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For the Weekend of 11/12, 2017



IN THE SPOTLIGHT



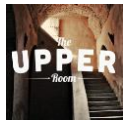
Thanksgiving basket items need to be returned today, Nov. 12! If you took an item from the display board in the Atrium, the items need to be returned ASAP. Also, thank you to all who helped in providing these items

so our families in need can have a full Thanksgiving meal. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Early Service Time Change The 7:45am service is back to 8:00am. Other Sunday morning changes that take effect the first of the year will be announced soon.

Guest Teacher & Preacher Nov. 11 & 12

We welcome Rev. Dr. Johnson Rethinasamy, who is the Mission Executive for the Atlantic District of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod and pastors a multicultural/multiethnic church called Immanuel Lutheran Church in Whitestone, New York. His congregation worships in five different languages. Have you ever wondered how a congregation composed of many people from many different ethnic backgrounds works? Ever been curious about how our congregation might begin to more closely reflect the ethnic makeup of its surrounding community? Join us to hear more about this topic.



Upper Room midweek worship service

(Wednesdays, 5:30-6:05pm in Luther Chapel). This is a casual, brief, come-as-you-are service with Holy Communion each week.



Adult Bible Studies:

Sunday morning adult study Beginning Nov. 19, Pastor Hannemann will be leading a study of 1 John in the Sanctuary at 9:00am. Grab a cup of coffee, your Bible, and join us. The study is called, “Walking In The Light.”

The Ministry of Jesus, Cont.: The History, Politics & Culture of the Day – Sundays, **10:10am** – Commons Room, led by Remkea Ockander.

Exploring Luther’s Large Catechism – Tuesdays, 10:00am – Luther Chapel, led by Pastor Hannemann. **(Study guide is \$12 cash or check.)** This is a great for study for our observance of the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation.

Current Events from a Christian Perspective is the title of the new class that began Wednesday, Nov. 8 from 6:15-7:30pm in the Chapel. Pastor Hannemann is teaching this class that applies the Bible to stories in the headlines.

Women’s Bible Studies:

(See Women’s Ministry section)

Men’s Bible Studies:

The Gospel of John – Wednesdays, 6:30am, Trinity Room, led by Vern Nemitz.

Man Camp – Wednesdays, 6:15pm, Shepherd’s Room, led by Pastor Chapman.

Reading Romans with Luther – The Book that Changed Luther– Thursdays, 6:00am, Vidlak’s Brookside Café, 156th & W. Center Road.

Matthew –Fridays, 6:15am, Shepherd’s Room, led by Pastor Chapman.

Galatians – Saturdays, 7:30am, Trinity Room, led by Vern Nemitz.



HUGE thank you to the almost 90 youth and families that helped rake it up this Sunday. We raked 7 homes and amassed over 155 bag of leaves! Thank you and know that this service to our congregational members is about more than just raking leaves for them!



Women’s Ministry
Faith (Bible Studies)

Living Beyond Yourself by Beth Moore – Tuesdays, 9:00am, Trinity Room. Led by Kristin Herrera.

Miracles of Jesus – Wednesdays, 9:30 am, Room 15. Led by Remkea Ockander.

NEW: Finding I Am by Lysa Terkeurst, Sundays, began Sunday, Nov. 5th, 9:00am, Room 11, led by Dena Nigh.

Living Life Together by Shauna Niequist - New Study started Wednesday, Nov. 1st at 6:15pm, Room 15, led by Denise Ehler.

She Reads Truth – First **Saturday** of each month, 8:30-10:00am, led by Deb Wendt. **Meets at Paradise Bakery** at Village Point.

Mission

Homeless Mat Project – Wednesdays, 6:15pm, Rm 3.

SAVE THE DATE! – Make plans to join us for this year's Women's Advent Brunch! This special event will be Saturday, December 2nd, 9am – noon with Remkea Ockander presenting a powerful message you will not want to miss! Watch for more details coming soon.



Young Adult Group – Tuesday nights at 7:00pm.
For location and information, check out Facebook: www.facebook.com/youngadultsomaha and Instagram: [youngadultsomaha](https://www.instagram.com/youngadultsomaha)

NEWS Notes



A new Stephen Ministry class is forming for January. We are looking for committed, caring individuals to take the training to provide quality Christian caregiving to members of our congregation and community. This will multiply and extend the amount of caring ministry our

pastors can provide by giving us a whole team of skilled caregivers who are equipped to bring Christ's healing love to people who are grieving, in crisis, or experiencing other stresses in life. Contact Pastor Mark at dsomaha.org or Gordon Muirhead at 402-894-5913 or gmuirhead@cox.net. See the training materials at the display near the Bookstore.



Canned Goods Challenge: Thanksgiving at Little Lamb Preschool is in full swing and our preschool classes go on their THANKSLIVING field trip this week! We have

been serving others to raise funds-- now we go to the store to use those funds to purchase canned and boxed foods for those in need. Our gifts for Jesus will be all around the altar next weekend and we challenge the congregation to bring in can goods, too! All donations will go to We Care of Millard. Thank you for teaming with Little Lamb Preschool to LIVE out your THANKFULNESS!



Monthly Dinner

Gourmet Group, aka Divine Diners, will be on Sunday, November 19 at Outback off 132nd & Center at 6:00pm. Please contact Julie Schenk at 402-333-2230 or julieaschenk@gmail.com prior to November 16 if you are able to attend so reservations can be made. As always, new faces are welcome!



Stephen Ministry – If you or someone you know is going through a challenging time, a Stephen Minister may be the answer to ease the burden. Stephen Ministers are trained to provide Christian care to those who are struggling or hurting. Call Gordon Muirhead (402-894-5913) or email at gmuirhead@cox.net.



Prayer Shawl Ministry – If you know of someone who is ill, grieving, or lonely, a prayer shawl could be very comforting to them. Simply fill out a card on the Information Counter in the Atrium or call Betty Buller at 402-333-8188, with requests or questions. Our stitchers are happy to donate their time and there is no charge for the shawls we make. If you would like to volunteer to knit or crochet, we meet every Monday from 1:00-2:30pm in Room 15, or you can work on your own at home. Patterns are available.



We need ushers and greeters for all services. Both are a great way to get to know other church members and a good way to serve the Lord. For information or to sign up to usher, please contact Chris Napierala at chris.napierala@gmail.com or 402-350-9473. To be a greeter, contact Bev Curlee at 402-895-1500 or BevVerdana@dsomaha.org



Bus driver wanted – the church is looking for a volunteer bus driver who has a CDL license to drive our church bus for school activities. Contact Pastor Jim in the church office at 402-895-1500 or Jim@dsomaha.org



Midweek Meals – Serving time is 4:45-6:00pm. Cost: 12 & up - \$5; Kids 6-11 - \$3.50; 5 & Under-free. This week: Thanksgiving Dinner!



Altar Flowers are given by Bill & Julie Schenk in celebration of Bennett's 10th birthday.



Praise the Lord for the kind and giving members of Divine Shepherd. The rakers at our house cleaned every last leaf out of our yard. God has truly blessed us through these wonderful people. THANK YOU! Gordon & Judy Moore

Thanks to everyone for all the prayers--our family is healing well. Mike & Lisa Mailander

Thanks to the people who raked our yard – we counted 57 bags! It was very much appreciated! Bill & Joni Johnson

Join TOT Omaha here at Divine Shepherd. TOT is a preschool basketball program focusing on athletics, academics & agility. Get ready to have some fun with a basketball, silly songs, & games! TOT meets in the Cave on Thursdays between 11:30 a.m. to



12:15 p.m. Space is limited so sign up today! For more information about TOT, go to www.teamsoftomorrow.com or TOT Omaha on FB. TOT "finale" is to play before the Harlem Globetrotters in the spring.

Habitat for Humanity Omaha – Update: The Waterloo house is nearly complete. There will be final house cleaning days Dec. 1st and 2nd and the house dedication on December 10th at 1:00 PM at the home in Waterloo. Our new homeowner, Jessica will visit Divine Shepherd on Sunday, Nov. 19th from 8:30am until 10:15am to meet and thank everyone for hard work and donations to the new house. She will be in the atrium, so plan to stop by and meet Jessica and pick up some information on the cleaning days and dedication.

+This Week's Calendar:



Monday, November 13

1:00pm **Prayer Shawl Group** (Shepherd's Room)

Tuesday, November 14

9:00am **Women's Bible Study** – *Living Beyond Yourself* – (Trinity Room)

10:00am **Adult Bible Study** – Luther's Large Catechism (Luther Chapel)

7:00pm **Young Adult Ministry**

Wednesday, November 15

6:30am **Men's Bible Study** – *The Gospel of John* (Trinity Room)

9:30am **Women's Bible Study** – *Miracles of Jesus* (Room 15)

4:45-6:00pm **Midweek Meal** (CLC) Turkey Dinner

5:00pm **Hope Choir** (Sanctuary)

5:30-6:05pm **Upper Room Worship** with Holy Communion (Luther Chapel)

5:45pm **Singing Stars Choir** (Choir Room)

Shalom Choir (Room 14)

6:15-7:30pm **Midweek Classes/Bible Studies/Confirmation**

Women's Service/Mission Project (Room 3)

Adult Bible Study – *Current Events from a Christian Perspective* (Luther Chapel)

Women's Bible Study – *Living Life Together* (Room 15)

Men's Bible Study – *Man Camp* (Shepherd's Room)

Chancel Choir (Choir Room)

H.S. Recharge (Youth Room)

7:30pm **NO Men's Chorus** (Choir Room)

Ceaseless Praise Hand Bell Choir (Sanctuary)

Thursday, November 16

6:00am **Men's Bible Study** – *Reading Romans with Luther* (Vidlak's Café-156th & Center)

9:00am **Mission Belles rehearsal**

7:30pm **Al-Anon** (Commons Room)

Friday, November 17

6:15am **Men's Bible Study** – *Matthew* (Shepherd's Room)

9:15am **MOPS** (various)

Saturday, November 18

7:30am **Men's Bible Study** – *Galatians* (Trinity Room)

5:00pm **Evening Praise Worship** with Communion

Sunday, November 19

8:00am **Traditional Worship** with Communion

9:00am **Sunday School** (Lower Level)

Jr. High School (Cave)

High School Bible Study (Youth Room)

Adult Bible Study – (Sanctuary)

Women's Bible Study – **NEW:** *Finding I AM* (Room 11)

10:00am **Contemporary Worship** (Sanctuary)

10:10am **Family Worship** (CLC)

Adult Bible Study – *The Ministry of Jesus, Continued...* (Commons Room)

11:10am **Blended Worship** (Sanctuary)

