



# THE PINE CONE



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***“Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit.” Psalm 51: 10-12***

What do you pray for? I’m genuinely curious. Life provides a multitude of challenges, problems, dangers, and questions. We face illness, poverty, loneliness, anger, jealousy, and covetousness. In the midst of these things we call out to God for help. This is how He has instructed His children to face the brokenness of life in this world. He desires that we bare our hearts and our needs to Him and open our empty hands to His mercies. And indeed I hope you remember Him in your times of need. So what do you ask for? What kind of help do you seek?

I’ve personally wrestled with all of the above problems. I’m sure each of you has as well. In those times my best comfort and defense is the Lord’s strength, and it’s to that I turn in my prayers. And so when I pray I often ask for God to change my circumstances in some way. I ask for healing for the sick, compassion in my loneliness, and reconciliation in my anger. I ask for what I lack and attempt to find contentment in His will. Often I find peace simply in the asking, for I know my petitions are going to the One who is truly able to meet my every need. But the words in the above Psalm remind me that a greater peace is found in calling on God for a need that never changes.

As I read these words I realized my prayers often center on my desire for God to change the world around me. Of course that can mean personal circumstance, but essentially my prayers are frequently that God would fix the thing that is affecting my outlook. In the above

Psalm, a convicted and shame-filled David insightfully appeals to the Lord not for a change to his circumstances but for a change to his own heart. He understands that

the burdens of life that challenge him challenge his spirit, and that his spirit will guide his response to the Lord and the world. David appeals to God for a heart that celebrates the promise of salvation throughout his times of fear, doubt and temptation.

It is good and right to bring our hopes for change in the world to our Lord, but just as important is to seek the change to our own spirits. When I plead for a change to the illness or the conflict, I must remember that peace is found in the heart that faith has taught to respond to these things. When I pray for God’s mercy to make a change, I pray that the change begins with my heart.

***Faith is the gift God gives that creates a heart thankful for His grace even in the darkest of times.***

When you find yourself struggling or lacking, bring your needs to the God who promises peace. Look for that peace in all the ways He touches your life, but remember first to celebrate the comfort and joy He creates in our hearts by faith in His mercy. When God changes your spirit, He changes all that your spirit sees. In this the heart of faith finds hope in any time of need.

God’s Peace to You,

***Pastor Brock***



*A Pine cone is the seed-bearing fruit of the pine tree; those seeds will plant other trees. Here at the Lutheran Church of the Pines, we believe that our members are not here solely to nourish ourselves; we carry the Word (seeds) with us out into the world to plant in others we meet.*



The Church Council will meet on Saturday, November 3.

## Budget report



Annual Budget	2018									
	September					October				
Weekly Budget	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Tithes Received Weekly	\$2,749.39	\$4,227.89	\$2,362.63	\$2,388.27	\$2,598.03	\$2,726.45	\$4,402.39	\$3,292.28	\$3,745.03	
Monthly Budget	\$20,332.69					\$16,266.15				
Tithes Received Monthly	\$14,326.21					\$14,166.15				
Amount <b>Under</b> or <b>Over</b> for Month	-\$6,006.48					-\$2,100.00				
Amount <b>Under</b> or <b>Over</b> for Year	-\$15,952.28									

## Noise Offering



The noise offering for November, will go to **Hope Haven**– a group serving abused and neglected children on the Mississippi Gulf Coast through community education, advocacy, and direct assistance to families. For more information, please contact 228.466.6395 or the church office.

Thank you for supporting Foster The Cause for the last 3 months!

\*\*\*\*\* **MISSISSIPPI COAST CHORALE CHRISTMAS CONCERTS** \*\*\*\*\*

Performance Dates:

Sunday, November 25th at 4p.m. @Christ Episcopal Church in Bay St. Louis

Friday, December 7th at 7p.m. @Main Street Methodist Church in Bay St. Louis

Tuesday, December 11th at 6:30p.m. @Diamondhead Community Church in Diamondhead

Friday, December 14th at 6:30p.m. @Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church on Kiln-DeLisle Rd.

Concerts only request a free will offering.

Come out to support your fellow singers and enjoy beautiful Christmas music!



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** One of our members, Mr. Jay Cousin, turned 97 years old recently! And Pastor Brock celebrated his birthday on October 31.



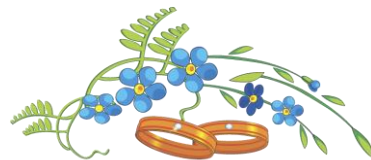
Jay with his daughter-in-law Hazel and son Chris.

## TRUNK OR TREAT - Saturday Oct 27



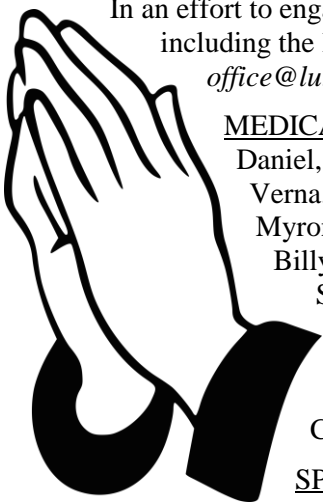
## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Dear Lord, Thank you for the time You have given us with our loved ones. Please bless the coming year as we celebrate with the ones still here and honor those who are now with You. Guide us as we treasure these memories and make new ones. Amen.



Barbara Hollenberger ( <i>In Memory</i> )	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Dottie Bauer	17 <sup>th</sup>	Melinda & Brent Woodfill	5 <sup>th</sup>
Liane Myers	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Larry Sterling	18 <sup>th</sup>	Elmore ( <i>In Memory</i> ) & Dottie Bauer	5 <sup>th</sup>
Paulette Lister	5 <sup>th</sup>	Joan McCloskey	20 <sup>th</sup>	Ronnie & Linda Cuevas	7 <sup>th</sup>
Christina Lynn Jones	7 <sup>th</sup>	Dorothy Bielstein	21 <sup>st</sup>	Richard & Vicki Hackmann	8 <sup>th</sup>
Russ Urban	10 <sup>th</sup>	Karen Orris	21 <sup>st</sup>	Nolin & Ginnie Briley	11 <sup>th</sup>
Alexander Stone Myers	12 <sup>th</sup>	Nan Bousfield	24 <sup>th</sup>	Peggy Frisard & Bobby Workman ( <i>In Memory</i> )	12 <sup>th</sup>
Jada Genna	14 <sup>th</sup>	Sandra Prestien ( <i>In Memory</i> )	28 <sup>th</sup>	Josh & Christina Eichelberger	15 <sup>th</sup>
Donna Bielstein	15 <sup>th</sup>	Asa Burton Breland	30 <sup>th</sup>	Carl and Naomi Anderson	28 <sup>th</sup>
Alexander Rushing	15 <sup>th</sup>	Jessica Houston	30 <sup>th</sup>	Buddy & Amy Bourn	29 <sup>th</sup>

In an effort to engage the congregation in continued prayers for our world and the Body of Christ, we are including the list of individuals on our **PRAYER LIST**. Please email your prayer requests to: [office@lutheranchurchofthepines.org](mailto:office@lutheranchurchofthepines.org) to be included in this list.



MEDICAL/HEALTH ISSUES Collin, Michael, Addyson, Isabella, Stephanie, Aurora, Elena, Isaac, Daniel, Beau, Jr., Hunter, Peyton, Landon, Finn, Allen, Anthony, Alex, Tommy, Lillian, Karen, Verna, Larry, Charlotte, John, Brenda, Josh, Carolyn, Frank, David & Sheila, Bobby, Angie, Shia, Myron, Inge M., Juanita, Terry G., Marie P., Dottie, Becky, Dorothy, Scott, Cory, Cayde, Tammy, Billy, Parker, Lyle, YaYa, JoAnne, Robert, Marla, Steve S., Marlene & Duwayne, Steve Mc.Q, Sue, Nelson, Joyce, Leo, Rena, Eddie, Barbara, Vance, Chandra, Adrianna, Larry G., Norman, Jake, Josh, Ben, Brandon, Harry, Jared, Chris, Pat D., Linda R., Carl, Leslie, Paul B., Vickie, James, Jimmy, Len, Auggie, Ashley, Karol, Katie, Paula, Ricky, Johnny, Anna, Joey, Isaac, McKenzie, B.J. M., Gina, Nathan, Randy, Martha & Leo D., Daryl, Elwood, Joey, Rex & Carla, Kim, Noah, Joseph, Lena, Albert, Melissa, Ian.

SPECIAL PRAYERS: for those affected by and responding to the recent Hurricanes, for all those traveling, for loss of a family member. Pray for our country.

**FIRST RESPONDERS and THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY:** Josh Eichelberger, Nick Briley, Ryan Moore, Joe Thompson, and Adam Byrd

# NOVEMBER WEEKLY HELPERS

## Flower Donations

Please consider donating flowers in celebration of marriages, anniversaries, baptisms and birthdays, or to say “Congratulations” or “Thank you.” You may sign up on the Flower Chart posted on the wall outside the sanctuary. If you want the Altar Guild to purchase flowers for you, please mark on the Flower Chart and contact Shirley Halterman: 228-255-2088 or Liane Myers: 228-467-6771 or by email: office@LutheranChurchOfThePines.org



After the 10:30am service, flowers may be taken with you or donated.

**We need helpers! We invite anyone who would like to serve to contact Liane at 228-304-1573.**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Flowers provided by</i>	<i>In Honor/Memory of</i>
11/4	Terry & Laura King	In Thanksgiving for God’s Blessings
11/11	Mary & Bobby Dardar	In Celebration of Jada Genna 7 <sup>th</sup> Birthday!
11/18	Dave and Linda Rein	For the Glory of God
11/25	Dave & Cappy Kelso	In Celebration for Both Dad’s Birthdays

<b>Date/Time</b>	<b>Greeters</b>	<b>Altar Assistant</b>	<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Readers</b>	<b>Acolytes</b>	
11/4	8:30	Terry & Laura King	Matt Sekinger	Terry & Sasha King	Laura King	Mariya King
	10:30	OPEN	Josh Eichelberger or Adam Cain	Loucinda Martin & Dana Bielstein	Josh Eichelberger	Open
11/11	8:30	Richard & Vicki Hackmann	Matt Sekinger	Shirley & Gene Halterman	Richard Hackmann	Open
	10:30	OPEN	Josh Eichelberger or Adam Cain	Hope Roche & Dana Bielstein	Jennifer Loveday	Open
11/18	8:30	OPEN	Matt Sekinger	Peggy & Gary Frisard	Carla Isted	Open
	10:30	Nolin & Ginnie Briley	Josh Eichelberger or Adam Cain	Nolin & Ginnie Briley	Hope Roche	Open
11/25	8:30	Dianne Galla & Sally Schultz	Matt Sekinger	Cappy & Dave Kelso	Shirley Halterman	Open
	10:30	OPEN	Josh Eichelberger or Adam Cain	Debra & Bruce Rushing	Paula Carter	Open

**If you cannot be here to help on your day, please notify Liane or Brock.  
If you have altar assistant duties, please contact one of the Elders to take your place.**

Wednesday Altar Assistant: Steve Gibson



<b>Wednesday Night Supper</b>	
11/7	Liz Cain
11/14	Liane Myers
11/21	NO Dinner/No Service-(Thanksgiving Holiday)
11/28	OPEN

# November 2018

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
<b>4</b> Daylight Saving Time Ends Worship Service 8:30am SS/Adult Bible Class 9:15am Worship Service 10:30am	5	<b>6</b> Election Day	<b>7</b> Adult Bible Study 1pm Contemporary Worship Dinner 5:45pm Worship Service 6:30pm	8	9	10
<b>11</b> Veterans Day Worship Service 8:30am SS/Adult Bible Class 9:15am Worship Service 10:30am	12	13	<b>14</b> Adult Bible Study 1pm Contemporary Worship Dinner 5:45pm Worship Service 6:30pm	15	16	<b>17</b> COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER! Noon – 2pm
<b>18</b> Worship Service 8:30am SS/Adult Bible Class 9:15am Worship Service 10:30am	19	20	<b>21</b> No Bible Study No Contemporary Worship No Dinner	<b>22</b> Thanksgiving Day	23	24
<b>25</b> Worship Service 8:30am SS/Adult Bible Class 9:15am Worship Service 10:30am	26	27	<b>28</b> Adult Bible Study 1pm Contemporary Worship Dinner 5:45pm Worship Service 6:30pm	29	30	

*"I will give thanks to you, LORD, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds." - Psalm 9:1*

# November Message Board

If you have announcements or pictures for upcoming events or general messages for the congregation, be sure to let me know! You can text me at 985-788-2101, email me at [LMKingUSA@hotmail.com](mailto:LMKingUSA@hotmail.com), or leave me a note in the newsletter mailbox of Mrs. Liane's office!

Pastor Brock Cain is in the LCOP office on Tuesdays thru Fridays. If you would like to visit with him, please call his cell or the church or email him to set an appointment.

LCOP: 228-467-6771

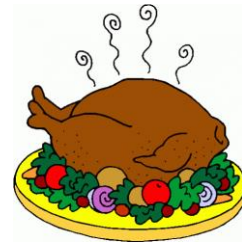
Email: [lohengrin4001@yahoo.com](mailto:lohengrin4001@yahoo.com)



## COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER

Saturday Nov 17

Noon – 2pm



### 2018 Flower Chart!

Please sign up by the church office.



### ADVENT DECORATING

Saturday December 1

Starting at 8:30am

Come help put up the Advent decorations in the Church!

Poinsettias may be brought in to church in December.



**December 1<sup>st</sup>**

AARP Safe Driving Class 1-5PM  
For info contact John Carver at  
(985) 373-7314



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**Sent with love and a prayer for:**



**Worship Opportunities:**

Worship with Holy Communion	8:30am
Sunday School & Adult Bible Class	9:15am
Worship with Holy Communion	10:30am
Wednesday Contemporary Service	6:30pm
(Contemporary Service with a light meal before at 5:45pm)	