

# St. Jacob's Lutheran Church

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## Pastoral Devotion for November - Behold, I Am with You

### Read Genesis 28:10-22

Jacob, having tricked his father Isaac into blessing him over and above his brother Esau, is now on the run. He is in fear for his life as his brother has vowed to kill him for what he had done. Alone and afraid, Jacob travels through the wilderness. He is not seeking an encounter with God, nor is he searching for some deeply religious explanation of his life.

Jacob is between places, the place of his father which is his home, and the place to which he is traveling where he hopes to find a new life. Yet, through a dream, God makes his presence known and the gospel, the good news of God's deliverance comes to Jacob. "Behold, I am with you!"

Jacob's vision of a ladder reaching from earth into heaven teaches us that the world is not a place absent of God's presence. Rather, there is an intersection between the realm of earthly life and God's

kingdom. Angels, messengers of God, travel to and from bringing tidings of good news and God's divine protection to those who live within the family of faith. God's children are not alone; there is someone who walks with us, powerful enough to take on our troubles and wash away our shame. Because God loved the world so much, we have a Savior who says, "Behold, I am with you!"

How often do we wander in the wilderness? When are those instances when we search for God, yet He seems distant? These are the times to become quiet and still, to open our hearts and minds to the presence of our Lord Jesus. For the words of his promise are sure, "Behold, I am with you."

*Prayer - Holy God, guide us by your Holy Spirit and guard us with your angels. Help us to see always, your power and presence in our lives. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.*

## THE GREAT CHILI COOK-OFF

Who is the champion chef at St. Jacob's? We will find the answer to that question as we enjoy a Chili Cook-off after we finish assembling health kits for the NALC Disaster Response Warehouse.

Anyone may enter their favorite pot of Chili, (with beans or without). Matt Burt and his select panel of Judges will crown the 2022 St. Jacob's Chili Master. Who will take home the trophy? Come and see and be a part of the fun and fellowship.



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It's almost comical when one thinks about it, writing next month's newsletter article about things yet to come, while at the same time significant dates that belong to the previous month have yet to happen. Such is the case as I write this installment. November is a month during which the Christian church marks three important occasions: All Saint's Day, Christ the King Sunday, and Thanksgiving. This year we also begin the season of Advent before the month of November concludes. And here I am writing about these before October's big event...Reformation Sunday. As I study the texts for Reformation Sunday, I'm trying to iron out how to talk about All Saint's Day, Thanksgiving, and Advent while still in the shadow of October.

There is a beloved hymn that is most often sung at the Reformation celebration that sums up the challenge well. "God's Word is Our Great Heritage" (LBW 239). It is but one verse, albeit an important one. Many of you will recognize this hymn as I share it with you.



*(To the tune of "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God")*

God's Word is our great heritage,  
and shall be ours forever.  
To Spread its light from age to age,  
shall be our chief endeavor.  
Through life it guides our way;  
in death it is our stay.  
Lord, grant while time shall last,  
your church may hold it fast;  
Throughout all generations.

Indeed, God's Word is our great heritage. We are all people who have been brought up in the truth of God's Law and Gospel. We cannot deny that we depend on God's mercy and grace for forgiveness of our sins and life in God's kingdom. God's Word for us stands forever. It is the strong, undeniable saving Word that comes from the very God we worship and glorify. Ah...there is the rub. How is it that we hear the Word and respond by glorifying God through the way we live our life?

*God's Word is our great heritage and shall be ours forever.* If it is to be ours forever, well then, we should know and understand it. So much so,

that it shall be our chief endeavor *to spread its light from age to age* so that all generations of people may claim possession of it and have the Word as their great heritage also. So how do I fit this in with All Saint's, Thanksgiving, and Advent? Well, here goes.

As we pause to remember those church family members who passed away in the last twelve months, we take great comfort in knowing the truth of God's salvation. Truly, we believe we will dwell with God and be reunited with all who have gone before us in faith. Those who cling to God's promise of salvation for believers have the assurance of faith. As so many who have gone before us, our lives are to be shaped by faith – the faith we receive from God in our hearing the Gospel and abiding in Christ. If we live a life shaped by cultural norms, we cannot claim this great heritage as being ours forever. Worldly endeavors simply cannot fulfill that which God promises in the Scriptures. So many of our predecessors understood this and now rest in the love of Christ our Lord. For the fulfillment of this promise, we can and surely ought to give thanks.

As we journey to the beginning of Advent, we do so along our life's pathway illuminated by the Word of God. *Through life it guides our way; in death it is our stay.* The promise of Advent is that Christ will come again to judge the living and the dead. And his kingdom will have no end. How wonderful to be among those whose great heritage is the promise of everlasting life through Christ Jesus!

*Lord, grant while time shall last, your church may hold it fast; Throughout all generations.* Are you holding fast to your great heritage? Are you daily pondering, meditating, and dwelling in the Word of God? If not, why not? As a child of God, saved by grace through faith in Christ Jesus, God's Word is your great heritage, your promise from the God whose Son has purchased and won you from sin, death, and the power of the devil. Hold fast to this promise. Hold fast to your great heritage.

Grace to you and peace,  
*Pastor David Nuottila*



## Choir Notes

Our St. Jacob's choirs continue to gather and grow. Our youth members in grades 4 and up have been rehearsing handbells each Sunday and have enjoyed playing during our Sunday services.

Our Children's Choir, (grades K-3) have been busy learning new songs. As they continue to gain confidence they too will share their gift of music with the congregation during worship.

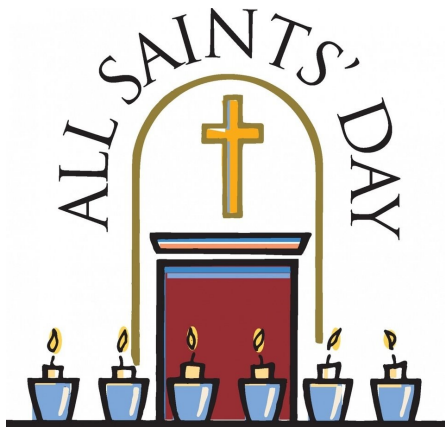
And finally, our adult Chancel Choir continues to rehearse on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 and always has room for more.

I would like to encourage members of our church family of all ages to consider how you might participate in the music ministry of St. Jacob's. Even if you are only able to share your musical talent from time to time, there are many opportunities for special music.

Anyone who might be interested in learning Hand Bells is strongly encouraged to contact me so we might explore this opportunity.

Please come and join us.

## All Saints Sunday, November 6 Remembering the Saints



Our Wednesday morning Bible study is in full swing with a study of the Parables of Jesus.

Everyone who is able is invited to join the group. We have wonderful conversations while exploring the richness of God's mercy and grace. Come be a part of our learning and fellowship. Mid-week Bible study meets at 9:30 A.M. in the fellowship Hall each Wednesday Morning.



Our St. Jacob's Men's Bible study continues to meet in the church office conference room on the second and fourth Monday each month at 7AM. All men at St. Jacob's are encouraged to participate as they are able. Each participant will receive a copy of the "Every Man's Bible" in the New Living Translation (NLT)." The Bible is provided at no cost and is a wonderful addition to every man's Bible collection.

Currently we are exploring the lives of men we read about in the bible and finding out more about their life and struggle to become faithful believers in a world fallen into sin. Please join us. Encourage your friends and neighbors to do the same. We are looking forward to the growth of this ministry.

# The Advent Wreath

Advent traditions will vary by country, but the thought behind Advent is mostly the same across cultures and denominations. Derived from the Latin word “adventus”, the word “advent” means “arrival” or “coming”. In this instance, it is used to mark the Sundays between Christ the King Sunday and the arrival of the baby Jesus on Christmas Day. Unlike Christmas, Advent is a season of expectation, introspection, and hope. It is the time when the Christian Church remembers the prophecy of the coming Messiah into the world as the Christ child, and also the coming again of the Crucified, risen, ascended, and exalted Christ, the King of Glory.

The tradition of Advent dates back to the 4th or 5th century. The Advent wreath used by congregations across denominations today, first appeared in 1839. As the story goes, in 1839, a Lutheran minister working at a children’s mission in Germany created a wreath out of the wheel of a cart. The minister placed 20 small red candles upon the outer ring of the wheel and four larger white candles inside the ring, lighting the red candles on weekdays and the four white candles on Sundays as a way for the children to countdown the days until Christmas.

Advent wreaths were eventually fashioned out of evergreens, twisted together in a circle to symbolize continuous life across the seasons, from the death of winter to the new life of spring. Naturally, this earthly symbolism also points to the spiritual symbolism of newness and the promise of eternal life and salvation offered through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. The circular nature of the wreath, similar to a wedding ring or band, is

further meant to reflect the unending love of Christ and eternal life offered through salvation.

Designating the names for the various candles of the Advent Wreath is a more recent tradition, most likely from the early to mid-20th century. Since that time, various traditions have been developed by denominational publishing houses and even candle companies. There are no strict traditional names for the candles upon the wreath. Names for Advent candles are usually tied to lectionary texts. As new lectionaries are developed, some older traditional texts may be replaced with other Biblical texts according to denominational traditions.



The most common designations for the four candles of the wreath among Protestant denominations are 1) Prophets Candle, 2) Bethlehem Candle, 3) Shepherds Candle, and 4) Angels Candle. Another set of designations commonly used are Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love.

Keep in mind, the use of candles and Advent wreaths during worship is a human tradition and not one mandated by Scripture. Such symbols are used to help worshipers focus their hearts and minds in their worship of the One True God and his promise to save people from their sin. designations for candles, or the order in which they are lit, should never be construed as having one proper order or process of being lit before, or during worship. Only the symbolism of the light of Christ breaking through the darkness of our world should be the focus.

St. Jacob’s Advent Wreath will be placed in the front of the church nave on November 27th, the first Sunday of Advent.

# Council Briefs for September 2022

## Good Things for September 2022

- ◆ The Up and Going 'Apple Run' was a huge success.
- ◆ Men's Bible Study is going well
- ◆ Lutheran Men's Sunday was wonderful, especially, the choir!

## Council Briefs for October 2022

- The Council received the Pastor's report. Pastor David is continuing to do the administrative duties in addition to his regular duties, as the search for an Administrative Assistant continues.
- Matt Burt provided the Youth and Family Ministry report highlighting plans for October to include the Trunk or Treat Halloween Party and Lock-In, planned for October 28, 2022. Changes to the Sunday School curriculum are planned so that there will be two classes. These two classes will be divided as 4th graders and younger, and 5th graders and above. Also, included in Matt's report was the Operation Christmas Child boxes. The last day to turn-in boxes is November 14, 2022.
- Bob Ziemer provided the treasurer's report. The church has spent 67.7% of the 2022 budget.
- All ministry team reports were received by the council. Notes of interest were as follows:
- Staff Support: The Administrative Assistant position remains open. If you know of an interested candidate, please speak to a Council Member or Staff Support Committee member.
- Christian Education: Sunday School teachers are needed to assist with children's Sunday School classes. Interested parties should contact Donna Fulmer or Sherrie McTeer.
- Congregational Care: A meal was provided for the family of Mr. Jim Haack. Plans are in place for the Golden-Agers Sunday on October 23, 2022.
- Discipleship: 45 Mercy boxes have been delivered to We Care. The team is researching using bags instead of boxes, for easier handling.
- Stewardship: Time and talent sheets will be distributed in the bulletin for 3 weeks. The congregation is encouraged to fill out and return their time and talent sheets for 2023.
- The Council continues to review the NALC "Fresh Eyes for Mission Summit" that was presented at the September Council meeting.
- The Council is seeking interested members to fill 5 vacated seats for the 2023/2024 term. Election for these seats will be held at the December Congregational meeting. Any members interested in filling a Council representative seat should notify one of the current Council members.
- The Property Committee is researching the need for a small (non-CDL) church bus. More information will be forthcoming.
- St. Jacobs has been designated as beneficiary of funds from two estates. These funds have no restrictions or pre-determined designations for expenditures. The Council is researching costs for needed property improvements to the Church Sanctuary and grounds as a possible use of these gifts.
- The Council has reviewed proposed 2023 budget requests from each of the Committees. A first reading was completed, and recommended changes have been made. At the November Council meeting, the Council will finalize the budget for 2023 in preparation for presentation and voting by the Congregation in December.

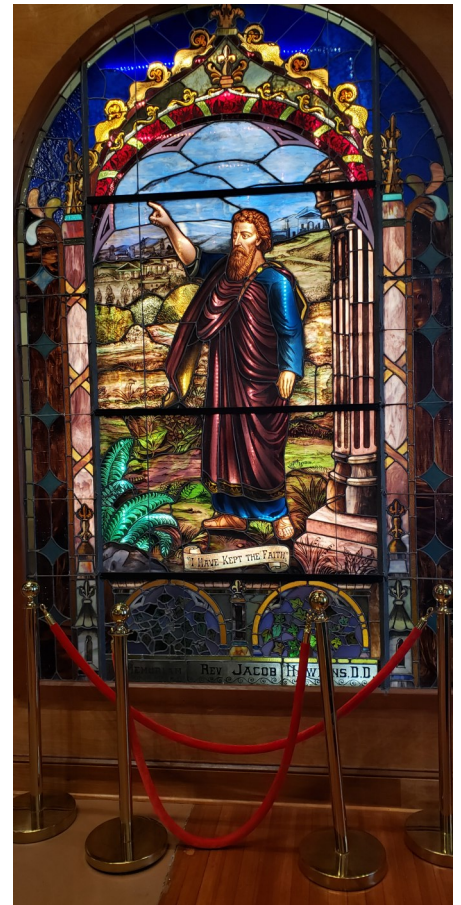
# Up and Going's Trip to Newberry by Helen L. Lindler

Sixteen members and guests of the Up and Going gathered in the Fellowship Hall on Thursday, Oct 20, 2022 at 9AM for the October Meeting. Devotions were given by Helen L. Lindler and the business session followed. At 9:30 AM, we departed for our visit to The Newberry Museum. We were warmly greeted and welcomed by our tour guides, Mr. Steven Knapp and Ms. Denise Reid. The Museum's special exhibit was "Celebrating the 100th Homecoming Anniversary at Newberry College". We were amazed at the important history of Newberry College and it's importance to the Lutheran Church. Our guides were so informed and presented the facts with such expertise that you didn't want to miss not one word. They were wonderful guides.

As we exited the Museum, the weather was fabulous, so we decided to walk to the restaurant, "The Grill on Main" for lunch. The food was delicious. We enjoyed chatting and visiting during our lunch time. Next, a leisurely stroll up and down Main Street as we reminisced about the changes on Main Street and the enjoyment of shopping there over the years. Time to head home. This day trip was so much fun and a real learning experience. Visit The Newberry Museum at 1300 Friendly Street if you possibly can. It is well worth your time.

Our next meeting is Thursday, Nov 17th,(the 3rd Thursday) in the Fellowship Hall at 11:00am. We are having an "Old Fashioned Thanksgiving" so, bring a covered dish or dessert from your Mama or Grand-mama's Receipts. The turkey will be provided. A signup sheet will be posted. Please bring 3 cans of food for We Care. Mark your calendar, our December Christmas Party is scheduled for December 1st (1st THURSDAY) 11am in the Fellowship Hall.

*Photos thanks to Ann Lindler*



## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Joining with several local congregations, St. Jacob's will participate in this year's Operation Christmas Child.

From children to seniors, people pack shoebox gifts each year to bless children in need around the world. Parents often use the project to teach their kids about giving. Year-round volunteers support these efforts across the country.

Churches and groups of all sizes collect boxes from their communities. Some churches also serve as drop-off locations for shoeboxes the third week of November every year.

Thousands of volunteers serve annually inspecting and preparing shoeboxes for international shipping. Every hour work stops for a few minutes to pray for the children who will receive the boxes.

Operation Christmas Child uses the boxes as resources for outreach in orphanages and other at-risk areas. In many places, they also offer The Greatest Gift, a Gospel story booklet Samaritan's Purse developed for shoebox recipients, inviting children to participate in The Greatest Journey discipleship program.

Thank you to all at St. Jacob's who have adopted a child by way of Operation Christmas Child. As of Sunday, October 23, we still have 23 shoe boxes that have not been adopted. Please, as you are able, share the gift of God's love with a child in need this Christmas. Shoeboxes are located in the narthex along with all the information you need to fill, pack, and have your box delivered to a child in one of more than 100 countries. Shoeboxes must be turned in by Sunday, November 13th.



## NALC DISASTER RESPONSE

Due to response to Hurricane Ian, both Carolinas Disaster Response Warehouses are empty and in great need. As such, St. Jacob's is collecting blankets and assembling Health Kits. A list of items for health kits is provided below.

Men, women, and youth members of St. Jacob's are encouraged to participate in the assembly of health kits on Sunday, November 6th in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 5:00PM.

### DISASTER RESPONSE HEALTH KIT CONTENTS

1 bath towel, 1 wash cloth, 1 travel size shampoo (3 oz), 1 bar bath soap, 1 tooth brush, 1 tube toothpaste (2 if travel size), 1 comb, 1 hairbrush, 1 deodorant, 1 nail clippers (optional), 1 dental floss

ITEMS ALSO NEEDED: Trough November 20th, we will collect Blankets, Adult disposable underwear, And children's and infant disposable diapers



## ADVENT BEGINS NOV. 27

It's hard to believe, but in a few short weeks the season of Advent will be upon us.

"Advent" comes from a Latin word meaning "coming" or "arrival." Within the traditional Church, the season of Advent is the season of waiting and anticipation of the coming of Christ. Not simply the coming of Christ as the child born in a manger, but also His second Coming to usher in the kingdom of God in its fullness. This dual meaning of Advent has been celebrated by Christians since the 6th century.



At St. Jacob's we will celebrate Advent in traditional ways. Sunday worship services will focus on the lessons prescribed by our lectionary. Our mid-week services will feature dramatic readings and the Vespers liturgy from the Lutheran Book of Worship.

On Wednesday, December 21, we will once again offer a Blue Christmas Service: Worship on the Longest Night. Further information will be shared in the weekly worship bulletins leading up to this date.

Celebrating Advent leads worshipers to greater spiritual depth in the midst of a secular season of distraction that pulls us farther from the very meaning of Christmas. Like a powerful magnet, using images of bright lights, festive decorations, and beautifully wrapped gifts, the world seeks to draw Christians away from the expected hope of Christ and toward a life shaped by earthly cultural traditions.

Join us for worship during Advent and experience God working in your spiritual life as you join the Christian family in the waiting, expectation, and contemplative reflection of pondering the grace of God and the ultimate gift of CHRISTmas.

## News from St. Jacob's Lutheran Men

The Men of St. Jacob's would like you to know that it is once again the season for one of our favorite treats—delicious, made from scratch pork sausage. From now until November 20th, our Lutheran Men will be taking orders for their famous sausage. The price for sausage will be \$5.00 per pound. Just see any member of St. Jacob's Lutheran Men to place your order. Sausage will be available for pick up on Monday, November 28 in the Fellowship Hall. As always, there is plenty of opportunity for all men of St. Jacob's to lend a hand. We are always looking for new volunteers to pitch in and learn the craft of making this delicious sausage. Contact Lutheran Men's president Lynn Shealy to let him know that you are able and willing.



## Annual Christmas Dinner

Our Lutheran Men are renewing one of our favorite holiday traditions, the Annual St. Jacob's Christmas Dinner. Due to COVID, it has been some time since we have gathered for this fellowship event, but this year we will again enjoy the sharing with friends and family as we kick off the festive holiday season. Our Christmas Dinner will take place on Sunday, December 4th immediately following our service of worship. Every one is invited to attend, dinner will be provided. Please invite your family and friends to celebrate with us as we joyfully look forward to the coming of our Lord and Savior.





## Fall Back One Hour on November 5th

It's that time of year again, time to turn our clocks back one hour as Daylight Savings Time comes to an end. To be on time for worship on Sunday, Nov. 6, be sure to set your clocks back before going to bed on Saturday November 5th. If you forget, well then you will have plenty of time to participate in Sunday school.

It is also a good time to replace the batteries in your smoke detectors, emergency radios and flashlights. In this way we also prepare our homes and families for the long winter nights.



## Thanksgiving Eve at SJLC



### Thank You, LORD!

Our annual Thanksgiving Eve service of worship will be held at 6:30PM on Wednesday, Nov. 23. Everyone at St. Jacob's is encouraged to attend as we worship and give thanks to our loving God for the many blessings he pours out upon us. Gather with your church family for this special evening

## All Saints Sunday

It is with gratitude and love that we give thanks to God for the life and faithful witness of those church family member at St. Jacob's who have gone before us and entered the Church Triumphant.

This year, the Sunday of All Saints is observed on November 6th. A special prayer of thanksgiving will be offered for the lives of those church family members who passed away during the twelves months since All Saints Sunday 2021. These beloved church family members include:

Steve Metze

July 8, 1947 - December 19, 2021

Bill Nuottila

November 28, 1931 - December 20, 2021

Dewey Clark

June 22, 1937 - December 24, 2021

Jim Haack

July 22, 1928 - September 16, 2022

## Thanksgiving with The HUB

As we have done so many times in the past, St. Jacob's will once again join several local congregations in supplying Thanksgiving Dinner for folks in our community who do not have themans to provide such a feat for their family. Working with the Hub in Chapin, St. Jacob's will provide 200 pound cake slices for their dessert. Please provide slices of pound cake as you are able. Following our Thanksgiving Eve service, gather in the Fellowship Hall as we wrap the cake slices and prepare them for delivery. Help us and the Christian Community in Chapin to wish a



**Happy Thanksgiving to our neighbors.**



# November Birthdays

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01 – Crystal Wallace  
02 – Robert Wessinger  
03 – Aaron Dietrich  
03 – Madelyn Coker  
05 – Ruby Slice  
06 – Bryleigh Prosser  
07 – Faye Wessinger  
07 – Eddie Epting  
07 – Robin Lindler  
08 – Chuck Barras  
08 – Travis Eargle  
09 – Chuck Shobert  
10 – Karoline Zeigler  
11 – Isabella Gerity  
13 – Billy McTeer  
14 – David Stopher



15 – Rachel Nuottila  
15 – Kailey Burt  
16 – Jacob Meetze  
19 – Floriede Lindler  
19 – Kathy Epting  
19 – Cody Meetze  
21 – Janet Lindler  
21 – Sandra Dietrich  
21 – Karlee Smith  
23 – Amanda Lindler  
24 – Tommy Slice, Sr.  
25 – Cassidy Lindler  
26 – Jonathan Layton  
26 – Luke Lindler  
27 – Tommy Faulk  
29 – Doris Gibbs  
30 – Brian Sullivan

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## Youth and Family Ministry

Dear Church Family,  
As another month goes by, we are excited about the different opportunities we've been able to partake in. This past month we started the new Sunday school curriculum from "The Bible Project." This curriculum does a fantastic job teaching kids through the entire bible looking for the focus of God's promise of redemption as we see Christ in every story. If you would like to be a part of Sunday school, we are looking for volunteer teachers. Coming up later this week, we have our "trunk or treat" gathering, along with a "Halloween party" and youth "lock-in". We are excited about the opportunity to fellowship together during these events. This year we partnered with "operation Christmas tree child", providing gifts of Christmas presents to children around the world in need. This ministry has a beautiful opportunity to share the gospel with every child that receives a gift and has a wonderful discipleship program for the children and their families. If you have not gotten a box yet, we still have some that need filling!



If you want to get involved with the youth and family program here at St. Jacobs, don't hesitate to reach out!  
Blessings,

# Worship Assistants for November

Date	Time	Usher	Lay Reader	Communion	Acolyte
6-Nov		Leon Lindler Eddie Eargle Lynn Shealy Bob Ziemer	Angela Nuottila	Nicki Peeples Marie Slice	Copeland Peeples
13-Nov		Gread Lindler Robert Wessinger Tracy Eargle David Brown	Susan Shealy	Carroll Lindler Angela Nuottila	Bryieght Prosser
20-Nov		Billy McTeer Don Dease Carroll Lindler David Kibler	Tina Kibler	Nate Nickel Susan Shealy	Isabelle Peeples
23-Nov		Billy McTeer Lynn Shealy	Gary Marco	Angela Nuottila Sherrie McTeer	Copeland Peeples
27-Nov		Leon Lindler Eddie Eargle Lynn Shealy Bob Ziemer		Sherrie McTeer David Kibler	Samantha Monts

## ALTAR FLOWERS FOR NOVEMBER

November 6 Larry Shull  
 November 13 Heather Slice  
 November 20 Gerald and Robin Lindler  
 November 27 Pastor David Nuottila

## HOMEBOUND MEMBER AND RESIDENCE FACILITIES

Michael Lindler  
 250 Leaning Pines Trail  
 Lexington, SC 29072  
 Ph: 803-356-4100

Shirley Nuottila  
 431 East Boundary St.  
 Room 306  
 Chapin, SC 29036

## Worship at Generations

Every other Sunday, Pastor David leads worship for the residents of Generations Assisted Care of Chapin. This ministry has made a difference in the lives of many folks who are not able to attend worship at their home church. The congregation is invited and certainly encouraged to share the love of Christ Jesus in worship with our friends just down the road. Our next worship opportunities will be:



Sunday, October 30  
 Sunday, November 13  
 Sunday November 27

We begin our worship at 1:00PM in the lobby. Join us as you are able and bring a smile to those whom God loves.

Letha Sites  
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 Irmo, SC 29063  
 Ph: 803-345-2300

Mary Lou Haddox  
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 Chapin, SC 29036  
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Stanley & Lucy Slice  
 431 East Boundary St.  
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 Ph: 803-807-8321

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

Weekly Giving: \$5,349.44  
MTD Actual Giving: \$20,894.63  
YTD Actual Giving: \$254,429.49

Budget Requirements: \$5,703.00  
MTD Budget Requirements: \$22,812.00  
YTD Budget Requirements: \$222,417.00

## MEMORIALS GIVEN SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

GENERAL FUND: In memory of Jim Haack – By: Doug, Johanne and Brian Sullivan  
LUTHERAN MEN: In Memory of Jim Haack – By: Margaret Eargle  
UP & GOING: In Memory of Jim Haack – By: Leon and Helen Lindler  
MEMORIAL FUND: In Memory of Jim Haack – By: Miriam Metze AND Frances Shealy

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## Community Service

As a service to our neighbors, St. Jacob's offers the use of our Fellowship Hall, and occasionally the church office building to civic groups in our community. Currently we have two groups devoted to the care of those who struggle against affliction.

The Chapin area AA group meets in the Fellowship Hall every week on Monday evening and Friday evening at 7:30. They are very grateful for the use of St. Jacob's facilities and have been a wonderful addition to our outreach into the community.

The Courage Center meets in our Fellowship Hall each week on Thursday evening at 7:00PM. The Courage Center supports families whose lives have been disrupted by substance misuse or addiction.

Please remember to consult the church calendar when scheduling events held in the Fellowship Hall. We want to be accommodating to our neighbors in needs, just as our Lord is compassionate and accommodating in our need.

## Time and Talent

How might you participate in the life and ministry of St. Jacob's? It is the time of year when all church family members are asked to ponder this very question. As you consider ways in which you might become or continue to be involved, please be sure to fill out the Time and Talent Sheet for 2023. Every member of St. Jacob's (all ages) is encouraged to fill out a time and talent sheet.

Blank sheets will be included as an insert to the worship bulletin each Sunday through November 13th. Begin with prayer and then check the ways in which you are willing and able to serve our Lord and his church.

