

**SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY**  
**Rev. Lester Wolfgram, Pastor**  
**Rev. Justin Woodside, Pastor**  
**Twenty Fifth Sunday After Pentecost**  
**November 19, 2023**

<b>Divine Service Setting One</b>	<b>LSB 151</b>
<b>Opening Hymn: “Today Your Mercy Calls Us”</b>	<b>LSB 915</b>
<b>Hymn of the Day: “Take My Life and Let It Be”</b>	<b>LSB 783</b>
<b>Distribution: “The Day Is Surely Drawing Near”</b>	<b>LSB 508</b>
<b>“Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray”</b>	<b>LSB 623</b>
<b>Closing Hymn: “We Give Thee but Thine Own”</b>	<b>LSB 781</b>

**WELCOME!!** We are glad that you have joined us this morning as we lift up our hearts and voices in response to God’s great gift of forgiveness and life in Christ Jesus. If you are a visitor, please sign our guest book and introduce yourself to Pastor Les Wolfgram and Pastor Justin Woodside.

**AT SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH,**

we celebrate the Lord’s Supper in the confidence that we receive, along with the bread and wine, our Savior’s true body and blood “through and in which we obtain the forgiveness of sins.” Besides individually receiving Christ’s free gift of forgiveness in this sacrament, all those who commune make a confession of the faith that we believe and teach in the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. To commune at this altar is to accept the doctrinal position of this congregation. Because of that common confession, we invite those who are members at sister Missouri Synod Churches to join us at the Lord’s Table. If you would like more information on our understanding of the Lord’s Supper, please visit with Pastor Wolfgram or Pastor Woodside.

**Introit**

*Psalm 143:2, 5–6, 10–11; antiphon: v. 1*

Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for | mercy!\*  
In your faithfulness answer me, in your | righteousness!  
Enter not into judgment with your | servant,\*  
for no one living is righteous be- | fore you.  
I remember the days of old; I meditate on all that | you have done;\*

I ponder the work | of your hands.  
I stretch out my | hands to you;\*  
my soul thirsts for you like a | parched land.  
Teach me to do your will, for you | are my God!\*  
Let your good Spirit lead me on | level ground!  
For your name’s sake, O LORD, pre- | serve my life!\*

In your righteousness bring my soul out of | trouble!

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***

**and to the Holy | Spirit;**  
**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***  
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

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**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

Almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Dispel from us the works of darkness and grant us to live in the light of Your Son, Jesus Christ, that our faith may never be found wanting; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**



Dream Center Bismarck is dedicated to serving the low income and marginalized of our community. Based out of Bismarck, ND, Dream Center Bismarck is currently focused on free grocery distribution providing assistance 6 days a week to those in need.

The money low income families save on groceries can be applied towards rent, utilities, medical bills, education expenses and other essential needs! In just a little over 2-1/2 years, Adopt-a-Block Food Distribution has impacted over **5000 households** containing more than **12,500** children, adults, and seniors.

Jim Barnhardt, founder of Dream Center Bismarck and Adopt-a-Block, feels very strongly about the Dream Center concept offering both physical and spiritual assistance to those in need. As we move forward into our new facility in early 2022 we will be adding more free programs to help fill unmet needs in our community.

#WEGETTOSERVE The Dream Center is The Human Care Committee's 4th Quarter focus.



*Building Healthy Families: "Count your blessings, name them one by one -count your many blessings, see what God has done..." These lyrics written by Johnson Oatman in 1897 are still true today. Our blessings are bountiful, which we realize when we take time to notice, name and count them. Challenge your family members to do the same this week. What's on your list? Happy Thanksgiving to you and your family from your friends at Lutheran Family Service [www.LutheranFamilyService.org](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org)-----*

The Board of Youth will be packing Christmas Care Bags for Wachter Middle School students in transition. It is our goal to provide packages for 30 students consisting of personal care products, hats/gloves (adult sizes), fleece blankets, games, and snacks. A display board and collection location are setup in the narthex and we will be packaging all items received Sunday December 17<sup>th</sup> after service. Cash will also be accepted and can be given to Justin Dever, Adam Dever, Becky Gildea or Pastor Woodside or Pastor Wolfgram. Please consider supporting this important service project for our community!



**MAIN STREET LIVING—LCMS TV Program—**

**Sunday Mornings @ 10 AM**

**KBMY Xtra / Bismarck Channel 17.3 Midco Channel 594**

10:00 AM: worship service led by area pastors 10:30 AM:

"This Is The Life" program

To watch these programs at any time and see upcoming schedules go to [www.mainstreetliving.com/north](http://www.mainstreetliving.com/north).

**November 19<sup>th</sup>:** Rev. Christopher Neuendorf, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Bottineau, ND, St. Paul Lutheran Church, Rugby, ND, and Immanuel Lutheran Church, Willow City, ND, presents the message: **"Using Our Talents Well"** based on Matthew 25:14-30. *"This Is the Life" program: "Senior Citizen" - A man struggles with purpose and a place in life after retirement.*

**November 26<sup>th</sup>:** Rev. Brian Doel, Our Savior Lutheran Church, Minot, ND, presents the message: **"The Abundant Position of Christ"** based on Matthew 14:13-21. *"This Is the Life" program: "The Gift" - A daughter struggles with what to do with birthday gift money.*



Christmas Tree Decorating. We will plan to put up the Christmas tree and decorate the sanctuary on Saturday, December 2nd, at 10:00 am.



We continue our bible study with Pastor Woodside on Tuesday night at 6:00 pm. Plan to join us.



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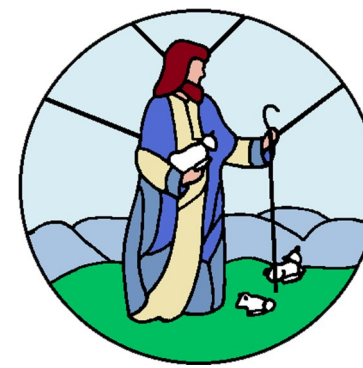
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# Nov. 19 - Dec. 2

Sunday      Mon      Tue      Wednesday      Thu      Fri      Saturday

19 <u>9:00am</u> Divine Service <u>10:30am</u> Education Hour <u>5:00pm</u> Middle School Youth Senior High Youth Supper/Bible/Skating	20	21 <u>6:00pm</u> Bible Study	22 <u>6:00pm</u> Worship	23	24	25
26 <u>9:00am</u> Divine Service <u>10:30am</u> Education Hour <u>7:00pm</u> Council	27 <u>10:00am</u> Stewardship	28 <u>6:00pm</u> Bible Study	29 <u>6:00pm</u> Confirmation <u>6:00pm</u> Worship	30	1	2 <u>10:00am</u> Decorate Christmas Tree

Thanksgiving Eve Service will take place on November 22nd at 6:00 pm. Plan to join us for this special service as we give thanks to the Lord for all of His benefits to us.



Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church

“A church family that shares, nurtures, and lives our faith in Christ”

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THE WEEKLY FYI

**THOSE SERVING TODAY**

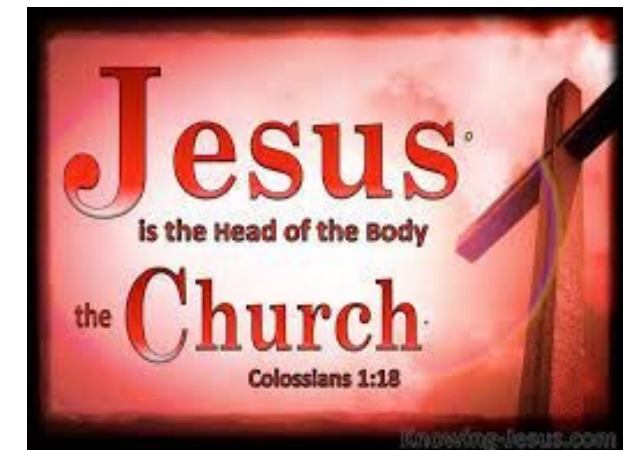
Preacher: Rev. Les Wolfgram  
 Liturgist: Rev. Les Wolfgram  
 Elder: Kevin Olson  
 Accompanist: Shirley Cook  
 Acolyte: David A.

**Worship Times**  
**6:00 PM Every Wednesday**  
**9:00 am Sunday Divine Service (livestream)**  
**10:30 am Education Hour**



**Stewardship Thought**

Colossians 1:18a – “And he is the head of the body, the church.” We are part of the Body of Christ; He is our Head. Where He goes, we follow. His thoughts direct our actions. This is how the people of God learn how to give and why they give. Because Jesus gives, indeed He gives all He has.



Sun: Dan. 6:1-28, Dan. 9:1-27; Rev. 22:1-21  
 Mon: Is. 1:1-28; 1 Peter 1:1-12  
 Tue: Is. 2:1-22, Is. 3:1-4:6; 1 Peter 1:13-25  
 Wed: Is. 5:1-25, Amos 1:1-9:15; 1 Peter 2:1-12  
 Thu: Is. 6:1-7:9; 1 Peter 2:13-25  
 Fri: Is. 7:10-8:8; 1 Peter 3:1-22  
 Sat: Is. 8:9-9:7; 1 Peter 4:1-19

