

Bel Canto of Yakima

All are invited to come and enjoy this hour of music celebrating the transition from Fall into the Christmas Season.

This performance will also showcase two Bel Canto Scholarship recipients, both Yakima area music students.

**Sunday, November 22, 2026
3:00PM**

**Mt. Olive Lutheran Church
7809 Tieton Drive
Yakima, WA 98908**



This event is not ticketed but there is opportunity for a free-will offering, with net-proceeds benefiting the Bel Canto Scholarship Fund.

Mt. Olive Prayer Chain

For whatever specific needs in your life or lives of those you care about, our Mt. Olive Prayer Chain is available. You can request prayers by notifying either the church office, an elder, or Nola. There is tremendous power and support when your cause is lifted up in the hearts of many of our brothers and sisters in Christ.

We are willing to pray for all who need the help of our Lord or who are calling on His name.

If you would like to request prayer, join our email or phone prayer chain, contact the office or Nola.

LWML Resource Center

The LWML Resource Center- located in the narthex offers a variety of Bibles, Christian greeting cards and other gift items. Proceeds from this center goes to our LWML mission giving, which is voted on at our LWML meetings. For a detailed list of these money gifts, they are posted on the hall bulletin board and in the Resource Center. Thank you for supporting missions through this effort. There is also a printer inkjet recycle box and free Thrivent t-shirts in the Resource Center.



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**NOVEMBER
NEWSLETTER 2026**



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DATES TO REMEMBER

Communion Sundays

November 1st and 15th

Elder Meeting

November 8th at 7:15am

Ministry Council Meeting

November 22nd at 7:30am

Thanksgiving Eve Service

Wednesday, November 25th

Camp Hope

Saturday, November 28th

5th Sunday Potluck

Sunday November 29th following service please bring your favorite Thanksgiving dish to share!



Preschool Butter Braid Fundraiser

On Sunday November 8th and 15th there will be a table out to order Butter Braids, please be ready to provide payment at time of order with cash or check! Orders will be available to pick up on December 14th



Preschool Movie Night: Help Needed!

Friday November 13th from 6:30-8pm the Preschool is hosting a movie night! As a church body we are going to support with concessions. Please see sign up options in the narthex.



Adopt a Family

Beginning Sunday November 15th through December 6th there will be tags to support two families that are connected to Mt. Olive Preschool and Sonshine Learning Center. As you feel led please take what you can and return gifts wrapped by Friday, December 11th. If you have any questions please call the front office. Thank you for this generosity!

Lutheran Women in Mission

Next meeting is Sunday, November 8th after worship in the Fireside Room. All ladies are welcome to come grab coffee, tea, and a snack to join us!

Little Free Library Needs

As the holidays are approaching please consider donating theme books for the community! If you have any questions please see Jo Eitriem.

Call Committee Update

We have submitted all the information to obtain our list of pastoral candidates. However, we have not received any names.

As we continue to wait, prayerfully and patiently, the call committee remains active, and meeting regularly and participating in a Bible study to support and strengthen us throughout this process. We trust in God's timing and guidance as we continue this important work.

We ask you all to continue praying for discernment and guidance as we seek the pastor God will lead to serve our congregation. May we trust in His perfect timing and His plan for our church.

November Message
Pastor Joeckel

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