

# St. Jacob's Lutheran Church

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## Pastoral Devotion for November – God Is Love

Read 1 John 4:7-21

The tired old man was perched on the steps leading into the church. He sat there every day. He had no other place he needed to be. He had no place to go; no particular circumstance required his presence. He was homeless, jobless and for the most part, invisible. No one noticed him, except for the pastor who supplied breakfast and the newspaper a few times per week. The two were friends; brothers you could say. In the beginning, we would sit rather quietly, so obviously different, yet so much the same, but soon we became bound together in great friendship.

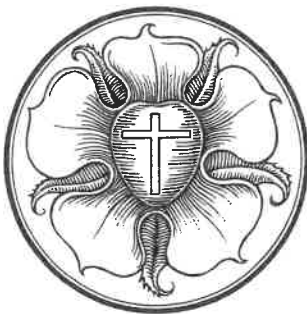
In the text before us, John has but one message; Jesus Christ came as the manifestation of God's love. "For God so loved the world," John would write in his gospel, "that he gave his only Son" (John 3:16).

God's love is realized through Christ, so that humanity may be saved through him. God's love is perfect, undeserved, and everlasting. It is the love shared by his people. Those who abide in his love, abide in him, and he in them. Such a friendship in Christ lasts forever.

As I sat with my friend there on the church steps each morning, we both recognized the love that united us; we spoke of it often. As we shared the news of the day, we+ shared something even more fulfilling – our friendship that had its roots deeply planted in the love of God through Jesus Christ.

*Prayer: Holy God, fill us with your love, that together, we may abide in you and you in us. Amen.*

## Youth Reformation Party



The annual Carolinas Mission Region Youth Reformation Party will be held at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 900 Dreher Island Rd, Chapin, SC on Sunday, Nov. 5 from 3:30 – 6:00p.m. All St. Jacob's youth in grades 6 and above are invited to participate.

There will be games and plenty of fun and food. Each congregation group will compete for the coveted Martin Luther Bobble Head Trophy. This is our first year attending, but who knows, we might just bring home the prize! We will meet at St. Peter's in Chapin at 3:15p.m. prior to the beginning of the party.

## Happy Thanksgiving St. Jacob's

It's hard to believe, but Thanksgiving Day is just around the corner. We all have so much to give thanks for, our families, our homes, and certainly our very lives and the life we share here in Chapin. Most of all, in the spirit of the Day, we express our thanks and praise to God who continues to supply for our every need. Please keep your church family in this prayer. *Almighty God our Father; your generous goodness comes to us new each and every day. By the work of your Holy Spirit, lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience. This we pray through the name of Christ our Lord. Amen.*

# From the Pastor's Heart

*"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."*  
John 13:34-35

As I write this installment, we are only a few days beyond our Homecoming celebration of October 15<sup>th</sup>. Yet, even after a few days, the warmth of the day continues to well up in my heart and mind. What a great day we had. It was good to see so many folks from our St. Jacob's church family who took the opportunity to "come home." The welcoming of Pastor Andy Eargle and his family was simply icing on the cake.

The many stories and conversations shared, and the smiles, hugs and well wishes extended to all our guests will live on in our hearts for quite some time. I know it will live on in mine. You see, a pastor's congregation occupies a special room in their pastor's heart. You may have noticed this as you greeted Pastor Andy and his reaction to being back among you. His smile is one that I immediately recognized as a pastor's genuine heart-felt love and gratitude for the blessing God has bestowed upon him. Truly, I have experienced this emotion firsthand.

Later, in the week as I write this, I am preparing to officiate at the wedding of a former youth group member from my first call as pastor. It's been over twelve years since I left St. Barnabas in Charleston, and I am delighted that Emily has asked me to be a part of her special day. The congregation is closed now, but I do anticipate seeing several members who will gather as friends of the bride's family. It will be a homecoming of sorts for Angela and me as we are reunited with them.

I think I can speak for most pastors who have served in other places when I say, the love shared by pastor and people never fades. Former congregations and church family members continue to occupy that special room in their pastor's heart. To see what this looks like, simply recall seeing Pastor Andy at our homecoming and picture his reaction to being among you. Simply put, in his heart, as well as in yours, he remains the shepherd who loved you for many years. Why? Because Jesus first loved him.

Each week, I am afforded the opportunity to share

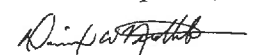
with you a message from God concerning his love that is poured out through his Son Jesus Christ. I am blessed to be called by our heavenly Father to stand among you as his disciple sharing with you the love Christ so deeply shared with us. When we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion, I am afforded the opportunity to look upon everyone with the compassion of our Lord and place in your hands our Lord's precious body and blood which he has given for you.

While Angela and I were away in September, the one thing that remained in my thoughts was how much I missed worshiping with you on Sunday. As I watched the live streams of our services, your faces and names were brought to the forefront of my heart and mind. Yes, I truly missed you. I truly missed being with you here in this place and sharing the love that Christ first shares with us.

Through Scripture, our Lord Jesus reminds us that his command for us is to love one another as he has loved us. This isn't always easy, but it is essential. When the evidence of such love presents itself, we should always take the opportunity to remind one another of this love and its source. Love's source is Christ Jesus in whom all loves exist.

The special room in my heart reserved for the church family members of three congregations and the many folks to whom I have ministered along the way is not yet full. There will be more, I'm sure. They will take their place among you as those whom I have been blessed to serve, just as I am blessed to love and serve you, my church family. This is what is on your pastor's heart today and quite frankly, every day. God bless us all as we share this time and space together in Christ's name.

Grace and peace,



Pastor David Nuottila

## Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service

Our church family, neighbors and friends are invited to attend our annual Thanksgiving Eve service of Worship on Wednesday, November 23, 2023. We will share the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Following our service, as is our custom, we will prepare cake slices for distribution at the annual community Thanksgiving meal provided by The Hub. Please contact Billy McTeer for more information concerning how you might help.

## Mid-Week Bible Study

Our Mid-week Bible study has resumed with the topic of Scriptural Retirement. Join us as we explore what retirement means for life in the church. The study is adapted from a Bible study written by Pastor Brad Hales, Director of the NALC Aging Ministries. All are welcome. Mid-week Bible study meets at 9:30a.m. on Wednesdays in the church office.



## FREE CHRISTMAS CONCERT

St. Jacob's congregation is invited to a free Christmas Concert that my mom and I are doing at St. Andrew's Baptist Church in Irmo on December 10th at 3:00 p.m. Thanks!  
Sarah Masterson



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## November Birthdays

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



14 – David Stopher  
15 – Rachel Nuottila  
16 – Jacob Meetze

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  
25 – MacKenzie Raines  
26 – Jonathan Layton  
26 – Luke Lindler  
27 – Tommy Faulk  
29 – Doris Gibbs  
30 – Brian Sullivan

# Historical Truth Concerning Halloween

People claim that Halloween came from a pagan Irish festival of the dead called Samhain. But that claim did not appear until the mid-20th century, and there are no records of the celebration of Samhain until the 10th century, almost 600 years after the coming of Christianity to Ireland. Even then, Samhain was a seasonal festival, the end of the harvest and beginning of winter. There ARE records of Irish Christians celebrating All Saints Day in 843 AD, however.

Halloween is based on All Saint's Day, not the other way around. Everything you read about October 31 being the time when ancient Celts believed the spirits walk the earth and must be placated with food or they will play tricks, and the living must dress up in disguise to fool the evil spirits--none of it is true. There is no primary-source evidence for it, and plenty that shows that this was something made up in the 20th century. There were indeed ancient Celtic festivals of the dead/spirits but they were not near the day we know as Halloween.

It is also not true that the Church tried to take over this supposedly-popular ancient Irish holiday of Samhain and "Christianize" it, stealing it from the non-Christian Irish. Pope Gregory III moved Halloween (what we know as All Saints' Day) to November 1st in the \*8th century\*, when leaders in Rome did not care one bit what the backwater Irish

were doing. Before that, All Saints had been celebrated in May, and had been celebrated since the 2nd century. Keeping in mind calendar changes (Julian to Gregorian) and the fact that Samhain was a lunar festival, not solar--there is no evidence to support the fixed date of October 31 as being anything other than the Eve of All Hallows, shortened to "Hallow E'en."

Halloween is great fun and a favorite holiday for many. But the traditions and backstory most associate with it are both modern and Anglo-American, they are 20th century inventions of ancient pagan roots portrayed in the media and popular culture. Don't believe everything you watch on the "History" Channel: Halloween is [truly] a child of the Church.

Christians should absolutely be free to observe Halloween, and All Saints Day (November 1) and All Souls Day (November 2) as a time to give thanks for the saints, and for all our beloved dead, and to tweak the nose of Satan, too, knowing that no matter what beasties and creepy clowns and ghosts may be lurking in the dark night, Christ always has the final victory over the devil, and death has no power over us ever again!

By Lutheran Pastor Rev. Pari Bailey STS

## For All the Saints

The first Sunday in November brings with it the opportunity to give thanks to God for the faith, witness, life, and love we shared with all who have entered into glory before us. As is our custom, we will lift up the names of our dear brothers and sister in Christ, lighting a candle in prayer and ringing a bell as their name is read. This year we will include names of some who were not members, but were parents and children of St. Jacob's members who have passed. White roses will be provided for each family in remembrance of their loved one. The list of those who will be remembered are Floriede Lindler, Virginia Peeples, Daniel Oneal Lindler, Helga Shobert (Chuck Shobert's mother), Philip Morris (Julie Stuck's father), and Bert Slice (Ann Slice's son).

## LUTHERAN MEN'S

The Lutheran Men will be making Country Sausage on Monday, November 20, 2023. If you would like to purchase BULK sausage at \$5.00 per pound, please place your order in advance. See a member of the LM or contact Gerald Lindler (cell #803-622-9257) on or before Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. The sausage can be picked up between 3:00 and 6:00 pm on Monday, November 20<sup>th</sup> in the Fellowship Hall.

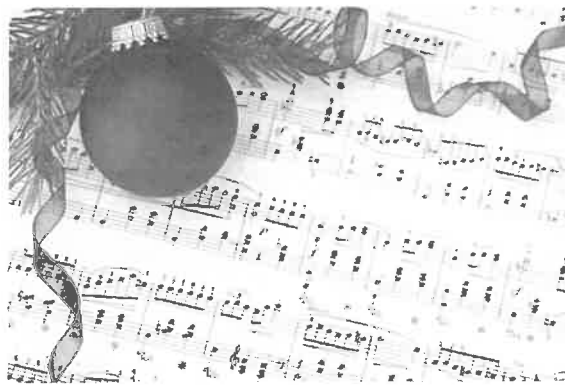
**PORK BBQ  
NOVEMBER 20, 2023**



# Choirs Notes

*Oh come,  
let us sing to the Lord;  
Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!  
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;  
Let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!*

King David's words in Psalm 95 tell us how we are to come into the presence of God, with thanksgiving and making joyful noises to him with songs of praise! Each Sunday as you come in to the house of God, sing out boldly, making a joyful noise. This is a sacrifice and gift that is pleasing to God. Let us make this advent and Christmas season a time of true thanksgiving to our God. There is still time to join the cantata scheduled for December 17 during the service. We are rehearsing from 5:30-6:15 each Wednesday evening in the choir room. Every voice is needed. Please consider if this is a gift you are willing to give God this holiday season.




**CHRISTMAS CONTATA**  
December 17th  
10:00 am

# BECAUSE WE CARE

**WE CARE CENTER**  
November Most Needed Items

1. Corn muffin mix
2. Canned fruit
3. SpaghettiOs
4. Salmon
5. Grits
6. Canned meats
7. Instant potatoes
8. Peanut butter
9. Chili beans
10. Kids snacks

Paper products, cleaning supplies and toiletries are ALWAYS needed as well!



We Care's monthly Most Needed Items list for November is attached. We SO appreciate you helping us get the word out about our needs, right now in particular as many of our supplies are low, our client numbers are high and this time of year, people are looking for places to give. We are thankful for the opportunity and pray that donations will keep coming in! Thanks so much!!! We appreciate your help to inform the community of our needs. Bless you!

*Alecia Klauk, Executive Director*  
803-345-3244



## THANK YOU

To: St. Jacob's  
Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your generous donation of \$375.00. Your Support of Good works helps us to reach out to those in need in our community. God Bless you!

In His Service,  
Mary Higginbotham



## GOoD WORKS

GOod Works invites the community to a live Nativity on Tuesday, December 12th from 5pm - 7pm. The Nativity will be held at 115 Birchtrace Court, off of St. Peters Church Road in Chapin. Refreshments will be served. Please plan to join us in celebrating the gift of Jesus, our Lord and Savior.

In His Service,



Mary P. Higginbotham  
Executive Director  
118 St. Peters Church Road  
P.O. Box 266  
Chapin, SC 29036  
(803) 345-2030

# UP AND GOING

The Up and Going gathered in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 am on Oct 12, 2023, for devotions given by Team leader Helen Lindler. The devotions were based on Paul's directive instructing us to be compassionate towards others and ended with a prayer. We then headed by cars to Shealy's BBQ in Batesburg-Leesville for a delicious lunch as only Shealy's can prepare. After a long, leisurely lunch with desserts, it was time to go shopping; And shop, we did. We only shopped at two stores; time permitted. An hour plus later, we headed for home. We were so blessed to have enjoyed the day with thirteen guests and members. Our love and prayers go out to Mrs. Ann Slice on the death of her son, Bert Slice.

The Nov meeting will be our Thanksgiving Luncheon. A list will be posted. Please bring three items for the Mercy Bag Project.



## REMEMBERING IN OUR PRAYERS

### ST. JACOB'S MEMBERS SICK/RECOVERING

Janet Lindler    Richard Shealy    Dan Frick  
Lorene Cannon    Alice Morefield    Miriam Metze  
Tommy Slice    Steve Slice    Frances Slice  
Erline Clark    The family of Virginia Peeples

### HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

Letha Sites    Michael Lindler    Shirley Nuottila  
Stanley and Lucy Slice

### FRIENDS OF ST. JACOB'S

Jessica Mack    Fr. Glynn Diggins  
George Holland Varn    The family of Bert Slice  
The family of Pr. Derald Edwards

## HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

Michael Lindler    Shirley Nuottila  
250 Leaning Pines Trail    431 East Boundary St.  
Lexington, SC 29072    Room 306  
Ph: 803-356-4100    Chapin, SC 29036

Letha Sites    Stanley & Lucy Slice  
1024 Freshly Mill Rd.    431 East Boundary St.  
Irmo, SC 29063    Room 205  
Ph: 803-345-2300    Chapin, SC 29036  
Ph: 803-807-8321

## LUTHERANWOMEN

The Lutheran Women's Group will meet on Sunday, November 19th at 4:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. This will be our last meeting for the year. All ladies of our congregation are welcomed.

# Council Briefs for October Meeting

Good Things at St. Jacobs:

- Lutheran Men Sunday
- Church Wide Workday

Report of Ministry Teams:

- Staff Support – Establish more effective way for staff to communicate electronically.
- Congregational Care – Homecoming is October 15. Congregation will be asked to provide desserts.
- Safety and Security Team is working to research what kind and where to locate security cameras at the church.
- Discipleship – Ten Mercy Bags were delivered to We Care in September. Request for temple talk about We Care ministry.

Old Business:

- Golden Agers will be recognized at Homecoming. Pastor Eargle will also be recognized with a \$200 gift card to The Palms Restaurant.

New Business:

- Results of Time and Talent Sheets will be given to Council at the November meeting for review.
  - Thanksgiving at The Hub - St. Jacob’s will participate by providing desserts.
  - 2024 Council Nominees will be presented at the November meeting.
- Council approved Trunk or Treat to be held on Sunday, October 29 from 4-6 PM by the Lutheran Women. Congregation is encouraged to participate.

## Reporting for October 22, 2023

### FINANCIAL

\$ 6,190 – Actual Weekly Receipts	\$ 5,993 – Weekly Budget Requirement
\$ 21,477 – Month to Date	\$ 23,972 – Month to Date
\$219,664 – Year to Date	\$257,699 – Year to Date

### ATTENDANCE

Wednesday, 10/18	17 – Recorded Attendance	15 – Monthly Average
Sunday, 10/22	73 – Recorded Attendance	74 – Actual Attendance
	77 – Monthly Average	90 – Monthly Average

### MEMORIALS

General Fund:	In Memory of Virginia Peeples – By: Doug, Johanne and Brian Sullivan
Building Fund:	In Memory of Virginia Peeples – By: Gerald and Robin Lindler In Memory of Virginia Peeples – By: Billy and Sherrie McTeer
Memorial Fund:	In Memory of Virginia Peeples – By: Terry and Barbara Metze In Memory of Virginia Peeples – By: Ken and Brenda Smith
Up & Going:	In Memory of Pastor Derald Edwards – By: Miriam Metze
We Care:	In Memory of Bert Slice and Virginia Peeples – By: Robert and June Lindler



# Thank You!

St. Jacob's Church Family!

Thank you for the flower and gift card for the Golden Agers! It was very much appreciated.

Take Care,  
Mary Katherine Eargle

Dear St. Jacob's,

Thank you so much for the gift card and delicious meal. We enjoy you coming every other Sunday. St. Jacob's means a lot to us.

Take care and God Bless,  
Stanley and Lucy

Dear St. Jacob's Church Family,  
It was very much appreciated to honor the older church members. The yellow rose bud is now opening and is beautiful. The gift certificate was much appreciated and will be used.

May you All Be Blessed!  
Joe and Eileen Richardson

To the Church Family of St. Jacob's,  
Thank you for the lovely card and gift certificate. It is so good to be remembered, especially at this time of sorrow in our lives. Please continue to pray for me and my family.

Yours in Christ,  
Ann Slice

## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS FOR NOVEMBER

November 5

Ushers: Robert Wessinger, Arthur Langley, Gerald Lindler, Eddie Eargle  
Lector: Brandon Slice  
Communion: Angela Nuottila, Patricia Woodard  
Acolyte: Mackenzie Raines  
Crucifer: AJ Peebles

November 12

Ushers: Leon Lindler, Lynn Shealy, Bob Ziemer, Davis Brown  
Lector: Gary Marco  
Communion: A.J. Peebles, Kristen Nickel  
Acolyte: Copeland Peebles  
Crucifer: Angela Nuottila

November 19

Ushers: Carroll Lindler, Sherrie McTeer, Tracey Eargle, David Kibler  
Lector: Angela Nuottila  
Communion: Susan Shealy, Sherrie McTeer  
Acolyte: Bryleigh Prosser  
Crucifer: Isabelle Peebles

November 26

Ushers: Robert Wessinger, Arthur Langley, Gerald Lindler, Eddie Eargle  
Lector: Tina Kibler  
Communion: Carroll Lindler, Nicki Peebles  
Acolyte: Samantha Monts  
Crucifer: Tommy Faulk

## SAFETY TEAM FOR NOVEMBER

Nov. 5: Kristen Nickel, Barry Rice, Tina Kibler  
Nov. 12: Robert Wessinger, June Lindler, Arthur Langley  
Nov. 19: Jeff Kleckley, Gerald Lindler, David Kibler  
Nov. 26: Robert Wessinger, June Lindler, Arthur Langley

## GROUNDS CREW FOR NOVEMBER

Gerald Lindler (Co-Chair) and Robert Lindler (Co-Chair)

Jeremy Lindler, Chad Lindler, Billy Hardin, Paul Lindler Sr.,  
Paul Lindler Jr., Michael Shealy, Michael Corley, Barry Rice,  
Tracy Eargle, Albert Lindler, Claude Michael Lindler

Oct 21, 2023

Dear Pastor David,

Thank you so much for the day! From the picture on the wall, you and the church created a beautiful occasion! For me and my family. You all remembered my 26 1/2 years here. Pastor I want you to know, I appreciate your ministry here. It is similar to mine many years ago.

You have made the event meaningful. My family and I are grateful. The church people, my friends, celebrated with us. Rev. Henry Brant had such a degree given to him at St. Luke's. I never thought I'd receive such an honor, Pastor Emeritus! The day was perfect! Everything was wonderfully planned. Thanks again.

I'm still looking for the right place to hang it up.  
God bless you and the good people at St. Jacob's.

Sincerely,

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Andy Eargle, Pastor Emeritus

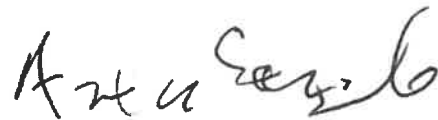
Oct 21, 2023

Dear Billy, Council and Family of St. Jacob's,

Thanks for remembering me! I could never imagine such a recognition! I got to see some of my old friends, family here on October 15<sup>th</sup>. God bless you and thanks for the memories. It made me remember, from making pancake batter to graveling or noodling on Freshly Shoals. The whole event was a "pick me up" or spirit lifter! As you know, I am 81 years old now. I spent most of my ministry, our ministry, with you, 26 ½ years. So many friends still living, but many have passed on.

Thank you for some of the best years of my life! So many joys and sorrows we have spent together. The day was PERFECT! Couldn't have been better! Again, thank you! Thank you for the memories! May God continue to bless you and Pastor David.

Yours in Christ

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Andy Eargle, Pastor Emeritus

Joy Mission Church  
179 Midway Rd.  
Lexington, SC 29072.  
www.joymission.church  
 member congregation



October 8, 2023

St. Jacob's Lutheran Church  
844 Columbia Ave.  
Chapin, SC 29036

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ at St. Jacob's,

Thank you for your gift to Joy Mission Church in the amount of \$625.00. We appreciate your partnership in the mission that we share as the Body of Christ.

As you are planning your ministry plan budgets for the coming year, please consider supporting a new mission congregation. The prayers and financial gifts are most welcome and helpful for congregations just getting started. We, at Joy, thank you for your support and prayers for us over the years, and we hope to see you at the Carolinas Mission Region mission event on October 28.

May you continue in His faith, abounding in God's grace and favor and be blessed through your ministry in Christ's service.

To His glory,



Rev. Paulette D. McHugh,  
Pastor, Joy Mission Church  
(803) 767-7231  
pdmchugh@mac.com



*But whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life. —John 4:14*

October 17, 2023

Pastor David Nuottila  
St. Jacob's Lutheran Church  
844 Columbia Ave  
Chapin, SC 29036-9308

Dear Pastor Nuottila,

Thank you for supporting Water Mission's vision that all people would have safe water and an opportunity to experience God's love. Your gift will impact our global neighbors who lack access to safe water. Together, we strive to be the hands and feet of Jesus as we serve those in need.

The love and generosity of your congregation will make a transformative impact in communities around the world. Your gift enables us to bring safe water solutions and the Living Water message of Jesus Christ to people in developing countries, refugee camps, and disaster areas.

For your prayers, financial support, and partnership, thank you!

In gratitude,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "George C. Greene IV".

George C. Greene IV, PE  
CEO and President

P.S. To stay informed on the impact you're making, visit [watermission.org/news](http://watermission.org/news).

**Gift Information**

**Gift Date:** 10/12/2023  
**Gift Amount:** \$250.00  
**Designation:** Where Most Needed

Water Mission is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Your contribution is tax-deductible in the United States to the extent allowed by the law. No goods or services were provided in exchange for your generous donation. If this donation has been designated for a specific project or purpose, Water Mission will make a good-faith effort to fulfill that request. In the event that more funds are donated than can be used for a specific need, or if that need changes, Water Mission will use the funds in a way that most closely aligns with the donor's intent and the mission of the organization. Please retain this letter as your receipt for tax purposes.



Chapin We Care Center  
Interfaith Outreach

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October 12, 2022

St. Jacobs Lutheran Church  
844 Columbia Avenue  
Chapin, SC 29036

Thank you for your generous donation of \$375! We are incredibly thankful for the community support that makes our work possible, and you are such an important part of that capacity!

So many of us look forward to the calendar change this month. October is a welcome relief to hot temperatures, and we look forward to cooler days and before long holidays that beg to be celebrated one after another. Fall reminds us of change, the moving from one season to another. For so many of us, fall is a joyful time of year as we celebrate that change.

For families struggling to feed their families, little changes from one season to the next. Month by month passes with needs hand to mouth, and our clients do the best they can to care for their families. As fall comes, winter is not far behind and is often anticipated with trepidation as the brief respite of fall temperatures will soon dip into the cold of winter and higher utility bills. Holidays mean gifts and special food needs. Fall is a relief to some, but for others, the burdens remain.

As our clients anticipate these changing needs as the seasons shift, so is We Care! We have already started taking applications from clients for Thanksgiving and Christmas, and we anticipate that we will again serve over 950 people Thanksgiving meals and 500 children Christmas gifts! We are also working hard to make sure that food, utilities and other necessities are provided for our clients as well. We will do everything we can to see that our clients' needs are met year round!

Thank you for making that attention to client needs possible through your support. We Care is incredibly blessed by such a caring community that makes our outreach possible!

Sincerely,

Alecia Klauk, Executive Director

### Donation Receipt

Organization: Chapin We Care  
Check Number: 8461

Date: 10/9/2023  
Donation: \$375

**Want to be a Christmas sponsor and give children in need a wonderful holiday?  
Email [chapinwecarechristmas@gmail.com](mailto:chapinwecarechristmas@gmail.com) for info on how to be a Christmas sponsor!**

We Care is a 501(c)3 organization providing food and emergency assistance to those in need in Chapin and the surrounding areas.





# SISTERCARE

Freeing Families From Fear

October 11, 2023

St. Jacob's Lutheran Church  
844 Columbia Avenue  
Chapin, SC 29036

Dear Friends of Sistercare,

Thank you for supporting Sistercare as we join advocates, survivors, and allies nationwide to recognize Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM). We are grateful for your donation of \$250.00, which enables us to continue our fight against domestic violence and assist survivors and their children in our neighborhoods.

Intimate Partner Violence is not a private family matter; it is a crime and a public health issue that demands a collective community response. Since 1981, the Sistercare team has been working tirelessly to provide comprehensive, trauma-informed services for domestic violence survivors to help make the Midlands a safer and healthier place to live.

Thank you for being the driving force behind our mission. Together we save lives and change lives.

Sincerely,

Leah Wicevic  
Executive Director

*thank you for your support.*

Sistercare, Inc. is a private, non-profit tax-exempt United Way partner agency under section 501(c)(3) of the IRS code. You may retain this for your records. No goods or services were received in exchange for your contribution. Contributions to Sistercare, Inc. are tax deductible in accordance with IRS tax laws. It is recommended to consult with your tax advisers or the IRS pertaining to this contribution.



# NOVEMBER



# 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
<b>PASTOR's VACATION</b> 11-9 / 11-18	<b>ANGELA's VACATION</b> 11-12 / 11-18		Bible Study 9:30am <b>Wed Service 6:30pm</b> Choir 7:00pm	Courage Center 7:00pm	AA 7:30pm (FH)	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
<b>ALL SAINTS SUNDAY</b> UP & GOING mtg after worship. <b>BELLS 4pm</b>	AA 7:30pm (FH)	<b>Church Council 6:30 pm (CO)</b>	No Bible Study <b>No Wed Service</b> Choir 7:00pm	<b>UP &amp; GOING 11:00AM</b> Courage Center 7:00pm		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
<b>Generations 1:00pm</b>  <b>YOUTH BELLS 4PM</b>	Men's Bible Study 7pm <b>Women's Bible Study 7-8:15pm</b> AA 7:30pm (FH)		Bible Study 9:30am <b>Wed Service 6:30 pm</b> Choir 7:00pm	Courage Center 7:00pm	AA 7:30pm (FH)	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<b>Youth play bells at Service</b>  BELLS 4:00  <b>LW 4:00pm</b> <b>LM 6:00pm</b>	<b>LM BULK SAUSAGE 3:00-6:00pm</b>  AA 7:30pm (FH)		<b>Thanksgiving Eve Service 6:30pm</b>	<b>Thanksgiving Day</b> HUB-DESSERT (POUND CAKE) <b>Courage Center 7pm</b>	AA 7:30pm (FH)	
26	27	28	29	30		
<b>Generations 1:00pm</b>	AA 7:30pm (FH)		Bible Study 9:30am <b>Wed Service 6:30pm</b> Choir 7:00pm	Courage Center 7:00pm		