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## BIG NEWS in November

- All Saints Day - Sunday, November 1
- Holiday Shopping Night at Ten Thousand Villages Thursday, November 12
- Congregational Meeting about new windows for the church - November 15
- Community Thanksgiving Service is on Sunday, November 22 at Christ Lutheran in Springtown.
- First Sunday in Advent is November 29.
- **Please remember to return the card indicating how you wish to receive your newsletter!**

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# EVANGEL—November 2009

## Make it Simple (Part 3)—All About Gratitude - Pastor David Deal

November is traditionally a month to focus on gratitude - gratitude for food, family and friends, gratitude to God. For many this year, adopting an attitude of gratitude may be more of a challenge than usual. Worry about a job or job security, worry about housing, health care, a decline in the value of savings or retirement—all these worries are magnified over what they were a year ago. We can so easily forget about gratitude in good and secure times. This year it would be even easier still to neglect gratitude to God and instead slip into attitudes of fear, resentment, or envy.



Of course, gratitude has been a challenge for God's human creatures since the beginning. Having been given life by God, a beautiful garden in which to live, plenty of food, air, water, etc. and lots of animal partners, Adam and Eve nevertheless wanted more. They wanted to have it all—even to be like God. So they ate of the one tree that was off limits, the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. This sin, of course, led to guilt and shame, enmity between Adam and Eve and the serpent, and departure from the garden into a life of toil. Forgetting gratitude can so easily lead to sin and its harmful consequences in the world.

I urge you to take time for gratitude, especially in this year of 2009. God provides. Not only does God take care of our needs, God provides for us great abundance. Martin Luther, in his Small Catechism, describes God's fervent desire to give us what we need for daily living. In his explanations of the first article of the creed, Luther writes:

"God daily and abundantly provides shoes and clothing, food and drink, house and farm, spouse and children, fields, livestock, and all property - along with all the necessities and nourishment for this body and life."

Luther wants to stir in Christians a sense of excitement over God's unbelievable care for us. He wants to stir us to gratitude. Thus, gratitude we can have in 2009 - for our daily bread - and for the greatest gift of all. On the fourth Sunday in November, we will celebrate Christ, our King and Savior. For that we are very literally eternally grateful. Give thanks to God! Adopt an attitude of gratitude, and life will be simpler and filled with deeper joy.

*You are invited to join together with God's people in this are for a Thanksgiving Service at 4:00 PM on Sunday, November 22, at Christ Lutheran in Springtown.*

## From your COUNCIL PRESIDENT ...

November is the month that reminds everyone that we need to be thankful. As Christians, we know this, and concentrate on thinking God daily for the things in life that He provides for us. This is a form of positive thinking. Rather than dwell on what we don't have, we need to concentrate on what we do have. For example: The food we have to nourish us, the clothes to keep us warm, and especially our health. I am sure, especially with the economic picture so dismal right now, that we can see many people who do not even have these basic necessary components to survive. That's where we as Christians come in. It is our job to help those less fortunate than ourselves, especially our nearby neighbors who are struggling.

Even if we are not in a position to be able to give money, there are other ways to help. Sometimes just being there to listen to someone when they need to vent is a good way. OR, as the old saying goes, "If you see someone without a smile, give them one of yours." That simple action just may make someone's day. A helping hand for everyday



## November Worship Highlights

### Sunday, November 1 All Saints Day

10:30 AM - special service of Holy Communion:

- signing of names for remembrance in our Memorial Book in the Narthex just prior to worship
- lighting of votive candles by family members who have lost loved ones during the previous 12 months
- reading of names of the Saints Triumphant during the Prayers of Intercession while the church bell and chimes are rung

### Sunday, November 8

10:30 AM -special honor & remembrance of Veterans during worship

### Sunday, November 15

10:30 AM - Holy Communion-Congregational meeting after worship

### Sunday, November 22

10:30 AM - Service of the Word  
4:00 PM - Community Thanksgiving Service at Christ Lutheran, Springtown

### Sunday, November 29

10:30 AM -First Sunday of Advent



## Council Corner, *continued*

chores, shopping or maybe making and delivering a meal, could make a difference in someone's life, especially the elderly. Remember our need to ask ourselves "what would Jesus do?" in this situation. We are to continue His work here on earth. That is what our heavenly "boss" wants us to do!

Have a Happy Thanksgiving!  
Love Always, *Lynn Gaun*

## COME AND GIVE THANKS!

This year's Community Thanksgiving Service  
4:00 PM on Sunday, November 22 at  
Christ Lutheran Church in Springtown.



Please bring non-perishable food for local food pantries, and a cash offering to go toward fighting World Hunger. There will be a fellowship hour downstairs after the service. Please bring a PIE to share. Fair Trade Coffee will also be available for purchase. Buying Fair Trade items, distributed by churches worldwide, helps farmers and small businesses in some of the most impoverished areas of the world.

## Council Highlights

- Income is down. We are taking in \$740 less each month in envelope offering than our expenses, while staying within \$100 of the Budget.
- To cut costs, the Evangel Newsletter will no longer be mailed out unless specifically requested (see article below).
- New members will be introduced at the Congregational Christmas luncheon.
- SPARK Sunday School has been very successful, with increased attendance and the kids having lots of fun.
- Three bids to replace the sanctuary windows have been received. There will be a congregational meeting on December 15 to discuss financing.
- \$127 from Harvest Home will be split between Project Easton and the Lord's Pantry. Thrivent matching funds for the Beef Roast amounted to \$900.

## CHANGES in the way you get your NEWSLETTER are coming!

Because our Evangel Newsletter has always been mailed at a special bulk rate, there are often delays and many people don't receive their newsletter until almost the middle of the month. Now recent changes in the Postal Services bulk mailing requirements mean that it will take even longer for bulk-mailed items to reach their destinations. The changes also mean that it will be even more expensive to send the newsletter out via bulk mail.

In light of the increased expense and increased mailing time, the Church Council has discussed different ways of sending out the newsletter. We have already saved paper and mailing costs by condensing the three summer months of June, July, and August into one newsletter, and by covering both December and January in one winter issue. Now the Council asks that you choose one of three different ways use to receive your copy of the newsletter.

1. The first method is to put copies of the newsletter in the Narthex for people **to pick up** when they come to church. This is the method that we expect most people to use.
2. The second method is electronic - we can **e-mail** the newsletter in .PDF format to those who have internet access. The newsletter will also be posted on **our website**. (The web version, however, will not include the prayer page in order to preserve confidentiality.)
3. The third method is most expensive—mailing the newsletter via first class mail. The newsletter will only be **mailed by first class** to our homebound members and to those who specifically request it.

Please fill out the card attached to this page to let us know how you wish to receive your newsletter. The card can be dropped in the offering plate, or stamped and mailed to: PO Box 100, Durham PA 18039. Please fill out the card even if you plan to pick up your newsletter at church, so that we know how many copies to make. If you would like your newsletter e-mailed, please make sure that your e-mail address is clearly written. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!**

## Happenings in the Life of the CHURCH ...

### WELCA

Members of WELCA in the Upper Bucks Conference met at Christ, Springtown on Saturday October 10<sup>th</sup>. There were three speakers each reporting on their mission activities. The first speaker, Sue Montag, was a missionary to an Indian tribe in Peru; she spent years learning their language and translating the Bible into their language. Reta Bieber spoke and showed pictures of her trip to Kosovo where she helped deliver gift packages to school children. The third speaker showed slides from Ocean Springs Mississippi; he was there on a service trip shortly after Katrina hit; and was back again this April; his pictures showed the progress made and also what still needs to be done.

Our next meeting will be Saturday November 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM. Our program is a Christian Woman's thanksgiving (note the small t); even in these trying times, we have so much to be thankful for. Come and join us as we think about our blessings and how we can give thanks. The program will be lead by Gladys Nicholas; Barbara Naska will serve refreshments. We will also receive our thank offerings (a special donation to the national organization to help with their ministries.) All women of the congregation are invited to join us.

Our December meeting will be Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup> following worship, when we host the annual congregational Christmas covered dish dinner. Please put this on your calendars and join us to feast and sing (we are going to do some Christmas caroling – both adults and kids – after we eat.).



Helen Dungan

## Outreach

**Harvest Home:** Thanks to all of you for your generosity; we delivered lots of food to the two food banks. Thanks also to those Gladys Nicholas for arranging the display and who all who helped sort, package and deliver it.

**Food donations:** In our current economically trying times, the food banks are much more heavily used. There is a basket in the narthex for food and personal care donations; please consider picking up an extra item when at the grocery store to share with those in need.

The sign up sheet for food baskets is on the bulletin board in the narthex. During this Thanksgiving and Advent season, please consider sponsoring one. Just sign up, add your dedication, and either buy groceries or delegate the task to me.

**Christmas Ingathering:** We are again participating in the Synod's Christmas Ingathering. I have the names of 15 children in foster care for whom we can be Santa. The names will be available in church (or call me.)

We will also be making gift packs for residents in area institutions. Last year our gifts went to residents of Norristown State Hospital. The institutional gift packages include the following items: a heavy plastic comb; 1 tube of toothpaste (**not Pepsodent**); a plastic bottle of shampoo; 1 toothbrush; 1 wash cloth; a small packet of tissues; 2 pencils; 2 pens; and a box of 20 note cards and envelopes.

The items should be assembled in a clear plastic bag and have a bow on it. If you like, you can include a personal note or Christmas card with the name and address of our church - no personal names or addresses.

All gifts will be taken to Little Zion Lutheran Church for pickup on Sunday December 6<sup>th</sup>.

## Library

The Library Committee is currently removing records for withdrawn materials; and shifting and arranging the remaining books. This will take awhile. We will also be displaying selected books on the window sills for your reading pleasure and information, and changing the children's books in the pew racks. We have received a number of gifts and hope to start adding new materials soon.

~Helen Dungan

*Reminder ...*

**SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING ON NOVEMBER 15 AFTER THE 10:30 WORSHIP SERVICE TO DISCUSS SANCTUARY WINDOW REPAIR.**

## November Worship Assistants

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**Holiday Shopping****Night at Ten****Thousand Villages**

Trinity Lutheran Church in Souderton is again sponsoring a Holiday Shopping Night for Lutherans at Ten Thousand Villages. The date is Thursday, November 12, 2009, from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Ten Thousand Villages, located at 787 Route 113 in the Souderton Shopping Center, features Fair Trade handicrafts from around the world that make beautiful and unique Christmas gifts. A portion of the sales from the evening will be donated to Sebastian Kolowa University College (SEKUCo) in our sister-synod in Tanzania.

If you would like to participate in the Holiday Shopping Night, but don't want to drive, please call Ann Wong at home (610-346-6020) or the Church Office (610-346-8500) to arrange a ride.

	1	8	15	22	29
Acolyte	Michaela Segreaves	Morgan Segreaves	Sharron Streletz	Steven Streletz	Corinne Ashmore
Greeter(s)	Althea Crouse	Gerry & Don Seipt	Bob & Esther Crouse	Cleo & Ken Eck	Valerie & Paul McGinn
Lector	Jessica Lehr	Barbara Naska	Joe Hlavaty	Gladys Nicholas	Ken Anderson
Communion Asst.	Beth Ross, Laura Pyne, and Michaela Segreaves		Beth Ross, Laura Pyne, and Sharron Streletz		
Altar Guild	Betty Fox and Barb Naska				
Head Usher	Harold Nicholas				
Counters	Beth Ross and Laura Pyne				

**November Birthdays & Anniversaries**

	Birthdays	Anniversaries
3	Bob Newcomb (80th)	
4	Mary Crouse	
8	Serena Ashmore	
9	Lynn Gaun	
12	Mark Harwick Tom Gaun	
16	Nancy Jean Xander	
18	Chad Harrison	
19	Hans Rilling	Ken & Miriam Anderson (26th)
21	Ken Anderson	
23	Faye Litzenberger	
24	Chase Aquino	
25	Christina Kern	

*Please check the Calendar on the Bulletin Board in the Narthex to be sure your special days are accurately recorded. Be sure to write in your birthday and anniversary if they are not there!*

# DOLLAR\$&CENTS

## May 2009 Treasurer Report

	May	YTD 2009
Total Income	\$9,363.75	\$45,475.06
Total Expense	\$7,632.37	\$47,859.44
Net Shortage	\$1,731.38	\$(2,384.38)
Loans from Improvement Fund into General Fund -----	\$2,000.00	\$4,000.00



## June 2009 Treasurer Report

	June	YTD 2009
Total Income	\$8,805.65	\$54,280.71
Total Expense	\$13,089.72	\$60,949.16
Net Shortage	\$(4,284.07)	\$(6,668.45)
Loans from Improvement Fund into General Fund -----	\$ 0	\$4,000.00

## July 2009 Treasurer Report

	July	YTD 2009
Total Income	\$6,769.36	\$61,050.07
Total Expense	\$9,617.58	\$70,566.74
Net Shortage	\$(2,848.22)	\$(9,516.67)
Loans from Improvement Fund into General Fund -----	\$2,377.13	\$6,377.13



## August 2009 Treasurer Report

	August	YTD 2009
Total Income	\$8,317.06	\$69,367.13
Total Expense	\$13,943.00	\$84,509.74
Net Shortage	\$(5,625.94)	\$(15,142.61)
Loans from Improvement Fund into General Fund	\$5,770.70	\$12,147.83



## Palisades Cluster

The Cluster meet on Sunday October 18<sup>th</sup> at St Luke's Ferndale. At our last meeting we had discussed doing a cluster newsletter (to the community, not to ourselves) highlighting our special activities and worship schedules; as this would require a real time and financial commitment, we decided to table the idea for now.

The main topic of discussion at this meeting was establishing a parish nurse ministry in our area. Christ Pipersville in partnership with Point Pleasant Baptist Church formed the Tincum Health Ministry Project; the question is whether to expand it; or piggy back off it to start a similar program in our area.

A parish nurse **does not** do clinical nursing and is not a replacement for a home health care worker. What a parish nurse does do is bring spiritual, supportive and educational care to those who need it. Working closely with the pastor the nurse expands our caring ministry in concrete ways; answering questions, finding information and community services which are available, offering comfort, prayer and a listening ear.

A taskforce was formed to look into the organization, funding and develop a job description; Pastor Deal and Mary Crouse are representing Durham.

Helen Dungan

*“Creator of all people, help us to see your image in every person we meet, to see the value that you have placed in each individual. Remind us in every encounter we have, that the man, woman or child with whom we are interacting is someone for whom Christ died, and let us see them through your eyes.”*

# PRAYER



Please speak to the pastor before the service if you have someone you would like him to lift up in prayer. To place someone on the Prayer List, call the Church Office. For urgent prayer needs, start the Prayer Chain by calling Virginia Hager. Please make updates to Prayer List in the Narthex on the condition of anyone you've placed on the list. If you are on the Prayer List and are ready to be removed, please let us know!

**Please lift up in prayer those whose names appear in our Sunday bulletin each week. For their privacy, the names of those on the prayer list are not listed in the online edition of the Evangel Newsletter.**



Prayers for those with whom our church has a special relationship: our Prayer Partners, Bridge of Peace Lutheran Church in Camden, NJ — our Companion Synod, the North East Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania. *Please offer a special prayer for the people of the Holy Land on the 9th day of this and every month.*

## A little HUMOR ...



## Christian One Liners

- Don't let your worries get the best of you. Remember, Moses started out as a basket case!
- Opportunity may knock once, but temptation bangs on the front door forever.
- Coincidence is when God chooses to remain anonymous.
- Forbidden fruits create many jams.
- Many folks want to serve God, but only as advisers.
- The good Lord didn't create anything without a purpose, but mosquitoes come close.
- When you get to your wit's end, you'll find God lives there.
- People are funny; they want the front of the bus, the middle of the road, and the back of the church.
- Opportunity may knock once, but temptation bangs on the front door forever.

## Care-A-Lot News

In November we focus on the wonderful feeling of thanksgiving. We, the teachers, would like to give thanks and praise to God, our church community, our Care-A-Lot children and families, and to all of life's gifts.



This month the children will have the opportunity to share with their community all that they have to be thankful for. On November 24, we will have our annual Thanksgiving community feast - the children will prepare and serve the holiday meal for their family members. Noting all that God has provided for us, the Care-A-Lot children are asking the community to drop off canned goods or non-perishables that will be donated to those in need during this holiday season.

In addition to being thankful and preparing for the holidays, the Care-A-Lot children also have a lot to look forward to. We are going to the Riegelsville library and to the Williams Township Fire Company. We will be on holiday break after our feast and preschool will resume on December 1<sup>st</sup>. Happy Thanksgiving everyone!

Love, Mrs. Heinemann, Mrs. Hower, & Mrs. Prudish



Jeremy Wolfe, from Trinity UCC in Pleasant Valley, will be organizing a combined choir for the Community Thanksgiving Service. Please let Carolyn know if you'd like to participate.

Our Choir will be working on Advent and Christmas music beginning in November. Anyone who would like to sing with us for the Christmas season is welcome to join us on Wednesday evenings from 7 to 8 in the balcony if it's warm, or in the Fellowship room if it's too cold upstairs!

A huge Thank-you for the most generous gift from the choir! ~Carolyn Williams

### Thanksgiving Fun Facts:



### Thanksgiving

♦ The origin of Thanksgiving was in the Plymouth Colony in 1621, according to most historians. ♦ Americans eat about 45 million turkeys on Thanksgiving. ♦ 38.7 million Americans will travel 50 miles or more to celebrate Thanksgiving with friends and family ♦ Cranberries, blueberries, and the Concord grape are the only fruits entirely native to N. America. ♦ The first professional football game played on Thanksgiving was in 1934 between the Detroit Lions and the Chicago Bears. Football was first televised on Thanksgiving in 1956. ♦ 3 million people watch the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in person, another 44 million watch it on TV.

For more information on Thanksgiving, visit <http://www.history.com/content/thanksgiving>



Congratulations and best wishes to Rachael Kressman and Joel Roney, who became engaged to be married on October 4. Rachael and Joel are planning a September, 2011 wedding.

### Hang out with Evangelical Lutheran on the internet -

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### Are you looking for a good book???

Here are some authors and titles that might interest you:

- *What's so Amazing About Grace?* by Philip Yancey
- *Amish Grace: How Forgiveness Transcended Tragedy* by Kraybill, Nolt, and Weaver-Zercher
- *Everybody's Normal Till You Get to Know Them* by John Ortberg
- *If You Want to Walk on Water You've Got to Get Out of the Boat* by John Ortberg

## Numbers Quiz

What do the letters stand for?

example:

7 = Days in a Week

1. 24 H in a D
2. 26 L of the A
3. 7 D of the W
4. 7 W of the W
5. 12 A of J
6. 12 S of the Z
7. 66 B of the B
8. 52 C in a D (WO J's)
9. 13 S in the USF
10. 18 H on a G C
11. 39 B of the O T
12. 5 T on a F
13. 90 D in a R A
14. 3 B M (S H T R)
15. 3 W on a T
16. 12 M in a Y
17. 13 = UFS
18. 8 T on a O
19. 29 D in F in a L Y
20. 27 B in the N T
21. 365 D in a Y
22. 13 L in a B D
23. 52 W in a Y
24. 9 L of a C
25. 60 M in an H
26. 23 P of C in the H B
27. 64 S on a C B
28. 1000 Y in a M
29. 76 T in the B P
30. 57 H V
31. 9 P in the S S
32. 4 H of the A
33. 4 G in the N T
34. 1000 W that P is W
35. 5280 F in a M

**Answers next month!**



## Who welcome is here?

Not too long ago, a cluster of churches in the Midwest decided to send this message to everyone in their communities through billboards, newspapers, flyers, etc. A similar message has since been used by churches of many denominations throughout the country. We thought this message should serve as a model for our Christian outreach and hospitality. We are re-printing it for you!

- ◆ We want you to know that people of all skin colors and heritages are welcome here.
- ◆ We want you to know that those who suffer from addiction to drugs and alcohol (whether recovering or not) and their families are welcome here.
- ◆ We want you to know that women and children are welcome and they will not be harassed or abused.
- ◆ We want you to know that in this community you can bring children to worship and even if they cry during the entire celebration, they are welcome.
- ◆ We want you to know that individuals and families with special needs are welcome.
- ◆ We want you to know that those who are single by choice, by divorce, or through death of a spouse, are welcome here.
- ◆ We want you to know that those who are promiscuous, have had an abortion, have had a marital affair, or have fathered children and haven't taken responsibility for them are welcome.
- ◆ We want it to be known that gossips, cheats, liars, and their families are welcome here.
- ◆ We want you to know that all people are welcome regardless of their sexual orientation.
- ◆ We want you to know that we take seriously the Apostle Paul's statement that "all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:23) We are made right by the grace of God, which is a gift through the redemption of Christ Jesus. We offer welcome here because we believe that *while we were yet sinners Christ died for the ungodly*. That's us. Christ did not die for us after we showed signs of 'getting it all together.' Sinners are welcome here, sinners like you and us and our neighbors. We believe we are not called to be perfect (which we can't be). We believe we are called to be a light of hope shining in a broken world.

May God give us the grace to welcome and forgive one another as Christ has welcomed and forgiven us.

**You are welcome and invited to join us as we experience God's grace together.**



**Thrivent Financial for Lutherans**

*Where Values Thrive.*

Starting in the Spring of 2010, Thrivent Financial for Lutherans will introduce a new program called Thrivent Choice. Under this new program, eligible members will be able to direct funds - on average between \$25 and \$100 - to the local charitable institution of their choice. Members will also be able to vote on the allocation of funds among several national charities.

If you are a Thrivent member, please keep Evangelical Lutheran in mind when the Thrivent Choice program begins. If you are not yet a Thrivent member, now is a great time to look into the benefits of membership!

## Medical Mission to Honduras



Laura Dewalt, granddaughter of Bob and Esther Crouse, will be participating in a medical mission trip to Honduras with fellow students of the Penn State chapter of Global Medical Brigades.

During her week-long trip, Laura will work alongside students and medical professionals to deliver much needed care to rural, impoverished areas of Honduras. The group strives to make a lasting difference in the lives of children and adults in a country where disease and malnutrition rates are high.

To defray the cost of travel, housing, and supplies, Laura is accepting donations. Donations can be made by credit card online at <https://fundraising.intelis.com/gbl/Events/EEEventDetail.jsp?EI=cc0d0bb81204854da6a100335db8ce52>. At this site choose the Donate link and then type in the name (Laura Dewalt). This will lead you to a page where you can make a donation of any size. If you would prefer to make a donation by check please contact Laura at 484-542-2154 or by email at [led5102@psu.edu](mailto:led5102@psu.edu) to make arrangements. Any donations are much appreciated and will greatly support this cause.

*Here is the answer to last month's Books of the Bible paragraph. Congratulations to Linda Sauter, who was able to find all but one. One book is mentioned twice: Osee is a variation of Hosea. The Bible books are printed in **BOLD** type.*



There are 30 books of the Bible in this paragraph. Can you find them? This is **a most remarkable** puzzle. It was found by a gentleman in an airplane seat pocket, on a flight from Los Angeles to Honolulu, **keeping** him occupied for hours. He enjoyed it so much, he passed it on to some friends. One friend from Illinois worked on this while fishing from his **john** boat. Another friend studied it while playing his banjo, **Elaine** Taylor, a columnist friend, was so intrigued by it she mentioned it in her weekly newspaper column. Another friend **judges** the **job** of solving this puzzle so involving, **she brews** a cup of tea to help her **nerves**. **There** will be some names that are really easy to spot. That's a **fact**. **Some** people, however, will soon find themselves in a **jam**, especially since the book names are not necessarily capitalized. **Truthfully**, **from answers** we get, we are forced to admit **it usually** takes a minister or a scholar **to see** some of them **at the worst**. Research has shown that something in our **genes is** responsible for the difficulty we have in seeing the books in this paragraph. During a recent fund raising event, which featured this puzzle, the Alpha Delta **Phi lemonade** booth set a new record. The local paper, **The Chronicle**, surveyed over 200 patrons who reported that this puzzle was one of the most difficult they had ever seen. As **Daniel** Humana **humbly** puts it, "The books are all right here in plain view hidden from sight." **Those able** to find all of them will hear great **lamentations** from those who have to be shown. One **revelation** that may help is that books like **Timothy** and **Samuel** may occur without their **numbers**. Also, keep in mind, that punctuation and spaces in the middle are **normal**. **A chipper** attitude will help you **compete** really well against those who claim to know the answers. Remember, there is no need for a mad **exodus**, there really are 30 books of the Bible **lurking** somewhere in this paragraph waiting to be found. God Bless.

## Swine Flu Information from the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

**Q. Are the symptoms of novel H1N1 infection different from those of typical seasonal flu?**

*A. No. The symptoms are indistinguishable. All influenza infections include symptoms such as fever, chills, muscle aches, congestion, cough, runny nose and difficulty breathing.*

**Q. Who should get the novel H1N1 vaccine?**



*A. The novel H1N1 vaccine is recommended for people most likely to get severe pneumonia and those who care for them. This includes pregnant women, people between 6 months and 24 years of age, people who care for children less than 6 months of age, healthcare and emergency medical personnel, and people between 25 years and 64 years of age who have chronic medical conditions (like heart, lung or kidney problems) or who are immune compromised.*

**Q. Other than vaccines and medicines, is there anything else I can do to protect myself and my family during an influenza pandemic?**

*A. Yes, several simple strategies are effective. Careful hand-washing, covering your mouth when sneezing and staying home for at least one day after the fever is gone will help to reduce the spread of influenza viruses.*



# November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1 All Saints Day</b>  9:15 AM SPARKS Sunday School Confirmation 10:30 AM Holy Communion – Remembrance of Saints	<b>2</b> 9 AM -12:30 PM Care-A-Lot Blue Whales	<b>3</b> 9–11:30 AM Care-A-Lot Green Turtles	<b>4</b> 9 AM -12:30 PM Care-A-Lot Blue Whales 7 PM Choir 7 PM Finance Committee	<b>5</b> 9–11:30 AM Care-A-Lot Green Turtles	<b>6</b> 9 AM–12 noon Care-A-Lot Community Day	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> 9:15 AM SPARKS Sunday School 10:30 AM Service of the Word – Remembrance & Recognition of Veterans	<b>9</b> 9 AM -12:30 PM Care-A-Lot Blue Whales	<b>10</b> 9–11:30 AM Care-A-Lot Green Turtles <b>Martin Luther's                      Birthday</b>	<b>11 Veteran's Day</b> 9 AM -12:30 PM Care-A-Lot Blue Whales 7 PM Choir	<b>12</b> 9–11:30 AM Care-A-Lot Green Turtles	<b>13</b> 9 AM–12 noon Care-A-Lot Community Day	<b>14</b> 9 AM – WELCA Thank offering meeting
<b>15</b> 9:15 AM SPARKS Sunday School Confirmation 10:30 AM Holy Communion 11:30 AM Congregational Meeting to discuss new windows	<b>16</b> 9 AM -12:30 PM Care-A-Lot Blue Whales	<b>17</b> 9–11:30 AM Care-A-Lot Green Turtles	<b>18</b> 9 AM -12:30 PM Care-A-Lot Blue Whale 7 PM Choir	<b>19</b> 9–11:30 AM Care-A-Lot Green Turtles	<b>20</b> 9 AM–12 noon Care-A-Lot Community Day	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> 9:15 AM SPARKS Sunday School 10:30 AM Service of the Word 4:00 PM Community Thanksgiving Service at Christ, Springtown	<b>23</b> 9 AM -12:30 PM Care-A-Lot Blue Whales	<b>24</b> Care-A-Lot Community Day Thanksgiving Feast	<b>25</b> No Preschool	<b>26 DAY OF                      THANKSGIVING</b> 	<b>27</b> No Preschool	<b>28</b>
<b>29 First Sunday in Advent</b> 9:15 AM SPARKS Sunday School Confirmation 10:30 AM Holy Communion	<b>30</b> No Preschool					

