: **NEWS AND NOTES**

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Pastor: The Rev. Terry L. DeGiovanni (785 396 4411)
Organists: Pam Steinmeyer and Gloria Falk
Chairman: Bruce Abitz Vice Chairman: Alan Fischer
Elders: Martin Henneberg and James Revell
November Altar duty: Patti Kolterman

Sunday, November 8, 2026

Attendance: Sunday, November 1: 39

VETERANS' DAY – November 11, 2026

Veterans Day, observed on November 11, originated as Armistice Day in 1919, marking the end of World War I. It was officially renamed Veterans Day in 1954 to honor all U.S. military veterans.

We continue to pray for those unable to Worship with us who are residing in a Care Facility:

Onaga Health and Rehab: Cynthia Althouse, Eugene Abitz
Eastridge (Centralia): Gary Kolterman
RedBud Assisted Living: Lavona Biesenthal
Wellsprings at Westmoreland Assisted Living: Dorothy Guth and Betty Koch

Remembering in our Prayers: Pastor Gruoner, Dale Figge, Gordon Kolterman, Alan Fischer

Sunday School Staff: Ireta Schwant, Superintendent Pre-K and Kindergarten: Jenny Donnelly and Maggie Revell Upper Grades: Joy Zabel and Brenda Schlegel
Substitute teacher: Dixie Revell
Attending 5 Sundays: Hazel, Olive and Walter Ubel, Elsie and Michael Henneberg
Timothy and Sawyer Graf
Sunday School and Staff November Birthdays: James Matzke High School: William Spevacek

Sunday School is held during Worship Service in the church basement, following the Children's Sermon!
The offering plate for Sunday School children will be in the Narthex!

Pastor's office hours on Thursdays are at McFarland. If needed, please call his cell # 412 334-4280

Saturday Evening Worship Service will continue to be held on third Saturday of Month. 5:00 P.M with Holy Communion Next Service is November 21

November 8 – Pentecost 24 – Sadly, through things like abortion, abuse, poverty, and neglect, many people are deprived of a home filled with love, peace, and joy. God shows His love by preparing a "lovely dwelling place" (Psalm 84:1) for all people at His side through the death of Jesus, His Son. As we wait for Christ to gather us, His bride, to that eternal home with Him, we are wise to keep the light of faith burning brightly by continually hearing God's Word and by loving others by sharing His Word with them while there is still time (Matthew 25:1-4).

Note from Karen Harder, Church Treasurer: October Operating Income: $ 5,231.00
October Operating Expense: $ 7,757.77
October Operating Net Cash Flow: negative $ 2,526.77

TODAY: SUNDAY, November 8: Lions Club Pancake Day at Onaga Community Center serving 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Free will donations Everyone welcome! And Veterans' Day Program at the Onaga Museum at 2:00 p.m.

Christmas Bureau Assistance Families in need of assistance in providing Christmas gifts for your little ones are encouraged to apply with the Christmas Bureau. Application interviews will be held Monday, November 9. To schedule an application interview please call Janet McKinsey at 785 889 4581

The next **Wheaton Senior Citizens** meeting **is Monday, November 16 at noon.** The county health nurse will be attending. Blood pressure checks and health concerns will be addressed. Ham will be provided, bring a side dish to share

LWML will meet on Wednesday, November 18th at 2:00 p.m. Open with the LWML Pledge Bible Study from the Fall Quarterly Roll Call: What are you thankful for? Closing Devotions: Patti Kolterman Hostess: Janet Kufahl

The LUTHERAN HOUR RADIO SCHEDULE:

November 8, 2026 **"The Survivor Tree"** Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler
Trees play a prominent role in the Bible. Hear how the tree of Christ's cross leads us back to the Tree of Life. Luke 13:6

November 22, 2026 **"Trees in Winter"** Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler
Christ's followers are like trees in winter–seemingly barren now, but rooted in God's Word and living in the promise of Christ's resurrection and the renewal of all things. Revelation 22:2

November 29, 2026 **"Advent Hopes and Dreams** Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Chad Lakies
The season of Advent is a time for hopes and dreams, but it is also about living through an ongoing letdown. Matthew 24:36-44