

Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church

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*September 22, 2024 - 18th Sunday after Pentecost
The liturgy is Setting 12 in the ACS.*

PRELUDE - "The Lord God Has Spoken It" - Paxton

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

FLOWER DEDICATION - Today's altar flowers are provided by Jane Cahill-Wolfgram
In memory of her mother, Norene Solheim on her birthday.

QUILTER RECOGNITION AND BLESSING

Gracious God, as we place our hands on these Quilts, we join giver and receiver,
recognizing the unity of all your people in the body of Christ.

We celebrate being the children of God.

We give thanks for the variety of gifts that compose these Quilts: donations of fabric,
thread and sewing machines, the faithful people who cut the squares, design the
patterns, sew the tops, iron the fabric, make backs and fillers, tie and stitch the
bindings, provide publicity, donate boxes, pack the Quilts, bring food to sustain the
quilters and contribute the money for shipping these Quilts.

We celebrate generosity.

We give thanks for the fellowship of all who work together to make the Quilts, the
laughter, the shared stories, the joy of crafting something with one's hands and heart
for another and the time to reflect and wonder about the recipient.

We celebrate community.

We send these Quilts as a sign of God's love and blessing for each person who receives
one, trusting that their Quilt will be a source of comfort and hope in the midst of
disaster and fear, a symbol of Christ's love to those who suffer, a reminder that each
recipient is a beloved child of God.

We pray that these Quilts will serve a useful purpose in the life of the recipient; that
they will bring warmth in the cold, shelter from the sun and heat, a wall for a home,
or a carrier for a few precious belongings. May it be a step in recovering one's life
and a message of care from someone they may never meet.

We celebrate hope in the midst of life's trials.

We remember those who have received our Quilts in the past and pray that their lives
have returned to stability.

We celebrate the gift of life.

We ask that you bless the fruits of our labor and the whole mission of Lutheran World Relief, that together we may minister to our neighbors in need. Bless all who give and all who receive, as we are sewn together in the unity of your Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

OPENING HYMN ACS #1038 - "God, We Gather As Your People" (page 10)

PASTORAL GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection Silence for reflection

Gracious God,

Have mercy on us. We confess that we have too often raised our voices in praise and thanksgiving to you, and then harshly judged our neighbors with our next breath. Our fears cause conflicts and disputes with people we love and people we meet. You command us to care for the poor, but we often turn away thinking we don't have enough for ourselves. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with your grace and mercy and help us to trust you for all we need and to give thanks for all we have. Turn our hearts to follow the ways of Jesus.

God promises to forgive us and to remember our sin no more. By God's grace we have been saved and set free. In the name of † Jesus Christ, the source of all healing, know that all our sins have been forgiven. Live as forgiven and redeemed people of God.

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON



FIRST READING – Jeremiah 11:18-20

¹⁸It was the LORD who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds. ¹⁹But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying, “Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!” ²⁰But you, O LORD of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind, let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING – James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

¹³Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. ¹⁴But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. ¹⁵Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. ¹⁶For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. ¹⁷But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. ¹⁸And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.^{4:} ¹Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? ²You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. ⁷Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ^{8a}Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

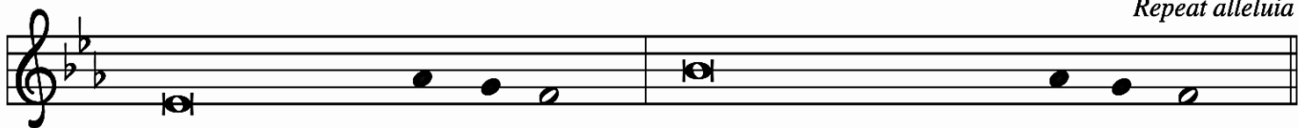
This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (please stand and sing)



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

This is the good news according to St. Mark
Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL - Mark 9:30-37

³⁰Jesus and the disciples went on and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it;³¹for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." ³²But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. ³³Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" ³⁴But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. ³⁵He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." ³⁶Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷"Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

This is the Word of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

(8:00 am) CHOIR ANTHEM - "The First Song of Isaiah" - Jack Noble White

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #781 - "Children of the Heavenly Father" (page 11)

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Drawn together in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray with confidence for the church, God's good creation, and all who are in need.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Loving God, you welcome all at your table of grace. Instill in your church a spirit of humility and curiosity, that we embrace all who seek you. We pray especially for ministries of hospitality and faith formation. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Creating God, you shape the world so there is more than enough for all. Curb our habits of overuse, and guide us toward more sustainable sources of energy, food, and water. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Transforming God, you accompany all through changes and transitions. Help us to see where you are calling this community to new ways of living the gospel promise; assure us that even as change brings loss, it also brings hope and life. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Merciful God, you embrace us on our final pilgrimage from this life. Accompany all who have died, console those who mourn, and at the last, show us the way to eternal life in you. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We entrust these and all our prayers to you, holy God, in the name of your beloved child, Jesus Christ, our Savior.
Amen.

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING - *If you missed placing your offering in the plate when you arrived, there will be another plate by the ushers to leave your offering as you depart. Thank you for your support.*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... (ELW #191)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
might; heav - en and earth are filled with your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.



Let us pray for God's kingdom to come here, now and forever:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the Lord's Supper, for all is now ready.



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

SHARING THE MEAL

All are welcome to receive the Real Presence of Christ in the bread and wine of Holy Communion. You do not need to be a member of this church or a Lutheran to receive the sacrament. We do ask that you desire a relationship with Jesus Christ.

If you require gluten-free hosts, please say "no gluten" when you approach the person sharing the host.

The center rings of the trays provided contain grape juice for those desiring it. Cups may be returned to the Acolytes' baskets. The Common Cup is also available.

Children may come forward for a blessing, or to receive communion if they have been through instruction, here, or at another church.

If you wish to still receive the individual communion packet (wafer on top and wine/juice on the bottom), please pick one up as you approach the front.

*If you would like the sacraments brought to you, please let the usher know.
Welcome!*

COMMUNION HYMN - ELW #595 - "Jesus Loves Me!" (page 11)

PASTORAL BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

BENEDICTION - The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN ELW #652 - "Built on a Rock" (page 12)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Quilter Appreciation Sunday

Today is Quilter Appreciation Sunday. Between services quilts will be sold, along with Cub Scouts selling their Pop Corn.

Christmas Wreath Orders

Also, during the Quilter Appreciation, the Boy Scouts will be taking orders today for holiday wreaths.

Altar Guild

There will be an Altar guild meeting on October 19 at 10 AM in the friendship room coffee and treats will be provided. Hope to see everybody. Thank you.

If you have questions you can contact us at

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Jenny Wiersma, 608-332-0749, Jenny.wiersma@envigo.com

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**Serving you today in
Christ's Love**

Ushers

8:00 am

Team Campbell

10:30 am

Team Kvalheim

Reader

8:00 am

Jason Gest

10:30 am

Jason Gest

Communion Helpers

8:00 am

Team Legried

10:30 am

Team Lockman

Acolyte

8:00 am

CaylieJo Perea

Leighton Vieau

10:30 am

Jameson Bergeron

Caleb Grinde

Calendar-Week of September 22, 2024

Sun, September 22

Quilter Appreciation Sunday

8:00 am Worship Service

9:00 am Quilt Sale -*between services*

Cub Scout Pop Corn Sale

Boy Scout Wreath Sale

9:15 am Sunday School

10:30 am Worship

Mon, September 23

8:00 am Quilters

5:30 pm Girl Scouts

Tues, September 24

9:00 am Women's Bible Study - FR

6:30 pm Bell Practice

Wed, September 25

6:00 pm Confirmation class -NK

6:30 pm Choir-FR

Thurs, September 26

6:00 pm Boy Scout- FH

Sun, September 29

8:00 am Worship Service

9:15 am Sunday School

10:30 am Worship

Quilter Appreciation

Today we are showcasing the hard work of our quilters at both services. We would like to acknowledge the group of quilters in our congregation that meet each month to make quilts. They are: Cathy Nelson, Rose Kirkeng, Beth Brining, Jen Lange, Rose Haney, Tina Standish, and Pam Hamele.

The quilts will be distributed to people all over the country in need of comfort and warmth including to the DeForest Senior Center, DeForest Area Needs Network and Shelter From The Storm in Sun Prairie.

Some of the quilts will be raffled off during the bazaar in November.



OPENING HYMN ELW ACS #1038 - "God, We Gather As Your People"



1 God, we gath - er as your peo - ple to raise our song a -
2 Oh, we sing for all the chil - dren, that one day they be
3 Oh, we pray for all the young lives cut short by fear and
4 God, we're work - ing for the fu - ture when chil - dren far and



bove, and we dare to claim the prom - ise of your love.
free; and we sing for gen - er - a - tions yet to be,
shame, so a - fraid of who they are and whom they love.
wide can . . . live their lives with dig - ni - ty and pride.



Though the day may not yet be here, we
that they nev - er have a rea - son to
May the mes - sage now be ban - ished that your
As they grow in strength and stat - ure, may they



trust it soon will be, when your chil - dren will be free.
doubt that they are blest. May they, in your love, find rest.
love is for the few; may their faith in you re - new.
join us hand in hand, as a - gainst all hate we stand.



Oh, may our hearts and minds be o - pened, fling the church doors o - pen



wide. May there be room e - nough for ev - 'ry - one in - side.



For in God there is a wel - come, in God we all be -



long. May that wel - come be our song.

Text: David Lohman, b. 1961

Music: WELCOME BE OUR SONG, David Lohman

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HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #781 - "Children of the Heavenly Father"



Tryg - ga - re kan ing - en va - ra än Guds lil - la bar - na - ska - ra,
 1 Chil - dren of the heav'n-ly Fa - ther safe - ly in his bo - som gath - er;
 2 God his own doth tend and nour-ish, in his ho - ly courts they flour - ish.
 3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er from the Lord his chil - dren sev - er;
 4 Though he giv - eth or he tak - eth, God his chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth;



stjär - nan ej på him - la - fäs - tet, få - geln ej i kän - da näs - tet.
 nest - ling bird nor star in heav - en such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.
 From all e - vil things he spares them, in his might - y arms he bears them.
 un - to them his grace he show - eth, and their sor - rows all he know - eth.
 his the lov - ing pur - pose sole - ly to pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832–1903; tr. Ernst W. Olson, 1870–1958
 Music: TRYGGARE KAN INGEN VARA, Swedish folk tune
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COMMUNION HYMN - ELW #595 - "Jesus Loves Me!"



1 Je - sus loves me! this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so;
 2 Je - sus loves me! he who died heav - en's gates to o - pen wide;
 3 Je - sus loves me! he will stay close be - side me all the way;



lit - tle ones to him be - long, they are weak, but he is strong.
 he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.
 when at last I come to die, he will take me home on high.

Refrain



Yes, Je - sus loves me, yes, Je - sus loves me,



yes, Je - sus loves me, the Bi - ble tells me so.

Text: Anna B. Warner, 1820–1915, alt.
 Music: JESUS LOVES ME, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868

SENDING HYMN ELW #652 -“Built on a Rock”



1 Built on a rock the church shall stand, e - ven when stee - ples are
 2 Sure - ly, in tem - ples made with hands God the Most High is not
 3 Christ builds a house of liv - ing stones: we are his own hab - i -
 4 Yet in this house, an earth - ly frame, Je - sus the chil - dren is
 5 Through all the pass - ing years, O Lord, grant that, when church bells are



fall - ing; crum - bled have spires in ev - 'ry land, bells still are
 dwell - ing— high in the heav'ns his tem - ple stands, all earth - ly
 ta - tion; he fills our hearts, his hum - ble thrones, grant - ing us
 bless - ing; hith - er we come to praise his name, faith in our
 ring - ing, man - y may come to hear your Word, who here this



chim - ing and call - ing— call - ing the young and old to rest, call - ing the
 tem - ples ex - cel - ling. Yet God who dwells in heav'n a - bove deigns to a -
 life and sal - va - tion. Where two or three will seek his face, he in their
 Sav - ior con - fess - ing. Je - sus to us his Spir - it sent, mak - ing with
 prom - ise is bring - ing: “I know my own, my own know me; you, not the



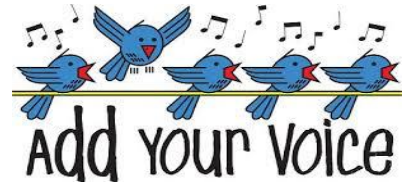
souls of those dis - tressed, long - ing for life ev - er - last - ing.
 bide with us in love, mak - ing our bod - ies his tem - ple.
 midst will show his grace, bless - ings up - on them be - stow - ing.
 us his cov - e - nant, grant - ing his chil - dren the king - dom.
 world, my face shall see; my peace I leave with you. A - men.”

Text: Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1783–1872; tr. Carl Doving, 1867–1937, adapt.
 Music: KIRKEN DEN ER ET GAMMEL HUS, Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812–1887
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CLC Choir Practice Has Begun!

Enjoy singing? Come and sing with the Christ Lutheran Church Choir. **Practice began on Wednesday, September 11th at 6:30PM (NOTE NEW TIME) in the Friendship Room.** We meet once a week and sing most Sunday's. A signup sheet will be posted on the bulletin board outside the Friendship Room as well. Don't worry if you have a busy schedule and can't make every practice. We are happy to have you join us whenever you can! Any questions, please call Anne Emerson (608)846-0898



It's time to think about the Bazaar and Bake Sale 2024!!

For new members, the Christ Lutheran Church Women hold a Bake Sale and Raffle in the Friendship Room in conjunction with the Lutefisk Dinner. Some members create a variety of yummy treats for the Bake Sale, such as traditional Norwegian treats, brownies, cookies, bars, pastries, breads and canned items, such as jams, jellies, horseradish, relishes, beet pickles, etc.

Other members with different skills and talents create items for the raffle portion of the Bazaar. The sky is the limit! Examples of items raffled in past years are paintings, carvings, table runners, floral arrangements, wood working, homemade cards, quilts and jewelry, just to name a few. Other members have opted to donate gift cards from local establishments.

Money generated from the Bazaar has been used for a wide variety of things both within our walls and throughout the community, state, nation and world!

So start thinking about your talent and what you can contribute. Any questions can be directed to:

Vicki Sobczak, Bazaar Chair, at 608-444-1804 or email: vsobczak@yahoo.com

2024-25 Sunday School at Christ Lutheran Church **Signup details, dates, and more!**

We offer Sunday School lessons for children from preschool to 6th grade. If you're interested in enrolling your child(ren), please see below for important details.

Sunday school classes began **Sunday, September 15**. Sunday school takes place Sundays from 9:15-10:15 AM, between church services. **Registration forms** are available on line or in the Friendship Room that you can fill out. You can return the form by mail or drop it off at church at the front office or in the offering plate. We strive to make Sunday School an interactive and fun experience for children of all ages! They can expect crafts, games, song time, and snacks while learning about Bible lessons and making new friends.

Teachers and classroom helpers needed! We are short-handed this year. Parents, please consider volunteering. We can be flexible with schedules! If you have a high school student, we could use their help—it could count towards their National Honor Society volunteer hours.

Questions? Contact: Kristy Bergeron (kroloff@hotmail.com)
Michelle Gest (mrippgest@gmail.com)

Koats for Kids

Christ Lutheran Church is excited to participate in the Koats for Kids program! This year's collection drive will be held Sunday, September 1st—October 1, 2024. If you have any gently-used winter coats, non-leather hats, scarves and mittens (pinned in pairs please) that you would like to donate, there will be a box in the Friendship Room. Klinke Cleaners will clean all items, then hand them off to the Community Action Coalition for distribution in late October. All sizes are in demand, but there is a particular need for infant and toddler sizes, as well as larger teen sizes (12-22) and larger adult sizes (L-3XL). Please consider going through your closets to check for coats you no longer use and can donate to area residents who are in need.



Time to think about Lutefisk!



Saturday, November 9th will be here soon—Christ Lutheran Church's Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner! We again expect around 1,400 members, friends and neighbors to come to enjoy this delicious meal which includes the area's best-tasting lutefisk, meatballs and lefse with all the trimmings topped off with a piece of tasty pie.

Reservations may be made beginning on September 4 through Friday, November 4 by making reservations online or calling the church office 608-846-4718. Walk-ins and carry-out meals are also possible! Please share the date of dinner with your family, friends and neighbors. In order to help us prepare the meal and serve our guests, we need your help! A sign-up board is up outside the Friendship Room.

Lasagna Love - September

During the month of SEPTEMBER, CLC Social Ministries Committee will be involved with a mission called LASAGNA LOVE. This is an international movement, with thousands of people cooking and delivering lasagna meals to families in need or during a time full of uncertainty and stress. You can find more information on <https://lasagnalove.org> if you are interested.

We will be collecting spaghetti sauce or marinara, lasagna noodles, aluminum foil, aluminum 9 X 13 pans and gift cards from Pick-N-Save, Woodman's or Aldi to purchase the rest of the ingredients to make lasagna. The lasagna will be taken to families identified by Lasagna Love in and around our community.

If you would like to participate, a grocery cart is outside the Friendship Room for you to drop your items off. Thank you!

Thanksgiving Meals For The Hungry

This year we will be donating meals to elderly through the DeForest Area Community Center, donating non-perishable food items to the DeForest Area Food Pantry and also helping the Moravian Church with the Thanksgiving meal they prepare for community members in need. We will be distributing the meals etc. the week of November 18. Bags & shopping lists will be available outside of the Friendship Room on October 27. Each bag will have a number on it. There will be a list next to the bags. Please write your name and phone number next to the number on the list which corresponds with the number on the bag you have taken. There will also be envelopes available if you would like to contribute towards buying turkeys for the meals. Please return the full bags to the Friendship Room no later than noon on November 13th. Any questions, call Pam Hamele at 608-215-0382 or the church office. Thank you everyone!!