



PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWS

DECEMBER 2, 2018

A weekly publication

"Our mission is to proclaim, learn, live and share God's grace through Christ."

BIBLE READINGS

Sunday, December 2, 2018

First Sunday in Advent

Old Testament: Jeremiah 33:14–16 (Pew Bible p 662)

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 3:9–13 (Pew Bible p 987)

Gospel: Luke 19:28–40 (Pew Bible p 878)

Sunday, December 9, 2018

Second Sunday in Advent

Old Testament: Malachi 3:1–7b (Pew Bible p 802)

Epistle: Philippians 1:2–11 (Pew Bible p 980)

Gospel: Luke 3:1-14 (Pew Bible p 858)

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayers of health and healing for:

Christine Morris

Sid Silcock (*Brother of Alice Rodell*)

Katherine Taylor (*Cathie Taylor's daughter in law*)

Kitty Frei

Bonnie Meier

Jennifer Brown (*Russ & Marlis Schmidt's daughter*)

Rod Beran (*Friend of Al & Judy Beyer*)

Gene Franz (*Mark Franz's Grandfather*)

Jan Vande Slunt (*Al Beyer's sister*)

Wayne Schmitz & Diane Fabini

Sandy Cole (*Randee Schweitzer's aunt*)

Brandi Griffin

Deb Hall (*Pat Tans' sister*)

Russ Port (*Al Beyer's cousin*)

Sharon Rabehl

Barb Thomas

David & Evelyn Grebel (*Linda Genn's parents*)

Tom Bull (*Russ & Cindy Schrab's nephew*)

Karen Hussli (*friend of Jean Tijerina*)

Rebecca Carey (*friend of Christine Morris*)

Shirley Clough

Frank Butts

Jean Tijerina

Deb Schwark (*Frank and Betty Butts' daughter*)

Amandelynn Noe-Johnson (*friend of Randee Schweitzer*)

Sawyer Sutton

Ervin Uhlman (*Betty Butts' brother*)

Anita Kienast

Donovan McQueen

STEWARDSHIP

DECEMBER 2 – ADVENT I

Luke 19:31 *"If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you shall say this" "The Lord has need of it."*

Consider the faithfulness of that man who owned the donkey and colt. All he needed to hear was, "The Lord has need of it," and he willingly gave. The Lord has given each of us various callings in life – in our homes, in the Church, and in our communities. In each calling we have good work to do, and that comes from the Lord's hand. The Lord has need of us in each calling. How is He calling you to generous giving in each of your vocations?

VOLUNTEER/DONATION OPPORTUNITIES

Flowers for the Altar - If you would like to provide a floral arrangement or poinsettia for the altar in December please sign up in the Ministry Center. Contact Shirley Clough or another local florist to place your order. More than 1 family is welcome to sign up per week. Please contact Susan in the office or an Elder if you have questions.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BIBLE CLASS

In Bible class today (December 2) - The Book of Romans with Pastor Meier in the downstairs Bible class room; "Christ and the Creeds" class in the Fireside Room with Pastor Wenzel. This morning we start a new study on the Church of the Nazarene. See you in Bible class!

Sunday school and Bible classes for the month of December - Please note that Sunday school, youth, and Adult Bible classes meet today (December 2), December 9, and December 16. The Sunday school children will be participating in the Sunday school Christmas service on December 16 at 10:30 and, most likely, will have one final rehearsal during the Sunday school hour that day. **PLEASE NOTE: Sunday school, youth, and Bible classes will be off December 23 and 30, respectively for the Christmas break. They will resume on Sunday, January 6, 2019.**

USHER AND ACOLYTE SCHEDULES

Ushers - If you need a copy of the upcoming Usher schedule (Dec 24, 2018 - March 31, 2019) there are copies on the Usher's table. It is also available on the website under News - Schedules.

Acolytes - The current acolyte schedule can be found on the website under News - Schedules. There is also a copy posted outside Mrs. Ramel's office.

SCRIP

Thank you for supporting the 2019 Confirmation Retreat scrip fundraiser; we earned \$268 in November. The fundraiser continues through December.

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Midweek Advent Services

Wednesdays, December 5, 12 and 19 at 7 pm

Children's Christmas Service

Sunday, December 16 at 10:30 am

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Monday, December 24 at 7 pm

Christmas Day Divine Service with Communion

Tuesday, December 25 at 9 am

There are postcards with the schedule in the Ministry Center. Feel free to pick up a few to share with family, friends and neighbors.

W I N G s (Women in God's Service)



The **Giving Tree** will be in the narthex until December 16. To participate take a card from the tree, purchase the gift and return it to church by Sun., Dec. 16. Wishes for the residents at the two **Fox Lake Bethesda group homes** are on cards with stars. The red star are \$25 gifts. The tan stars are \$10 gifts. To show appreciation for the **caregivers at these Bethesda Group Homes** use the small envelopes and buy a \$10 gift card. **Our shut-ins**, who receive few or no Christmas gifts have their wishes on Christmas cards. "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me." Matthew 25:40

Today is **mite collection Sunday**, place your small mite box or your donation in the large mite box on the counter in the Ministry Center. Anyone may give mites donations, which are used by the LWML to support mission projects throughout the world.

Missionary Cindy Zirbel Wrucke, a member of Peace, lives in Prague, Czech Republic and serves as the Communication Director for the Eurasia Region of the LCMS. If you are not supporting Cindy with a monthly pledge, consider donating to our **December Missionary Cindy Collection**. She needs to raise all her own funds to stay in the mission field for her pledged 5-years. To donate, use one of your non-weekly offering envelopes and mark it "Missionary Cindy."

SERVING AT PEACE

We praise God for the thankful, giving spirit He has instilled in each of us, to help Peace proclaim, learn, live and share God's grace through Christ.

November Elder of the Month

Eric Krause 920-885-3284

December Elder of the Month

Ed Krug 920-356-9267

November Altar Guild

Barb Schmidt and Deb Hupf

December Altar Guild

Louise Kenevan and Bonnie Meier

Sunday, December 2, 2018 8:00 am

Liturgist and Preacher: Pastor Wenzel

Greeter(s): Brian and Krystal Larson

Acolyte: Alyson Ferstl

Communion Assistant(s): Russ Ramel and Ed Krug

Ushers: Cal Hemling, Dane Grosenick, Dick Bartelt,
Shane Hale

Scrip: Renee Sutton

Organist: Kristin Bonilla

Sunday, December 9, 2018 8:00 am

Liturgist and Preacher: Pastor Wenzel

Greeter(s): Carol Wehland

Acolyte: Sawyer Sutton

Communion Assistant(s): Eric Krause

Ushers: Charles Baker, Jeff Baker, Erline Baird,
Mark Franz Jr.

Scrip: Susan Reihbandt

Organist: Kristin Bonilla

Sunday, December 2, 2018 10:30 am

Liturgist and Preacher: Pastor Wenzel

Greeter(s): Larry and Charron Lloyd

Acolyte: Kaleigh Schweitzer

Communion Assistant(s): Dick Bartelt and Roger
Pamperin

Ushers: Rich Grulke, Roger Pamperin, Bill Demro,
Tyler Pamperin

Scrip: Deb Hupf

Organist: Kristin Bonilla

Sunday, December 9, 2018 10:30 am

Liturgist and Preacher: Pastor Wenzel

Greeter(s): Carol Wehland

Acolyte: Aidan Ramel

Communion Assistant(s): Russ Ramel

Ushers: Chris Paul, Robert Uelman, Dale Pieper,
Payton Pieper

Scrip: Marlis Schmidt

Organist: Kristin Bonilla

Wednesday, December 5, 2018 7:00 pm

Midweek Advent Service

Liturgist and Preacher: Pastor Wenzel

Acolyte: Olivia DiStefano

Elder Assistant(s): Russ Ramel

Organist: Kristin Bonilla

Wednesday, December 12, 2018 7:00 pm

Midweek Advent Service

Liturgist and Preacher: Pastor Wenzel

Acolyte: Natalie Meier

Elder Assistant(s): Eric Krause

Organist: Kristin Bonilla

THE ADVENT SEASON IS HERE!

It is understandable that once Thanksgiving is over everyone turns their attention to Christmas. The world already has done that once Halloween ended! But for Christians, the season of Advent holds great importance for us. It is the season of preparation, of preparing rightly to receive our King, the Savior of the world. Enjoy this time of preparation as you remember the reason Christ came in the flesh: our sins. That is a reason why Advent is also a season of repentance, just like the season of Lent. Advent helps us to rejoice even more at Christmas. A blessed Advent to you!

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, December 2

8:00am Divine Service / Communion
9:05am High School Bible Class
9:20am Sunday School and Bible Classes
10:30am Divine Service / Communion
10:30am Fellowship Hall Reserved
5:30pm Advent by Candlelight

Monday, December 3

7:30am Men's Bible Study
3:30pm Youth Open Fellowship Hall Time
5:15pm Confirmation Class

Wednesday, December 5

Happening articles due
9:00am Quilting
2:30pm Sylvan Crossings Service
7:00pm Midweek Advent Service

Thursday, December 6

9:00am Bible Study
5:45pm Bible Study @ Donna Cigelske's House

Sunday, December 9

8:00am Divine Service / Communion
9:05am High School Bible Class
9:20am Sunday School and Bible Classes
10:30am Divine Service / Communion

OUR GIFTS FOR THE LORD'S WORK YEAR-TO-DATE THROUGH OCTOBER 2018 General / Building Fund Combined

Offerings	\$265,861.
Budget needs	\$273,258.
Expenses	\$280,988.
Offerings vs Budget	- \$7,397.
Offerings vs Expenses	- \$15,127.

Copies of Board of Directors meeting minutes are in a binder in the church office for your review. Contact Susan in the church office at 920-887-1272 if you have questions.

STAY CONNECTED

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