# St. Andrew Lutheran Church Encounter

# From Pastor Jenna Pulkowski Pastor's Pen

Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour. (Matthew 24:22)



Happy (almost) New Church Year!

That's right! The first Sunday of Advent marks the first Sunday of a new church year. Maybe this is old news to you, or maybe you never knew how the Christian year operated—or even that it ever changed. Although if you read my June Encounter article I did discuss what it meant for us to be in Ordinary/Ordinal Time.

The liturgical church year gives us a way to go "through the seasons of our lives in tune with the seasons of Christ's life, growing as we go." (Jenn G Kemper from Sacred Ordinary Days)+.

Advent is the first of six church seasons—Advent, Epiphany, a little bit of Ordinary Time, Lent, Easter, Pentecost, and then a lot more Ordinary Time. This ordering of time is not limited to just liturgically-minded denominations, but is an invitation for all people who follow Jesus to align our lives with Christ's life.

So as we consider the other events that mark November and December, may we remember the ways in which we are first and foremost sealed with the sign of Christ and align ourselves to him.

In anticipation of this new church year and the continued cycle of orientation to Christ, November brings with it several other church and secular calendar events.

Within our church life we remember and give thanks for all the saints who have gone before us on All Saints Sunday (11/6). If you have any names of loved ones you would like to be remembered, please let Anita know ASAP. They do not just have

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Nov. 6th-All Saints Sunday.

We will be reading names of those who passed away in the last year.

Please let church office know if you want someone included.

**Dec. 18th - Children's Christmas program** (we all want to hear them so we will have a combined service that day).

# Spring Forward Fall Back - Time Change

Remember to turn your clocks back on Saturday night, November 5th, one hour.

There is only one church service November 6th and it will be at 9:30. We don't want you to miss it!



## Help beautify our Sanctuary

All members and friends are invited to make a poinsettia donation in celebration of the Birth of our Savior.

Watch for a donation form next month.

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to be loved ones who you have lost this year—we welcome the names of all those from other years who you would like to be remembered.

We will also be committing our financial commitments for 2023 through our November 2022 Stewardship Season, with this year's theme being Invest Where You Are. Through the prophet Jeremiah, God called the Israelites to invest where they were in their exile. God's invitation remains the same for us.

Of course, secularly we celebrate Thanksgiving, although as Christians we know that God always calls us to practice gratitude and giving thanks for all that God has done. While we may primarily associate the Thanksgiving Holiday with good food, good shopping deals, and the thoroughly subjective idea of "good" football, God's people always remember that God is the One who receives all our praise and thanksgiving.

With all this in mind, how do you want to start off the New Church Year? How might we align ourselves to Christ as we turn the church calendar to Year A\* and the Gospel of Matthew?

Happy November, Pr Jenna

- + If you would like to learn a bit more about the liturgical calendar, and some of the ways in which we can all orient ourselves to the life of Christ, check out Sacred Ordinary Days: https://sacredordinarydays.com/pages/liturgical-year
- \*Many mainline Protestant denominations, such as the ELCA and our full communion partners, follow the Revised Common Lectionary (RCL). To learn more about the RCL, please visit Vanderbilt Divinity School's site here: https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/faq2.php.

# Attention All Veterans & Military Personnel

Friday, November 11, is Veterans Day. On Sunday, November 13th, St. Andrew will recognize and honor all members of the congregation who have served or are serving in our country's armed forces in war or peacetime.



If you are a veteran or member of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, Marines, Reserves or National Guard, please be in church that Sunday. If you have any or all of your uniform (that still fits!) please wear it and be recognized.

So that we can include your name in the bulletin on the 13th, please call the church office (847-566-8081) with the following information (unless we already have your information): name, branch of service, highest rank achieved, years served, and special commendations.

Thank you.

We salute you!

# St. Andrew Annual Christmas Tree Sale

There is STILL a Christmas Tree shortage again this year so please consider buying your FRESH Christmas tree EARLY from St. Andrew!

The sales benefit St. Andrew's Youth Group & Cub and Boy Scouts (which the church charters).

Trees will be on sale starting the Friday after Thanksgiving and go through December 18th OR EARLIER. We continue to sell out in record time so shop early!

Don't be without a real tree this season!

#### **NEW Hours for 2022 are:**

Black Friday: 10:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

Fridays 5:00-8:00 P.M.

Saturdays and Sundays 10:00 A.M. -7:00 P.M.



#### November 06 --

#### **All Saints Sunday**

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18 Psalm 149 Ephesians 1:11-23 Luke 6:20-31

#### November 13 --

## 26th Sunday after Pentecost

Malachi 4:1-2a Psalm 98 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 Luke 21:5-19

#### November 20 --

## **Christ the King Sunday**

Jeremiah 23:1-6 Psalm 46 Colossians 1:11-20 Luke 23:33-43

#### November 27 --

#### First Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 2:1-5 Psalm 122 Romans 13:11-14 Matthew 24:36-44

# Church Council - 2022

Leslie Parriott { President }

Molly Dir { Vice President }

Steve Jacobson { Secretary }

Donn Hamm { Treasurer }

Anastasia Carmona

Heidi Emso

Lisa Green

Mary Hanson

Lyn Hayes

Nancy Milne

Steve Payne

And their response...
"I will,
and I ask God
to help me"



# Gifts & Memorial Fund

The church gift/memorial fund is established for the purpose of receiving and holding money given to the church in memory or honor of someone or to honor a special occasion.

GIFTS CAN BE GIVEN IN MEMORY, IN HONOR, AND WITH THANKS TO, GOD FOR BLESSINGS RECEIVED.

#### IN MEMORY OF MAE REEVES

Robert & Bonnie Brehmer Jeffrey & Cynthia Harger Lee & Carol Clouser Andrea Ammons Carol Clark Chris & Barb Binversie Elmer & Yolanda Klein Lynn Kobeck Karen Gentilini & Carolyn Vucitech Myrna Wells Sandy Nygren & Tom Bergonzini Ida & Lou Melchiorri Les & Barb Zematis Hugh McLarnon & Paul & Luz Macia

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# August & September Treasurer's Report

GIVING EXPENDITURES (+/-)

**AUGUST** 

Giving \$22,372.70 \$24,924.69 (\$-2,551.99)

**SEPTEMBER** 

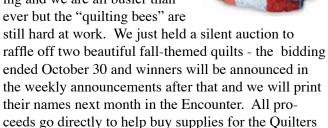
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In Loving Memory ministry.

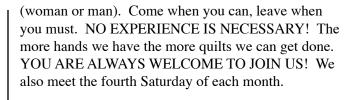
## Quilters' Crossing

Lord remind me to look beyond the noise and worries that crowd my heart and help me to focus on YOU and those you've given me to love.....

The holidays are fast approaching and we are all busier than ever but the "quilting bees" are



As of now we have already completed more than 150 quilts since May (along with all the Baby Care Kits that recently went out) and soon our 6,000 th quilt will be completed since this ministry began! There are many truly dedicated workers who participate in this work - most come every week without fail! Half of the ladies are not even members of our St. Andrew family but they are such a blessing. They give so much of themselves. THANK YOU Jeanne B, Marion, Sandee, Judy R, Chris, Maryann, Debbie L, Judy H, Marti and Angela. We just have so much fun as we meet each Thursday morning from 9-11:30. They can't stay away and we would welcome you as well



AND SPEAKING OF DEDICATION - our own, JUDY PARRIOTT, is our fearless and tireless leader. She knows all the ropes and has been a wonderful teacher since I was so happy to become part of this group earlier this year. I so far have learned to "set up", tie, sew fronts & backs together and am now "cutting" the pieces that go into kits to make the quilt tops! There is so, so much to learn but it is truly FUN! I look forward to each new task now.

THE QUEEN of the Baby Care Kits, is DEBBIE JACOBSON... if you have not seen these or want to know more, ask her about them!!

If you have questions or want to know more, please call Judy Parriott (847) 986-4465. We look forward to seeing you!

We are so blessed to be able to continue this work. THANK YOU TO ALL who support us!

Lyn H and the Quilters



Lyn Hayes

# PARISH LIFE

We have a LOT going on in the life of our St. Andrew family. I do know that many of you also have very busy and sometimes stressful lives outside of your church life. Even though we have started back to two services, we do hope that you either stay a bit after the first service or come a little early for the second service to say "hi" to some of your brothers and sisters and share some treats! Thank you to all who have already volunteered to bring treats to share. This is a great opportunity to catch up with each other and maybe get to know each other a little better. Sometimes it is just the little "uplifting" moment you may need!

On December 4, there will be a Family Holiday Potluck/Craft Time right after the second service. Please put this on your calendar and plan to attend. We can share a meal together and exercise our creative abilities! More info to come...

We want to get to know each other better!

What else would you like to see HAPPEN at St. Andrew?. Please LET US KNOW! Also, if you would like to become a part of the Social Ministry, Parish Life or Evangelism ministries, let us know. We can put you in touch with the "people who know"!

Your Service Ministry Team leaders.. Anastasia Carmona, Nancy Milne, Lyn Hayes

# Women's Fellowship

Listed below are the upcoming events for St. Andrew's Women's Fellowship program.



## Women's Fellowship Thursday Dates for 2022-2023

We hope that you mark your calendars for our upcoming events. We will meet in person at 7pm at church unless noted otherwise noted for November, December and June.

November 3 (1st Thurs) - Native Drum Circle at Dunn Museum, (arrive at museum at 5:45 PM). Gather for a traditional Native drum circle presentation by the Seven Springs All Nations Drum from Lake Geneva, Wisconsin.

**December 8** - Christmas Caroling to the Elderly members, (arrive at church by 4:45 PM)

**January 12** - Annual Bunco Event, bring your white elephant gifts

**February 9** - Sharing favorite piece of jewelry, share your favorite piece of jewelry and stories

March 9 - Movie Night - TBA

**April 13** - Game Night - Mexican Train fun

May 11 - Guest Speaker - TBA

**June 8** - Dinner at 6:00 pm @ Taco/ Burrito Express - outside deck



Barbara Binversie

Thanks you,

Barb Binversie, barbarabinversie@gmail.com or 847-566-8708.

## Men's Breakfast

Our Men's Breakfast group meets for breakfast at the TRIANGLE RESTAURANT - 83 & Washington St., Grayslake, on every second and fourth Tuesday of the month. We start at: 8:00 AM and end at 9:00 AM All St. Andrew Men are welcome for faith, food and fellowship.

# In Remembrance

Dear St. Andrew family of faith,

It is with sadness that I share the passing of **Lily Butler** on October 23.

Lily's long and full life took her all over the world--starting in Germany and eventually landing in Mundelein. It was here that she found a home for herself and her family, including her church home at St. Andrew.

Her visitation was Friday, October 28 at Burnett-Dane Funeral Home in Libertyville, followed by a short prayer service.

Gracious God, we thank you for the long and full life of your beloved child, Lily, and for giving her to us to know and to love. We entrust her back to you, the One who lovingly made her and who now lovingly calls her home, and we look forward to the day of our reunion. We pray this in your name, Amen.

In God's Abundant Love, Pr Jenna

Dear St. Andrew family of faith,

It is with a heavy heart that I share the passing of our beloved **Chuck Fitz-Hugh**. Surrounded by his daughters and grandchildren, God called him home Saturday night, October 22nd.

Chuck, or Charlie, or even Sir Charles, lived a vibrantly full life, and made the most of every moment God gave him. I know that each of us have our own memories and stories of Chuck, but what has stood out to me in these last couple of years has been how joyfully he lived his life and how fiercely he loved God, his family, and his church. Everything he did was rooted in this love, and a testament to the One who made him.

His visitation was Friday, October 28 from 4p-8p at St. Andrew Lutheran. His funeral was also held at St. Andrew Lutheran Church on Saturday, October 29.

Gracious God, we thank you for the long and full life of your beloved child, Chuck, and for giving him to us to know and to love. We entrust him back to you, the One who lovingly made him and who now lovingly calls him home, and we look forward to the day of our reunion. We pray this in your name, Amen.

In God's Abundant Love, Pr Jenna



## STEWARDSHIP -

## GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS

## Showing and Sharing Our Love in Response to God's Grace

Last year during our Fall Stewardship focus we talked about a future with hope quoting the Lord's words to Jeremiah in chapter 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope." There have been some steps forward -moving out of the pandemic, trying to get back to normal and looking to that future at St. Andrew with a new vision. Your leadership has been focusing on ways to make everyone feel welcome and to see how we should encourage others as well to make St. Andrew their faith community.

We now look back in the book of Jeremiah 29:1 and 4-7 to help us focus on "INVESTING WHERE YOU ARE".

"These are the words of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the remaining elders among the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon."

"Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give the daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on

its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare."

There have been some changes happening and, yes, there have been some unhappy people who have sadly decided that St. Andrew may no longer be the place for them but they may return. Pastor Jenna, your Council, and your ministry teams are listening to you. Please watch, pray and listen as well so that you will find your answer about how you will support the leadership and your St. Andrew family and continue to call it home!

More information will be coming out soon. Sunday, December 4, will be the day as we worship together for you to make or renew your commitment to God for the many blessings he has given you and to your St. Andrew family. We will have to do some of the IN-VESTING OURSELVES but our God will NEVER LEAVE US!

Thank you, God, for showing us your way in our busy lives when sometimes there seems to be no way. Help us to trust you, step by step through each day. Help us to continually share your love with those you have given us. Amen.

Lyn H. and the Stewardship Team



Lyn Hayes

# Notes from Worship & Music Committee

Our committee had a retreat Sunday, October 16th to make plans for the Advent and Christmas seasons and to look ahead through Easter as well.

Here is what you will want to note for the next 2 months:

2 dates will have one service onlyat 9:30 a.m.:

Nov. 6th-All Saints Sunday. We will be reading names of those who passed away in the last year. Please let church office know if you want someone included.

**Dec. 18th-Childrens Christmas program.** We all want to hear them so we will have a combined service that day.

Other notes: November 27th is the first Sunday of Advent. There will be no midweek Advent services this year. On Sundays in Advent we will have families or households light a candle on the Advent wreath. Let the office know if you would like a Sunday to do that.

#### Dec. 24th Christmas services:

**2 p.m.** Traditional service with carol singing

**5 p.m.** Family oriented service with Power of Praise leading **7:30 p.m.** Traditional service with a Musicale at 7:15 p.m. *No service on Christmas day* (12/25-Sunday)

Mary Hanson, W and M committee

# PRAYER VENTURES November 2022

- All Saints Day Give thanks and praise to God for saints who have helped enrich our faith in Christ, inspired us to lives of service, cared for us, demonstrated grace when we needed it most, taught us life skills, influenced our values and stirred our hope and joy.
- Native American Heritage Month Praise
  God for Native American and Alaska
  Native neighbors and siblings in Christ,
  who represent a rich diversity of gifts,
  backgrounds, tribes, regions, communities
  and congregations, and whose history long
  predates the colonization of North America. Pray for the work of ELCA Indigenous
  Ministries and Tribal Relations in seeking
  justice and reconciliation for all people,
  celebrating diversity within Christ's unifying love and supporting Native congregations and ministries.
- 3 "Learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow" (Isaiah 1:17-18). Pray that we will respect the word and desires of God, seek the Spirit's guidance in responding to our neighbors in need, and trust God to create and renew a spirit of compassion and generosity within us.
- Pray for those affected by wildfires, flooding, droughts and hurricanes, especially people struggling through immediate and long-term recovery. Ask the Spirit to inspire our generosity toward and involvement in the work of Lutheran Disaster Response and its partners to bring relief, support, hope and resources to our neighbors in need.
- God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble" (Psalm 46:1). Pray that, in every challenge we face, the Spirit will increase our trust and confidence in God's presence, care and help in our lives.
- 6 Praise the teachings and example of Jesus, who calls for us to be caring disciples,

- unafraid of being involved in the lives of those suffering injustice, persecution, isolation, grief, poverty or illness.
- Pray for our outdoor ministry leaders as they gather for the Lutheran Outdoor Ministry conference in Boise, Idaho. Pray that their time together in the presence of the Spirit will be rich in mutual care and encouragement, ideas and resources, and opportunities to nurture their skills for serving in camp and retreat ministries.
- Election Day Pray that our elected leaders will respect and serve all people, and that the Spirit will inspire and guide them in mending divisions, creating unity and encouraging constituents to work together for the well-being of all.
- Ask the Spirit to deepen our understanding of Jesus and how the gift of God's son has the power to transform our lives and identities in amazing and unimagined ways.
- Give thanks and pray for leaders of our church as they gather for the ELCA Church Council, that the Spirit will inspire faithfulness, wisdom, vision and creativity in their deliberations, decisions and guidance.
- Veterans Day Honor and give thanks for those who have served in the military to secure freedom, justice, peace and security for our country and other nations. Remembering the sacrifices they have made on our behalf, pray for their families, their congregations, federal chaplains, and organizations that support and care for returning veterans.
- Give thanks for the ELCA Lay Schools for Ministry Network and for the Select Learning program, through which our church and its partners provide laity with opportunities to deepen their faith, study Scripture and apply their skills and life experiences to following Christ and serving the church, their communities and the world.
- Pray that the Spirit will help us live our baptismal journeys in anticipation of the return of Christ, with confidence in God's grace and without fear, worry or obsession over when or how that day will come.
- Reaffirm to God our commitment to equal employment opportunity for all citizens, espe-

- cially our neighbors and siblings in Christ who live with disabilities but whose gifts enrich our communities and nation.
- Pray for a peaceful end to the war in Ukraine, and that the millions of people displaced from their homes and communities might find comfort, healing, hope and stability, returning to the daily lives and routines they once knew.
- Pray for the ELCA's Homeless and Justice Network, a coalition of ministries called to serve those on the margins who experience homelessness, poverty and injustice.
- 17 "Do not be weary in doing what is right" (2
  Thessalonians 3:13). Pray that our assurance
  of eternal life in the kingdom of God will free
  us to live in the here and now, fully engaged
  with our lives and vocations, sharing the
  gospel, serving our neighbor and working for
  justice.
- Pray that we might confess our role in the climate change wreaking havoc throughout the world and might grasp the urgency of managing and caring for the earth, its resources and all living things fragile gifts that God has entrusted to our use, care and restoration.
- Pray for the ELCA's advocacy network and the work it empowers us to do for justice, equity and the well-being of society.
- The love and mercy of God, which we experience in the life, suffering and sacrifice of Jesus, are for our sake and salvation. Pray that the Spirit will deepen our faith in Christ and help us reflect God's unconditional, sacrificial love for humanity.
- 21 Give thanks for Lutheran Men in Mission, Women of the ELCA and congregational ministries that attend to the spiritual, physical, emotional and relational needs of all ages, and that nurture leaders for the church, our communities and society.
- Remember the people of Puerto Rico, who have suffered multiple natural disasters and endure ongoing, extensive recovery work. Ask the Spirit to renew their faith, hope, stamina and resilience; pray that they will make progress in restoring their infrastructure and regaining access to food, water, shelter, sanitation and medical services.

- Give thanks to God for rescuing us from the power of darkness through the gift of Jesus Christ—our teacher, our truth and the light illuminating our complicated lives.
- Thanksgiving Day Remember that everything we have to sustain and renew us, physically and spiritually, comes from God. Let us promise to be generous with all we have and to tirelessly bear the good news that Jesus Christ, the bread of life for the world that is never depleted, is our hope and salvation.
- Native American Heritage Day Give thanks for the cultures, values, accomplishments and spirituality of Native Americans that have shaped our nation and church. We commit to learning more about Indigenous people and tribal nations and to working together to correct inaccuracies of history.
- Pray that we will be responsible in what we consume and how we spend our money, knowing that our neighbors suffer hunger and poverty amid abundance.
- First Sunday of Advent We will not be disappointed in our confidence in God's love and forgiveness, our anticipation of Christ's return or our welcome in the kingdom of God. Praise God!
- Give thanks for the diverse work of the 28 ELCA missionaries accompanying 18 church bodies and 18 companion organizations in Latin America and the Caribbean. Ask God to bless and guide our ministry together so that we might respond to the needs of our neighbors in need who are most vulnerable and might spread the good news of Jesus Christ, far and wide.
- Pray that the Spirit will deepen our generosity in sharing our resources and financial assets for the sake of our neighbors and the wellbeing of the world.
- Pray that we will be generous and respectful in responding to and caring for those who cannot find secure shelter, pay for food or medical care, or support the children or older adults dependent on them.



# November 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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# Counters Needed & Counting Update

We still are recruiting new counters.

There are several things that most people are not aware of that would be helpful to the counters.

- The counters do not have access to your financial record. That is private and handled only by the Financial Secretary.
- The counters count money, balance the cash and checks to the envelopes you provided with your contribution and make a deposit in our bank.
- Please include your envelope with your donation. The envelope is what the Financial Secretary uses to record your contribution.
- Some people give weekly, monthly or other times. St. Andrew is happy to receive your contribution however you choose to give it.
- Lastly, consider being a Counter. If you love working with numbers and can run a calculator, you qualify. It only involves 1 to 1 1/2 hours once a month.

A 3 month schedule is provided, and we work with your schedule. Thank you for your faithful giving and maybe becoming a counter.

Andrea Ammons
Counting Coordinator

### **Editor's Notes**

Information to share, thank-yous, articles, notes, stories or <u>pictures</u>, (many photographers needed!) please continue to email them to:

dehamm@comcast.net.

Please put ENCOUNTER

in the subject header.

Next Due Date will Be -Tuesday, November, 15th

# Simple Jobs Need Volunteers to Help Through Advent

With Advent season approaching, there are several opportunities for people to help with several tasks-some are one-and-done opportunities. Most of these have been done by one or two people for the past several years, but now we need your help

Please look at this list and consider one or more for you or your family! If it looks like something you could do, email Anita. She will provide details for the job.

- 1. Hang small advent banners along the edge of the outer rows- one each week. Could be done anytime during the week beginning the week before November 27th and each week until Christmas. Maybe a 5 minute job each week.
- **2,** Arrange poinsettias around the altar and through the Narthex after they are delivered probably December 15 or 16th. Takes about 30 minutes.
- 3. Setup the self-lighted Christmas tree. It is in the attic of the garage and set it up in the Narthex. It is too heavy for many so a little strength is required! This may take an hour.
- **4. Decorate the tree** with ornaments provided. This would be a great family project! It could be combined with #3 but not necessarily.
- 5. Remove Poinsettias after Christmas, remove the Poinsettias that have not been taken home. They go in the refuse bin. Again, maybe 30 minutes. If you compost, you can take them home and use the dirt for your garden.
- **6. Take down the Christmas tree...** disassemble and return to garage attic. Also, return the advent table from the sanctuary to the garage attic.

PLEASE read the above and see if you can help! We do want a decorated sanctuary!!!

"Do everything for the glory of God."

1 Corinthians 10:31

## Social Mininstry Report

#### Social Ministries (PADS/COOL/Veterans) **FOCUS VOLUNTEER**

What are you waiting for... Get involved... Volunteer





PADS: PADS Lake County provides provisions for emergency overnight shelters for individuals and households that have an immediate need for shelter.

COOL/Veterans Ministries: Help the homeless and reduce hunger while supporting those in need build self-sufficiency.

## Easy ways to volunteer

- Provide lunches for people experiencing homelessness in PADS Lake County. Click here to follow the suggestion of what lunches should contain. Sign-up for a slot!
- 🖊 Assist COOL Pantry staff with sorting, packaging, and distributing food to visitors. Assist COOL Pantry staff with unloading truck, moving boxes, and general support for large pick-ups and deliveries. Times vary, Assist in preparing COOL housing units by cleaning or painting units. Times vary based on need. Projects at COOL Family Housing include: lawn maintenance, cleaning, landscaping, power wash siding, cleaning gutters, snow shoveling & salting driveways and sidewalks, painting, minor plumbing repairs, screen repairs and replacements, window repairs and installation of blinds, furniture pick-up, delivery, repair and organization.

Click here for a printable sign-up form or call the COOL Volunteer Manager at 847-662-1230.

\*Contact Joan Routledge at joanroutledge1@gmail.com or give her a call at 847-337-8819 with any questions that you may have. Or, contact Anita Pahlman at anitapahlmanstandrew@gmail.com or call Anita at the church office at 847-566-8081.





# COOL FOOD PANTRY HOLIDAY MEAL BASKETS

COOL FOOD PANTRY 800 W Glen Flora Avenue Waukegan, IL 60085 847-662-1230

> Hours of Operation: Monday thru Friday 10:00 AM-2:00 PM

For questions or if you would like to volunteer call: Pantry Operations Manager 847-662-1230



With the help of the community we are able to provide 1,000 Holiday Meal Baskets during Thanksgiving and Christmas. There are two ways to support a family during the holidays:

- Pre-made meal baskets are available at a cost of \$20 each or
  - Put together a meal using the shopping list below

## **Holiday Food Basket Menu**

- Ham or Turkey (gift card if desired)
- \* Gravy
- \* Stuffing
- \* Canned Vegetables
- \* Fruit/Cranberry Sauce
- \* Corn Bread Mix or rolls
- \* Dessert
- Shelf Stable or Powdered Milk (or Juice)



Founded in 1983 COOL is a 501(c)(3) social service agency that has been proudly serving our community for over thirty-five years. Our mission is to give comprehensive assistance to families in need by reducing hunger and homelessness, while encouraging personal growth and self-sufficiency.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS GIFT IN SUPPORT OF COOL MINISTRIES! YOUR GIFT IS TAX-DEDUCTIBLE AND AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT WILL BE SENT FOR YOUR RECORDS.
\$20\$40\$60\$100Other
To Support: Food Pantry Family Housing Area of Greatest Need Holiday Meal Basket
In Honor of:
In Memory of:
Please Notify:

# Trunk-or-Treat

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## All are Welcome...

The Sunday Morning Worship Schedule is:

**Traditional Service:** 

8:30 a.m.

**Contemporary Service:** 

10:45 a.m.

Sunday Service can be viewed at

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