

THE SHEPHERD'S LOVE

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From the Pastor's Desk

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"But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost, Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life. And of some have compassion, making a difference: And others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh. Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen." Jude 20-25

On November 24th, we will observe Christ the King Sunday. It is a day that we set aside as a church to remember who our King truly is. He is not a king like the rulers of this world. He doesn't reign from an earthly throne, or with the stroke of a pen, or the point of a sword. He doesn't demand tribute from His subjects or call us to lay down our life in His defense. Rather, He reigns from the cross, bearing the sins of the world, and gives us life through His death. Our King is the one who laid down His life for us!

Jude calls us to build ourselves up in

our most holy faith and to keep ourselves in the love of God. This is not a call to rely on our own strength, but rather to cling to the promises of our Lord. We are reminded that we live in a world full of trials and temptations, but we are not left to face them alone.

"Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy." Our King is the one who sustains us, keeps us from stumbling, and will one day present us blameless before God the Father.

Christ the King Sunday is a time to remember that we are under His reign and rule. He is the one who reigns, not as a tyrant, but as a loving Shepherd. He leads us through the valley of the shadow of death, and He gives us hope in the midst of our struggles. We live in a world that often rejects Christ's reign. But no matter what this world may say, Christ is King. He reigns now, and His kingdom will never end. As we approach the end of the year, let us give thanks for our King who reigns in mercy and grace. Let us gather in fellowship around his Word and Sacraments, walking in obedience to him showing mercy to others as He has shown mercy to us. And let us look forward to the day when we will see our King face to face and be welcomed into His eternal kingdom.

"To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen."

God's Peace,

Pastor Nicholas Kandoll

PSALM 100

Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands.

² Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing.

³ Know ye that the LORD he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

⁴ Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

⁵ For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.

ALERT

Unfortunately, scams are becoming more and more common. People from the church have received text messages from people claiming to be me asking for money. Please know that I will never contact you and ask you for money for any reason. If there is a need, I will make it known to you personally at church and I will never ask you to send cash by wire, mail, or any other electronic means.

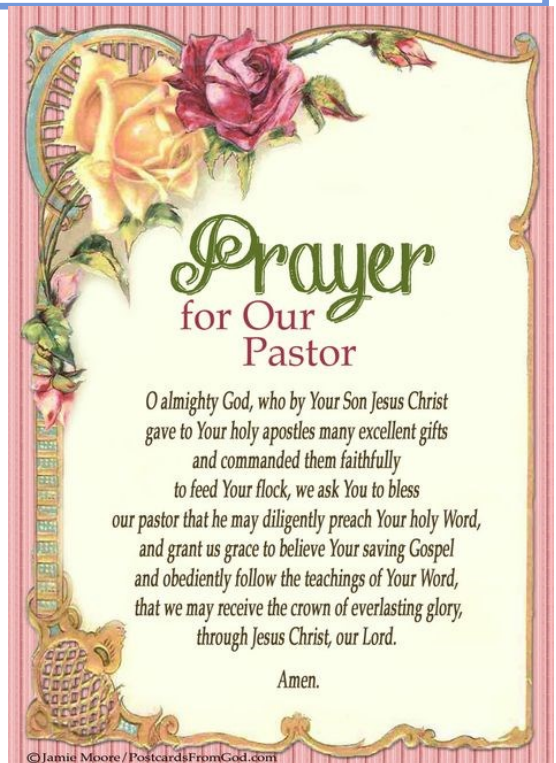
Here are some scams to be aware of and some tips from USAA and Chase to avoid them:

- **Artificial intelligence scams.**
 - Scammers are using AI to clone voices, posing as friends or family. A phone call will sound like a loved one in trouble, requesting money urgently. Kingsley suggests having a code word with your friends and family to verify their identity. Also, hang up and call back a known number for the person.
- **Romance scams.**
- Be wary of any romantic interests or new friends asking you to send them money, especially if you've never met in person. Never send money to anyone you don't know well, met online or have never met in person.
- **Tech support scams.**
 - Don't fall for pop-up messages on your computer or phone saying there's a problem. Don't give remote access to your computer or pay any fees. Also, beware of fake emails that seem to be an invoice for something you didn't order or a fake receipt for something you didn't pay for, meant to get you to click for more information.
- **Familiar bank or company impersonations.**
 - Scammers will pretend to be from a reputable company to warn you about problems with your account or order. They'll try to trick the consumer into sharing personal or financial information. Don't pick up phone calls from numbers you don't recognize or answer unsolicited texts.
- **Government or law-enforcement impersonations.**
 - Scammers will pose as representatives from the IRS, Social Security or law enforcement, demanding immediate payments or threatening law-enforcement action. The government will not call you to demand urgent action or threaten you. In most instances, government officials will contact you by mail if there is a problem.
- **Investment scams.**
 - If something sounds too good to be true, it probably is. Caller ID can be faked. Always be wary of anyone asking you to send them money or give access to your accounts. If you get nervous that someone is attempting to scam you, tell them you have to go. Hang up and call the person or institution you thought you were talking to. (Note: Make sure you are dialing the correct number.)
- God's Peace, Pastor Nicholas Kandoll



The Pastor appreciation dinner was held Sunday Oct 13. We pray God would continue to give them wisdom and guidance in their service.

Micah 6:8 - He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?



It was hard to discourage Fanny Crosby. Joy was a characteristic of her life. When English hymn writer Frances Havergal asked someone about Crosby, she received the reply, "She is a blind lady whose heart can see splendidly in the sunshine of God's love." Crosby herself acknowledged, "Darkness may throw a shadow over my outer vision, but there is no cloud that can keep the sunlight of hope from a trustful soul."

Probably written in 1872, this song was taken to England by Ira Sankey, who led the singing for Dwight L. Moody's evangelistic campaigns. Billy Graham introduced this hymn in his Nashville crusade, and it became a popular hymn in America.

To God Be the Glory

*To God be the glory -- great things He hath done!
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.*

CHORUS

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Let the people rejoice!*

*O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory--great things He hath done!*

*2. O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!
To ev'ry believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.*

CHORUS

*3. Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher, and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.*

CHORUS

(song no. 458 Hymns & Songs of Zion)

Thankfulness

Count your blessings instead of your crosses;

Count your gains instead of your losses.

Count your joys instead of your woes;

Count your friends instead of your foes.

Count your smiles instead of your tears;

Count your courage instead of your fears.

Count your full years instead of your lean;

Count your kind deeds instead of your mean.

Count your health instead of your wealth;

Count on God instead of yourself.

-by Anonymous

Psalms 26:7 That I may publish with the voice of thanksgiving, and tell of all thy wondrous works.

Psalms 95:2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.

2 Corinthians 4:15 For all things are for your sakes, that the abundant grace might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God.

Isaiah 51:3 For the LORD shall comfort Zion: he will comfort all her waste places; and he will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody.

Revelation 7:12 Saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.

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English at 8:05 am

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Sunday Schedule

Sunday School 9:15
Bible Study 9:20
Worship @ 10:30
Holy Communion 1st Sunday of month

If you choose to watch the services online and would like to donate to the church please send checks to:

Louise Amberg-Jokela
206 South Broadway #107

New York Mills, MN 56567
Thank you to everyone that has taken the time to send contributions. It is greatly appreciated!

Meals/potluck
will be served on the
first Sunday
Group 8 for Nov
Group 9 for Dec

The serving group will make the main dishes for potlucks (unless announced otherwise) and others are asked to bring salads or desserts.

There is a sign up sheet for Sunday



coffee in the dining room.

**Looking for volunteers
to help with cleanup
after coffee.**

NYM Emergency Food Shelf

FOR EMERGENCY HELP
CALL NYM CULTURAL CENTER
218-385-3339

CONNIE WARNER
218-385-2853 (work Mon–Thurs)
218-385-3669 (home)

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LOCATION
400 S WALKER AVE
NEW YORK MILLS, MN

FOOD SHELF HOURS

9:00-NOON and 4:30-6:30

Nov 25, 2024

***Dec 23, 2024**

Jan 27, 2025

Feb 24, 2025

Mar 31, 2025

Usage limit 1 time per month

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