WELCOME TO GETHSEMANE LUTHERAN study and worship this Fall November Sunday morning. The members of Gethsemane Lutheran express a loving welcome to those visiting our community of faith. Welcome to Gethsemane and God bless each of us as we live our baptism. <u>ALTAR FLOWERS:</u> Given to the glory of the Triune God and in loving memory of Karen and Wendy by their family.

<u>CHANČEL FLOWERS:</u> Given to the glory of the Triune God in celebration of Pat's 80th birthday by Merrill and family.

SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL LÉARNING HOUR The Adult Class meets in the Steffans Parlor 9:30 am following Covid 10 Protocols. The class is led by Pastor Gronberg. Everyone is welcome to join in the conversation. Children's Learning hour (2 yrs—6th grade) will begin under the Bornemann Tree with songs, bible story, snacks and much more! Gethsemane Confirmation youth meet with Pastor Schnelle in the confirmation room downstairs. Senior High youth gather for fellowship and conversations with Greg Althaus in the youth loft. An important part of our faith journey is service and one way we encourage both our Jr. and Sr. high youth to serve other is by participating in worship as an acolyte. Wear a mask!

NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING MEETING Boundless: God Beyond Measure, July 24-28, 2022, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Gethsemane youth are invited to join Lutheran youth across the country for the ELCA National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis, Minnesota next summer. There will be an information/registration parent & senior high meeting in the MPR on Sunday, November 14th, 9:30 am.

FOOD PANTRY & CLOTHES CLOSET Thanks to those donating to the Food Pantry. Tuesdays, 9:00 am—12 pm.

MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY Gethsemane members and friends are invited to the Wednesday 6:15–7 pm virtual Bible Study with Pastor Karl Gronberg. Recent conversations considered the role of angels in the Bible particularly Michael and All Angels; the Biblical influence on St. Francis of Assisi, renewer of the church, Theodor Fliedner, renewer of society, William Tydale, translator, martyr, Henry Melchior Muhlenberg, pastor in North America; brought a new awareness to the class participants of the influence of the Bible to the witness of these faithful Christians. Pastor Gronberg has met with a Gethsemane friend knowledgeable of the life of the late beloved Henri Nouwen. Plans are for the Wednesday evening class to look at the teachings of Nouwen on Identity, God, Love, Suffering, Freedom. Come join the Wednesday evening conversation.

<u>**CHURCH YEAR CONCLUDES**</u> Sunday, November 21st, the baptized community concludes the Church year with the Festival of Christ the King. With praise and thanksgiving the people of God rejoice in the Good News of the Living Word of God, Christ Jesus. The Church year from Advent, the Twelve Days of the Nativity of our Lord, Epiphany, Lent, Holy Week, Resurrection Sunday, the Easter Season, Pentecost and Holy Trinity Festivals, Pentecost Season, Christ the King Festival provides the church community holy worship time to give thanks for the grace of God, celebrated in the ministries of the faithful people. The reign of God, celebrated in Word and Sacrament, is manifested in the lives of the baptized faithful. Thanks be to God: Creator, Redeemer, Sanctifier for the witness of the baptized people of God.

INTERFAITH DAY OF THANKS

Interfaith Action of Central Texas (iACT) invites Gethsemane Lutheran congregants to the 37th *Annual Interfaith Day of Thanks Service and Celebration* November 21, 2021 3-4 pm hosted by St. Andrews Presbyterian. Pastor Karl Gronberg and the late beloved Dr. Browning Ware, First Baptist-Austin, led the first interfaith Thanksgiving worship at Central Christian Church 37 years ago, 1984. This gathering of the Austin faith community has become a tradition with Pastor Gronberg and Gethsemane members attending. The services have been held in numerous places of worship throughout Austin. This year will be a virtual event. Contact Pastor Gronberg for information.

PRAISE & THANKSGIVING WORSHIP

Wednesday, November 24th., the Gethsemane Lutheran community is invited to join in worship on Thanksgiving eve 12 noon Holy Communion liturgy in the Gethsemane sanctuary. For over 48 years, Gethsemane youth have prepared an annual Praise and Thanksgiving Youth led worship, 7:00 p.m. Holy Communion. The spirit of Thanksgiving is to give and Gethsemane congregants are invited to bring food items for the Gethsemane Food Pantry. *"Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good"*

ADVENT/CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The youth of Gethsemane and Gethsemane Lutheran Children's Ministry invite you to "Love's Pure Light", this year's Advent/Christmas Program, which will be a Drive- thru Light Celebration! Come drive through the parking lots (enter the lower parking lot/exit on Georgian) of Gethsemane and see Love's pure light!! Mark your calendars for Saturday evening, December 11th, open 6 - 8 p.m. If you have any lights, decorations, or extension cords you can share or donate, contact Dar Joy.

ANGEL GIVING TREE

Gethsemane Lutheran members and families are invited to continue a neighborhood holiday tradition by sponsoring T.A. Brown Elementary School children and families. We will be, as we did last year, asking individuals/families to donate gift cards which can be purchased through Gethsemane Lutheran Children's Ministry Pre-School Please look for details in the weekly G-News.

WORSHIP VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

www.gethsemaneaustin.org/worship/volunteers Click the button that says "Sign Up to Help on Sundays"

PRAISE PUMPKIN PATCH PHOTO OPPORTUNITY IN THE GETHSEMANE GARDEN