



# The Eternal Light

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## A Thanksgiving Reminder

What do you have to be thankful for this year? A new job? Better health? New friends?

For many of us Thanksgiving is just another day on the calendar, a time to get together with family and eat a big meal. This is the only time of the year that many people bother to stop and think about what they have to be thankful for. Take note: Such an attitude is unhealthy and unbiblical.

The Bible teaches us about thanksgiving in many places and in many ways. The word “thanksgiving” shows up throughout Scripture. In fact, that word and others related to it appear over 140 times in the Bible. To put that in perspective, the word “gospel” is used less than 100 times. That’s not to say the “gospel” is less important but that “thanksgiving” is more important than most of us realize.

Why is thanksgiving so important? The Word of God gives thanksgiving a vital place in the life of the believer. The one who has a thankful heart is one that gives God the worship He deserves.

Feel the heartbeat of thanksgiving in the most famous of the “thanksgiving” psalms, Psalm 100.

*Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.*

*Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!*

*Know that the Lord, he is God!*

*It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.*

*Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!*

*Give thanks to him; bless his name!*

*For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever,  
and his faithfulness to all generations.*

Listen to Paul’s attitude of gratitude as he reminds us that we should thank God for all things.

*And we know that **God causes all things to work together** for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose (Rom 8:28).*



So, thank God regularly. Worship Him with thanksgiving and song. Thank Him for the big things in your life. Thank Him for the small. Thank Him for the good and thank Him for the bad. More importantly, thank Him day in and day out, not just on “Thanksgiving” day.

Let us today join the heavenly choir as they sing:

*Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and **thanksgiving** and honor and power and might, be to our God forever and ever! Amen (Revelation 7:12).*

## Upcoming Events

Saturday and Sunday, November 4 & 5 – ULC/CU Homecoming and Anniversary



University Lutheran Chapel

### **60 & 65th Anniversary ULC/CU Homecoming**

Saturday, November 4

ULC/CU Reunion Indoor Tailgate

3 hours prior to kick-off

ULC ALUM's please RSVP by text to 763.213.4239.

Bring a snack to share.

You will need to park off-site. Shuttles can be available.

Meet Rev. Jarvis & find out what is up at ULC!

Sunday, November 5

5:00 Divine Service

RMD President Rev. James Maxwell, Guest Preacher

6:15 Dinner

RSVP's appreciated (not necessary) by text to 763.213.4239.



Visit [www.universitylutheranchapel.com](http://www.universitylutheranchapel.com) for more information.

Sunday, November 12 - Installation of Pastor Thorson. Service at 2:30, reception will follow the service.

Thursday, November 23 – Thanksgiving Day Service 9:00a.m.

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## OFFERING REPORT

Offerings for the month of October were:

October 1	\$2,676
October 8	\$2,891
October 15	\$2,355
October 22	\$2,217
October 29	\$1,180
Online Offerings	\$2,685



This weekly average (\$ 2.334 ) compares to our 2023 weekly budget needs of **\$4,369**.

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## **COUNTER SCHEDULE**

If you have a conflict on a day you are scheduled, please arrange with another counter to cover that day.

Nov. 5 – Marc and Jan Ertle

Nov. 12 – Marc and Jan Ertle

Nov. 19 – Polly Cowley & Katherine Crane

Nov. 26 – Polly Cowley & Cindy Stahly

Dec. 3 – Cindy Stahly & Katherine Crane

Dec. 10 – Sam and Lynn Kelley

Dec. 17 – Sam and Lynn Kelley

Dec. 24 – Mark and Mary Bunge

Dec. 31 – Mark and Mary Bunge



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We have a handful of members successfully using both of our electronic giving options. If you are interested in trying it out but need a refresher please let Mary know and she will have someone get in contact with you.

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## **Update from the Call Committee:**

We welcome Pastor Thorson and his family to Eternal Savior Lutheran Church. We will have an installation service on Sunday, November 12 at 2:30p.m. A reception will follow. Please join us as we welcome our new Pastor and his family.



## Youth Outing

The Youth group had a visit to Anderson Farms on October 1.





## REMINDERS

**The Deacon's Fund** supports Emergency Family Assistance, ULC, and other charities as well. All of these funds will be used to alleviate the needs of people who are in very vulnerable circumstances. The agencies have expressed great gratitude. We are only able to do this because of the generous and faithful contributions of you, our dear members, to the Deacon's Fund! Please consider contributing via your offering envelopes or in the Deacons' Fund collector in the Narthex! Thanks!!!

**Please be responsible!!!** For everyone who has access to the church building, it is your responsibility when you leave to make sure that all lights are off, the heat/air-conditioning/fans are turned back or off and all of the **doors are locked and secure!!** Please do double checks before you leave.

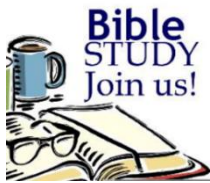
**We ask that all members of the congregation please be conscious of protecting their valuables while at church. Many times, the doors are left unlocked, and people are downstairs. This gives easy access to someone who may not be a member. We will try to remember to lock the doors after service.**

**Sign Up to Receive Text Messages** - Eternal Savior is building a text message list for urgent communications. i.e., Service is cancelled due to a blizzard. If you would like to receive notifications like that via text message, please text **ETERNALSAVIOR** (one word, no space) to 84576. Contact Laura Raben if you need help signing up.

The **2024 Flower Chart** is now available on the bulletin board. Please look to see if there is a service you would like to provide flowers. Also include if the flowers are for a special occasion.

**Parking spaces** in front of the church should be reserved for those members and visitors that need to park close to the building due to health concerns or weather. Please be considerate and leave these spaces to those who need them most.

**Large print worship** service folders and assisted listening devices are available. Please ask an usher if needed.



**Sunday Morning Bible Study** – Please join us after service downstairs for Sunday morning Bible Study.

**Sunday School!** We are studying the “Enduring Faith” curriculum, Unit 8. Sunday School opening is at 10:30AM in the Fellowship Hall. All children are encouraged to join us!

**Wednesday Night Bible Study** - We have completed this Bible Study. Stay tuned for when the next Wednesday night Bible study will begin.

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## SERVING IN NOVEMBER

### **Sunday, November 5**

Pastor	Pastor Rob Jarvis
Organist /Pianist	Linda Thompson
Acolyte	Anna Lambrecht
Usher(s)	Kirk Anderson, Marc Ertle
Greeter(s)	Keith and Polly Cowley
Counter(s)	Marc and Jan Ertle
Elder(s)	Jeff Reuer, Keith Cowley
Altar	Brenda Vieyra
A/V Booth	Larissa and Katie Reuer
Snow	Dave Sherrets
Flowers	Breitweiser

### **Sunday, November 12**

Pastor	Pastor Rob Jarvis
Organist /Pianist	Linda Thompson
Cantor	Keith Cowley
Acolyte	Lydia Hurst
Usher(s)	Keith Cowley, Tom Stahly
Greeter(s)	Bob and Brenda Vieyra
Counter(s)	Marc and Jan Ertle
Elder(s)	Wayne Thomas (r), Dave Sherrets
Altar	Brenda Vieyra
A/V Booth	Nick Mayer
Snow	Dave Sherrets
Flowers	Hire/Raben

### **Sunday, November 12 – Installation Service**

Liturgist	Pastor David Ahlman
Preacher	Pastor William Viergutz
Rite of Installation	Pastor Keith Besel
Prayers/Closing	Pastor Clint Thorson
Organist/Pianist	Joanne Jarvis
Acolyte	Luke Hinrichs
Usher(s)	Keith Cowley
Elder(s)	Ryan Lambrecht
A/V Booth	Laura Raben

### **Sunday, November 19**

Pastor	Pastor Clint Thorson
Preacher	Pastor Timothy Puls
Organist/Pianist	Linda Thompson
Acolyte	Katie Reuer
Usher(s)	Keith Cowley, Tom Stahly
Greeter(s)	Kirk and Melisa Anderson
Counter(s)	Polly Cowley and Katherine Crane
Elder(s)	Kirk Anderson, Ryan Lambrecht
Altar	Brenda Vieyra
A/V Booth	Marc Ertle
Snow	Tom Stahly
Flowers	OPEN

### **Thursday, November 23 -Thanksgiving Day Service**

Organist/Pianist	Linda Innes
Acolyte	TBD
Usher(s)	Roger Landowski
Greeter(s)	Sam and Lynn Kelley
Elder(s)	Keith Cowley, Wayne Thomas
Altar	Brenda Vieyra
A/V Booth	Tom Stahly
Flowers	OPEN

### **Sunday, November 26**

Organist /Pianist	Linda Innes
Cantor	Pam Mayer
Acolyte	Luke Hinrichs
Usher(s)	Ryan Lambrecht, Roger Landowski
Greeter(s)	Larissa and Jeff Reuer
Counter(s)	Polly Cowley and Cindy Stahly
Elder(s)	Dave Sherrets (r), Kirk Anderson
Altar	Brenda Vieyra
A/V Booth	Nick Mayer
Snow	Tom Stahly
Flowers	OPEN



We have many ways in which our members can share their gifts with others each Sunday. Some of those are Greeters, Offering Counters, Ushers, Livestream and Audio Engineers, Lawn Mowing/Snow Removal. These are all listed on the Servant Calendar on our web site. Please reach out to Mary at the church office if you can serve. We so appreciate and thank God for your service!