

## Holy Apostles "Grapevine"

The Monthly Newsletter of Holy Apostles Episcopal Church

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### FROM THE DESKS OF PASTORS SHERYL AND CHRIS KESTER-BEYER

Dear Friends in Christ,

October is designated as "national pastoral care month", along with 22 other designations. Pastor Sheryl and I want you to know we do feel appreciated and we appreciate your expressions of gratitude. At Calvary, we celebrated 55 years of ordained ministry for Pastor Spomer and showed our appreciation with a reception following the service. I know that Pastor Spomer, while thanking everyone for their well wishes, felt a little awkward being recognized.

He is a good theologian and knows the words from the gospel of Luke, where Jesus tells the disciples, "So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'we are worthless slave; we have done only what we ought to have done.'" So Pastor Spomer accepted our congratulations for 55 years of ministry with a grain of salt and true humility.

I thank God that I can look to people like Pastor Spomer as examples of service, because it is human nature to look for recognition. Our children bring us a picture and say, "Guess what I made?" We gaze upon the colored paper at the maze of lines and try to figure out is it a blue dragon or a ship on the sea?—all the while our child expectantly wanting affirmation of their accomplishment.

So, we receive the appreciation for being a part of the ministry here at Calvary and Holy Apostles' with mixed emotions, after all it is what you called us to do. These words of Jesus are part of a parable about a servant serving their master spoken in response to the disciples' request for more faith. I think Jesus is speaking less of looking for appreciation than simply saying, work with what you've got! We all are given faith to follow Jesus and serve God. It's not about how great that faith is, but that in all of us is sufficient faith to accomplish the work of the kingdom here on earth.

So thank you for your support and your work in the ministry of Holy Apostles' and Calvary Lutheran through the faith given to you by God our creator and redeemer.

Pastor Chris



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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):

**October- canned soup**

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):

**Individual juice boxes**

**Fifth Wednesday**

We will celebrate another 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday community meal this month. It will be held at Beecher Hall on October 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:30.

We are planning on a soup supper with desserts and sides (rolls, crackers, etc).

We are hoping to do a community "Trunk or Treat" prior to the meal and inviting those families to join us for free soup inside. If you are interested in passing out candy to kids from your trunk prior to the meal, please let Steph Cannon or Deb Yamamoto know. We will advertise the event throughout the community if we have enough interest.

**Annual Council**

Just a reminder that the 2018 Annual Council will be held October 26 and 27 at the Gering Civic Center. For more information you can check out the website <http://annualcouncil.episcopal-ne.org>

**UTO**

Just a reminder that September 30 will be the date for us to turn in UTO. Please bring your contribution envelope/box to turn in on that date. A big THANK YOU in advance for your generosity and caring.

**FYI- Names and Contact Information**

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<i>(Diocesan Environmental Ministries &amp; Ministry of Diaconate)</i>		

## October Sunday Service Assignments

Dates	Lector/Server	Acolytes	Ushers	Gifts	Coffee
9/30	Steph/Maryruth	Mary & Merrill	the Raneys	Pete	Deb
10/7	Marilyn/ Jenny	Matthew	Nick & Clancy	Nikki	Pete & Nancy
10/14	Sylvia./Sister E-S	Bill R	Deb & Atley	Sharon	Steve & Sylvia
10/21	Deb/Maryruth	Mary & Merrill	the Raneys	Chris & Steph	Steve & Marilyn
10/28	LeAnn/Jenny	Matthew & Clancy	Steve & Nick	Nick & Katy	LeAnn & Nancy
11/4	Andee/Sister E-S	Bill R	LeAnn & Milo	Nancy & LeAnn	Andee & Jenny

October Altar: Maryruth Reed & Marilyn Johnson

October Coffee Hour snacks provider: Sharon Francisco

## October Birthdays and Anniversaries

### Birthdays:

10/1	Aiden Meysenburg	10/12	Joslyn Kurtz
10/6	Weston Cannon	10/14	Reece Meysenburg
10/8	Steve Johnson	10/21	Sheryl Kester-Beyer
10/10	Corlette Allbaugh	10/29	Julie Lane
10/10	Kinsey Knaub	10/30	Joni Hotz
10/10	Laura Kurtz	10/30	Leonard Sakurada

### Anniversaries:

10/10 Matt & Alex Nation

## October Altar Flowers

### Given by:

### In memory of:

10/14 Angie Jones

her parents

*The Lord repay you for what you have done, and a full reward be given you by the Lord, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge!*

Ruth 2:12

<b>October 2018</b>						
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
	1	2	3	4 ECW meeting 1:00 pm	5 Group Reunion@ Penny's 7 am	6
7 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Service	8	9	10	11	12 Group Reunion@ Penny's 7 am	13
14 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Service	15	16	17	18	19 Group Reunion @ Penny's 7 am	20
21* 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Service	22	23	24 Trunk or Treat Community Meal soup supper	25 ANNUAL COUNCIL	26 Group Reunion @ Penny's 7 am  ANNUAL COUNCIL	27
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\*As third Sunday, October 21 will be the Pastors' Discretionary Fund offering date. Any cash in offering plate will go to this fund.

There are Confirmation Classes every Wednesday at Calvary Lutheran at 6:00 pm.