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Pentecost XIV

September 14, 2025

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God's Work Our Hands
FOOD / TOILETRY DRIVE
& QUILT MAKING
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH | 10AM-12PM
 6020 Radford Avenue
 North Hollywood, CA 91606




10am
Worship



10am - 12pm
Collection of donations for
Central Lutheran Food Distribution and NoHo Home Alliance.



11am - 12pm.


After worship, grab a cup of coffee and help us make quilts
for the unhoused in the Reception Room!
There will also be sign-ups for various activities on the patio.

Please contribute if you can!

Please bring your food and toiletry items to worship Sunday and take them up to the altar during the offering. There will be young people to help anyone who isn't comfortable carrying them to the front of the church. Start now by gathering items from the following list:

Regular Canned Goods for Housed– NO GLASS or EXPIRED FOODS, please:

• Fruits • Vegetables • Meats & Tuna • Peanut butter (large or small)

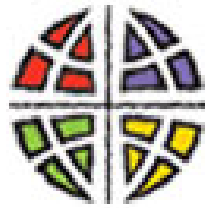
Dry goods: Beans • Rice • Pasta • Cereal & cereal bars

Pop Top Food Cans for Unhoused: Fruits • Vegetables • Meats & Tuna • Soups – stews

Foods Easily Hydrated w/Hot Water: Cup Noodles • Instant single serve Mac'N'Cheese • Instant single serve Oatmeal

Snacks: Breakfast bars – preferably chewy bars • Chips – snack size bags • Crackers – snack size bags • Gummies – Fruit Chews

Toiletries: Toothpaste, soap bars, shampoo, conditioner, lotion and toothbrushes, disposable razors & shaving cream, dental floss, body wash, deodorant, Hand sanitizer, ChapSticks, Skin lotion, Q-tips, Suntan lotion, wet wipes



Southwest
California Synod

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN
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Current Headlines Addressed by Our SoCalSynod

Legislative Action

Next Wednesday September 17, Bishop Brenda, Pastor Emily Ebert and Desta Goehner of Holy Trinity Thousand Oaks will join over 50 Lutherans on Capitol Hill to lobby our senators and congress members to preserve food programs like SNAP and Medicaid. Please join this legislative effort by calling or emailing our senators, **Senator Adam Schiff** and **Senator Alex Padilla** and ask them to vote to protect these vital programs. Tell them there are Lutherans on the hill lobbying for these programs on the 17th and you stand with them. If you call the office, you will likely get voicemail, which is fine. They will give you instructions on how to leave a message about an issue, including giving your city and name. Thanks for using your voice and joining the Lutheran action on the 17th.

Bishop's Statement on Supreme Court ICE ruling

Beloved in Christ,

As a person of faith serving in a public role, I want to be thoughtful about when and how to speak. I speak about law or politics with real caution, but I believe it is completely within my call to speak with moral outrage when people's rights are taken away.

I lament the **Supreme Court ruling** on Monday, September 8, 2025 to allow Immigration and Customs Enforcement officers to continue to sweep people off the street, based on how they look, where they congregate (such as a day laborer employment site) or what job they do (landscaping, carwash workers). This ruling is in response to a lawsuit filed against ICE in California, after ICE agents swept thousands of people in Los Angeles earlier this year. This is personal to me; these beloved children of God live in my hometown and are my siblings. It should be personal to all of us. The Body of Christ is injured and we need to work to heal it.

[Read Bishop's Full Statement Here](#)

Dear siblings in Christ, no matter what you thought of Charlie Kirk's methods and politics, a terrible murder has occurred and must never be celebrated. Mr. Kirk was a major figure in the lives of our young people – whether or not they identified as conservative. Please check in on our young people. Ask them what they think. Talk with them about violence, fear, hate, any and all of it. This may be a difficult conversation, but it is critical we let our young people know we see them. If your young people are LGBTQ, this is also very important, as Mr. Kirk spoke against LGBTQ rights and safety all the time. It is possible people are having conflicting feelings and need a space to process.

Installation of Teachers and Staff

A cartoon bee mascot with a large head, wearing a green t-shirt, and having a friendly expression. It is positioned at the top left of the page.

497 Come, Holy Ghost, God and Father

Thy grace and love on us bestow;
Thy Spirit, Lord, be ever with us,
And guide us in the way of truth.

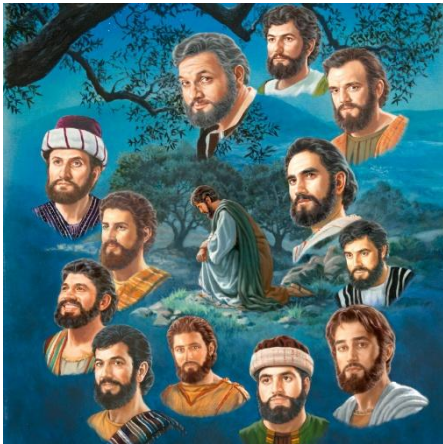


 Download the [*Prayer Ventures* here](#) for September 2025. These petitions are offered as guides to prayer each day of the month for global, social and outreach ministries of the ELCA, as well as for the needs and circumstances of our neighbors, communities and world.

Jesus' 12 Disciples—A New Adult Bible Study starting, September 21

Would you like to know more about “The Twelve” hand picked by Jesus to be his disciples?

Do you have questions about how these people were trained to spread the Good News about Jesus' life, death, and resurrection? If so, then this Bible Study is for You



Starting **Sunday, September 21, at 9:00 a.m.**, in the church conference room, we will gather and have our Bibles ready to learn more about these “fine men?”! Hold it, weren't they a bunch of fishermen/tax collectors/zealots who Jesus chose? What about

the Pharisees and Sadducees? Why weren't they chosen?

Together we will delve into the New Testament to find out more. Jesus chose these men in the same way Jesus chooses us. This study will take us into at least the early Spring, depending how much discussion we have each week.

Hope to see many of you on Sunday, Sept. 21 at 9 a.m.!

Worship Leaders

Message

Pastor Rick Hall

Minister of Music

Mark Longfield

Greeter

Catherine Menton

Communion

Assistants

Debby Semel

Mark Longfield

Sylvia Ottemoeller

Diana Howison

Sue Class

Lector

Liz Rickertsen

Usher

Jeanine Wilson

TBD

Gaffer

Marshall Bowen

Sound

Bob Akin

Live Stream

Jessie Tobey

Birthdays

13) Lynn Dee Bollesen

Priscilla Stark

Darlene Michener

14) Beef Evans

15) Lorenzo Ojeda

Chloe Schaeffler

Brad Carr

Allison Neilson

Alison Schooley

Come Join the Handicrafts Group

The Handicrafts group is meeting Sunday, September 14, at 1:00pm. We would love to have you join us. We'll be meeting in the Conference Room of Emmanuel. If you have any questions, please contact Diana Howison at diana_howison@sbcglobal.net.





Confirmation Classes Starting in October

This year we will be partnering with other churches in the Twin Valley Conference to teach Confirmation classes. Classes will be held on Sunday afternoons from 1:30-3:30pm at differing locations and churches throughout the Conference. Classes will only be once a month and will run until May.

If you are in the 6-8th grade and want to attend or if you are the parent of a middle schooler who wants their kiddo to attend, please contact Pastor Rick at: rhall@elcnoho.org; or call the church 818-761-6124; or catch him on Sunday. It should be an exciting year of learning as we will focus on: **What does it mean to be Lutheran?**



Piers Bath
Nesbitt Blaisdell,
Bob Boehman
Mike Cosenza
Ruthanne Henderson
The Hodge Family
Rick Holt
Dick Krussow
Kimberly Laux
Samuel Lee
Lillie Lim
Leo Lujan
Lumina Padron-Sanchez
Andrew Piecka
Donna Stenberg & family
Pam Sullivan
Denise Vanzago
Muriel Waugh

..Recently Added to our Prayer List ...

Jim & Karen Ohrt
Virginia Tweedy

..Shut-ins:

Karen Bollesen;
Gloria Blackman;
Jim & Marie Crawford
Bill Hoffman;
Ernine Larson;
Bernadine Poulsen;
Mavien Ready;
Thorsen Family

***We Mourn the Victims of
the recent shooting in
Minneapolis and keep their
families in our prayers.***

...Mission Concerns:

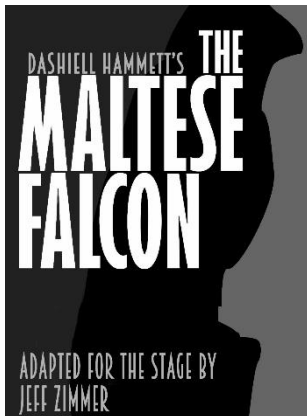
ELC sponsored
missionaries around
the world;
California Lutheran University;
ELCA World Relief

... in Military

Service: Bryce Anderson;
Joshua Camarena
Aaron Carpenter;
Marc Gonsalves;
Curtis Haines;
Daniel Lukavsky;
David Lukavsky;
Tyler Stefansen
Austin Swanson;
Jeremy Stephens;
Keaton Wriedt

Prayer of the Day: O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

ELATE



ELATE's next show is a stage adaptation of Dashiell Hammett's original 1929 serial version of *The Maltese Falcon* as printed in Black Mask magazine.

This was turned into a popular novel in 1931, then made into 3 movies--1931, 1936 and 1941, the latter being the most famous. Every version is different in slightly (and sometimes more than slightly!) different ways. Our adaptation opens **October 10**, and runs three weekends.

Auditions

Auditions for *The Bethlehem Project* (written and directed by Jeff Zimmer with music by Mike Renneker) will be held **Tuesday, October 14, 7:30-9pm** and **Saturday,**

October 18, 10 a.m.- noon at the Lincoln Stegman Theatre!

The show is a series of brief comedy sketches and songs. That's right, it's a MUSICAL! ELATE's first musical in 7 years!!! There will be a special preview show on November 30, and then the show runs December 5-7.

Don't let the "musical" part scare you away! There are plenty of parts for people who can't sing as well! But we could use someone who can do a Stan Laurel impression, and we need a teen girl to sing a featured song as Mary.

Please come and be a part of this FUN show!



Synod Women's Organization (SWO) Convention takes place October 10–11, 2025 at California Lutheran University, Thousand Oaks

Join women from across the Southwest California Synod for a weekend of worship, learning, and sisterhood at our 2025 SWO Convention.

The event will feature inspiring speakers, engaging workshops, and opportunities for connection. Click here for: [Registration Form](#). Deadline: October 3, 2025.



We need helping hands to pack more bags! We are asking people for an hour or two of their time to pack bags at Temple Beth Hillel. Check out some of the ways you can volunteer below. Then visit our website, NHIFP.org, go to the tab "Sign Up Genius" to help out!

Transportation Team transports the loaded grocery bags from the packing site at Temple Beth Hillel to the food distribution site at First Christian Church. Sign up to help out here: [North Hollywood Interfaith Food Pantry: Transport bags from Temple to new pantry and/or unload truck \(signupgenius.com\)](http://NorthHollywoodInterfaithFoodPantry.org)

Packing Team fills the bags and sorts them in the basement of Temple Beth Hillel. Sign up to help out here: [North Hollywood Interfaith Food Pantry: Pack Bags at the Temple OR at Distribution - CHECK LOCATION ADDRESS! \(signupgenius.com\)](http://NorthHollywoodInterfaithFoodPantry.org)

Sack Lunches Team makes sack lunches at home and delivers them to the First Christian Church. Sign up to help out here: [North Hollywood Interfaith Food Pantry: Provide sack lunches - make at home and deliver \(signupgenius.com\)](http://NorthHollywoodInterfaithFoodPantry.org)

Please place groceries in the food collection box in the narthex and they will be delivered to Temple Beth Hillel.

Special Grant for Fire Victims



This application is to distribute funds raised in the January 2025 Los Angeles Wildfire Emergency appeal by our Synod. Our priority is to support congregations and ministries that are meeting the urgent humanitarian needs caused by the Easton and Palisades fires. We also take requests from congregations on behalf of families and individuals within their care. We offer grants to help congregations repair their

property, expand their outreach ministries, and help their members recover. [Los Angeles Fire Recovery Grant 2025](http://LosAngelesFireRecoveryGrant2025.org)

Next Quarter Devotionals Available

Devotional booklets are available in the literature rack in the church narthex, **Portals of Prayer** and **Christ in our Home** each covering one quarter of 2025. **Spark** is available in limited number. In this magazine style devotional book **Spark**, there are activities and stories to lead everyone in the family through the season. Finally, **The Word in Season** is also available. Pick up any of these in the narthex today! Pick these up at no charge. They are our gift to help you.



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The link takes you directly to our giving page. If you have questions about any giving options, you may benefit from watching this tutorial on safely donating online: [Online Giving](#)

Please feel free to call the business office:
(818) 763-5434.

[SoCalSynod](#)

Visit the synod website to check out upcoming events. Sign up to receive newsletters from the synod office.



See how [Lutheran Social Services](#) works and how you can make a donation. Your donations are essential. See a complete list of urgent local needs in this time of covid [here](#).

YOUR COUNCIL

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Financial Secretary: Diana Howison



Members at Large:

Marshall Bowen;
Aaron Kraft;
Michael Madolora
Angela Wiegand

For the Kids

+ **Download Children's pages** with stories, puzzles and quizzes based on the lessons for the week.

[Gospel page for 7+](#)
[Gospel pages 3-7](#)

[Gather Bible Study](#)

for

Women of the ELCA at Emmanuel Lutheran

[Church Website](#)

There are several links in these online newsletters. Please let me know if any of them don't work for you. THANK YOU for your positive comments. I always welcome your input.

Sincerely,
[Marty McCambridge](#)
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