

Vernes Lutheran Church News

November 2020

Yes! We are worshipping the Lord together each Sunday at 9:00, following the Guidelines of wearing masks & practicing social distancing. We do not meet for coffee and goodies after church, but do enjoy the fellowship, love, support & prayers as we gather together!

Ladies Aid: Meets Oct. 27 at 6:30, no scheduled meeting for November at this time.

November Janitors: Ben Tofstad, Ray Sundrud, Wayne Schmiedeberg

Pastor Jill: Phone Number: 218-556-2757, you can call or text. Email address: jilltorgerson@gmail.com

Sunday School Calendar: Nov. 1; Nov. 15, 22, 29 None on Nov. 8

Confirmation Calendar: Nov. 1, Nov. 15, Nov. 29 after church.

Acolyte Calendar: Nov. 1—Bergen & Chloe Howard; Nov. 8 Shelby Long & Courtney Lecy; Nov. 15—Bergen & Chloe; Nov. 22—Shelby & Courtney; Nov. 29—Bergen & Chloe.

November Birthdays: 7th Madilynn Lewis; 8th Walker Bergeson; 12th Brianna Finseth; 20th Jarrod Finseth; 24th Betty Tangen; 26th Sierra Guy, Kristi Tofstad; 29th Blake Olson, Wendell Opdahl



PASTOR'S PATHWAYS 1 THESSALONIANS 5:18

This directive sounds beautiful, spiritual and very cool. Thanksgiving is easy to do when the blessings are falling around us, but it can be very difficult when we are facing trials and challenges of life. So, "In everything give thanks" is a tall order!

Yet, it seems whether our circumstance is good, bad, delightful or evil we are to give thanks. There are some circumstances in our lives which it would seem strange to give thanks--- for example financial instability, business failure, health issues, marital turbulence, residency issues, work challenges, joblessness, loss of valuable things, childbirth or family issues. **The good**

news is the Scripture says "IN" everything give thanks, not "FOR" everything! We can say or pray, "Lord, I trust you to bring good out of this situation--& I give thanks to you for taking care of it! Why should we give thanks?"

- 1) It is God's will for us
- 2) It unlocks many doors
- 3) it brings blessings
- 4) It builds our faith
- 5) It keeps our lives clear of worry and deception.
- 6) It draws us closer to God.

PRAYER TIME AT VERNES –

There is definitely **power in prayer**. I will continue as always, but at home. I encourage each of you to make it a routine in your lives; maybe spending a few minutes at church during the week to pray, read the Bible, meditate. . . .

Please text or e-mail prayer requests to 218.791.7520 or ralys@gvtel.com

Be assured that “my lips are sealed”.

Prayer Schedule:

Nov 5	Mark Sundrud	Mike & Diane Sundrud
Nov 12	Ostan & Jen Sundrud	Ordean & Carol Sundrud; Beverly
Nov 19	Ray & Lynn Sundrud	Conne Syverson
Nov 26	Delores Syverson	Gordon Syverson

Pray for:

- Those on November prayer schedule
- Healing for Vernes members and friends
- Sunday school/ leaders and teachers/ confirmation/ church council. Pastor Jill.
- Global neighbors/ President Trump and other leaders in our land and around the world.
- Pray for those persecuted for their faith.
- **Our country is in trouble – and God is our only Hope. Call on His Name and ask for His intervention. Commit to pray for our nation and its leadership.**
- Military: Austin Sannes, Briana Finseth, Dusty & Lisa Halvorson, Zachary Olson-Burkman, Dawn Fick, Catherine Finseth
- Praises to God for His presence - Who He is. Let us adore Him. **“I trust You Jesus”.**

PRAY HUMBLY

PRAY BELIEVING

PRAY WITH THANKSGIVING –

OUR NATION’S FUTURE DEPENDS ON IT! - Franklin Graham

From Psalm 23 - The **Lord is my Shepherd.**

References in the Bible about sheep are numerous.

- We are compared to sheep.
- In doing some research, all domesticated animals can learn to survive in the wild. . . .

except for sheep.

They require a shepherd or shepherdess, responding to the familiar and trusted voice.

- Let us learn to hear His voice by praying and meditating.
- **Have you chosen to follow the Lord as your shepherd?????**



PRESENTING THE CONFIRMATION CLASS OF 2020!
OCTOBER 25, 2020

Pictured above are Brooke Lynn Tofstad, Emily Helen Strom, Pastor Jill, Preston Adam Joseph Lecy and Ava Ann Howard. These four cherished ones confessed their faith in the Lord Jesus and made public affirmation of their baptism. They all received and celebrated Communion as families served one another. A highlight was the Blessing of the Father to each as their fathers placed hands on their son & daughter's foreheads and gave them the "Blessing of the Father." Parents are: Ben & Kristi Tofstad, Matt & Sarah Strom, Jon & Cindy Lecy, Katherine Howard & Joel Howard. What a wonderful day—filled with joy unspeakable & full of glory!!! A special THANK YOU is extended to Kathy Finseth who designed and sewed each of their red stoles. On each was embroidered their favorite Scripture verse:


Preston—Proverbs 3:5-6 *"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him and he will make straight your paths."*

Brooke—Psalm 23:4 *"Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me, your rod and your staff, they comfort me."*

Ava—Deuteronomy 31:6 *"Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the Lord your God who goes with you. He will not leave you or forsake you."*

Emily—Joshua 1:9 *"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."*

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Fall Back Time Change! Janitors: Ben Tofstad, Ray Sundrud, Wayne Schmiedeberg Worship 9:00 S. School/Conf. 10:00	2	3	4	5 Kevin Lewis	6	7 Deer Season Begins  Madilynn Lewis
8 Worship 9:00 Communion No Sunday School Or Confirmation Walker Bergeson	9	10	11 Veteran's Day	12 Brianna Finseth	13	14
15 Worship 9:00 Sunday School & Confirmation 10:00	16	17 No Ladies Aid	18	19	20 Jarrod Finseth	21
22 Worship 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 No Confirmation	23	24 Betty Tangen	25	26 Thanksgiving Sierra Guy Kristi Tofstad	27	28
29 Worship 9:00 Sunday School & Confirmation 10:00 Blake Olson Wendell Opdahl	30					

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