

# **Lebanon Lutheran Church**

## **November Newsletter 2019**

*Sunday School 9:30am.*

*Worship Service 11:00am.*

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**Pastor Christopher Porter**

## **A Note From, the Desk of the Pastor**

Dear friends in Christ Jesus,

Here we are again the Festival of All Saints, and the Season of Advent looming on the horizon. We are now entering into the “festival” part of the Church year – no longer a seemingly interminable number of Sundays after Trinity, but soon beginning the preparatory period that precedes the great Feast of the Incarnation, or Christmas.

As a sort of “gateway” to that time, we have All Saints and Christ the King; two Festivals of importance, though not of equal age or prominence. The first, “All Saints” is the older of the two, by far. The absolute beginnings of the celebrations of holy men and women of the church are hard to pin down with certainty, as is the common festival that honors them all collectively. Some find evidence going back to the 4<sup>th</sup> century in the West. The festival gained wide acceptance in the 8<sup>th</sup> or 9<sup>th</sup> century, and was reserved for those known and unknown saints who were believed have been fully transferred into the presence of God – beatified, that is, enjoying the perfect vision of God eternally without obstacle. This feast was distinguished from “All Souls” in the Western churches, reserved for those who were believed to still need the prayers and sacrifices of the church to speed them through “purgatory” and to their final destination in heaven.

All Saints was once somewhat overshadowed in our Lutheran churches by the Festival of the Reformation, though it has always been retained in our various calendars. Today, we Lutherans are free to observe the festival as an occasion to give thanks for all those whom Christ has redeemed and preserved for eternal life. Our custom has been to read the names of those who have died in the faith within the past year during the prayers – to remember them and give thanks for their lives and grace God has given them. Additionally, there have been numerous local customs and practices associated with this time of year... “souling”, with its attendant “soul cakes”, decorating the graves of beloved departed, and general mischief making (which becomes the basis for latter “Halloween” practices, Halloween is the eve of Hallowmas, otherwise known as “All Saints”). At Advent and Lebanon, on All Saints, we return the pumpkins decorated with crosses on

Reformation to place them near the altar in memory of the departed saints we have known and loved. We recall all those made holy by Christ's saving blood!

The second gateway festival, and the younger, is Christ the King. This festival isn't universally acknowledged in the Church of Christ. It was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925 as a way to combat the ascendancy of modern secular ideologies: Christ is the true King above all created authorities. In one sense, all Christians are first and foremost monarchists who obey their heavenly king, and only then whatever else they may be convicted of in terms of worldly politics.

From Pius XI:

"If to Christ our Lord is given all power in heaven and on earth; if all men, purchased by his precious blood, are by a new right subjected to his dominion; if this power embraces all men, it must be clear that not one of our faculties is exempt from his empire. He must reign in our minds, which should assent with perfect submission and firm belief to revealed truths and to the doctrines of Christ. He must reign in our wills, which should obey the laws and precepts of God. He must reign in our hearts, which should spurn natural desires and love God above all things, and cleave to him alone. He must reign in our bodies and in our members, which should serve as instruments for the interior sanctification of our souls, or to use the words of the Apostle Paul, as instruments of justice unto God."

We Lutherans can appreciate this, even as we acknowledge our legitimate civic authorities. We can also look to the return of Christ as the occasion for final and true justice to be enacted on earth. This "end times" theme will nicely lead into the beginning of Advent and its own distinctive emphasis on the Coming One who will bring true peace to the earth.

Let us all, as Christ's people, give thanks for the whole church on earth (with all the saints!) and its true head and King, our Lord Jesus Christ!

Prayerfully,

Pastor Porter





There are approximately 2500 apples per bin. The apple peelers started at 1 and finished around 8:30 that evening.

The apples were brought in and peeled on October 11, then they were boiled into Apple butter on the 12<sup>th</sup>. 60 gallons of apple butter was made. The money raised for this will go towards outreach.



Above: Steve peels and cores the apples and then he sends them over to the finishers for the final cut.

Below: The finish prep table, where the apples are cut and readied for the Kettles.





## Apple Butter Day 2

The Kettles are full and  
The stirring begins in the  
Early Morning

Thanks to all who helped  
A special thanks to Martha who  
Heads this project up every year  
and does a great job!



Left: The kettles are stirred for several hours before the apple's are cooked into apple butter.

Below: The apple butter is filled into the jars and sealed. Then they are labeled and ready for sale.







Top left: The unofficial taste testers from left: Joy, Pam and Dorothy

Top Right: That's 60 gallons of Apple Butter!

Middle: Joe knows how to use a pressure washer.

Bottom left: JD supervises Joy and Ben on Kettle clean up.

Bottom right: Pastor Chris explaining to JD, its ok to supervise but you really need to get your hands dirty to.



## **Men's Ministry**

Men's Prayer Breakfast  
Will Meet at the Church  
November 16, @ 7:30 am.  
Contact Chris Heird  
For details: (540) 539-6874  
All Men are invited to attend

## **Card Shower**

Please take the time and send  
Dorothy Heishman, a Birthday Card  
as her birthday is on November 13

Her mailing address is:  
Fox Trail Senior Living Center  
110 Spanish Oak Road  
Stephens City, Virginia 22655

## **November Birthdays**

1<sup>st</sup> JD Cutlip  
2<sup>nd</sup> Rose Beauchesne  
8<sup>th</sup> Teresa Gochenour  
13<sup>th</sup> Dorothy Heishman  
16<sup>th</sup> William Clem  
18<sup>th</sup> Reese Estep  
20<sup>th</sup> Grace Lowe  
22<sup>nd</sup> Sheri Hamman  
30<sup>th</sup> Joe Jackson

## *Special Lutheran Liturgy Class*

*November 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>  
@ 9:30*

*Led by Pastor JD*

## **Luthers**

**Large Catechism Class  
Meets on Monday's  
@ 7 pm.  
Led by Pastor Chris  
All are invited to attend**

Do you or someone you know  
Need a ride to church?  
Please contact Ann Deming  
@ (540) 869-5795  
And leave a message

## **Annual Congregation Meeting Sunday November 17th**

Annual Budget and Council  
Elections. The meeting will  
follow services with a pot  
luck dinner.

Bring a dish to share.

## **Outreach Dinner**

**Sunday December 1<sup>st</sup> after church**



**Box Office Brewery  
177 E. King Street, Strasburg Va.  
We may entertain some  
Bible Trivia**

**Everyone will be responsible for  
their own meal.**

## **Life To Life Discipleship**

You can find this on the North  
American Lutheran Church  
website. Thru Baptism we are  
called to be disciples for  
Christ. This may help us fill the  
pews as we reach out to  
others to share the good  
news.

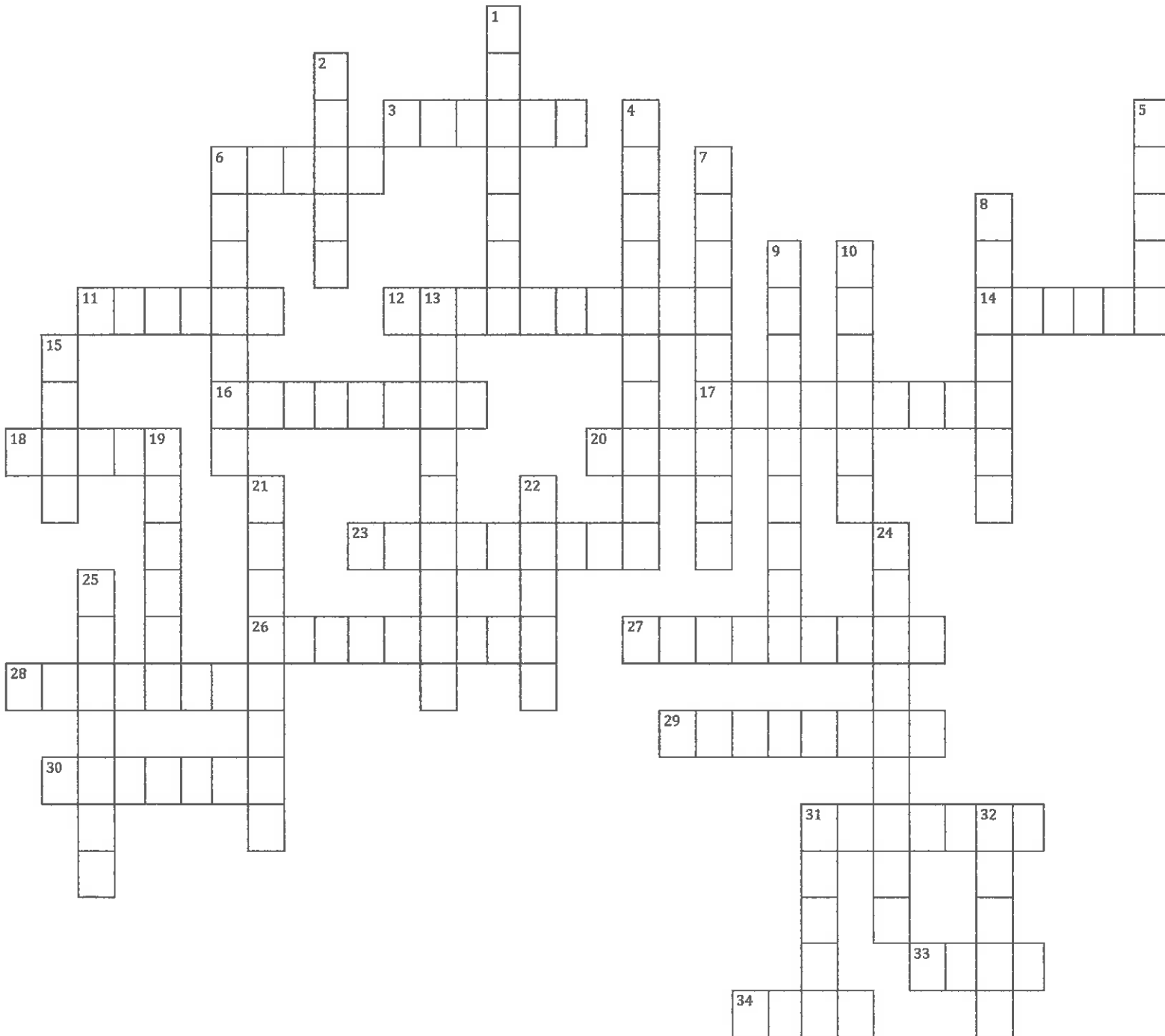




We have a completed walkway leading into the Sunday School/Social Hall, Looks great, may we stay dry this winter.



# The Gospel of Mark



**All Answers are found in the book of Mark**

## Across

3. The \_\_\_\_\_ drove Jesus to the wilderness.
6. King \_\_\_\_\_ thought John the Baptist was raised and was Jesus.
11. How old was the girl that was presumed dead that Jesus healed?

## Down

1. Jesus said "If anyone be first, he must be last of all and \_\_\_\_\_ of all.
2. Jesus said "If any man come after me let him deny himself and take up his \_\_\_\_\_ and follow me."
4. As long as they have the \_\_\_\_\_ with them they cannot fast.

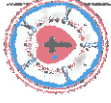
# The Gospel of Mark

12. This blind bagger cried out Jesus Son of David have mercy on me.
14. Jesus met with Moses and \_\_\_\_\_ on the mountain.
16. Jesus was from the town of \_\_\_\_\_.
17. After Jesus healed on the Sabbath the Pharisees held council with the \_\_\_\_\_.
18. Jesus said "Truly I say to you who ever doesn't receive the Kingdom of God like a \_\_\_\_\_ shall not enter it."
20. The Spirit descended upon Jesus like a \_\_\_\_\_.
23. John Baptized all the people of Judea and all the people of \_\_\_\_\_.
26. Joseph of \_\_\_\_\_ asked Pilate for Jesus body.
27. It would be better to have a \_\_\_\_\_ tied around the neck than to cause a child to sin that believes in Jesus.
28. The disciples put this on the colt for Jesus to ride upon.
29. Levi was the son of \_\_\_\_\_.
30. Jesus passed along this Sea as he saw Simon and Andrew?
31. Jesus sent the disciples out 2 by 2 and gave them authority over the unclean \_\_\_\_\_.
33. This is the shortest book of the Gospel's?
34. This is the last word in the book of Mark?
5. The hour of Jesus Crucifixion when darkness fell on all the land.
6. As Jesus came out of the water the \_\_\_\_\_ opened up.
7. What the scribes thought when Jesus told the Paralytic his sins were forgiven.
8. Hosanna! \_\_\_\_\_ is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
9. Who ask Jesus "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?"
10. Jesus was baptized by John in the river \_\_\_\_\_.
13. Jesus taught as one who had \_\_\_\_\_ and not as the scribes.
15. \_\_\_\_\_ the Baptist appeared in the wilderness preaching a baptism of repentance.
19. There is nothing outside a man which by going into him can \_\_\_\_\_ him.
21. Hands that are defiled?
22. Jesus was tempted by \_\_\_\_\_ in the wilderness.
24. The \_\_\_\_\_ who faced Jesus on the cross as he breathed his last said "Truly this man was the Son of God."
25. When Jesus breathed his last this was torn in two from top to bottom in the Temple.
31. For the Son of man came not to be served but to \_\_\_\_\_.
32. The hour of the day in which Jesus was crucified?





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<b>17</b> 9:30 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service <b>Congregational Meeting</b>	<b>18</b> 10:00 Spring Arbor Bible Study 7:00 Luther's Large Catechism	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 7:00 Choir Practice	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	
<b>24 Christ the King Sunday</b> 9:30 Wreath Making 11:00 Worship Service	<b>25</b> 10:00 Spring Arbor Bible Study 7:00 Luther's Large Catechism	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	

More Calendars from WinCalendar: [Dec 2019](#), [Jan 2020](#), [Feb 2020](#)