



First Lutheran Women News – November, 2017

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Faith Message – A Prayer for a Thankful Heart

My cup overflows with your blessings – [Psalm 23](#)

It is not easy to give thanks in every circumstance. But when we choose to thank God in the midst of difficulty, it defeats the forces of darkness in the spiritual realm. When we thank God for every gift He has given us even when things are hard, the enemy loses the battle against us. He is stopped in his tracks when we come to God with a thankful heart.

Learn to be thankful for every blessing from God in your life. It is of great significance to Him if in the midst of great trials, we can be thankful. There is a way of looking at life from the standpoint of eternity. The reality of eternal life and eternal glory that far exceeds this life is a priceless treasure. Our afflictions are working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory.

Lord, teach me to offer you a heart of thanksgiving and praise in all my daily experiences of life. I long to bring pleasure to Your heart daily. Break the power of the enemy in my life. Defeat Him through my sacrifice of praise. Change my outlook and attitude into one of joyful contentment with my present circumstances.

NEWS & EVENTS:

HEART TO HEART – The Heart to Heart Christmas tree is up! The Heart to Heart organization provides a food box for every family and a gift for every child in need at Christmas. Our Heart to Heart tree has ornaments on it with a child's age bracket. Take an ornament from the tree and purchase an age appropriate gift. There has been a special need for boys and girls in the 14 – 18 age categories. Suggested ideas are age appropriate board games, gift cards, movie theatre tickets, hair care items, socks, scarves, hats and mittens. Bring your unwrapped gift with the ornament attached and place it back under the tree. The gifts will be brought to the armory about December 11th, in time to be wrapped and delivered for Christmas. If you would prefer you may make a cash donation which will be used toward purchasing food, wrapping paper and to purchase gifts for age brackets that are open.

CHRISTMAS TEA - Give yourself a gift this Christmas! First Lutheran Women (of all ages) are invited to the Christmas Tea on Saturday December 2nd from 10am-noon. Come to enjoy Pastor Dan Bowman entertain us with his music and presentation on The Lefse Catechism! Tickets go on sale this weekend in the narthex (\$8).

November 13th – 7:00 p.m. – Esther Circle

November 20th – 1:00 p.m. - Quilting

Mission Statement:

To mobilize women to act boldly on their faith in Jesus Christ.

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