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Holy Apostles "Grapevine"

The Monthly Newsletter of Holy Apostles Episcopal Church

FROM THE DESKS OF PASTORS SHERYLAND CHRISKESTER-BEYER

Dear Friends in Christ,

Where do you find joy? Or where has joy found you? Sometimes we do need to go looking for joy, but at other times we are surprised by something that brings joy to our lives. Joy gets mentioned 230 times in scripture in a variety of ways from the joy of Sarah and Abraham over the birth of Isaac to the joy of the Ark of God being brought into the temple to the joy of victory over enemies.

So what brings you joy? In October, I was able to go on a mission trip right here in Nebraska. We were in Lynch NE, one of the towns hit hard by the spring floods. Though it was tiring, I came back from helping fix up homes renewed, energized, and feeling a sense of joy in making a tiny difference in the lives of those who lost almost everything in the icy waters. I found joy in giving of my time and energy.

Scripture speaks not only of the joy of giving, i.e. giving of one's time and energy, but also of one's treasure. During the month of November, we will be encouraging you to find that joy in giving through our annual Consecration Sunday. Every year we encourage you to prayerfully consider the amount you can give to the work and mission of God through the church, locally and beyond. In doing so we hope you find joy and not compulsion.

When we give a birthday or Christmas gift, it is easy to find joy in the giving especially if the gift "fits" or is really wanted. Your pledge is both. Your gift of a pledge 'fits' because it allows Holy Apostles to do the work of God through the many ministries we support and is wanted because it allows the church to have a sense of what is available for mission and ministry in the coming year.

May you find joy in this season of thanksgiving through your gift and hear your council say, "thank you" for pledging your support to Holy Apostles.

Pastor Chris



Holy Apostles' Episcopal Church

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Sunday service: 10:30am Office hours: Mornings - MTW

Mitchell Ministerial Association Food Pantry

The Food Pantry is asking for the following donation item(s):

November-spaghetti & spaghetti sauce

Your contributions are greatly appreciated.

Pantry coordinators:

Susan Weitzel-(308)623-2684 or

Karen French (308)623-188

Backpack Program

The Backpack Program is asking for the Following donation item(s):

Oatmeal packets

Fifth Wednesday & Thanksgiving

Please plan to come join us for some wonderful food and fellowship this Wednesday, October 30 for our 5th Wednesday Soup Supper. I've been told that if you wear a costume you might earn a special treat!

Also, for Thanksgiving, Holy Apostles will again be hosting a Thanksgiving feast in Beecher Hall. Watch for additional details later this month, but usually a fried and a roast turkey are provided and guests are asked to provide a side dish of their choice.

United Thank Offering

Just a reminder that there will be a United Thank Offering taken on Sunday, November 10. There are boxes and/or envelopes on the tables in the coffee area.

College Care Packages

On Sunday, November 17, after church, the ECW will be filling nine college care packages for loved ones. Anyone wishing to contribute goodies is encouraged to do so. Popular items include microwave popcorn, hot cocoa mix, candies, cookies, snacks, etc. and any other items that are easily mailed.

FYI- Names and Contact Information

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November Sunday Service Assignments Coffee Lector/Server Acolytes Ushers Gifts Dates Sylvia/Leann Merrill Nick & Katie Jenny & Andee 10/27 Mel/Nick Marilyn/Sister E-S Bill Nikki 11/3 Deb/Weston Leann & Nancy Deb/Maryruth Matt Leann/Merrill Nancy & Leann Steve & Marilyn 11/10 Andee/Jenny Merrill Mel & Nick Steve & Sylvia Nick & Katie 11/17 11/24 Sylvia/Steph Clancey the Raneys Deb & kids Deb & kids Deb/Sister E-S Bill Steve J/Chris Chris & Steph 12/1 Pete & Nancy

November Altar: Pete Okamoto & Deb Yamamoto

November Coffee Hour snacks provider: Marilyn Johnson

November Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays.

Nov 8 Matt Nation Nov 10 Pete Okamoto Nov 12 Pat Miyahara Nov 8 Mary Newman Nov 11 Lucca Albaugh Nov 19 Jordon Knaub

Nov 9 Matthew Dolberg

Anniversaries:

Nov 22 Jim & Colleen Elliott

November Altar Flowers

Given by: In memory of:

As of time of publication, there were no flower memorials for November

Go, eat your food with gladness, and drink your wine with a joyful heart, for God has already approved what you do.

Ecclesiastes 9:7

November 2019						
Sunday 27 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Service Celebration of Fr. Kano	Monday 28	Tuesday 29	Wednesday 30 Fifth Wednesday Soup Supper 5:30 pm	Thursday 31	Friday 1	Saturday
3 All Saints Sunday 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Service	4	5	6	7 ECW 12:30 @ Holy Apostles	8	9
9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Service UTO Sunday	11	12	13	14	15	16
9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Service* College Care Packages	18	19	20	21	22	23
9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Service 7:00 pm Ministerial Thanksgiving @ Spring Creek Church	25	26	27	28 Thanksgiving	29	30

^{*}As third Sunday, November 17 will be the Pastors' Discretionary Fund collection date. Any cash in the offering plate will be deposited in that fund.