

The Angel's Breath



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A NEW LENS FOR GENEROSITY

Sharing God's gifts with one another through stewardship is an integral part of the Lutheran faith. But sometimes stewardship is misunderstood, equated simply with money rather than sharing time, spirit and love. **Linda Staats is trying to change that with the Generosity Project, a stewardship resource funded in part by Mission Support.**

Developed through a partnership between Staats, the Rocky Mountain Synod and the churchwide organization, the Generosity project challenges Lutheran to rethink stewardship through innovative, intergenerational programming.

When Diane Krauszer, pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Palmer, Alaska, introduced her congregation to the Generosity Program two years ago, it shifted perspectives.

"One [person] exclaimed, 'We never talked about any of this when I was a kid, and I wish we had,'" Krauszer said. Believing this resource could benefit neighbors at Epiphany Lutheran Episcopal Church, Valdez, Alaska, she took a cue from the project and shared it with them.

In 2019, Krauszer partnered with Kaitlin Pabo-Eulberg, Epiphany's pastor, to introduce the blended Lutheran-Episcopal congregation and a neighboring Catholic church to the Generosity Project.

"It [was] a very natural partnership to invite them," Pabo-Eulberg said of Epiphany's Catholic neighbors. "They were really excited to talk about giving from their perspective."

The event included participants ranging in age from 8-89, and Pabo-Eulberg recalled enthusiastic listening and understanding across the generations.

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Among them were Epiphany members Donna Newcomer, a baby boomer, and Steve Newcomer, of the Greatest Generation. "[Now] every time somebody comes to [our] house when they leave, I say 'Thank you for spending time with us,'" Donna said. "Because that's the greatest thing you can give somebody— they notice you and spent time with you."

Staats said this new lens for generosity is the project's aim.

"The goal is not to increase giving by a percentage," she said. "The goal is to change a culture in a congregation [and in homes]. We're building a culture to bring all generations together...and equipping the home as place where generosity is practiced."

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<https://www.livinglutheran.org/Storieof Faith/>

For more information on the Generosity Project go to:
<https://www.elca.org/generosityproject>





SERVICES FOR ANGEL OF JOY FOR OCTOBER WITH MINISTER LISTED.

- October 4, Pentecost 18: Chris DeVore
- October 11, Pentecost 19: Pastor Paul Appel, Communion Service
- October 18, Pentecost 20: Chris Devore
- October 25, Reformation Sunday: Pastor Robert Bryan,
Communion Service

We will be following the Synod recommendations on making changes to the service so we can meet and worship safely.

- We will not have Sunday School at this time.
- The kitchen, classrooms and nursery will remain closed. No food or coffee will be available
- As you arrive, you will not have to open the door. Bulletins will be available for you to pick up as you come in.
- The collection plate will be on the back table before and after the service for your convenience.
- Hand sanitizer will be available.
- Masks will be available and are recommended but not required.
- Our seating will be arranged to provide members and families safe separation.
- During the Sharing of the Peace, please remain at your seat greeting those around you with a bow or smile. Shaking hands or hugging should be avoided.

As it has been stressed often, please stay at home if you feel sick. If you consider yourself in a high-risk category, please consider whether or not you should attend at this time.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES



October Birthdays:

10/12 Jeff Perkins, 10/18 Autumn Greene
10/27 Clayton Greene, 10/27 Manuel Gonzales
10/31 Michaelyn Greene



October Anniversaries: None



OUR PRAYER CHAIN

The prayer chain is being coordinated by Diana Russell. If you have a prayer request you can contact her at her home phone number 634-4272 (you can leave a message if she is not available to answer), text her on her cell phone 936-414-3944, or send her an email: dianarus1969@gmail.com.

Elizabeth Lamb, Kathleen Geye, Ruth Martin, Bob Brown, Tina Beldon Cloise and Bill Green, Russ Peterson, Ron & Brita Robison, Charles Fuchs Jon Hammond, his coworkers, all firefighters and EMT.

Members of the military: Bryan Weems (US Marines), Daniel Novak (US Navy), Brian Clifton (US Military), Rusty Gregory (US military)

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4 Pentecost 18 10:15 am Worship <i>Chris DeVore</i>	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 Pentecost 19 10:15 am Worship Communion <i>Pastor Paul Appel</i>	12	13	14	15	16	17
18 Pentecost 20 10:15 am Worship <i>Chris DeVore</i>	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 Reformation Sunday 10:15 am Worship Communion <i>Pastor Robert Bryan</i>	26	27	28	29	30	31 Halloween 