

### A FAMILY IN CHRIST CARING FOR ALL PEOPLE

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The fondest memories are made when gathered around the table.

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# Pastor's Page

"I thank my God every time I remember you..."
--Paul (Letter to the Philippians 1:3)

"Think of ten things you're grateful for." Years ago, I had a yoga teacher who closed every class with these words as part of a quiet meditation time. It always made me laugh because ten things is so many! I would quickly lose count, mentally swimming in an ocean of gratitude. It felt so good.

What ten things are you thankful for? How does it feel to remember those things—or people!
—for which you give thanks? While Paul was imprisoned, he wrote a letter to the Christians in Philippi, remembering them with gratitude and encouraging them in faith.

I can't imagine he was feeling terrific about being imprisoned, but he didn't wait until he was free before considering gratitude and being in touch with friends. It makes me wonder: whenever I'm feeling down, would it help me feel better to make a gratitude list?

In this season of Thanksgiving, many of us in our culture are contemplating gratitude, but how many of us keep an attitude of gratitude throughout the year? I think this is the kind of thing that gets easier with practice, but there's always *something* to be grateful for: health, sunshine, fall leaves, sharing a smile with a stranger, another day of life. Even small pleasures are worth listing.

During this season, churches often reflect on stewardship, how we as disciples share our time, talents, and treasures. Gethsemane is filled with faithful stewards who pledge money annually and who also use their time and energy to respond to needs as they arise.

Earlier this year, members of the Social Action team noticed a need for sharing food in our neighborhood, and within just a few months, several Gethsemane disciples worked together to build a Little Free Food Pantry and set it up in the church yard. People donate non-perishable food and other needed items, and volunteers restock the Little Free Food Pantry three times a week. Other neighbors also donate to the pantry, so we're even connecting with strangers for the good of feeding those who are hungry.

For what are you most grateful? I'm grateful for the creativity and energy of the disciples of Gethsemane Lutheran Church, and I thank God for each of you! May God continue to bless this ministry, and may God's will be done here on this corner of the world, on earth as it is in heaven.

Pastor Cheryl Walenta Gorvie

# Worship in November

#### Sunday, November 5th, 2023 All Saints Sunday

8:30am In-Person & Online Worship 9:45am Sunday School & Fellowship

10:00am Adult Forum: Project Sanctuary

11:00am In-Person Worship

#### Sunday, November 12th, 2023 Twenty-Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

8:30am In-Person & Online Worship

9:45am Sunday School & Fellowship

10:00am Adult Forum: Music Reparations

11:00am In-Person Worship

### Sunday, November 19th, 2023 <u>Twenty-Fifth Sunday After Pentecost</u>

8:30am In-Person & Online Worship

9:45am Sunday School & Fellowship

10:00am Committee Meetings 11:00am In-Person Worship

#### Sunday, November 26th, 2023 Christ the King Sunday

8:30am In-Person & Online Worship

9:45am Fellowship (no Sunday School)

11:00am In-Person Worship

#### **Gateway Ringers**

The Gateway Ringers are bringing their 2023 holiday handbell concert to Gethsemane on December 9th at 7:30 pm.

The Gateway Ringers is a local handbell choir composed of experienced, auditioned handbell ringers. They will be using a six octave set of handbells and a six octave set of choirchimes (two more octaves of each than Gethsemane owns). Their performances are generally in the fall and spring and they perform a few holiday concerts in December.

Gateway Ringers concerts are always beautiful and entertaining and it is fascinating to watch their expertise. Please take some time in your holiday preparations to just enjoy the spirit of the season. A freewill offering will be taken.

#### **Thanksgiving Casseroles**

We will once again be partnering with St. Joan of Arc to bring Thanksgiving meals to homebound Gethsemane members. If you would like to make a green bean casserole or deliver meals on Thanksgiving, please contact Gretchen at connect@gethsemanestl.org

#### **October Attendance**

October 1st 112 In-Person 42 Online

October 8th
71 In-Person 62 Online

October 15th 91 In-Person 47 Online

October 22nd 100 In-Person 30 Online

October 29th 79 In-Person 62 Online

Don't forget to complete your weekly attendance form. We're counting on you!



## **Community Life**

#### **Adopt a Family**

Fall has definitely arrived in St. Louis! And while it's totally fine to keep enjoying your pumpkin spice flavored coffee/baked goods/ everything, it's also time to start thinking about Christmas. Specifically: how can your family make Christmas a bit brighter for a person or family in our community who has had a challenging year? Gethsemane has committed to adopting 40 people this year through St. Anthony's, one of our social ministry partners, and we hope you and your family will consider providing a gift and clothing items for Christmas to one of these people.

We are using SignUpGenius again this year. Individuals to be adopted (and their "wish lists") will be available on Sunday, November 19th. You can sign up to provide gifts for someone on SignUpGenius (the link will be in the Friday e-newsletter, bulletin, and on the church website). Or, if you would rather talk to a real person, please sign up between services that Sunday in the narthex, or call Maryn Olson at 563.419.1885 or Angie Fulton at 618.410.6986. Not sure what to buy for that teenager? Gift cards are a great option!

Gifts should be delivered to the church on or before Sunday, December 10th, and our faithful volunteers will organize everything and deliver to St. Anthony's in time for Christmas.

#### **Blanket and Gift Card Collection**

We will also be collecting blankets and gift cards from local stores (Schnucks, ALDI, Walmart, Walgreens, etc.) to be divided between Isaiah 58 and St. Anthony's. Know these items are very welcome and appreciated!

Happy holidays, and thank you for helping to make Christmas brighter for our neighbors served through St. Anthony's! Maryn and Angie



November: browne mix (goal is 400 boxes)

We met that goal: Thank You!!!
New Request:
Gently used coats, new socks, non
perishable foods, spices

Please bring products to the church before the last Sunday of the month!



#### Red Cross Blood Drive December 4th

1:00pm - 5:00pm

We welcome all ors. A link to book

"types" of donors. A link to book your preferred time slot can be found on Gethsemane's website.

#### LuMin St. Louis: Ecumenical Campus Ministry



Sunday Night Dinners and Jesus

Every Sunday night, LuMin provides a free home-cooked meal to students from campuses all over St. Louis. Gethsemane has signed up to provide meals on the second Sunday of each month. Please sign up to help: November 12th. Stay tuned for the spring sign up!

Write the word "TURKEY" on your attendance card any Sunday in November for a surprise gift.

### **Connections Corner**



☐: glcstlsocialmedia@gmail.com

**3**: 314-518-6978 (ok to text)

\*if you send me a friend request on Facebook I will accept you!

Office hours: Mon -Thurs, 10am—2:30pm

#### Ways to stay connected:

Utilizing these resources can help you feel closer to Gethsemane!



Give online (Vanco Mobile App)



Access the Church Directory
Online (Instant Church Directory)



Watch Worship Services Online (YouTube)

#### **Questions?**

If you are wondering how to access your giving through the Vanco app or browser or how to access the Church Directory, please do not hesitate to talk to me! (Gretchen) It may comfort you to know I receive many requests for help so if you have a question, chances are good someone else has also wondered about the same thing.

I don't know everything, but I do know some things and if you have access to what you need when it comes to anything Gethsemane related, it means I'm doing my job! I make it a practice to not shame anyone for not knowing something—what is that about anyway? It has always baffled me when I hear someone say, I didn't know XYZ, and the response is, "What? How could you not know that?!" Like, oh, you want me to remain ignorant? Just tell me so I know already!



#### Find Gethsemane on Social Media:

Website: www.gethsemanestl.org

YouTube: gethsemanestl

Instagram: gethsemane elca stl

Pinterest: Gethsemane Lutheran Church

Facebook: Gethsemane Lutheran Church - ELCA, St. Louis, MO









### **Around the Church**



#### November GLCW Luncheon

All women are welcome to join us at our next luncheon:

**Date:** Monday, November 27th

**Time:** 11:30 AM

Place: La Fuentes Mexican

Restaurant in Afton

Hostesses: Debbie Schaller

**RSVP:** Please call: 314.640.3028

by Sunday, November 26th

#### **Adult Forum Topics**

All adults are welcome to join us in the chapel between services at 10:00am for the following discussions:

Nov. 5 - Project Sanctuary

Nov. 12 - Reparations

Nov. 19 - Social Action Team (Library)

Dec. 3 - CASA

If you have an idea for a future adult forum, please contact the church office.

#### **Attention Committee Chairs:**

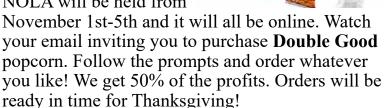
Your budget requests for 2024 are due to Dan Flaxbart by Friday, December 1st.

Committee reports are due to the church office by Friday, December 8th.
Thank you!



#### Gethsemane Youth Group Fundraiser

The next fundraiser for the Youth Gathering to NOLA will be held from



#### **Family Advent Craft Event**

**Save the Date:** Gethsemane will be hosting an Advent Family Craft Night on Friday, December 1st, at 6pm. A simple soup dinner will be served

along with the activity of making Advent decorations for the church. Everyone is welcome! Watch for details and registration information. We are currently looking for blue tissue paper. A collection basket is in the fellowship hall.



We are excited to announce the return of Gethsemane's Living Nativity on Sunday, December 10th. Join us for outdoor activities starting at 3pm including live animals, hot chocolate, and

cookies. Then move inside at 4:15pm to visit the Holy Family, hear the story of the Jesus' birth, and sing some of your favorite

traditional Christmas hymns. The Bridge Pop-Up shop will be available from 3pm to 5pm for fair - trade purchases.

#### **Third Sunday Committee Meetings**

In an effort to encourage more committee meetings and member involvement, we will now reserve the third Sunday of each month for committee meetings. We will not schedule adult forums, speakers, presentations, or events on the third Sunday. Contact the church office with any questions, to reserve your space, or to announce your meeting plans.



### by Gethsemane's Music Director: Dr. Aria Thomé

#### Reparations Royalties Program

Beginning this Advent, the Worship and Music committee will begin to roll out a reparations program. This will be a congregational practice to communally value the musical contributions of formerly enslaved African Americans to our worship music repertoire through financial means to broaden awareness of the systemic injustices of years bygone and to quell its continuation.

#### Goals of this effort:

To provide Gethsemane an opportunity to live out its call to racial justice.

To deepen relationships between Gethsemane and congregations of higher African American representation in a way to further realize God's kindom.

To assist in recalling the contribution of African American musicians to worship and seeing our interrelatedness and interdependency.

To de-center whiteness and re-center God's vision despite our Euro-centric hymnal.

To provide financial support to St. Phillip's, ELCA to grow its music program.

The primary means of attaining these goals would be by education and the collecting of monetary donations for use of all settings, arrangements, idiomatic songs, hymns, and anthems derived from "African American Spirituals."

Collecting copyright fees has been well established and practiced. However, since the pandemic, with Churches moving toward live stream, this practice gained prominence. This means that the use of "African American Spirituals" have seen increased copyright fees paid to publishers who simply arrange the music in Euro-idiomatic ways, thereby placing a newly collectible copyright on the music. Descendants or original composers have been largely ignored and unresearched.

Gethsemane, by collecting, distributing, and educating would be cavalier in achieve these goals and hopefully will become a model for other area churches to do similarly.

#### Concert at Gethsemane Nov 4th at 7pm

**Synoptic Frequencies** is a series featuring experimental musicians performing in sacred spaces. GLC will be hosting the seventh edition. Featured performers are our very own Aria Thomé, local artist Gabe Rains of Sun Castles, and the nationally renown Claire Rounay. Tickets are 12 dollars at the door or a 'pay what you can' option. This allows for those for whom the price is a hindrance or for those who can afford to pay a bit more and continue the cause of bringing experimental music into sacred spaces.

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# November 2023 Worship Leaders

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	Early	Late	Early	Late	Early	Late	Early	Late
Greeter	J. Sand- berg	A. Crotty	M. Scan- lan	D. Schaller	K. Moe	R. Schain- ker	C. Morice	P. Lewis
Usher	T. Yemm	R. Schain-ker	J. Sand- berg	G. Borkowski	R. Lima	N. Luebke	B. Scan- lan	D. Bueh- rer
Usher	C. Morice	D. Bueh- rer	T. Yemm	R. Schain- ker	A. Rentchler	G. Borkowski	R. Lima	S. He- tager
Assisting Minister	M. Yemm	A. Fulton	A. Repp	M. Olson	R. Schuessler	G. Borkowski	P. Saathoff	C. Schainker
Lector	R. Lima	A. Gorvie	M. Yemm	S. Walentiik	R. Jones	M. Olson	R. Schuess- ler	B. John- son
Children's Sermon	Pastor Cheryl	Cheryl	Lindsay	Lindsay Schuessler	Chris S	Chris Schmidt	Lindsay Schuessler	chuessler
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Bread Baker	Tepe-McFarlane Family	lane Family	Wish	Wish Family	Megan	Megan Yemm	Meggie Hunsinger	lunsinger
Blood Pressure	Joan Williams	illiams	V	NA	Meliss	Melissa Tepe	NA	A
Fellowship Host	Moe Family	amily	Wisch	Wisch Family	Walentik	Walentik Family	Needed	ded
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Altar Flowers	Schuessler Family	r Family	Natalie	Natalie Fontana	Aria I	Aria Thomé	Scanlan Family	Family
Altar Guild				Bauer	Bauer Family			
Camera				Gretche	Gretchen Jenson			

## Stewardship

#### **Gethsemane Stewardship – GLC+ Stewards on Demand**

Sounds of Gethsemane, Count on Me, Get Your Mission On, and #Let your Light Shine are just a few of Gethsemane's past Stewardship themes as we explored ways to grow stewards of faith and giving. We were able to celebrate GLC members gifts of time, talents, and treasures. The sanctuary lights continue to glow in God's grace as the organ plays in tune across the rafters. Thank you for Gethsemane members that contributed to those fund-raising efforts.

Now as we look toward Gethsemane's 130<sup>th</sup> year, our Stewardship campaign is titled – *GLC*+ *Stewards on Demand*. On Sunday, Oct.22<sup>nd</sup>, you heard a quick overview of the Stewards on Demand message. Over the following four weeks we will see and hear of ways Gethsemane members are stewards of God's grace and how they bundle their faith in the support of others. The front of the church will be decorated and mission moments will be shared about being God's stewards to build a solid faith foundation. In addition, you'll hear from stewards of GLC mutual ministry, creation/environment, and resources. These are great examples of being stewards of giving in abundance. On Sunday, Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> we'll celebrate our commitment of our time/talent/treasures to God.

We are blessed to have counted on you to let your faith light shine and share the sounds of that faith. As I stated in the Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> Gethsemane Mission Moment, normally it's not a good idea to tie stewardship directly to budgets since what we have, is God's and comes from God, but over the past few years we've had deficit budgets. Members were generous in giving to GLC lights and organ funds which have addressed those needs. This has enabled Gethsemane members to focus on Gethsemane staff needs and provide our time, talent, and treasures in support of the church mission in 2024. As we look forward to ways we can continue to grow in God's word, be on the lookout for ways to stream your faith in the support of others, as Stewards-on-Demand.

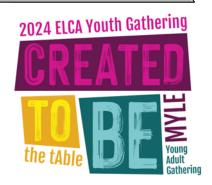
Thank you, Keith Paulson GLC Stewardship Committee Chair



# **Youth Gathering**

#### **Fundraisers!**

The countdown for the ELCA Youth Gathering has begun! One fundraiser down and at least five more to go! The upcoming fundraisers include an online popcorn sale, (see page 4) a babysitting/parent's night out event, and a Christmas "puppy chow" sale.



Christmas will be here before you know it and if you have kids at home it can be hard to find time to get shopping or baking done (or just plain relax!). To that end, on **Friday, December 8th from 5-9pm** you can leave your potty-trained children (three years old and above) at Gethsemane (3600 Hampton Ave. in the lower level Fellowship Hall) while you run errands, etc.. (Even though his is a youth fundraiser, there will also be actual adult supervision!) The kids will enjoy age appropriate games, stories, and a movie. Dinner will be provided. You may drop off your kids anytime after 5pm and pick up anytime before 9pm. Registrations will begin on November 10 via the e-news and posted on the website and are due by Nov. 24th. There will be a limited number of spaces available so register early! (Suggested donation of \$30/child)

If you would like to donate but do not want popcorn, do not have a child for us to sit upon and would rather not have any more snacks around your house during the holidays, never fear! You can always donate to the Gethsemane Youth Fund directly. There is a link on Gethsemane's website under the "donate now" tab. Scroll until you find the ELCA Youth Gathering tile. The goal is to raise at least \$3,000. After the car wash fundraiser, we only have \$2,378 to go!

# **Usher Updates**

Last month, several ushers met to discuss how the assigned duties of their position have changed since Gethsemane returned to in-person worship after COVID. Even though we have returned to two services, the number of people attending on a regular basis has decreased, and the number of available ushers is smaller than ever. This has resulted in a rotation of two ushers assigned to each service instead of previous rotations of teams of four. Ushers will now collect offerings starting in the back, outside aisle, and walking toward the front of the church. They will then cross to the center aisle and collect from the center pews as they walk to the back of the church. During Communion, the ushers will now position themselves, first, at the front of the left center aisle and left outside aisle with the center aisle usher walking toward the back of the church, ushering people to the front for Communion before the outside usher proceeds up the outside aisle to help those in the outside pew. Once everyone on the left outside pew has moved forward, the process will be repeated on the right side.

### **Member Care Team**

Blood Pressure Monitors: We will continue to offer blood pressure monitoring on the first and third Sunday of each month. This month you will find our volunteers on November 5th and 19th in the fellowship hall. Please remember to give the person ahead of you space to privately discuss their results.

**Heath Advisory Team:** There is still time to get your COVID and Flu shots this winter. Most pharmacies will provide both vaccines at the same time.

**Wiggle Ministry:** We are in need of your help in designing and creating the improved "wiggle space" in the Narthex and stage area of the fellowship hall. If you are interested in helping out, please contact the church office or join the next Member Care team meeting.

**Member Visits:** The Member Care team has recently compiled a list of members who are either unable to attend worship services in person, or who may simply need more contact from their Gethsemane family. If you are interested in helping us support these members with visits, phone calls, cards, and/or creating and delivering small gifts throughout the year, please contact the church office or join the next Member Care team meeting.

Next Member Care Team Meeting: Sunday, December 17th at 10am in the church library. All are welcome to attend.



Healing Action is an organization that supports the survivors of sex trafficking and commercial sexual exploitation in St. Louis. This organization is housed in our community. If you would like to support their efforts, please scan the code above.

### **Social Action Team**

Little Free Pantry: First of all, we would like to thank everyone who has supported our Little Free Pantry efforts by donating food over the last several months. We could not have supported our community as well as we have without your help! As the temperature begins to drop, we have noticed an increase in need. Sometimes the pantry is emptied in the time it takes between trips to our indoor pantry shelves. Please continue to pick up an extra item or two when you shop for groceries. If you are a Thrivent member and have an extra Thrivent grant that you can share, please contact Kim Elliott in the church office for direction on how to request a grant for filling the pantry.

The church office recently received a call from the new principal at Betty Wheeler Classical Junior Academy. They were looking for ways to support our community and have agreed to hold a canned food drive in December. Items will first be given to families within their school and neighborhood, but any remaining items will be donated to our food pantry.

On January 27th, Gethsemane will be hosting a food drive at the Schnucks on Hampton. Members of the Social Action team will stand outside Schnucks with information about the food pantry and shopping lists. We plan to ask shoppers to simply pick up an extra item to two to support those in need in our neighborhood. If you are interested in joining us, please contact the church office or join the next Social Action team meeting.

Finally, members of our team are currently working on a grant to help lay the foundation for a sustainable program. We will keep you posted on its progress.

**Gethsemane Green Team:** Please remember to recycle your bulletin in the basket provided in the Narthex following each service.

A spring electronics recycling drive is in the works. The past two drives have been so successful that we have decided to hold these events twice a year. If you would like to help, please contact the church office or join the next Social Action team meeting.

Next Social Action Team Meeting: Sunday, November 19th at 10am in the church library. All are welcome to attend.



# Announcements & Anniversaries

#### Condolences...

To Stephen Brown and the family of Kevin Kopplin on Kevin's death Saturday, October 28. Watch for information regarding Kevin's funeral service which is currently scheduled for the third week in November.

#### New address...

Margaret and Fred Lenhart have recently moved. Here is their new address:

1111 S. Berry Rd. Apt. 122 Bethesda Hawthorn Place St. Louis, MO 63122

Their updated email and phone numbers can be found in the church directory or by contacting the church office.

#### SAVE the Date...

Committee and Team budgets are due to Dan Flaxbart by Friday, December 1st

Committee and Team yearly reports are due to the church office by Friday, December 8th

Nominations and Church Council nominee writeups and pictures are due to the church office by Friday, December 8th

The Church Annual meeting will be Sunday, January 28th. There will be one service at 9:30am followed by the meeting in the sanctuary.

#### Attention...

The church office will be closed between 10am and 12pm on Wednesdays for staff meetings. We will not accept visitors or calls during this time. Please plan accordingly. Thank you for your support.

#### Adult Forum Focus: December 3rd

Looking for a way to give back to the community? Join us Sunday, December 3rd, at 10am, in the chapel to learn more about CASA of St. Louis. This non-commitment information session will inform you about the program and ways you can help a child in foster care due to abuse and neglect. For additional information, visit www.stlcasa.org.



#### **November Birthdays**

- 1 Aidan Jenson
- 3 Dawn Schuessler
- 4 Kathleen Moe Lindsay Schuessler
- 5 Mark Cutelli
- 6 Caitlin Sungur
- 9 Theresa Lamczyk Avery Williams
- 14 Nathan Annis
- 15 Evan Gorvie
- 17 Thomas Cooney
- **23** Edward Roach

#### **November Anniversaries**

11 Jack Jaworski & Kathy Lee 17

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17 Don & Mary Thuss



#### **Children's Christmas Program**

This year's Sunday School Christmas program will be Sunday, December 17th during the 11am worship service. If your child will not be available to participate, please let their teacher know ASAP.

### **Dates to Remember**

Coming Up:

Sunday, November 19 Commitment Sunday

Thursday, November 23 Office Closed for Thanksgiving

Friday, November 24 Office Closed

Friday, December 1 Family Advent Craft Event

Friday, December 8 Youth Babysitting Fundraiser

Sunday, December 10 Live Nativity

Sunday, December 17 Children's Program and Cantata

**Don't Forget** 

Every Wednesday -

Bulletin Items By Noon

Second Tuesday -

Church Council Meeting

Third Friday -

Messenger Articles Due

December First -

Budget Requests Due

Committee Reports are due Friday, December 8th.



#### SPECIAL EVENT HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MONTH

Happy Thanksgiving!

We are thankful for your support.

# Get Connected @ Gethsemane

#### **Gethsemane Lutheran Church**

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#### **eMESSENGER**

Please consider helping us save a tree and save on the cost of paper and postage. This happens if you choose to receive your *Messenger* only by e-mail. Just send a message to:

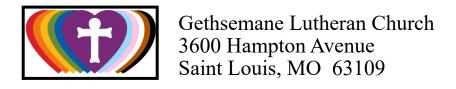
messenger@gethsemanestl.org.

#### **WEEKLY E-NEWS**

If you are not receiving our weekly e-news and would like to receive it, let us know by sending us an email. Please make sure that you put our address in your address book so that your spam filters let it pass through!

#### **MESSENGER NEWS**

You can send your news and notes for the *Messenger* to **messenger@gethsemanestl.org**. There is also a *Messenger* drawer by the church office. For best results, news should be in by the third Friday of each month.



Return Service Requested

# Month in Pictures

