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Sunday Worship Services:
8:00 & 10:30 am
Bible Studies: 9:20 am
Sunday School: 9:15 am

The Living Light

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF TALLMADGE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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The Meal of Thanksgiving



One of my favorite names for Holy Communion is the Eucharist. Eucharist comes from the Greek word "eucharisto" which means to give thanks. When Jesus instituted this practice, the author of Luke records this: "After

taking the cup, **he gave thanks** and said, 'Take this and divide it among you.'" (Luke 22:17). Our participation in the Lord's Supper is a declaration of Thanksgiving! This month of November—the month of Thanksgiving—it makes sense to spend some time focusing on all the blessings the Lord has given us through His Son Jesus Christ.

One of the places God pours out his gifts on his children is in worship. God's Word is proclaimed and the sacraments—Baptism and the Lord's Supper—are practiced. We are told in the book of Acts that from the very beginning the early church had the custom of gathering on the first day of the week for the breaking of bread.

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**They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship,
to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Acts 2:42**

The reason for gathering on the first day of the week was that this was the day of the resurrection of the Lord. Therefore, the main purpose of this service of worship was not to call the faithful to repentance, or to make them aware of the magnitude of their sins, but rather to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus which served as the seal of all of Jesus' promises. The book of Acts describes those worship gatherings as happy occasions: "they partook of food with glad and generous hearts, praising God for having favor with all the people" (Acts 2:46-27). Those early communion services proclaimed Christ's death in Holy Communion while celebrating Jesus' Easter resurrection. A new reality had dawned, and Christians gathered to die with Christ and so become alive in Christ.



Every time we gather for worship, we remember the Good News that the Word became flesh and was incarnate in Jesus Christ. Jesus is the “second Adam” because in his life, death, and resurrection a new humanity has been created, and in all his actions Jesus has redeemed what was twisted because of sin. Furthermore, Jesus has defeated Satan, and in turn Jesus enables us to live in a new freedom from sin, death, and the power of the devil.

*LET US
CELEBRATE!*

Those who are joined to Christ in baptism, and nourished in his body through Holy Communion, are also participants of his victory. Jesus Christ is literally the head of the church, which is his body. This body (us) is nourished through worship—particularly Holy Communion—and is so joined to its head that it is already receiving the first benefits of Christ’s victory. In his resurrection and ascension, Jesus has begun his reign and all who are part of his body will share in His kingdom.



Lord willing, Tallmadge Lutheran Church will begin to provide the Lord’s Supper at every Sunday morning worship service. A typical argument against this idea is, “If we receive the Lord’s Supper so often it will become less meaningful.” At first this has the appearance of wisdom; but with just a little pondering the illusion fades. Do we apply this reasoning to other means of grace? Are we worried about praying too frequently?

Reading the Bible too much? Shall we be safe and make biblical preaching less frequent? Can a person receive too much grace? We need to preach the gospel and then display and participate in the gospel in Holy Communion.

I especially love how having Holy Communion at the close of each service will have a way of tying the service to the gospel. The Lord’s Supper anchoring the conclusion of the service has a way of shaping all that comes before it, focusing on the cross of Christ and his return as our hope and joy. Unbelievers are also confronted visibly with the gospel as they see the work of Christ portrayed before them and yet are reminded that these benefits are only available to those who believe. With these benefits, why not celebrate communion weekly?

Proclaiming Jesus until He returns,
Pastor Andy

As we return to normal weekly services and prayerfully considers adding Communion to all Services at Tallmadge Lutheran, additional Altar Assistants are needed.

- Setup on Saturday & cleanup on the Sunday of Communion, filling candles and ensuring that the paraments match the church calendar
- Work individually or as a team. Young adults of high school age work with a parent or other adult.
- A typical month takes 2-3 workers.
- Sign up for as few or as many Sunday's in a month as able.

During the month of November, working sessions will be held on the Altar Guild duties:

- Saturday, 11/13, 11/20, 11/27 beginning at 10:00 am
- Sunday, 11/14, 11/21, 11/28 immediately after the 2nd service

Please contact Becky Springer at 330-618-5950 or email: springer.becky@gmail.com if you are interested or have further questions.

November Events

- 1 - 7:00 pm BOD
- 5 - 1:30 pm Prayer Shawl
- 7 - All Saints' Day
- 7 - 11:45 am Open Forum
- 8 - 7:00 pm BOD
- 14 - New Member Initiation
- 14 - 11:45 am NYG Info Meeting
- 15 - National OCC Drop-Off Week
- 20 - 12:00 Wise Owls
- 21 - National OCC Drop Off Week
- 24 - 7:00 pm Thanksgiving Eve Worship

December Events

- 1 - 6:30 pm Advent Midweek Worship
- 3 - 1:30 pm Prayer Shawl
- 4 - 9:00 am Cantata Rehearsal
- 5 - 11:45 am Voters' Meeting
- 6 - 7:00 pm BOE
- 7 - TCP, 6:30 pm Christmas Program
- 8 - 6:30 pm Advent Midweek Worship
- 11 - 5:00 pm Youth Cookie Bake
- 12 - Christmas Cantata
- 13 - 7:00 pm BOD
- 15 - 6:30 pm Advent Midweek Worship
- 18 - 12:00 pm Wise Owls

- 19 - 4:30 pm Youth Christmas Party
- 24 - 5:00, 7:00 & 10:00 pm Christmas Eve Services
- 25 - 10:00 am Christmas Day Service
- 31 - 6:00 pm New years' Eve Worship

Youth Leaf Raking

Youth Group is raking leaves throughout November. If you would like the Youth to rake your yard, please contact youth leader, Todd Miller, 330 573 5779 , or Lindsay in the church office, 330.633.4775, to set up a time.

Poinsettias for the Altar

It is time to order your Poinsettias to adorn the Altar this Christmas. We will be ordering double stem Poinsettias in 7.5" pots, the cost per plant is \$15.00. To order your plant(s), complete a Poinsettia Order envelope, indicating quantity, color (red, white or jingle bells), and if in memory of a loved one or a blessing. Place a check, payable to "Tallmadge Lutheran Church" with memo "Altar Flowers" in the envelope and place in Becky Springer's mail-box. Orders should be placed by Sunday, November 21 to guarantee availability. Poinsettias can be picked up after the Christmas Eve service.

*Community News

TALLMADGE

Leaf pick - up in Tallmadge begins November 1. Visit tallmadge-ohio.org/leafpickup for sections and pickup dates. If you have questions about leaf collection, contact the Street Department at 330-633-5130.

General Election - November 2, 6:30 am - 7:30 pm. For information about registration deadlines and early voting, visit the Ohio Secretary of State website:

[Voter Registration FAQs](#)

The City of Tallmadge and the American Legion Kneil-Lawrentz Post 255 are hosting a tribute to veterans. Joe Grieco, First Class Petty Officer USN (Ret.), will be the speaker. Joe is a naval science instructor at Ellet High School and helps run the Jr. ROTC program. The Tallmadge High School Band and Ellet High School NJROTC will be in attendance. The event will conclude outside with a short ceremony and rifle volley at the Tallmadge Veterans Memorial. An Open House is being held following the ceremony at the American Legion Post, 35 Southwest Avenue, from 11:30am-2:00pm.

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KENT

Kent Skates - Kent's new outdoor ice skating rink. Open November 20, 2021 - February 28, 2022; Wednesday - Sunday from 10:00 am - 8:00 pm. Kent Skates also has a food/beverage bar and visits from food trucks. Located on E Erie St between Haymaker Pkwy and Depeyster St.



* Please continue to follow state guidelines.

* Please confirm dates, times & ticket costs before traveling.

Youth Group News

Andy Wahl

Todd Miller

Jenn Larson

Beth Niermann

Spaghetti Dinner



Upcoming

Mon, Nov 1 NYG sign-up & deposit deadline

Sun, Nov 14, 11:45 am NYG Parent Info Meeting

Sun, Nov 21, 4:30 pm OCC

Tues, Nov 23, 5:00 pm Bread Baking

Dussel Farm



GIVE
Thanks
with a
GRATEFUL
heart

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Sweetest Day Spaghetti Diner to support the Youth Group NYG trip to Houston in 2022!

The Youth raised over \$700!

Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

Music Ministry News

Can you hold a tune? Join the Choir!

Can't sing a lick? Join the Ringers!

We have a place for YOU!

Contact Jesse Reed at
music@tlcoh.org today!



Autumn
Music

Rehearsals

Choir: 7:30 pm Wednesdays

Pianist position is still open.



TLC IS LOOKING FOR
A PIANIST WHO IS PROFICIENT IN PLAYING THE PIANO
HAS A GOOD WORKING KNOWLEDGE OF CONTEMPORARY PRAISE SONGS
AND THE ABILITY TO ACCOMPANY AND COLLABORATE WITH OTHER MUSICIANS

PIANIST POSITION

SERVE AS
CHURCH
MUSICIAN

8 HOUR
WORK
WEEK

10:30 AM
SUNDAY
SERVICE

CHOIR &
PRAISE TEAM
REHEARSALS

WEDDINGS
& FUNERALS

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TLC Building Projects

Your financial gifts help us care for God's House. Thank you!

Completed:

Rooms 6 and 7 have been painted by Blazer Painting

Cubbies have been moved from door 6 entrance to room 6
(Todd Miller and Trevor Whipple)

Room 12 decorations have been hung (Bert Holz)

Contacted Bicca Lock about door 6 repair

Replaced curtain rod in room 5

Patching holes in wall where cubbies were

Energy Management is scheduled to replace HVAC unit 5

Rehung soap dispenser in boys restroom in educational wing

Jeff the Plumber scheduled to repair toilet in girls restroom in
educational wing

Koorsen is scheduled to inspect fire doors

Koorsen is scheduled to inspect kitchen hood

Met with Todd Miller for youth projects

Clean and stain courtyard benches

Trim bushes and plants around the building

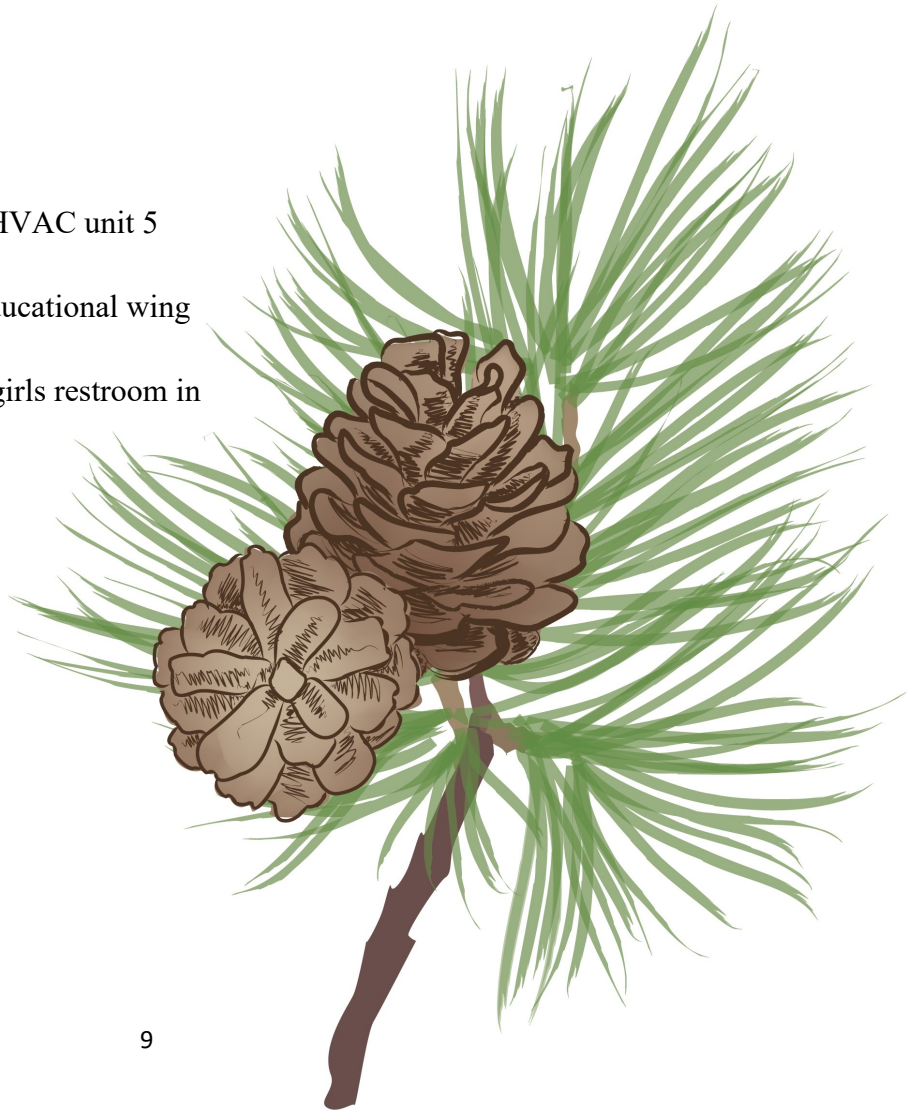
To Complete:

Paint narthex

Paint preschool hallway

Paint stairway to mechanical room

Replace overhead lights that are burnt out



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
All Saints Day 8:00 AM Worship 9:15 AM Sunday School (Rm 7) 9:20 AM Bible Study (Rm 12, zoom) 9:20 AM Youth Bible Study (Youth Rm) 10:30 AM Worship	All Saints' Day NYG sign-up deadline 5:30 PM Bible Study (Youth Rm) 7:00 PM Board of Elders (Rm 12)	9:00 AM Staff Meeting 10:00 AM Bible Study (Rm 12)	6:30 PM Bible study (Rm 12) 6:30 PM Confirmation (Rm 1) 7:30 PM Choir	10:00 AM Bible Study (Rm 12)	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Prayer Shawl (Rm 12)	
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Birthdays

- 2 Adam Pifer13 Gunther Zehner
- 2 Jerry Feeman16 Brent Ralston
- 3 Brian Pendleton18 Deborah Cochran
- 4 Olivia Hedderly18 Beth Niemann
- 5 Dorothy Murray19 Henry Schuster
- 6 Kris Kodzev22 Chris Tywon
- 9 Gerald Downey22 Walter Fowles
- 9 Susan Pifer24 Rebecca Bailey
- 11 David Dailey25 Walt Satterfield
- 11 Ethel Walent27 Denise Larson
- 11 Shelia Cambern28 Dorothy Taiclet
- 12 Taylor Graf29 Joyce Downey
- 13 Gracie Craddock
- 13 Seth Mihal

Anniversaries

- 1 Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Phipps
- 6 Mr. & Mrs. Chuck Currier



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