



We need Sunday Helpers going forward for the months of November and December:

- Altar Guild
- Assistant Ministers
- Greeters
- Recorders
- Upload Service
- Ushers

Please contact Lisa.

“We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – ourselves, our time, and our possessions.”

Time

John Buchanan, a famous Lutheran Minister, gave a sermon titled “*Give It All*” and said: “I always had a dream that when I am asked to give an accounting of my life to a higher court, it will be like this: ‘So, empty your pockets. What do you have left of your life? Any dreams that were unfulfilled? Any unusual talent that we gave you when you were born that you still have left? Any unsaid compliments or bits of love that you haven’t spread around?’ And I will answer, ‘I’ve nothing to return. I spent everything you gave me. I’m as naked as the day I was born.’”

Time is one of the most precious gifts we have from God. The problem is we never know how much time we have been given. An insightful friend of mine, who is in his later years, says “When I was younger, I had plenty of time and less money. But as I grow older, I have fleeting time and more money. I wished I had managed my time better because unlike money, time spent cannot be regained, money can. Think about how you spend your time with Jesus on his Mission, so that when you are asked to account to that higher court you can say you spent all the time available in service to Christ.

This week you will find your pledge sheets in your mailbox. Please take it home with you and return the completed form on or before November 14th.

THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR October 24 – October 31

Today	8:00a/10:30a	Worship
	9:30	Sunday School Classes
		New Member Reception
	6:00p	Youth Group
Monday	1:00p	Women’s Bible Study
Tuesday	6:30p	Women’s Bible Study
	7:00	Handbell Practice
Wednesday	6:30p	Confirmation
	7:00	Choir Practice
	8:00	Contemporary Worship Practice
Thursday	9:00a	Quilters
	9:30	Staff Mtg.
	6:30p	Women’s Bible Study
Sunday	8:00/10:30a	Worship/Reformation Sunday
	9:30	Sunday School Classes
	6:00p	Youth Group

Attendance

10/17

8:00a – 83 10:30a – 120

Announcements

Mark your calendars!

- October 31 – Reformation Sunday (Wear red!)

Senior Social scheduled for Wednesday, October 27 has been cancelled. We will resume in January 2022. Contact: Lavonne Hidy.

Men's BBQ—Friday November 5 @ 6:00p. Location to be determined. Please RSVP with Pastor John. BYOB. Speaker will be Pastor Josh from St. Lukes. Free will offering to cover food costs. Invite a friend!

Olive Wood Hand Carved from Bethlehem—We will be offering these beautiful olive wood pieces between services on Sunday November 7 and December 12. These carvings make for a perfect Christmas gift.

Intergenerational/Christmas Project—Saturday, November 13 from 2:00-4:00p. Setup at 1:00p. Sign-up sheet on bulletin board. \$20 per kit. Contact Paige Summerfield.

The Christmas Tea—Saturday, December 4 @ 10:00a. This year's theme is the "*Season of Love*". We are inviting you to show your love and creativity by donating a centerpiece for one of the tables. Another option is to adopt the complete table decor! Opportunities where your help is needed: set up; decorating; clean up and tear down. Contact: Paige Summerfield 719.495.7433.

Cantata—It's that time of year again! Choir is starting to rehearse this year's Cantata which will be sung in mid-December. Even if you are not a regular member, consider joining us on Wednesday evenings at 7pm. Come sing a new song to the Lord for the Advent season!

Operation Christmas Child—Once again BFLC will be participating in the Samaritan's Purse Ministry's Operation Christmas Child. Shoe boxes and instructions will be distributed between services on Sunday, October 31. We invite you to fill a shoebox with the various items listed on the instruction flyer. Filled boxes will be returned to the church for mailing.

Join a Life Group today!

Life Groups is a small-group ministry where we get together in groups of 6 to 12 people at someone's home once a month for food, fellowship, prayer, and Bible study.

If you would like to learn more, contact Lisa or Pastor John.

This morning we will receive the following people into our congregational family.

***Join them for cake at 9:30a in the Fellowship Hall.
Wear your nametags.***

October 24, 2021

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