



Tree of Life Lutheran Church

Missouri Synod, English District

The church that cares, our roots are strong

Newsletter

Worship Services

Sunday - 10:00 am
Communion Weekly

Location

Whispering Pines Park Recreation
Center
1700 Forest Drive
Inverness, FL 34453

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Sunday - 9am
Whispering Pines

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*"You have ears; then listen to what the spirit says to the churches.
Be victorious, and I will let you eat from the Tree of Life that
stands in God's Paradise." Rev. 2:7*

Benediction

"The Lord bless you and keep you."

Recall again the words of Jesus in the parable of the sheep and the goats: *"Come, you who are blessed by my father, inherit the kingdom."* The blessing that *God* speaks to us in the Benediction prepares us for that final summons. Throughout the Divine Service, *God* is forming us in his likeness as he establishes in us a deeper and more lasting faith toward him and a persistent and steadfast love for one another.

"The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you."

In their reports of Jesus' Transfiguration, the evangelist tell us that Jesus shone more brightly than the sun, prompting Peter to say, *"Lord, it is good for us to be here."* In heaven we will have the same response because it will be good—very good—to be in the presence of the Light of the world. For the moment, we see only dimly, but then we will see face to face. Still, it is good to be here even now, in this heaven on earth that we call worship, for already here *God* showers us with his grace.

"The Lord lift up his countenance on you and give you peace."

We Christians are truly blessed in that *God* does not hide his face from us. In all other religions there is ultimately doubt as to their gods' attitudes toward them. How can it be otherwise, given that their gods are the creation of their own imaginations? But ours is the creator of heaven and earth. To be sure, he is a stern judge who holds the sinner accountable. But in the person of his only Son, we see our Father's true nature, his fatherly heart of love. That is the countenance that he lifts up toward us in his holy Word and Sacraments as he reveals his mercy and grace.

Where the Lord blesses and makes his face shine and lifts up his gracious countenance on us, there is peace. Not the peace of this world, but peace between *God* and his faithful people. We know that peace because even now, in Word and Sacraments, we have Jesus and all his benefits. And in heaven we will rest in his eternal peace.

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The Greatest Man

He had no earthly servants, yet they called Him Master.
 He had no degree, yet they called Him Teacher.
 He had no medicines, yet they called Him, Healer
 He had no army, yet kings feared Him.
 He won no military battles, yet He conquered the world.
 He committed no crime, yet they crucified Him
 He was buried in a tomb, yet He lives.

"His name shall be called Wonderful." Isaiah 9:6

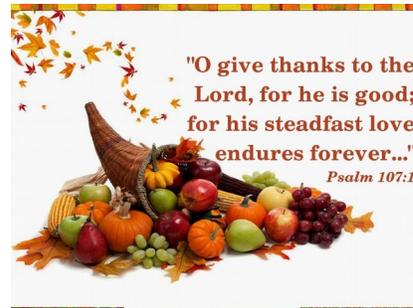
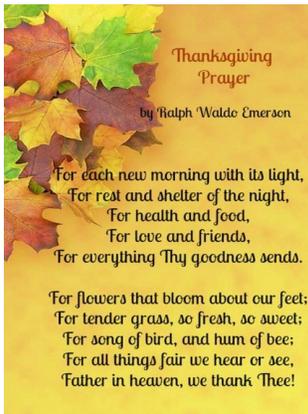
A Prayer for our Veterans



Oh **God**, Our Heavenly Father, You have blessed us with brave men and women who are willing to defend our freedom. May Your protection and grace surround them each day. Let your healing hand be upon those who suffer wounds and injuries. May those who have made the ultimate sacrifice rest forever in Your Holy Presence. Comfort the families who mourn and are left to remember the precious lives of their loved ones. Help us to honor and support them. Let us ever be mindful of each sacrifice made on behalf of the American people by our sons, daughters, husbands, wives, mothers, fathers and friends. Amen.

Author Unknown

Happy Thanksgiving



November Snack List	Prayer Chain Requests	Elder Visits	Lectors
<p>11/6 Bev Morris 11/13 Arlene Messer 11/20 Ellen Lodgek 11/27 Karen Huscher 12/4 Sharlee Green</p>  <p>Alternate: Gladys Baker 203-0576</p> <p>Interested in bringing snacks? Contact Sue Grable 341-0074</p>	<p>A list of those in need of prayer can be found on table at church entryway.</p>  <p><i>First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people</i></p> <p>1 Timothy 2:1</p>	<p>Elders are willing to visit the sick and home bound with prayer. Will also bring the sacrament of Holy Communion to either the hospital or home bound upon request.</p>  <p>Contact: Ron Fullerton: 352-344-0905 Bob Morris: 352-628-6452</p>	<p>Lectors</p> <p>November Kim Jackson Psalm/Epistle Rich Grable Gospel</p> <p>December Sue Grable Psalm/Epistle Bruce Thornton / Ron Fullerton Gospel</p> <p>January Karen Huscher Psalm/Epistle Bob Morris Gospel</p> <p>February Rose Books Psalm/Epistle Matthew Manchester Gospel</p>

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