Soundings

Lake Shore Church

November 2026 - 3509

Dear Friends,

If you come through our Welcome Center this November, you'll notice a tree filled with the beautiful colors of fall. But over the coming weeks, something else will begin to appear in our church: leaves of gratitude. They will be a visible display of how there is ENOUGH to be thankful for.

On November 1st, 8th, and 15th, we'll be inviting everyone to write down something for which they are grateful. It might be one of life's great blessings. It might be something small and ordinary that you might otherwise take for granted. It could be gratitude for a specific ministry in our church. Whatever it is, we'll add these leaves to our display, creating a beautiful picture of the many blessings we share.

Our November series is Enough. And part of my prayer for the series is that it will help us cultivate grateful hearts. I wonder how often we move through life so focused on what comes next that we fail to appreciate what is already here.

We will bring this season of gratitude together on Sunday, November 15th with one Unity Service at 10:30am as we celebrate God's faithfulness and dedicate our financial commitments for 2027.

Gratitude doesn't mean that everything in our lives is exactly as we wish. We can be grateful even while we carry grief. We can recognize God's blessings and still long for healing. We can give thanks for what is good while acknowledging that much in our world remains broken.

In fact, that's where the season of Advent will take us. Beginning November 22nd, we'll enter a new sermon series called Until the Dawn. Advent is a season of waiting and longing. We celebrate the coming of Jesus Christ while recognizing that God's promised day has not yet come. We live in the tension between what is and what God has promised will be. As we wait, we know that God is with us.

So this November, I invite you to take a moment to notice the blessings around you. Write one down. Share it so that it can be added to our display. And allow that simple act to become a daily practice of gratitude. Not because every prayer has been answered but because God is present in the midst of an unfinished world.

We have enough to be thankful for. Enough grace. Enough love. Enough hope to carry us toward the dawn.

In Christ,



Pastor Adam

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Senior Pastor	Rev. Adam Grosch
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Worship Leader and Communications Coordinator	Jenna Dell
Organist	Laurel Wayland
Choir Director	Ginny Stieler
Custodian	Beverly Wainio
IT	Kevin Saunders
Missions Coordinator	Cheryl Smark
Youth Director	Sheryl Mieczkowski

Children's Choir

NEXT PERFORMANCE:
November 29th

The Children's Choir kicks off our modern worship service right before the Children's Moment! Show your support and enjoy listening as they share their gifts with our congregation!

Reach out to Brian Moore if your child would like to join!
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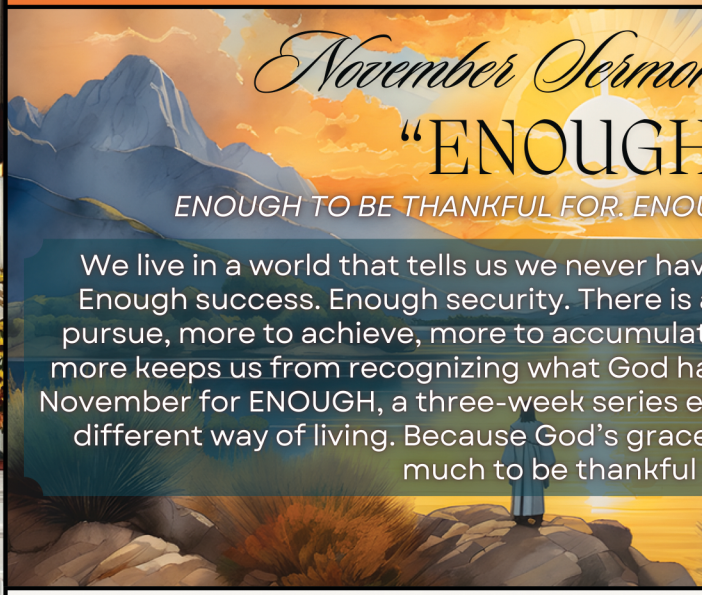


Bayview Bunch Members: The next meeting will be November 10th at Cranberry Park. Please contact Joan Martin with any questions.

Worship Schedule

Traditional - 9am, Modern - 10:45am

Nursery care - available for infants through age three
Sunday School - Downstairs during modern worship available for kids age three - 5th grade
Livestream availble during the modern service - visit us online at lakeshorechurch.com/multimedia



November Sermon Series

"ENOUGH."

ENOUGH TO BE THANKFUL FOR. ENOUGH TO BE GENEROUS.

We live in a world that tells us we never have enough. Enough money. Enough success. Enough security. There is always something more to pursue, more to achieve, more to accumulate. But what if the pursuit of more keeps us from recognizing what God has already given? Join us this November for ENOUGH, a three-week series exploring Jesus' invitation to a different way of living. Because God's grace is enough and we have so much to be thankful for.

Commitment Sunday

Unity Service - November 15th | 10:30am

Commitment Sunday is a special day when we bring our pledges for the coming year, and celebrate how our financial gifts support God's work through our church. It's a joyful moment to give thanks for God's generosity and to commit together to the mission ahead. Join us Sunday for worship and a reception in the welcome center following.



Deacons Remembrance Dinner

November 10th at 6pm
in the Gathering Room

You, your family, and friends are invited to an evening of fellowship, shared remembrances of those we've lost, and a beautiful dinner. Come as you are with memories to share, and feel free to bring a picture of your loved one you'd like to dedicate.

Youth Events



YOUTH GROUP BOWLING

RSVP BY SUN 11/15

SUNDAY

NOV 22ND @12:30PM

Lake Shore Lanes - 31025 Jefferson, St Clair Shores, MI 48082

Cost: $20 per youth includes 1.5 hours of bowling, shoe rental, pizza, pop, and of course lots of fun with friends!

Transportation Information

We will meet at Lake Shore Lanes at 12:30pm and pick up will be at 2:30pm. Transportation is not provided as part of this event.

Need a ride? Please let Sheryl or your youth leader know. Transportation may be arranged with a youth leader if needed.

Link to register: https://lake-shore-presbyterian-church-58319.churchcenter.com/registrations/signups/3963219

Contact Sheryl with any questions at 586.549.3755.

SUNDAYS | 6-8PM GROUP YOUTH

NOVEMBER 15TH
DECEMBER 6TH

LAKE SHORE CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13TH

SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER YOUR CHILD

Youth Caroling

December 20th
5-8pm

Our youth group will be caroling to you this holiday season! If you would like carolers to come to your house to spread some Christmas cheer, contact Sheryl Mieczkowski at 586-549-3755

Christmas is coming!

Holiday Unity Service Schedule -

One service at 10:30am

13 December
Children's Christmas Pageant

27 December
"Anthems and Carols" given by the Lake Shore Church Chancel Choir

3 January
Celebratinig Stacey's Retirement

DECK THE HALLS!

November 22nd following modern worship - Light lunch will be provided

Spread Christmas cheer with us as we decorate the halls of the church!

The more the merrier

Join us Christmas Eve

Modern - 4pm
Traditional - 9pm

CELEBRATING WHAT GOD IS DOING AT LAKE SHORE CHURCH

Trunk N' Treat: A Spooktacular Success!

Our annual Trunk N' Treat was a great success, and we are so grateful to everyone who helped make this year's event such a memorable evening for our community! With 28 creatively decorated trunks, families enjoyed an evening filled with Halloween fun, sweet treats, delicious food, and fellowship.

We had an amazing turnout. Throughout the evening, we served approximately 500 hot dogs, 45 dozen donuts, 10 gallons of cider, 500 bags of chips, and 200 bottles of water. And, of course, no Trunk N' Treat would be complete without candy! We estimate that 200–300 pounds of candy were handed out to our trick-or-treaters.

We also have the results from the best decorated trunk contest! Congratulations to the Burrows family whose "Toys 'R' Us" trunk took first place! Second place went to Steve Moore for his "Tank" trunk. Thank you to everyone who put time and effort into decorating their trunks and making the event extra special for our families!

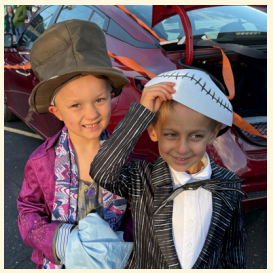
An event of this size would not be possible without the dedication and generosity of our volunteers. Thank you to everyone who decorated trunks, served food and drinks, distributed candy, and helped with all the details behind the scenes. And a special thank you to our Trunk N' Treat Team: Josh and Kayla Daniels, Tim and Gail Thompson, Kris Sipple, Linda Demers, and Al Bednarski. We truly appreciate your time, creativity, and willingness to serve.

We are blessed to be part of such a caring community and look forward to another wonderful Trunk N' Treat next year. Thank you all for making this year's event so special!













Written and submitted by Jenna Dell

Annual Endowment Draw

We're grateful for those who've included Lake Shore Church in their final plans or given to the Growing Tomorrow Permanent Endowment. These gifts, no matter the size, reflect a heart for lasting impact. Each year, the endowment funds ministry beyond our regular budget. This year's endowment supports the following ministries:

Endowment Draw

- Sanctuary Ceiling Repair and Painting - $15,475
- Electric Panels - $2,750
- Summer Camp - $6,000
- Second Mile Center - $3,500
  - Total Draw - $27,725 (4.1% of principal)

We give thanks to God for this growing and ongoing annual resource!

Lake Shore CHURCH

CONFIRMATION CLASS



8TH-12TH GRADE

Dates to be Announced...

Join our new 8-month Confirmation Class and explore God's Story and your own faith journey through twice-monthly meetings with a covenant partner and Pastor Adam. The program concludes with an opportunity for a public profession of faith and baptism for those not previously baptized. Interested? **Contact Pastor Adam at pastoradam@lakeshorechurch.com.**

EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF MAKING A PUBLIC PROFESSION OF FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST AS YOUR LORD AND SAVIOR.

MISSION NEWS

Westminster Thanksgiving
Westminster Church is looking for volunteers to help prepare and serve Thanksgiving dinner to the community. They will be preparing 1,200 dinners and need help both during the week leading up to Thanksgiving and on Thanksgiving Day.
To volunteer, please call 313-341-2697, extension 314, or email thanksgiving@wcodetroit.org.
We have made a financial donation to the church and will also be delivering candy bags for their Thanksgiving dinners. Our Sunday School children will be packing the bags on November 15th.

Candy Collection
Please donate your leftover Halloween candy for our project with the Sunday School children! They will be packing candy bags for Westminster Church's Thanksgiving dinner on November 15th. Thank you for helping us spread a little extra sweetness to our community!

Christmas Gift Tree
On Sunday, November 29th, the Christmas Gift Tree will be up, and envelopes will be available for you to select a child or family to support.
We will have children on the tree who attend St. Clair Shores schools. Each child age 12 and under will receive pants, a shirt, and a toy or game. Each child ages 13-18 will receive a shirt. Every family will also receive the makings for a full Christmas dinner, along with a food gift card to help purchase the main dish.
Additionally, 20 children from Second Mile Center will receive a shirt, pants, and a toy or game.
All gifts and dinners must be delivered to the church by Sunday, December 20th. Our Gift Tree families will pick up their gifts and dinners that day after the second service.
Thank you for helping bring Christmas joy to families in need!

Blessing Bags
There are 50 blessing bags available in the atrium for you to distribute to members of our unsheltered community. These bags were assembled by a local homeschool group that went above and beyond by completing a second project while they were here: birthday cake boxes!
That evening at the food pantry, we were able to give five birthday cake boxes to families for their children. Thank you to this wonderful group for their generosity and to everyone who continues to share their sweet, kind hearts with our community.

Food Pantry / Clothes Closet
We are accepting clean, gently used, smoke-free fall and winter clothing for our clothes closet. We also welcome small household items and linens.
Our food pantry is always in need of the following items: chicken soup and tomato soup, canned tuna, Spaghettios, canned corn, and canned green beans
For Thanksgiving, we will be distributing food gift cards to help families add a few extra items to their holiday meals.
Thank you for your continued generosity and support!

Sunday School Project Recap
On Sunday, October 11th, our Sunday School children packed 95 blessing bags to donate to Motor City Mitten Mission. These bags will be distributed to unsheltered individuals in our area.
The children did a wonderful job packing the bags with socks, snacks, washcloths, and hygiene wipes.

Thank you to my church family for always supporting our mission projects and the food pantry and clothes closet. Your generosity makes a difference in the lives of so many people in our community!

Cheryl Smark

Prayer Meetings



Need prayer for your One or yourself? Join our leaders in prayer for our church at 10:20am in the gathering room on the second and fourth Sundays of each month.

NOVEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Communion Sunday Night Saints 6pm	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 Prayer Meeting 10:20am	9 Food Pantry 1pm	10 Remembrance Dinner 6pm	11 Bayview Bunch 2pm	12	13	14 Breakfast Bunch 10am
15 Commitment Sunday - Unity Service 10:30am Sunday Night Saints 6pm	16 Deacons 7pm Session 7pm	17	18 Food Pantry 5pm	19	20	21
22 Youth Bowling Deck the Halls 12pm Prayer Meeting 10:20am	23 Food Pantry 1pm	24	25 Bayview Bunch 2pm	26 Office Closed Happy Thanksgiving	27	28 Breakfast Bunch 10am
29 Youth Pistons Game 4:30-9pm	30					

November Anniversaries

11/1	Barbara & Dennis Jenken
11/3	Mark & Tyler Szandzik
11/8	Thomas & Holly Wernet
11/19	Rick & Margaret Fantucci

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

TUES - DULCIMERS 10AM, EXPERIENCING GOD 6PM
WED - UKULELE STRUMMERS 1PM, AA 7PM
THURS - GIRL FRIENDS IN CHRIST 10:30AM, BAND 5:30PM, CHOIR 7PM, AA 7:30PM, ALANON 7:30PM
SAT - NA 7:30PM
SUN - YOUTH 6PM

CHRISTMAS CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION SERVICE

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7TH
7:00 PM

HOSTED BY THE DEACONS
GUEST SPEAKER LAURA BACKER

CHURCH CLOSURE

This is a reminder as winter is coming, the church will be closed when Lake Shore, Lakeview, or South Lake schools are closed due to inclement weather.

November Birthdays

11/1	Ginny Stieler
	Dawn Flanigan
11/3	Haley Esch
11/4	Scarlett Schloss
	Brendan Vahovick
	Mark Szandzik
11/5	Stacey King
11/11	Josiah Daniels
11/12	Barbara Carless
11/13	Melissa Ratliff
11/14	Gayle LaPlante
11/15	Juli Springfield
	DeLaney Willmer
11/16	Jim Whitman
11/18	Jessica Willmer
11/19	Natalie Corbett
11/20	Ryan Hunter
	Sue Loughman
11/21	Nathaniel Custer
	Vera Markovitch
11/23	Denyse Rice
11/25	Sheryll Secord
11/26	Matthew Tarrant
11/27	Brian Moore
	Frances Bozick
	Jared Dell
	Jim Hall
11/28	Adelaide Partridge
	Finley Szandzik
11/29	Lindsay Wallace
	Darlene Ruddock
11/30	Jason Cook