



President's Corner

Alive Again

On October 16, in the ALIVE! Service, I sang a song titled "Alive Again" that I was particularly thrilled to sing. It is such an inspirational song and created such an inspirational moment for me that I decided to write more about this song and why I think it is an appropriate "theme song" to our ALIVE! Service. On a bigger level, though, this song is also the theme for all of our worship at PVLC. Here are the lyrics.

Verse 1

I woke up in darkness
 Surrounded by silence oh where
 Where have I gone
 I woke to reality
 Losing its grip on me oh where
 Where have I gone
 'Cause I can see the light
 Before I see the sunrise

Chorus

You called and You shouted
 Broke through my deafness
 Now I'm breathing in and breathing out
 I'm alive again
 You shattered my darkness
 Washed away my blindness
 Now I'm breathing in and breathing out
 I'm alive again

Verse 2

Late have I loved You
 You waited for me I searched for You
 What took me so long
 I was looking outside
 As if love would ever want to hide
 I'm finding I was wrong
 'Cause I feel the wind before it hits my skin

Bridge

'Cause I want You
 Yes I want You
 I need You and I'll do whatever I have to
 Just to get through
 'Cause I love You
 Yeah I love You

I spoke a little about this song choice during the Service, and I'd like to expound upon that explanation here. There are three things that are especially appealing about this song; the description of the human condition, the reminder of what God does for us to save us from our humanity, and the beautiful poetry and symbolism used to describe both. Moreover, I am overwhelmed by the overall impact of this song, and it speaks directly to how I want to feel, and how we want you to feel, after both of our worship services, ALIVE! and GRACE.

First, like other familiar songs, the words of this song describe the human condition. In the recent baptism of Maxwell Adams, the text for the baptism states that "we are born into a fallen humanity." This state is echoed in the song with the descriptions of deafness, blindness, darkness and loss of touch with reality. Is this not where we find ourselves so many times in our world when we lose touch with God? We become blind to what He wants us to see and deaf to what He wants us to hear. When we focus too greatly on worldly things or our "idols," including money, power, fame and popularity, then our senses block out that connection with God that we do desperately need. These lines are similar to "...was blind but now I see" in Amazing Grace; it's a familiar message but couched in a very different style. Verse 2 speaks to the timing of our realization; "what took me so long?" and then answers the question describing how we spend time looking outside our relationship with God, outside our Church, to find the love we seek, only to realize that God's love isn't hiding. In fact, as we remembered on Reformation Sunday, God's love is there all the time, free for the taking, as the most gracious of gifts. We can't work hard enough to earn it, and we certainly can't buy it. It's there because of the sacrifice of Jesus.

The songwriter, Matt Maher, also fills this song with descriptions of the depth and

breadth of God's love and its ability to save us from this humanity. God "waited for [us]" while we searched for Him. While he waits, he calls and shouts to us continually. God attempts to connect with us through all our senses. We may interact with Him directly, like Moses seeing the burning bush and hearing God's voice, or indirectly, perhaps seeing Him in the actions or hearing Him in the words of others. He is constantly attempting to make Himself known to us. In the song, He appeals to our senses as well. In seeing the light and feeling the wind, God is making Himself known to us. And when he does reach us, he clears away all the other "stuff" from our lives. He breaks through our deafness, shatters our darkness and wipes away our blindness. There are many examples in the Bible of Jesus healing those with similar afflictions, specifically making the blind man see. He does this for us every day, though, when we seek Him out and ask Him to re-focus our lives on Him. In the end, it is this that makes us want, need, do anything to get through to, and love God. Interestingly enough, from a musical perspective, this part of the song is called the bridge. God is waiting, patiently, and calling to us, but what allows us to make that connection? We have to reach out to Him, we have to ask for Him to come into our lives, we have to cross that "bridge" into our spiritual desires away from our worldly desires.

It's not just the statement about the human condition and God's persistence to rescue us from that condition that makes this song impactful, but also how it is described and felt. This song is as much poem as song, and is filled with rich symbolism, so much so that I am enamored with the poetry in the song. When Maher wrote "I can see the light before I see the sunrise," there are surely two meanings. First, it's the marvel of the sunrise. Have you ever gotten up to watch the sunrise on a totally dark night? How awesome is that

Presidents Corner Continued...

time when the first rays of light begin to stream over the horizon and it takes your breath away and you ask yourself who else but an omnipotent God could have created such a wonder. Secondly, though, could be another statement altogether; "I can see the Light, before I see the Son rise." What a powerful statement about the meaning of life. We get to see the Light; Jesus, Son of God, in so many different ways through all of our senses. We don't have to wait until his coming again, we can experience all of that joy, grace and mercy here on Earth during our human lives. And isn't it the best feeling after a period of darkness, of sadness, grief or struggle, to realize that God the Light is there and was there all the time? There is more poetry in "breathing in and breathing out." Once God dispatches our infirmities, we are able to breathe freely again. In the literal sense, it is like breathing again after an illness. After the flu or pneumonia, there is freedom and relief to breathe again without constriction, congestion or pain. It's freeing to feel healthy again. In a more figurative sense, it is renewing life in God once he has taken away our earthly or worldly problems. God revives us, rejuvenates us, and re-energizes us. And in the bridge, again, is our response. After experiencing God's healing and renewal, we are hungry and eager for His love again. We want, we need and we will do anything to get through to that amazing grace and love!

In summary, then, what is it about this song besides the descriptions of our humanity, God's awesome and persistent love and lovely poetry that make it so powerful? There is a question on the current Survey being answered in both Services that asks members to rate their experience from the service, and whether it drew them closer to God or not. One respondent early on wrote that it is not the job of the Service to draw one closer to God, but the onus is on the individual worshiping to establish that closeness. I agree there is an individual responsibility, but the Services are also designed and focused on creating the right atmosphere and environment to enable a closer relationship with God. Through Scripture, song and sacrament, the Services

should be time to remove outside influences and distractions and focus our attention on God and our relationship with him. And when you walk out of these Services, we want you to feel renewed, rejuvenated and re-energized. We want you to feel like you have just had your heart defibrillated (Clear!) and take that first breath, open your eyes and see the world anew, and experience the new lease on life that God provides each week with the gifts of grace, mercy, forgiveness and community. As you breathe in, literally, and allow God to enter your heart again, you are more prepared to breathe out again. And as we exhale, literally, we are also recharged and better able to breathe God out into our world, to share the joy and beauty of the gospel in our families, our communities and the world. If you are feeling this when you leave PVLC on Sunday mornings... AWESOME!!! Please share with us the impact the Service is having on you. If you are not feeling this way on Sunday, we need to hear that as well. Please take the time to share either on the Surveys available or in any method available to you to communicate with me what you are not getting out of the Service so that I can communicate that to the appropriate committee or person to ensure that we are better addressing your Spiritual needs. Thanks for your feedback so far, and I look forward to hearing from you in the future.

GREETER SCHEDULE**NOV 6**

GRACE: M. Loe

ALLIVE:

NOV 13

GRACE:

ALIVE:

NOV 20

GRACE: C. Balwin

ALIVE: R. Baldwin

NOV 27

GRACE: M. Loe

ALIVE: R. Baldwin

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES

WELCA is planning to send care packages to our PVLC college students. We are looking for donations of items to place in the care packages or monetary donations to help defray costs or to purchase items for the care packages. Our goal is send them off by mid-September. Once they have settled into their "homes away from home," they will receive a reminder that we are keeping them in our prayers as they begin their year. Look for Margaret Stratford or the College Donation Box in the narthex. Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this project.

IDEAS for College Care packages

- Candy- Reese's Peanut Butter cup, Snicker's, Starburst...etc.
- Food items- Easy Mac, Microwave popcorn, Protein/Breakfast bars
- Personal Items- toothpaste, shampoo
- Pens, pencils, post-its, etc.



PLEASANT VIEW
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Ever Wonder?

Why is the man who invests all your money called a broker?

News from Pastor Mel

A Resurrection Option for Pleasant View

A comment from Teilhard de Chardin, a brilliant Jesuit Priest, strikes a chord of intense reality for us in the church:

Is the world not in the process of becoming more vast, more close, more dazzling....? Will it not burst our religion asunder? Eclipse our God? (Phenomenon of Man, 1955)

Chardin wrote this in the 1930s. He saw the tsunami of new information, connectedness, and amazement coming to our world, flooding and challenging the world's understanding of religion and God. Eighty years later, we are in the midst of this tsunami. It is at the same time exhilarating and chaotic.

Walter Brueggemann, renowned Old Testament scholar and pastor, speaks of a poem that brings a resurrection option for us, as a people of faith, to consider (p.211, Inscripting the Text, 2004):

The poem pushes us who listen into the future.

- The poem is an act of imagination that invites us to think beyond the present, knowing that things will not stay as they are;
- The poem is an act of hope that portrays the future quite unlike the present, and treats the future as though it is as certain as the present;
- The poem is an act of assurance, that God will not stop until the world has been healed and brought to its senses;
- The poem is an act of summons, whereby the future is not only a gift from God but is a task for the faithful to undertake.

The poem is Micah 4:1-5, written in the last quarter of the eighth century before Christ, written at a time the people of Yahweh were being crushed by one empire after the next, but also being devastated (especially the poor) by corruption in their own religious and civic government.

When you read Micah 4:1-5, you hear clearly Micah's confidence in the resurrection to

new life, free of violence and poverty; because Yahweh is God, and will bring in a new day. God's future will not be our present, freeing us from absolutizing the present, freeing us from a sense of fear or triumph about the present. The resurrection option of God's future will always put the present at risk.

As people of faith, we can take great hope and confidence in Christ Jesus, our Good Shepherd, who wants to lead us into the future, and invites us to follow, using all the gifts God gives us to usher in God's future!

- Pastor Mel

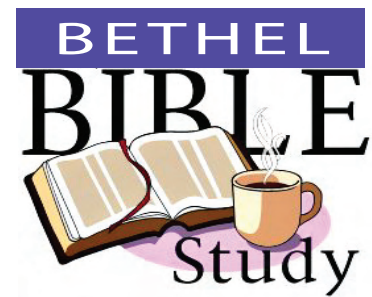
Stewardship update

We have received pledges totaling \$65,180 at Stewardship Sunday. While this is a good start, we obviously have a long way to go to receive sufficient pledges to fund our operations for next year, especially as we expand both our membership drives and offering a second service. Your time and talent cards as well as your pledge cards are welcome in both in the offering plate at either service, or mailing them to the church office.

As a reminder, we will have a Celebration Dinner on November 13, 2011, to conclude our 2012 Stewardship campaign and to celebrate the successful start of our second service.

Thank you for a great start to our Stewardship Campaign

Chris Lafuse - Finance Chair



The Bible is a book, but it is really a collection of books. Do you sometimes have a tough time understanding how different parts of the Bible relate to each other? The Bethel Bible Series offers a two-year overview of the Bible that relates the parts to the whole, and the whole to each part. We will meet about 2 hours a week during the school year, starting this fall. Over the two years, we'll read most of the Bible. Ask any of those who just finished the 2 year series to tell you about it: Candy & Jeff Berger, Kathy and Dave Henkel, Deb Hulbert-Schroeder, Nancy Schenkel, and Susan Stolz.

This bible study in 40 lessons plus several discussion periods, provides and overview of the Bible. In the overview, students study the Bible and by relating "part to the whole and whole to the part" see how the Bible is a complete story of God's love for us, with Jesus as the ultimate revelation of God's love and example of how to live. The first year is the Old Testament, and the second year is the New Testament. During the course of the 2 years, you will read most, but not all of the Bible. And using picture concepts as memory aids, you will be able to remember much of what you learn.

Contact Alan Zimmermann (254-0947) or Pr Mel.

November Birthdays



11/1 Doug Mattox	11/16 Dawn Gill
11/1 John Sander	11/17 Anaejah Silence
11/3 Megan Hanna	11/21 Michelle Hosick
11/5 Joe Wernicke	11/28 Susan Stoltz
11/13 Jerry Bishop	11/28 Deon Helen Bishop
11/14 Bill Crispen	
11/15 Troy Stratford	

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Fiscal Year Beginning 1/1/2011
Budgeted Financial Statement for Period 09 September
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<u>Description</u>	<u>Actual for Period</u>	<u>Budget for Period</u>	<u>Variance for Period</u>	<u>Actual YTD</u>	<u>Budget YTD</u>	<u>Budget Annual</u>
010 Income						
INCOME						
GIVING INCOME	19,781.00	20,587.51	-806.51	157,760.99	185,987.47	248,750.00
OTHER INCOME	1,800.00	1,900.00	-100.00	16,886.74	17,100.00	22,800.00
DESIGNATED INCOME	350.00	503.83	-153.83	5,986.50	4,534.51	6,046.00
DESIGNATED SPECIAL APPEAL BENE	.00	.00	.00	395.00	.00	.00
OPERATING FUND INCOME	21,931.00	22,991.34	-1,060.34	181,029.23	207,621.98	277,596.00
015 Designated Expenses						
EXPENSE						
DESIGNATED EXPENSE	80.00	503.83	-423.83	5,446.34	4,534.51	6,046.00
020 Benevolence Expense						
DESIGNATED SPECIAL APPEAL BENE	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
030 Ministry Expense						
MINISTRY EXPENSE	6,292.80	6,475.84	-183.04	62,733.65	58,282.48	77,710.00
040 Administration Expense						
ADMINISTRATION EXPENSE	4,022.46	4,127.08	-104.62	34,921.03	37,143.76	49,525.00
050 Church Upkeep & Maintenance Expense						
CHURCH UPKEEP & MAINTENANCE	4,499.10	5,434.91	-935.81	45,322.63	48,914.27	65,219.00
060 Worship Expense						
WORSHIP EXPENSE	537.27	2,167.41	-1,630.14	16,138.10	19,506.77	26,009.00
070 Christian Education Expenses						
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION EXPENSE	27.44	200.00	-172.56	1,961.73	1,800.00	2,400.00
080 Church Committee Expenses						
CHURCH COMMITTEE EXPENSE	190.02	412.50	-222.48	2,831.63	3,712.50	4,950.00
090 Sundries & Council Expenses						
SUNDRIES & COUNCIL EXPENSE	.00	504.17	-504.17	1,605.43	4,537.49	6,050.00
095 Mortgage Expense						
MORTGAGE EXPENSE	3,307.21	3,307.25	-.04	32,472.14	29,765.25	39,687.00
EXPENSE	18,956.30	23,132.99	-4,176.69	203,432.68	208,197.03	277,596.00
CONTRIB. MINUS EXPENSES	2,974.70	-141.65	3,116.35	-22,403.45	-575.05	.00



Celebration Dinner - Italian Cookoff

Particularly proud of your lasagna? Or maybe your home-made spaghetti sauce? Make it and bring it to share and we'll declare a winner (or two, or three) for best Italian dish!

When and where? Sunday November 13th, 6pm, Fellowship Hall.

What are we celebrating? Everything! The stewardship drive... the new Grace and Alive services... God with us... everything!

Look for sign up sheets for an Italian main course, salad, or bread, or just to say you'll be there to eat!

The church will provide the dessert.



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Indianapolis Conference Fall Assembly, November 20

The Fall Assembly will be at First Trinity, on the east side of Indianapolis, 5321 East 42nd Street between Emerson and Arlington Avenue, November 20th, from 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. With praise music and hospitality from one of Indy's two intentionally multicultural ELCA congregations, a renewed concern with outreach to new populations will be part of the Assembly program.

The program theme will be "Listening," built upon the recent Synod events such as the Big Change from Small Talk on Oct. 15 at Our Redeemer. Pastor Keith Kriesel (former PVLC intern who Pastor is at Our Redeemer) is organizing a program with two dimensions – both internal listening to better know our fellow members and visitors, and how a congregation may listen to all voices in the neighborhoods that surround us – residents, businesses, schools, other institutions.

NOVEMBER SCHEDULE	GRACE Service Lector @8:30am	GRACE Service Lay Assistant @8:30am	ALIVE Service Communion Assistant @10:45am	GRACE Service Acolytes & Crucifiers @8:30am
NOV 6 (CHANGE CLOCKS)	Dave Henkel	Kristi Griffiths		Collin Jenkins- A Kelsey Stolz - C
NOV 13	Jon Stolz	Patti Hogan	Patti Hogan	Open - A Nick Schroeder - C
NOV 20	Jim Shella	Jim Shella		Will Stolz - A Kelsey Stolz - C
NOV 23 Thanksgiving Eve @ 7:30pm	Mike Shears	Mike Shears	N/A	Open both
NOV 27		Rick Baldwin		Andrew Bird - A Mathew Bird - C

PASTORAL UPDATE FOR OCTOBER, 2011

In the life of the church, we continually live in the cycle of life and death, baptism and burial. October has been a month in which this cycle is most evident:

- On October 18, we held the "Celebration of Life" funeral service for a long-time member, former music director, and deeply loved member of the congregation, Lucille McNutt. Lucille died following a courageous battle with disease.

- On October 29, another pillar of our congregation, Bettye Sander, was honored in her "Celebration of Life" memorial service. Bettye's death was unexpected, and followed several months of serious medical problems.

- We keep both families of these dear Saints in our prayers.

- Then, On Reformation Sunday, October 30, we celebrated the sacrament of Holy Baptism for Maxwell Adams, son of Scott Adams and his wife Jamie Buffington-Adams. What an absolute joy this was, ushering in a new child of God into the community of God here at Pleasant View!

- Also on Reformation Sunday we welcomed into membership Max and his parents Scott and Jamie; and we welcomed William O'Bryant into membership as well. William has been working with our youth for about a year.

Let us keep our entire congregation in our prayers, as we seek to be faithful to our Lord Jesus Christ, and as we celebrate the abundant life together that God promises us.

Pr. Mel



Special Worship Service Times Advent and Christmas, Autumn and Winter 2011

With so many special worship services and activities over the holidays, and with the addition of our new contemporary worship service, our schedule is different from last year. So please plan ahead. You might even want to post this on your refrigerator. There are several Sundays and other other worship evenings when we will have only ONE worship service. This provides us with an opportunity for our entire congregation to worship together. Please note:

Wednesday, November 23, 7:30 p.m.

- Thanksgiving Eve Service, 7:30 p.m. GRACE (Traditional)
- Other congregations are invited for this joint worship service: Bethlehem, Our Redeemer, First Trinity, and the LLC.

Sunday, December 4, Advent Concert with LLC at 11:00 a.m.

- No GRACE (Traditional) service at 8:30 a.m.

- Sunday School at 9:40 a.m.
- Joint service 11:00 a.m. with LLC, with Athaeneum Orchestra.
- No ALIVE (Contemporary) service at 10:45 a.m.
- The LLC will host their annual dinner/bazaar afterwords; PVLC members are invited to sign up for this wonderful activity.

Sunday, December 11, Children's Christmas Program at 10:45

- No GRACE (Traditional) service at 8:30 a.m.
- 9:40 a.m. Sunday School
- ALIVE service at 10:45 a.m., with the Children's Program

Saturday, Dec. 24, Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, 7:30 p.m.

- Will be our GRACE (Traditional) service.

Sunday, December 25, Christmas Day

- 11:00 a.m. GRACE (Traditional) service
- No ALIVE (Contemporary) service at 10:45
- No Sunday School at 9:40 a.m.

Sunday, January 1, 2012, New Years Day, ALIVE service at 10:45

- No GRACE (Traditional) service at 8:30 a.m.
- No Sunday School is scheduled.
- ALIVE (Contemporary) service at 10:45 a.m.

Thank you



Many thanks for the generosity of our Pleasant View members and friends who assisted recently with the luncheon provided for the McNutt family and the Memorial Dinner for the family and friends of Elizabeth (Bettye) Sander. The extension of love exhibited by many of you through donations of food items, offering of time and support are gratefully appreciated. I can't begin to list names, but you know who you are and your participation was treasured.

Marylyn Payton

Women of the ELCA/Celebration of Life Committee



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Something to Reflect on...

When GOD solves your problems, you have faith in HIS abilities; when GOD doesn't solve your problems HE has faith in your abilities.

Opportunity to Simplify & Organize Medical Information – from Jo Skinner, our Parish Nurse.

Sunday, November 6, 2011, from noon - 3:00 p.m. in the Library.

Would you like help with management of your medical information? Jo Skinner, a registered nurse practitioner, will supervise the final of two clinics conducted here at PVLC by Rhonda Tabacchi, a Registered Nurse. Here is what Rhonda has to say:

Hi! My name is Rhonda Tabacchi and I'm a Registered Nurse. I'm currently in school to earn my BSN degree and enrolled in a Community Care class. As part of that class, I am planning to hold two clinics at your church with the help of Jo Skinner and Pastor Mel. As part of the clinic, I ask that you bring all of your medication

bottles—both prescription and over-the-counter medications—along with a list or details about your past medical history. All of this information will be entered electronically and given to you on a portable flash drive/memory stick. This can then be taken with you to your doctor appointments or hospital visits. If any medication changes are made at those appointments, your doctor can simply update the information on the flash drive and return it to you. You can then share all of your current medication and medical history information with every doctor who cares for you. The final clinic date is this coming Sunday, November 6. I look forward to meeting you and thank you for allowing me to offer this clinic at your church!

A GIFT & AN INVITATION

Last year the Indianapolis Chapter of the Embroiderers' Guild of America (EGA) gave stitched Chrismons to our church. To complete this two year project, members of EGA have crafted mission-style crosses in jewel-toned threads of their choice. These gifts are given in appreciation of the gracious treatment we receive when we meet at Pleasant View. It is a gift of love best expressed through something we love - the art of embroidery.

We meet the second Monday of each month at 9:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall. As a member of both Pleasant View and EGA, I invite you to join us. Beginners and advanced stitchers are welcome as we study and explore the many different forms that stitchery takes.

- Jo Leshner

Envisioning the Word, an exhibition of spiritually expressive work by award-winning artist Linda Witte Henke, will be on display through November 19 at Christ Church, 600 North Ford Road in Zionsville.

Inspired by the interior geography of her own life/faith journey, Henke creates mixed-media art expressive of spiritual themes, sacred texts, and personal reflections. Her Envisioning the Word collection features works that explore biblical texts and themes, from Genesis through Revelation. The exhibition is sponsored by the Indiana-Kentucky Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America in conjunction with its "One Word, Many Voices" event scheduled for Saturday, October 29, at Christ Church.

Henke's work is displayed in juried solo, group, and invitational exhibitions in Europe, Asia, and North America. Images of her work appear in books, magazines, and journal articles, as well as on websites and in on-line exhibitions. Her work resides in parish, corporate, and private collections in Europe, Asia, and North America.

Henke, a graduate of Trinity Lutheran Seminary in Columbus, Ohio, pastored congregations in the Denver area before devoting full-time energies to her textile art. In addition to her exhibited work, she maintains a full schedule of commissioned projects, most of which are purposed for liturgical use. Additional information about her work is available at www.lindahenke.com.

Please contact the church office at 317-823-9580 for information on exhibition hours.

For additional information about the exhibit:

The Rev. Steven Albertin, Pastor
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stevea@zionsvillelutheran.org
317- 441-4469

For images or additional information about the artist:

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Look Up

THE BUZZARD:

If you put a buzzard in a pen that is 6 feet by 8 feet and is entirely open at the top, the bird, in spite of its ability to fly, will be an absolute prisoner.

The reason is that a buzzard always begins a flight from the ground with a run of 10 to 12 feet.

Without space to run, as is its habit, it will not even attempt to fly, but will remain a prisoner for life in a small jail with NO top.

THE BAT:

The ordinary bat that flies around at night, a remarkable nimble creature in the air, cannot take off from a level place..

If it is placed on the floor or flat ground, all it can do is shuffle about helplessly and, no doubt, painfully, until it reaches some slight elevation from which it can throw itself into the air.

Then, at once, it takes off like a flash.

THE BUMBLEBEE:

A bumblebee, if dropped into an open tumbler, will be there until it dies, unless it is taken out. It never sees the means of escape at the top, but persists in trying to find some way out through the sides near the bottom. It will seek a way out where none exists, until it completely destroys itself.

PEOPLE:

In many ways, we are like the buzzard, the bat, and the bumblebee.

We struggle about with all our problems and frustrations, never realizing that all we have to do is LOOK UP!

That's the answer, the escape route and the solution to any problem!

JUST LOOK UP!

Sorrow looks back, Worry looks around, But Faith looks UP!

November

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
		1 Exercise- 1:15 & 2:00 Noon - 5 SYNOD	2 Movement - 1:15 7 pm Christian Ed 8-1 SYNOD	3 Women's Bridge Quilting - 9 to 12 ELCARM -10:00 Exercise- 1:15 & 2:00	4	5 AA 8 pm
6 8:30 am GRACE service 9:40 Sunday school / Coffee Hour 10:45 am ALIVE service Noon LLC service LLC 1-4 Dinner	7 DBSA 6-9:30 pm	8 Exercise- 1:15 & 2:00 NAMI 7 pm	9 Movement - 1:15 6 - 8:30 pm Ch Habitat Meeting 6:30 Property 7 pm Latvian Board Meeting 7 pm Evangelism	10 Quilting - 9 to 12 ELCARM -10:00 Exercise- 1:15 & 2:00	11	12 11-4 Kitchen Reserved LLC MB 5:30 - 10:30 AA 8 pm
13 8:30 am GRACE service 9:40 Sunday school / Coffee Hour 10:45 am ALIVE service 11:00 am LLC service 6 pm Live to Share Dinner / Stewardship	14 Embroiderer's Guild - 9:30-2:00 DBSA 6-9:30 pm	15 Exercise- 1:15 & 2:00	16 Movement - 1:15	17 Quilting - 9 to 12 ELCARM -10:00 Exercise- 1:15 & 2:00 WORSHIP - 6:30	18	19 AHUMC Hall Reservation - Day AA 8 pm
20 8:30 am GRACE service 9:40 Sunday school / Coffee Hour 10:45 am ALIVE service 11:00 am LLC service	21 Council 6:30 pm DBSA 6-9:30 pm	22 Exercise- 1:15 & 2:00	23 Movement - 1:15 7:30 pm Thanksgiving Eve Service	24 Quilting - 9 to 12 ELCARM -10:00 Exercise- 1:15 & 2:00	25	26 AA 8 pm
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