George
November 13th Jenni Lennon, Walter Weiss
November 14th Victoria DeOdene, Anns Leigh Paulin
November 16th Freddy Neuman
November 17th Maryellen Field, Kristina DeOdene
November 20th Eric Reeves
November 23rd Robert Pratt
November 25th Emily Zahn Winger
November 26th Craig Preattle Jr.
November 29th Diane McDermott
November 30th George McDermott

WELCA News

WELCA is having their next meeting on **Tuesday November 14, at 12:30pm**. Please join us in the coffee social area in Parish Hall. Please bring lunch and a beverage, but there will be desserts. You may RSVP to Nancy Gutheil at (516) 378-5353 or Joan Keville at (516) 221-8093.

Ladies from our conference churches Bible Study will meet again at St. David's Lutheran Church In Massapequa Park. Bible study on **Thursday Nov. 16th, from 10a.m. until noon**. Please enter at the ramped door at the corner of the church parking lot. The leader of the day will be Pastor John Hickey From Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Seaford.

What's In a Name

Now through Nov. 30th- our[3]faith families of the B/M Lutheran Witness are invited to suggest a name for our newly formed congregation once the consolidation goes through. Five of the most popular names will be selected to create a voting sheet for our current congregational members to cast their vote on three consecutive Sundays[dates TBA/one vote per person] selecting a new name for our church. We have a ballot box in our Narthex with paper and pen. Please write your suggestion and drop it in the box.

FACEBOOK

Thank you to Christine Storz we are Back on Facebook., search for “ Grace Lutheran Church Bellmore” be sure to click “ Follow” to stay up-to-date with church events and happenings. If you have any photos to share please send them to christine.storz@gmail.com.

All Saints Day

We will continue the time-honored tradition of remembering the faithful called to eternal life in the Previous year on All Saints’ Sunday, November 5. The names of those who have died since All Saints’ Day (Nov.1) last year will be included in a prayer of Remembrance. Additional names of loved ones will be received for inclusion in the worship Bulletin.

Confirmation Classes

We have finalized our schedule for Confirmation Classes for this year. Classes will be held on Sunday Mornings as part of our Sunday School. Students from our neighbor Lutheran congregations are invited to participate. If you have a student to enroll and you have not yet spoken with Jim Schwarz, please contact him at jimschwarz@optonline.net.

Sunday School Event:

Sunday, November 5th	Christmas Pageant Rehearsal 10:30 – 12
Sunday, November 12th	Christmas Pageant Rehearsal 10:30 – 12
Sunday, November 19th	Christmas Pageant Rehearsal 10:30 – 12

Veterans Remembrance

We keep Veterans’ Day to honor those who place the safety and security of their countrymen above their own life and welfare. We do not and cannot embrace or endorse warfare, it is to be regarded as a last resort and something which is thrust upon us. To engage in unnecessary wars is a great sin against the sacrifices of those who fight them. Veterans’ Day rightly observed on a day when once the guns of war fell silent. It should always be a day of peace, both for those who were called to engage in conflict and for peace they won at great cost.

Michael McCrory USMC, the great nephew of Adele and Ray Hofmann recently returned from a tour of duty in Australia. He was stationed there on base with the US Marines. He was involved in an Osprey Helicopter crash which killed the three pilots. With both feet broken, he was still able to assist the remaining 19 Marines that were still on board and got them off safely before the helicopter exploded into flames. He is doing very well but still recovering and very anxious to return to his tour of duty. Please continue to keep him in your prayers.

What's Cooking

Butternut Squash Soup

Ingredients

5 lbs Butternut squash pitted peeled and cubed
1 tablespoon salt
3 teaspoons pepper
2/3 cup chopped celery
1 medium onion chopped

5 1/3 cups of milk
4 cups cheese shredded
6 cups chicken broth
1/3 cup butter
small amount of cooking oil

In a large pot 7 ½ quart size or larger place onion in the pot with a small amount of cooking oil and cook until soft. Add in celery, squash, salt, pepper and chicken broth. Cook until the squash is tender.

In a separate pot melt butter, add flour to make roux (thicken) add milk to roux. Now combine this mixture with the squash mixture in pot
Add in shredded cheese and cook until the cheese is melted.

Using an immersion blender or put small amounts of the squash mixture into regular blender to smooth out the squash and vegetables. Can be poured into containers when cool for freezing.



Harvest Fair News

A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL THE CHURCH MEMBERS(too numerous to list all of you) AND PRE-SCHOOL TEACHERS

THAT DONATE THEIR TIME, MONEY AND EFFORTS TO MAKE THIS HARVEST FAIR THE 2ND MOST SUCCESSFUL FUNDRAISER EVER!!!!

*We appreciate and thank all of our local businesses that donated raffle prizes to our fair!
Please think of them when you are looking for a
Restaurant, Florist, Jewelry store or many other Services!*

Restaurants/Eatery/Food

Apollo Diner – Merrick Ave., E. Meadow
Bare Naked Bakery- Merrick Rd, Bellmore
Carvel- Bedford Ave., Bellmore
Ciro's – Bellmore Ave., E. Meadow
Cream Bakery – Merrick Rd., Bellmore
Frank' Pizza And Pasta – Bedford Ave,
N. Bellmore
Galleria -1399 Merrick Ave. Merrick
Guy Anthony's – Jerusalem Ave., Merrick
International Delights Café – Bedford Ave,
Bellmore
New Wave Seaford – Wantagh Ave., Wantagh
Oak Chalet – Bellmore Ave., Bellmore
Piccolo's – Sunrise Hwy, Bellmore
Peking Gourmet -Newbridge Rd. Bellmore.
Ralph's Italian Ices – Bedford Ave, Bellmore
Salpino's -Newbridge Rd, N. Bellmore
Umberto's – Bedford Ave., Bellmore

Hair Care

Demaine Hair & Salon – N. Jerusalem Road,
N. Bellmore
Hair Effex – Before Ave., Bellmore
Jacob's Barber Shop – Bedford Ave. Bellmore
Lemon Tree – Jerusalem Ave., N. Bellmore
Pro Nail – Bellmore Ave. Bellmore
Sister's Nail & Spa – Bedford Ave, Bellmore
Vanity Beauty Bar – Merrick Ave, Merrick

Florist

Voegler Florist – Merrick Ave, Merrick

Island Greenery – Bellmore Ave., Bellmore
Numa's Florist -Wantagh Ave. Wantagh
Old Mill Nursery – Newbridge Rd. N. Bellmore
Rare Violet Boutique – Bedford Ave, Bellmore

Speciality

Bedford Wine & Liquor -Bedford Ave Bellmore
Bellmore Funeral Home -Jerusalem Ave. N.
Bellmore
Bellmore Movies – Petit Ave., Bellmore
Bellmore Playhouse – Bedford Ave., Bellmore
Bolila Jewelers – N. Jerusalem Ave., N. Bellmore
Charlotte's Kids- Bedford ave., Bellmore
Clean Machine Car Wash- Newbridge Rd., N.
Bellmore
Gennaro Jewelers – Bedford Ave., Bellmore
Income Tax Savers – Wantagh Ave., Wantagh
Jim Dandy – Wantagh Ave., Wantagh
Philip Joseph Jewelers – Sunrise Hwy, Bellmore
Polara Jewelers – Bedford Ave, Bellmore
N.F. Walker Funeral Home – Merrick Ave.,
Merrick
Newbridge Wines & Liquors- Newbridge Rd.
Bellmore
North Bellmore Dental – Newbridge Rd.N
Bellmore
Old Towne Garden – Wantagh Ave. Wantagh
Pat's Farms -Merrick Ave, Merrick
Planet Play- Bedford Ave, Bellmore
South Shore Art Center- Petit Ave, Bellmore
Urban Farmhouse – Bedford Ave., Bellmore

Preschool November 2023 Newsletter

Grace Lutheran Preschool November 2023 Newsletter

November is a wonderful month to take time to reflect on our blessings. The four-year olds are doing wonderfully in Reading Readiness. Everyone is trying hard and doing their best. When you work on letters at home, please make sure that they are holding the pencil correctly and do not forget those lower-case letters too! The three-year olds are adjusting to the classroom routine and learning to share with their new friends! The two-year old's have been having fun making holiday crafts and learning their colors.

White party bags went home on the Halloween party. These bags will be used to bring home goodies from all our parties here at the preschool and **must be returned** to your child's teacher as soon as possible. The children will decorate the bags for each party. Always be sure to go through the bag when it comes home to make sure that the goodies are appropriate for your child.

We have so much to be thankful for but there are others who are struggling with putting food on the table. I would like to ask that each child bring in a canned or dried food item to donate to Lutheran Social Services in Uniondale this month. Together we can help make someone's holiday season a little brighter.

Important dates this month are:

Wednesday, November 1st – Tuition Due

Tuesday, November 7th – Preschool Closed for Election Day

Friday, November 10th – Preschool Closed for Veterans Day

Monday, November 13th – Picture Day (Pixels Photography will come and take portraits of the children. Once I have the order forms, I will send them home, they want you to pick your photo package prior to seeing photos)

Wednesday, November 15th – Yellow Day (wear something yellow) , Crazy Hat Day – wear your craziest hat to celebrate letter H and Chapel Time with Pastor Rebecca

Monday, November 20th - Thanksgiving Feast – No Reading Readiness this week -please speak to your child's teacher if there are any dietary concerns.

Wednesday, November 22nd thru Friday, November 24th – Preschool Closed for Thanksgiving

Wednesday, November 29th – Show and Tell and Music Time

*****Please be sure to label all coats with your child's name,
it makes dismissal time run a lot smoother.

Have a Blessed Thanksgiving
Karin Trabold, Preschool Director

*Persons thankful for little things are certain to be the ones
with much to be thankful for. Frank Clark*

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A

VICTORIAN TEA PARTY

DATE: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH

TIME: 1-4PM

PLACE: GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

(1294 BELLMORE AVENUE, NORTH BELLMORE)

COST: \$10 ADULTS

\$5 CHILDREN



GUESTS WILL BE SERVED A FULL AFTERNOON TEA FEATURING SWEET AND SAVORY TREATS AND WILL BE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN SEVERAL VICTORIAN ACTIVITIES. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO DRESS FOR THE OCCASION (HATS OPTIONAL). THIS YEAR WE ARE REQUESTING THAT EACH GUEST BRING A NEW BABY ITEM TO BE DONATED TO A LOCAL HOME FOR YOUNG MOTHERS AND THEIR BABIES. WE WILL ALSO DONATE PROCEEDS TO LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES. FOR QUESTIONS OR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT CHRIS MACLEOD AT (516) 781-1035.

YES, I WOULD BE DELIGHTED TO JOIN YOU FOR THE VICTORIAN TEA!



NAME: _____

PHONE#: _____

NUMBER OF PEOPLE ATTENDING: _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

PLEASE RETURN BY NOVEMBER 11TH TO CHRISTINE MACLEOD.

ITEM DESCRIPTION	QTY		COLOR	LINE ITEM TOTAL
Greenery with Bows only:		specify RIBBON CODE	RIBBON CODES:	
12" wreath - approx. 21" finished \$17			A = RED VELVET	
16" wreath - approx. 25" finished \$22			B = PLAID	
Candy Cane wreath 32" w/candycane ribbon \$24		or:	C= GOLD	
Cross wreath - approx. 30" \$24				
Decorated items:				
Small Decorated Greenery Bushel \$28				
Grave Blanket - LG -24" x 42" \$39				
GRAND TOTAL:				\$
Deadline is Sunday, Nov 19 to place orders				
Will pay on Pick-up day - Dec 1-3:	_____ YES or _____ PAYMENT ATTACHED (check one)			
TOTAL PAID:	_____			
CASH:	_____			
CHECK#:	Make check out to: GRACE CHURCH			
ORDERS WILL BE READY FOR PICK-UP ON FRIDAY - SUNDAY, DEC1-3				
FORWARD ORDER FORM TO TERRY FREYVOGEL OR LEAVE AT CHURCH OFFICE FOR PICK-UP				
ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL Terry F 516-221-7097 /516-884-1704 or email at FMFREEBIRD@yahoo.com				
NAME	Phone #			

November

2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1 AA- 7:00 PM	2	3	4 Clocks Fall Back tonight
5 9:30 AM Worship All Saints Sunday Sunday School Confirmation Christmas Pageant Rehearsal 10:30-12	6 1:30 PM Art Group	7	8 Council meeting at 7:00pm at the Parsonage AA- 7:00PM	9	10	11
12 9:30 AM Worship and Sunday School Christmas Pageant Rehearsal 10:30-12	13 1:30 PM Art Group	14 Welca meeting at 12:30 PM Grace Literary Society 7:PM At Parsonage	15 AA- 7:00PM	16 WELCA Bible Study 10AM @ St. David's Lutheran Church Massapequa Pk	17	18 Victorian Tea Party
19	20	21	22	23	24	25

9:30 AM Worship and Sunday School Confirmation Christmas Pageant Rehearsal 10:30-12	1:30 PM Art Group		AA- 7:00 PM	Thanksgiving Day		
26 9:30 AM Worship St. John's Merrick No Sunday School	27 1:30 PM Art Group	28	29 AA- 7:00 PM	30	1	2

St. John's Lutheran Church ~ Merrick ~ November 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 Fall Back Remember to turn your clocks back one hour on Saturday, November 4	Daylight Savings Time Ends Remember to turn your clocks back one hour on Saturday, November 4	 ALL SAINTS DAY				
5 All Saints Sunday 10:30-Holy Eucharist	6 ECC - 2s, 3s & 4s 2pm -The Bagel Ministry 5-8pm - ECC Parent Teacher Conferences 7:30p - Boy Scout Troop 351 Meeting	7 ECC Closed 9am - 12pm - Parent Teacher Conferences 10:30am - Pastor's Text Study 6:30p - Exec. Com. Mtg.	8 ECC - 2s, 3s & 4s	9 ECC - 2s, 3s & 4s	10 ECC Closed  VETERANS DAY 7:30pm - N.A. Group	11
12 Time after Pentecost - 32nd Sunday 10:30-Holy Eucharist	13 ECC - 2s, 3s & 4s 2pm -The Bagel Ministry 7:30p - Boy Scout Troop 351 Meeting	14 ECC - 2s, 3s & 4s 10:30am - Pastor's Text Study 12:15pm - ECC Staff Mtg 6:30p Church Council Mtg	15 ECC - 2s, 3s & 4s	16 ECC - 2s, 3s & 4s 9:30am - ECC Chapel Time 6:30pm - ECC PIE Meeting	17 ECC - 2s & 4s 7:30pm - N.A. Group	18 9am - INN Cook followed by Social Ministry Meeting Victorian Tea at Grace
19 Time after Pentecost - 33rd Sunday 10:30am-Holy Eucharist	20 ECC - 2s, 3s & 4s 2pm -The Bagel Ministry 7:30p - Boy Scout Troop 351 Meeting	21 ECC - 2s, 3s & 4s 10:30am - Pastor's Text Study	22 ECC Closed.	23 ECC & Church Office Closed  HAPPY THANKSGIVING	24 ECC & Church Office Closed 7:30pm - N.A. Group	
26 Christ the King Sunday 9:30am-Joint worship @ St. John's Merrick Bag Lunch Ministry	27 ECC - 2s, 3s & 4s 2pm -The Bagel Ministry 7:30p - Boy Scout Troop 351 Meeting	28 ECC - 2s, 3s & 4s 10:30am - Pastor's Text Study	29 ECC - 2s, 3s & 4s	30 ECC - 2s, 3s & 4s <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Andrew, Apostle</div>		
		ECC - Gymnastics/Art Tuesdays 12:00- 1:00		ECC - Cooking Explorers - Thursdays 12:00- 1:00	ECC - Amazing Athletes- Fridays 12:00- 1:00	

Recovery Group meets on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

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Saint John Lutheran Church Bellmore



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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5 All Saints Sunday Holy Eucharist 9am Sunday School 10am	6 INN Cook /Ladies Afternoon 12:30pm AA 7:30pm	7 Karate 5:30pm	8 Karate 5:30pm	9 AA 7:30pm	10 	11
12 Time after Pentecost – 32nd Sunday Holy Eucharist 9am Sunday School 10am	13 Ladies Afternoon 12:30pm	14 Karate 5:30pm 7pm	15 Karate 5:30pm	16 WELCA Bible Study at St. David's 10am	17	18 Victorian Tea at Grace, North Bellmore
19 Time after Pentecost – 33rd Sunday Holy Eucharist 9am Sunday School 10am	20 Ladies Afternoon 12:30pm Church Council Mtg. 7:30pm AA 7:30pm	21 Karate 5:30pm	22 Karate 5:30pm	23 AA 7:30pm	24	25
26 Christ the King Sunday Joint worship service of St. John's Merrick 9:30am	27 Ladies Afternoon 12:30pm	28 Karate 5:30pm	29 	30 AA 7:30pm		



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Facebook or YouTube page



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