

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH CELEBRATING 118 YEARS OF MINISTRY



**Redeemer Lutheran Church**

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**PASTOR: REV. MUKESH CHEEDIE**

**Our Mission:**

**As a community of faith we worship the Triune God. We are called to love and serve all God's people and creation through word and deed.**



**November Redeemer Herald  
2022**

**Visitors and Neighbors:  
Welcome to Redeemer Lutheran Church!**

*Our door is open to you!  
We would be happy to have you join us as  
a Partner in prayer, in song, and in the  
hearing of God's word.*



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## Pastor's Message



Greetings to you in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, Amen.

“Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you. Philippians 4:4-9

Writing these verses while in prison, and with his future unknown and uncertain, it is clear that things were not going well for the Apostle Paul. He was worried and concerned about the many churches he has started and was praying for. And especially this one congregation that was in the midst of an argument.

But even in the midst of all of this, yet the apostle says, “Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice!”

This month we will be celebrating Thanksgiving once again and even though things may not be easy, because of various reasons, we still can rejoice in the Lord. We can rejoice in the love poured out on us. We can rejoice in the grace given and lavished on us. We can rest in the forgiveness and salvation won for us at Calvary, and announced at the Garden Tomb. Indeed, our current circumstances, and not even the devil cannot take these things from us. They cannot rob us of these gifts in Christ...and the joy that they bring.

“Rejoice in the Lord always! Again I will say, rejoice!” Why? Well, like the apostle who knew it was because of Jesus, and so to can we.

Have a happy and blessed Thanksgiving,  
Pastor Mukesh

## **Prayer Concerns**

**Members:** Lois Hershberger, Winnie Ferguson, Patti Paul, Beth Connolly, Linda Bartleson, Lynn Leppo, Marty Danielson, David Erdman, Elizabeth Reinas, Don Farnham, Jim Reinas, Denise Robinson, Judy Lamb, Dee Grover, Rev. Karl Hommen, Rich Moulder, Mike Dunn, Katherine Patelunas, John Schwenk, Heather Palladino, Ilene Kersten, Stephanie Rager, Anne Parfitt and family on the loss of her husband John Clee

**Relatives and Friends of our Members:** Liam Schieber, Kyra Kinsey, Julie Capriotti, George Rehm, Janet Stein, Christa & Jack Barbour, Jada Martin, Henry Krajewski, Ray Short, Kim Conti, Billy Castelberg Jr., Sonia Rinker, Bill Armitage, Susan Lehman.

**Relatives and Friends of our Members Serving in the Military:** Chad Durban, Joseph Piel, Mason Burgess, Kelly Cahill, Matthew Brandon Winter, Reid Furman, Julia Furman, Anne Furman, Matt Glaze, John Dichoso, Nicholas Ropars.

### **Remember in Your Prayers Pastor and staff of Redeemer, and our Nations Leaders:**

Pres. Joe Biden, Vice Pres. Kamala Harris, Our U.S. Senators, The Supreme Court, and the House of Representatives.

## **Prayer Initiative for November**

### **On November 13, 2022 we will pray for:**

Scott Parrotta, Katherine Patelunas. Linda English- Patton, Patti and Richard Paul, Jeff Paulsen, Donna Picone, Gail Pulsinelli.

### **On November 27, 2022 we will pray for:**

Steve and Christine Rager, Christopher and Frank, Stephanie Rager and family, Kathy and George Rehm, Jim and Elizabeth Reinas, Denise and Paul Robinson.

## Member Accomplishments: Dolores Danielson, Trey Grover

At our Monday night Auxiliary meeting member Betty Jones honored **Dolores Danielson** for her dedication to others through endless years of volunteering by presenting her with a third generation pin. Congratulations Dolores



**Trey Grover** is currently enrolled at the Saint Francis School of Nursing RN program ,Trenton , NJ. His mom Dee Grover says, “I’m so proud of him and Grateful to many of you that have touched our lives to make this possible for him. The list is too long to mention everyone but we love you all.”



# Social Ministry



**Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**  
God's work. Our hands.

September 27, 2022

*Thank You*

Redeemer Lutheran Church  
246 Hulmeville Ave  
Pennel, PA 19047-5119

Dear Redeemer Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your gift of \$393.09 to ELCA World Hunger.

*Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God (Romans 5:1-2).*

As a church, we believe that God's grace is freely given to us. This brings us peace and hope. It makes a difference in our lives. Through your gifts to ELCA World Hunger, you are sharing this amazing grace with others. You are helping people around the world feel the transformational power of God's love.

Your generosity is getting at the root causes of hunger and poverty in over 60 countries including the United States. It is providing access to clean water, health care, agriculture, livestock, education, and peace and justice. Through your gifts, you are joining with the whole church as we work toward a just world where all are fed.

Thank you for your gracious gifts. The glory of God is shining through you.

In Christ,

*Daniel Rift*

The Rev. Daniel Rift  
Director, Mission Funding, ELCA World Hunger and Lutheran Disaster Response

*P.S. Please see the reverse side of this letter for your receipt.*



**Saturday 10/8/2022**



# Redeemer Lutheran Ministries

**Stewardship News** by Denise Robinson

## **What is stewardship?**

As members of the ELCA, we believe that we are freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor.

How do we respond to God's call to serve and love our neighbors? We faithfully steward the gifts God has so abundantly given to us. Although some think of stewardship as only a financial response to God's love, stewardship encompasses so much more than money. It is about how we use all that God has entrusted to our care — our time, our talents and our treasures — to love God and our neighbors, both inside and outside of the church walls and our homes. (Sited from the ELCA website)

## **What does stewardship mean to God?**

**Stewardship of God's Kingdom.** Biblical **stewardship means** being a caretaker of **God's** kingdom. As Peter said, in 1 Peter 4:10-11, "As each has received a gift, employ it in serving one another, as good managers of the grace of **God** in its various forms. If anyone speaks, let it be as it were the very words of **God**."

## **What is biblical stewardship?**

To discover what the Bible says about stewardship, we start with the very first verse: "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth" ([Genesis 1:1](#)). As the Creator, God has absolute rights of ownership over all things, and to miss starting here is like misaligning the top button on our shirt or blouse—nothing else will ever line up. Nothing else in the Bible, including the doctrine of stewardship, will make any sense or have any true relevance if we miss the fact that God is the Creator and has full rights of ownership. It is through our ability to fully grasp this and imbed it in our hearts that the doctrine of stewardship is understood.

The biblical doctrine of stewardship defines a man's relationship to God. It identifies God as owner and man as manager. God makes man His co-worker in administering all aspects of our life. The apostle Paul explains it best by saying, "For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, God's building" ([1 Corinthians 3:9](#)). Starting with this concept, we are then able to accurately view and correctly value not only our possessions, but, more importantly, human life itself. In essence, stewardship defines our purpose in this world as assigned to us by God Himself. It is our divinely given opportunity to join with God in His worldwide and eternal redemptive movement ([Matthew 28:19-20](#)). Stewardship is not God taking something from us; it is His method of bestowing His richest gifts upon His people.

In the New Testament, two Greek words embody the meaning of our English word "stewardship." The first word is *epitropos* which means "manager, foreman, or steward." From the standpoint of government, it means "governor or procurator." At times it

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was used in the New Testament to mean “guardian,” as in [Galatians 4:1-2](#): “What I am saying is that as long as the heir is a child, he is no different from a slave, although he owns the whole estate. He is subject to guardians and trustees until the time set by his father.” The second word is *oikonomos*. It also means “steward, manager, or administrator” and occurs more frequently in the New Testament. Depending on the context, it is often translated “dispensation, stewardship, management, arrangement, administration, order, plan, or training.” It refers mostly to the law or management of a household or of household affairs.

Notably, in the writings of Paul, the word *oikonomos* is given its fullest significance in that Paul sees his responsibility for preaching the gospel as a divine trust ([1 Corinthians 9:17](#)). Paul refers to his call from God as the administration (stewardship) of the grace of God for a ministry of the divine mystery revealed in Christ ([Ephesians 3:2](#)). In this context, Paul is portraying God as the master of a great household, wisely administering it through Paul himself as the obedient servant of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Also significant in what Paul is saying is that once we’re called and placed into the body of Jesus Christ, the stewardship that is required of us is not a result of our own power or abilities. The strength, inspiration and growth in the management of our lives must come from God through the Holy Spirit in us; otherwise, our labor is in vain and the growth in stewardship is self-righteous, human growth. Accordingly, we must always remember the sole source of our strength in pleasing God: “I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me” ([Philippians 4:13](#) NJKV). Paul also said, “But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them—yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me” ([1 Corinthians 15:10](#)).

More often than not, when we think of good stewardship, we think of how we manage our finances and our faithfulness in paying God’s tithes and offerings. But as we’re beginning to see, it’s much more than that. In fact, it’s more than just the management of our time, our possessions, our environment, or our health. Stewardship is our obedient witness to God’s sovereignty. It’s what motivates the follower of Christ to move into action, doing deeds that manifest his belief in Him. Paul’s stewardship involved proclaiming that which was entrusted to him—the gospel truth.

Stewardship defines our practical obedience in the administration of everything under our control, everything entrusted to us. It is the consecration of one’s self and posses-

sions to God’s service. Stewardship acknowledges in practice that we do not have the right of control over ourselves or our property—God has that control. It means as stewards of God we are managers of that which belongs to God, and we are under His constant authority as we administer His affairs. Faithful stewardship means that we fully acknowledge we are not our own but belong to Christ, the Lord, who gave Himself for us.

The ultimate question, then, is this: Am I the lord of my life, or is Christ the Lord of my life? In essence, stewardship expresses our total obedience to God and our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. (gotquestions.org)

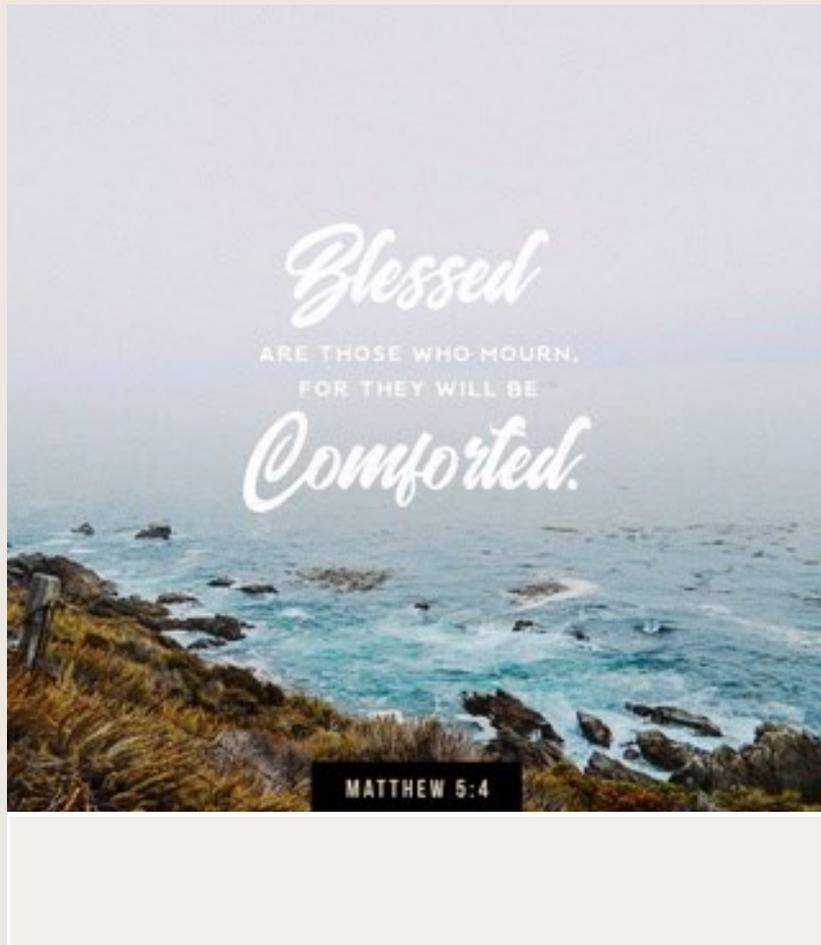
I am neither a scholar nor a perfect person, and learning about stewardship and living a life of discipleship through stewardship is a lifelong journey. My ability as a steward of all God has blessed me with changes with age and one thing I do know is that I will always do my best with the means I have. Being faithful and relying on God’s love is first and foremost and as long as I trust in the Lord, pray and listen to His word. As 1<sup>st</sup> Chronicles: 16:34 states- Give thanks to the Lord for he is good: His faithful love endures forever. So too must we have faith in Him.



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### STEWARDSHIP WORD OF THE MONTH COMFORT

“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God” ( 2 Corinthians 1:3–4 ).



[How Does God](#)

[Help Us In The Difficult Times? \(Explained!\) \(spiritualinspiration.org\)](#)

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## WELCA Ministry

Our September bonfire Welca meeting was such a good time. Here are some pictures.



## WELCA Ministry continued

On October 18 we met in the parish hall at 7:00 pm. Deb Farnham did a wonderful devotion about gratitude and thankfulness. Karen, Edna, and Lois provided fall themed refreshments. Lynn Engel presented pictures and information from her Iceland trip. We learned how beautiful, interesting, and different Iceland is.



## WELCA Ministry continued

Please come out to the Welca bazaar on Saturday, November 5, 2022 beginning at 8:00 AM and lasting until 2:00 PM in the parish hall. Come to shop – stay for lunch of delicious homemade soups.



**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, November 15 at 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall  
**Devotions:** Marilyn Hrywnak

## Garden Club News

### Garden Club News

The Garden Club and the Property Committee are planning to hold fall clean-up of the lawn and flower beds on Saturday, **November 19** beginning around 9:00am Please come out to help. It's more fun with more people.



## WELCA Thank you Note

To all the Members of WELCA,

A little note to thank all for you're the gift that you gave to me.  
It was so nice of Edna and Rita for the visit and bringing the gift to me.

God Bless all of you,

Love, Thelma Thorsen



# WELCA Christmas Bazaar

Saturday, November 5  
8:00 AM – 2:00 PM



Craft Table  
Bake Table

Raffle Tables  
Christmas “Treasures” Tables

Breakfast Foods

Pretzels and Drinks

**Delicious Soup Lunch**

**REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Corner of Woodland and Hulmeville Aves.  
Pennel, PA 19047

# Redeemer Lutheran Ministries

## Worship and Music

### ADVENT MATINS

On November 27th we will begin our Advent journey in preparation for Christmas. In keeping with our tradition, we are going to observe that journey with a special service of Lessons, Carols and Candle Light on the first Sunday in Advent. We call it "Advent Matins".

This service has become a favorite one for many of our members. The musical offerings by our various choirs will assist with enhancing the beauty of this worship service.

Please invite a friend to join us for this special service which begins at 09:20 on November 27th.



*"When In Our Music God is Glorified"* Arranged by Harriet Ziegenhals  
Sung by Redeemer's  
Choir, French Horn - Jasmyn

Performed on 9/25/22



## Parish Notes

McHales Plumbing and Heating hosted an event for all their McHale Cares Winners. We were invited and Karen invited all the food pantry helpers. We had a great time, and the food was really good!



Pastor Cheedie,

Thank you so much for the beautiful service you gave for my awesome Uncle Bill (Simon).

It was perfect in everyway. I do believe God sent you our way because you provided exactly what we needed. Your humor and kindness will always be remembered.

My family will be forever grateful,

Jillian Oliveri

## ***Share Your Blessings for Thanksgiving***

Social Ministry will be collecting monetary donations to provide Bucks County Housing Authority Pennel Emergency Residents with gift cards. The due date is 11/13/2022. Make checks payable to Redeemer Lutheran Church, but notate it is for Social Ministry.

Thank You in advance,  
Social Ministry



## POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS SERVICES

**DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 11th/PAYMENT DUE WHEN ORDERING**

This Christmas season an 8 inch poinsettia plant for will be available to order for the Christmas Eve service. A listing of sponsors and their memorial will be printed the Christmas Eve bulletin. Please make your check out to **Redeemer Lutheran Church**.

Please contact Deb Farnham at 267-566-0043 or at [dgfteach@yahoo.com](mailto:dgfteach@yahoo.com) to order your flowers. You may also fill in the form below and turn it in/mail it the church office. *Orders are due December 11. Flowers must be paid for before they are ordered.*

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

# ORDERED \_\_\_\_\_

IN MEMORY OF \_\_\_\_\_

IN HONOR OF \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL COST: \_\_\_\_\_

SELECT ONE: pick up after service

give to shut-ins

*(our florist Kleen Kut is providing the poinsettias)*

**MEMORIAL DONATIONS – AUGUST - OCTOBER 2022**

*To the Glory of God and in  
Loving Memory of:*

*A Memorial was presented by:*

*James McMullen*

*Katherine Patelinas  
John & Edna Schwenk*

*Ruth Schwartz*

*Ruth Ann Morgan*

*Fred Winter*

*Linda Winter*

*Thomas Finn*

*Donald & Mary Lou Robinson  
Erin Becker  
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Kevin Moore  
Elizabeth Meister  
Martha MacFarland  
Thomas McFarlane*

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Denise Robinson  
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Wilmer & Beverly Solt  
David & Jeanne Harris  
Paulette & John Gerstemeier  
Trish Ryan  
David Doyle*

*Peg Manrodt*

*Ilene Kersten  
Don & Rita Solt*

# *Council Highlights*

**Worship Team** - Pastor is thankful for the worship leaders.

**Faith Formation** - The Halloween party was changed to be games to go along with the Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 30th.

**Stewardship Team** - Denise to speak with Pastor about Advent Devotional, maybe similar to the Lenten Devotional.

**Financial Secretary Report** - The financial report matches the treasurer's report per Gail Pulsinelli. Some people are using VANCO.

**Teaching moment from Pastor** - We are trying to get some new acolyte's. Should we have a lift or something for height/shorter children?

**Social Ministry Team** - The team discussed maybe moving the Mission Festival Auction to September for more people to be able to attend. Still in discussion.

**Shared Meal Ministry** - December shared meal will be in person. Have we had any response for volunteers? Yes we have had people respond to help.

**Evangelism Team** - Still looking for a leader !!!! Pastor to have a meeting with the Evangelism Team soon.

We need to have an Evangelism Team. We have had activity as far as the 9/11 breakfast and Trunk or Treat to be on October 30th.

Pastor thanks Holly for the wonderful job she does every day !!!!!!!

## **Bell Choir-**

We need a minimum of 8 people to ring 2 octaves. We had 13 ringers in the past. Pastor said that he would be happy to help. Cindy Oser also volunteered.

If you are interested in ringing bells, please let Pastor know. You can be part of this team !!

# Sharing God's Bounty

November 2022

## Rejoice in the Lord

Psalm 104 recounts the wonders of God, talking about his creation and sustenance of the earth. What might the psalmist be thinking about as he composes this hymn of praise? Perhaps he was lying on his back on a beautiful, warm day, looking at a sun-filled sky. He starts to ponder the vastness of blue, and, as he does, he cannot help but break into praise. His thoughts shift from the beauty of the heavens to the wonder of the seas and their depths. Then he focuses more immediately on how God provides for all that he has made. The more he praises God, the more reasons he thinks of to continue doing so.

The beauty of nature can bring about such feelings of awe in us. Like the psalmist, we should give credit to the Creator and praise him for his works of such beauty and wonder.

But what about the cloudy days, the days when the sun doesn't break through, the days when cold winds blow through our souls, the days when the future looks bleak? At those times, our feelings of praise are not found within us. Instead of being compelled to break into songs of thanksgiving, we may break into complaining.

The psalmist says, *"I will sing to the Lord all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live"* (verse 33). Our praise is not the result of our feelings but rather in response to God for all he has done. Our praises resound all our lives – the sunny and the cloudy days. Our praises continue because they emanate, not from the sun, but from the Son and flow back to him again.

Creator God, we look around ourselves and see the wonder of your work. Help us never to take for granted the beauty with which you surround us. Thank you for the even greater work you have done within us as you have given us eternal, spiritual life in your Son. Give us such gratitude that we cannot but help breaking into praise and telling others about what you have done for and in us. Through Christ we pray. Amen.

*Are the majority of Christians in the world today really aware of the simple and sometimes difficult needs of others, as Jesus had been?*

*Opportunities to serve are all around us. In our churches, volunteers can commit to being a disciple of Christ by willingly giving of their time and talent.*

# November Kids Pages

## Bible Quiz

Which of the following is not called a "fruit of the Spirit" – but probably could be?

- A. love
- B. faithfulness
- C. self-control
- D. gratitude
- E. gentleness



Answer: D (See Galatians 5:22-23)

## PUZZLE



### Piles of praise

Every autumn, the ground is overflowing with leaves. What does Paul encourage us to overflow with?

*Directions: Use the key to match the leaves and complete the Bible passage.*

rooted

built

thankfulness

strengthened

continue

faith

overflowing

Lord

received

So then, just as you \_\_\_\_\_ Christ Jesus as \_\_\_\_\_,

\_\_\_\_\_ to live your lives in him, \_\_\_\_\_ and

\_\_\_\_\_ up in him, \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ as you

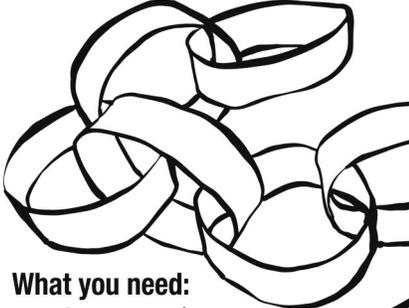
were taught, and \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_.

COLOSSIANS 2:6-7, NIV

Answer: received, Lord, continue, rooted, built, strengthened, faith, overflowing, thankfulness

## Links of GRATITUDE

Make this meaningful decoration for your Thanksgiving table.



**What you need:**

- Construction paper (in fall colors)
- Scissors
- Pen
- Jar
- Stapler
- Adult help



**What you do:**

1. Cut the paper into strips about 2 inches wide.
2. Place the strips and pen in the jar. Then set it in a prominent place in your home.
3. Throughout November, have family discussions about what you're thankful to God for. Write or draw each item on a paper strip.
4. Make a paper chain by linking and carefully stapling the strips.
5. Keep adding to your decoration and display it during your Thanksgiving meal.

# November Birthday's and Anniversaries

## November Birthdays

7th Marianne White  
 10th Brian O'Connell  
 Robert Rockenbach  
 11th Jolene Cochran  
 13th Victoria Mihalek  
 Thelma Thorsen  
 14th Ciera Hope Cooke  
 18th George Rehm  
 22nd Kim Overbagh  
 Rev. Esther Rajashekar  
 23rd Jordan Ditcher  
 28th Mike Burlingame  
 29th Alex Northrup  
 Andrew Northrup  
 30th Hailey Schmidt  
 Rande Funkhauser

## November Wedding Anniversaries

11/1/19 Lissy and Joshua Tidwell  
 11/6/04 Gail and Bob Blinstrub, Jr.  
 11/11/17 Carol and Rande Funkhauser 1  
 11/18/89 Lydia and Joseph Cochran  
 11/22/13 Cynthia and Lew Oser  
 11/23/74 Denise and Paul Robinson  
 11/25/00 Patricia and Christopher Ryan  
 11/28/87 Linda and Bryan Bartleson

