



First Reformed Church

of Little Falls

**The
Tidings**
November
2024

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*A Christ-Centered, Open and Affirming
Church for All People!*

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We are praying for those who are in need of God's special care: Pat and Carl Fischer, Rickie Osbun, Erin Wilks, Brian Stone, Helena and Isabella Semeraro, the Knight family, Michelle Jameson, Meredith Soto, Sullivan Soto.

November Calendar of Events

- 1-7:30 pm The Laramie Project show
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3-10:00 am Worship w/the Lord's Supper
4-7:00 pm Rhythms of Renewal Bibl. Stu.
5-Election Day
10-10:00 am Worship
11-Veteran's Day
6:30 pm Elders' meeting by Zoom
7:00 pm Consistory meeting by Zoom
17-10:00 am Worship
11:00 am Congregational Meeting
18-7:00 pm Rhythms of Renewal Bibl. Stu.
23-10:00 am Heaven's Harvest food pantry distribution
24-10:00 am Worship
28-Thanksgiving Day

November Celebrations

- 7-Ruth Ribar birthday
14-Shawn Edzenga birthday
30-Erin Wilks birthday



In October, we bid valued member Angela Droscher a heartfelt and solemn farewell. We will miss Angela.

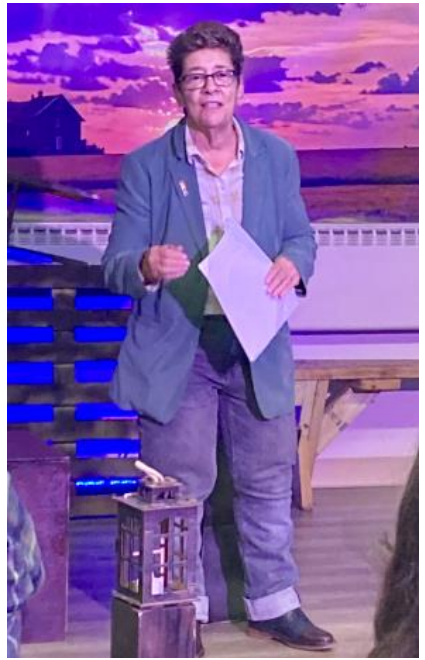


The children of the church made beautiful decoupage pumpkins to decorate our sanctuary for autumn!

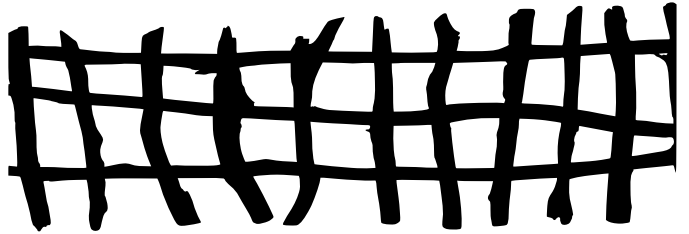




We were honored to host Laura Iacometta and OffBook Productions as they brought *The Laramie Project* to life in our Fellowship Hall in October.



The Laramie Project concerns the town of Laramie, Wyoming, after the hate-crime torture and death of a young gay college student named Matthew Shepard.





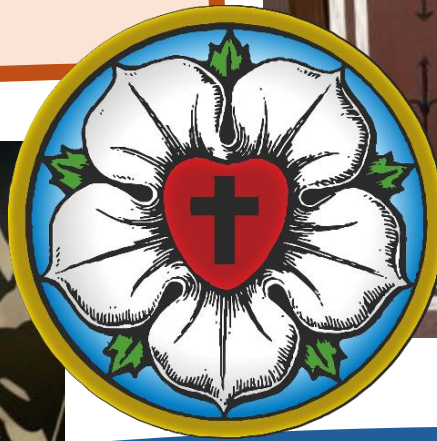
Delicious homemade treats were sold by our church during The Laramie Project! Many thanks go to: Martha Jost, Donna Shelichach, Carol Johnson, Wendy McNeill, and Cheffie O'Keeffe for their work, and their welcome of all the audience members!



Mitch Leet of Room for All led a meaningful workshop on the topic of "Responding to Anti-LGBTQIA+ Rhetoric," ahead of one of the showings of *The Laramie Project*.



For Reformation Sunday in October, our church's "Wittenburg Door" made its appearance! For this Reformation Sunday, we studied the "Five Solas": Sola Scriptura, Solus Christus, Sola Fide, Sola Gratia, and Soli Deo Gloria—Scripture alone, Christ alone, faith alone, grace alone, and glory to God alone! These five important doctrines were historically reflected in the five-petaled "Lutheran Rose."



Our congregation is so proud of son of our church Joshua Abdi, who has graduated from the Coast Guard Training Center in Cape May, NJ! He is currently stationed at Southwest Harbor in Maine. Let's keep Joshua in our prayers!

A challenge: make a written list of TWENTY things you are thankful for, and tape it to your bathroom mirror for the month of November!

