



The PSALM Monthly



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From the Pastor

CHRISTMAS SHOULD CHANGE US

I share with you something from a little book called "Underside of Heaven" in which the author describes a nativity scene one of this daughters drew when she was seven years old.

This is a description of her nativity picture:

Above the stable shines an erratic Star of Bethlehem, and to one side an angel wearing a halo hovers happily on butterfly wings.

On the other side is the little donkey that carried Mary on her long journey. It, too, has a halo on its head.

The camel has three humps, so that all of the wise men can ride at once - sort of an Oriental Greyhound.

Mary, in her robe, kneels and watches in adoration. Joseph is at the work - "Like all fathers most of the time," the little girl explained.

Jesus lies in the manger, his feet up in the air, "Because," as the seven - year old artist says, "He's just been changed."

I like this description of a nativity scene because if Christmas is anything, it's a time that should change us. The Child who is born to us is not just any child, but our Savior Child, the same One who dies and rises for us. Because of this birth, our lives are not the same. We are given hope and a promise for the future. That is why I pray that when Christmas is over, we'll not only say we've been blessed by this birth, but that we've been changed as well, that we'll give love, and care to others as never before.

Merry Christmas!

Pastor Maki

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FUND BALANCE AS OF 11/30/23

ASLC Checkbook Balance: 10/31/23		\$	13396.38
Monthly Operating: Income		\$	7558.98
	Expense	\$	9280.09
ASLC Checkbook	Balance: 11/30/23	\$	11675.87
Sharon's Checkbook Balance: 10/31/2		\$	5841.83
Monthly Operating: Income		\$	
	Expenses	\$	
Sharon Checkbook	Balance: 11/30/23	\$	
Psalm Shared Checkbook Balance: 10/31/23		\$	173502.98
Monthly Operating: Income		\$	4640.00
	Expense	\$	4105.51
Shared Checkbook	Balance: 11/30/23	\$	174037.47





I Would like to thank the PSALM Shared Ministry and All Saints for the Christmas gift.

I would also like to thank all those who gave me a Christmas gift. I am grateful and blessed to be able to work with all of you. Thanks and Happy New Year!
Cookie

Thank You

Dear Psalm Shared Ministry,
Thank you so much for the Christmas Gift. It is an honor and a privilege to be a part of this ministry. Your support means the world to me and I appreciate you all. Thanks again,
Tara Hamilton

I would like to thank both congregations of our Psalm Shared Ministry for their generous gift this Christmas season. I appreciate the thoughtfulness and I hope, in some small way, I can reflect the same to others.

Bruce Pikka

WOMEN OF THE ELCA

WELCA provided a free Christmas Luncheon for members of All Saints and Sharon who were 70 and older (plus one guest) on Dec. 6, 2023. 50 guests enjoyed a delicious meal and a sing-a-long of favorite Christmas Carols. Our next WELCA meeting will be on **March 7, 2024 at 1pm in the Fellowship Hall at All Saints.** All of the women of All Saints and Sharon are invited. Dessert will be provided by Hope Circle and we will collect items for the kitchen at All Saints. Paper towel rolls, sandwich sized zippered storage bags, and sturdy paper plates would be appreciated. Joy Circle will serve coffee after the 10:30 service on January 14th,

We resumed serving at funeral lunches with the following changes:
The charge will be \$275.00, which will include the purchase of rolls, meat & cheese, and the Serving Group members will only provide beverages, desserts, set-up & cleanup.
Thanks to everyone who donated supplies for the 2023 Lutheran World Relief Health Kits. We've started collecting dark colored bath towels, sturdy combs, toothbrushes, bars of soap (at least 3oz each) and nail clippers for the 2024 kits. Items can be placed in the box at the back of the church.



On Sunday, December 17 the All Saints Sunday School held their annual Christmas program followed by a ham dinner served by the Sunday School and All Saints Council.

JANUARY SERVING SCHEDULE

January Readers at All Saints

7-Liz Londo
14-Julie Tibaldo
21-Tara Hamilton
28-Bella Schroeder

January Greeters at All Saints

7-Marianne Brunelle
14-Annette Scott
21-Mary Nurmi
28-Bobbie Hautala

January Ushers at All Saints

7-David Brentar
14-Dennis Ferson
21-Bernie Ylkanen
28-Jon White

January Readers at Sharon

7-Kristi Cocking
14-Sharon Potter
21-Joel or Janice Massie
28-Sandy Rowoldt

January Ushers at Sharon

7-Dave Rundell
14-Gretchen Golembeski
21-Marion Bouillion
28-Barb Adams

BIRTHDAYS

3rd: Gloria Rajala
9th: Alexander Hahn, Jean Rautiola
13th: Everly Harvey
14th: JoAnn Montie
15th: Bexley Lawrence
16th: Amber Godfrey, James Ronn
18th: Paula Mattson
23rd: Elizabeth Makela
24th: Aspen Lawrence, Peggy Libertoski
31st: Lila Miljevich

ANNIVERSARIES

2nd: Gary & Susan Gustafson

MEMORIALS

IN MEMORY OF: *Dave Paynter*

Given by: Francis & Sharon Casanova

IN MEMORY OF: *Barb Matonich*

Given by: Melanie Gates

IN MEMORY OF: *Randall Kremposki*

Given by: Geraldine & Ronald Kremposki

IN MEMORY OF: *Richard Hongisto*

Given by: Geraldine & Ronald Kremposki

IN MEMORY OF: *Ken Libertoski*

Given by: Peggy Libertoski

IN MEMORY OF: *Tommy Libertoski*

Given by: Peggy Libertoski

IN MEMORY OF: *Daniel Rostollan*

Given by: Pat & Sylvia Hanson





Christmas Memorial Garden

ALL SAINTS

IN MEMORY OF: Loved Ones
GIVEN BY: Cookie & Jon

IN MEMORY OF: Lauri O. & Jean Maki
GIVEN BY: Lauri & Family

IN MEMORY OF: Lauri O Maki Sr. & Jean Maki
GIVEN BY: Laura & Family

IN MEMORY OF: Papa & GG (Lauri O. & Jean
Maki)

GIVEN BY: Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren

IN MEMORY OF: Mark V & Mark D, Miljevich,
Flo Berg,
Gerry Whitburn
GIVEN BY: The Family

IN MEMORY OF: Loved Ones
GIVEN BY: Neil & Liz Londo

IN MEMORY OF: Loved Ones
GIVEN BY: Cheri & Dave Brentar

IN MEMORY OF: Gerry
Whitburn
GIVEN BY: Dan & Melissa
Whitburn Family & Dom &
Bridget Fabbri Family

IN MEMORY OF: Jack & Shirley Hautala
GIVEN BY: Jeff & Bobbie
Hautala

IN MEMORY OF: Mom & Dad, Brother Dennis,
Sisters Sudan Marie & Wendy
GIVEN BY: Tom Hill & Family

SHARON

IN MEMORY OF: Larry Rowoldt & Diana Nelson
GIVEN BY: Sandy Rowoldt & Family

IN MEMORY OF: Bill & Marguerite Hansen,
Albert & Myrtle
Jacobson, Merle Jacobson, Barbara Matonich

IN MEMORY OF: Loved Ones
GIVEN BY: Chuck & Gretchen Golembeski

IN MEMORY OF: Bruce, Ron, Char, & Carol
Schwartz

GIVEN BY: Solberg/Schwartz Families

IN MEMORY OF: Bud Potter & Loved Ones
GIVEN BY: His Family

IN MEMORY OF: Carol Cocking
GIVEN BY: The Cocking Family

IN MEMORY OF: Loved Ones No Longer With Us
GIVEN BY: Neil & Brook Gilbertson & Family

IN MEMORY OF: Bonnie Ballone
GIVEN BY: Ty, Saylor & Bodyn Gilbertson

IN MEMORY OF: The Boline Family
GIVEN BY: George Boline

IN MEMORY OF: Ron Selin, Ray, Kurt & JoAnn
Harvey, Carol Haukkala
GIVEN BY: Shirley Selin, Michael, Ronna & Josh
Harvey

CANDLES FOR THE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE
ARE IN MEMORY OF: Alice & Ray Selin
GIVEN BY: Don & Lynn Ormes

BULLETIN BOARD

RELIEVE EDITORIAL STRESS:

**TURN IN
YOUR ARTICLES
EARLY!**

RE M I N D E R :

**DEADLINE FOR
NEWSLETTER
ARTICLES IS
JANUARY 24**



ALL SAINTS



Give your
tithes &
offerings
ONLINE



SHARON

If you have any questions please call Cookie @ 906.224.8421 or stop by the Church office.

**Joint Council
Meeting at Sharon
January 14, 2014
12:00pm at All Saints
Each council will meet
following the joint council
meeting**

You can find us on Facebook,
at www.psalmsshared.org, phone: 224-8421 or
email: allsaints@pslamshared.org



AS WE BID FAREWELL TO THIS YEAR
AND WELCOME THE NEW YEAR,
LET'S JOIN OUR HEARTS IN PRAYER
FOR OUR BELOVED CHILDREN AND
THEIR FAMILIES. MAY THE COMING YEAR
BRING ABUNDANT BLESSINGS, HEALTH
AND JOY TO EACH ONE OF THEM.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

**NA MEETINGS
EVERY
SUNDAY AT
ALL SAINTS
BEGINNING AT
7:00PM**

**STAMP COLLECTING
SHARON**—We are still collect-
ing stamps for cancer research,
pop can tags to give to McDon-
ald House in Marshfield, and
Box Top Labels for Research.
There are containers in the nar-
thex. Thank you!

P S A L M Shared Ministry January 2024 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 9:00 Quilting at All Saints 4:30 Kids Club 6:00 Confirmation at All Saints	4 9:00 Quilting at Sharon	5	6	
7 8:30 Worship at Sharon 9:00 SS at ASLC 10:30 Worship at ASLC Coffee to follow worship 7:00 NA/ASLC	8	9	10 9:00 Quilting at All Saints 4:30 Kids Club 6:00 Confirmation at All Saints	11 9:00 Quilting at Sharon	12	13 5:00 Indoor service at All Saints
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21 8:30 Worship at Sharon 9:00 SS at ASLC 10:30 Worship at ASLC Monthly Meal to follow worship 7:00 NA/ASLC	22	23	24 9:00 Quilting at All Saints 4:30 Kids Club 6:00 Confirmation at All Saints	25 9:00 Quilting at Sharon	26	27 5:00 Indoor service at All Saints
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