



HAPPENINGS AT PEACE FOR DECEMBER 20, 2020

A weekly publication

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

BIBLE READINGS

Sunday, December 20, 2020

Fourth Sunday in Advent

First Reading: 2 Sam. 7:1-11, 16
Epistle: Romans 16:25-27
Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

Sunday, December 27, 2020

First Sunday after Christmas

First Reading: Isaiah 61:10-62:3
Epistle: Galatians 4:4-7
Gospel: Luke 2:22-40

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayers of health and healing for:

Dana Marthaler
Bonnie Meier
Deb Hupf
Erline Baird
Randee Schweitzer
Rich Fikar (*Uncle of Randee Schweitzer*)
John Hunsperger (*Father of Randee Schweitzer*)
Christine Morris
Paul Hollenbeck (*Brother of Clay Hollenbeck*)
Bruce Andrews (*Friend of Alice & John Rodell*)
Ron Schultz (*Father of Keith Schultz*)
Fred Nell
Eric Krause

Diane Bittner
Sharon Krause
Brooke Katz (*Niece-in-Law of Nancee Hollenbeck*)
David & Evelyn Grebel (*Parents of Linda Genn*)
Russ Port (*Cousin of Al Beyer*)
Jan Vande Slunt (*Sister of Al Beyer*)
Russ Schmidt
Debbie Paul (*Mother of Chris Paul*)
Kitty Frei
Chuck Kelm (*Brother-in-Law of Mary Kelm*)
Larry Koepsell
Kurt Wille (*Friend of Mary Kelm*)
Oris Possin

STEWARDSHIP

December 20 – Advent 4

Philippians 4:6 – “Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.” Paul puts two things in opposition to each other: anxiety and prayer. So, trade your worries for prayers! You have a Father who loves you and desires to hear your prayers and bless you.

* MY FINAL SUNDAY AT PEACE *

Dear friends in Christ: Janelle and I would like to say thank you to all of you for your kind and gracious words these last few weeks. To say leaving is difficult is an understatement. We have been very blessed to have served here for 13 years! My prayer for you is that the Lord would give you His peace and strength and the continuing resolve to do everything you do to His glory, with the proclamation of the Gospel message of salvation through Jesus Christ alone as the center of all you say and do. It has always been my priority to point you to Christ in all things. As St. Paul says in 1 Corinthians 2:2: *"For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified."* Whoever your next Pastor will be I am sure will do the very same thing. Again, Paul says in 1 Corinthians 3: *"What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you believed, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth."* Indeed, it is God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit who receives all the glory! May He so bless you with every good and perfect gift that comes from His hand. "God be with you 'til we meet again!"

-In Christ, Pastor Mark and Janelle Wenzel

* ALTAR FLOWERS *



Thank you to Sandy Campnell for the donation of the altar flowers! These flowers are given in honor of her wedding anniversary on December 15.

* WORSHIP ATTENDANCE UPDATE *

We have been seeing an "uptick" in attendees (which is wonderful!). We will continue to limit the number of attendees during the "mid-week" service and Sunday 8am to **60**, and the Sunday 10:30 service to **50**. We kindly ask all members who plan to attend Divine Service to phone or email the office during the week so we can plan the number of people for each service and also the number of bulletins to make.

VERY IMPORTANT: If you are not feeling well or are sick, PLEASE REMAIN AT HOME. We continue to record one of the three services and then upload it to Peace's Facebook page so that those who are unable to attend can do so virtually. We continue to pray to our good and gracious Lord that He remove this virus from among us.



OUR GRAPEVINE PROJECT

Goal

\$300,000

Received to date

\$235,832



Exciting News! The amount received includes recent donations of \$85,000 which will be applied to principal when we renew our loan in January. *We would like to ask for your help in increasing this amount, by mid-January, to help significantly reduce our monthly mortgage payments.* This reduction can then be used to support our 2021 Ministries. To make a contribution (over and above your weekly offerings) please use the Grapevine envelopes located in the Ministry center.

EXTRA! EXTRA! A member of our congregation has challenged other members to match up to \$5,000 beginning now until January 10, 2021. Thanks to all who pledged or contributed allowing us to grow our ministry and spread God's word!

"We are investing in God's Kingdom."

* CANCELLATIONS & POSTPONMENTS *

In case of inclement weather and worship services, Bible classes, Confirmation, etc., needs to be postponed or canceled, you can find that information by listening to our local radio station, WBEV AM 1430 or 95X (95.3 FM.) where announcements are made. You can also go to dailydodge.com and click "Weather and Closings." Or, our church's website www.bdpeacelutheran.org will have that information. Normally, if Sunday worship services are postponed, there would then be one (1) service the next evening (Monday evening) at 7 p.m. weather-permitting. If a Wednesday or Thursday night service is canceled due to the weather, it is canceled for that week.

* GIVING ENVELOPES *

Giving envelopes for 2021 are ready for all and are located in the Ministry Center.

* THANK YOU! *

Thanks for the quick and generous monetary response to the Peace Tie-Quilters request for donation so we can purchase fillers. This will keep us busy for awhile and help us reach our goal of 100 quilts by Ash Wednesday.

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.

December Elder of the Month

Roger Pamperin 920-887-1184

January Elder of the Month

Russ Ramel 920-539-1169

December Altar Guild

Louise Kenevan & Lois Leverage

January Altar Guild

Dick & Jeanie Bartelt

Sunday, December 20, 2020—8:00 am

Liturgist/Preacher: Pastor Wenzel

Acolyte: Sophie Keith

Elder Assistant: Chris Paul

Usher(s): Willis Sage & Keith Rabehl

Organist: Kristin Bonilla

Friday, December 25, 2020—9:00am

Liturgist/Preacher: Pastor Meier

Acolyte: Joseph DiStefano

Elder Assistant: Roger Pamperin

Usher(s): Willis Sage & Keith Rabehl

Organist: Kristin Bonilla

Sunday, December 20, 2020—10:30am

Liturgist/Preacher: Pastor Wenzel

Acolyte: Jaxon Ladron

Elder Assistant: Russ Ramel

Usher(s): Larry Lloyd

Organist: Kristin Bonilla

Sunday, December 27, 2020—8:00am

Liturgist/Preacher: Pastor Meier

Acolyte: Rylee Tesch

Elder Assistant: Eric Krause

Usher(s): Cal Hemling

Organist: Kristin Bonilla

Thursday, December 24, 2020—5:00 pm

Liturgist/Preacher: Pastor Meier

Acolyte: Rya Sutton

Elder Assistant: Eric Krause

Usher(s): Jerry Klawitter & Tim Parson

Organist: Kristin Bonilla

Sunday, December 27, 2020—10:30am

Liturgist/Preacher: Pastor Meier

Acolyte: Tyler Bender

Elder Assistant: Chris Paul

Usher(s): Larry Lloyd

Organist: Kristin Bonilla

Thursday, December 24, 2020—7:00 pm

Liturgist/Preacher: Pastor Meier

Acolyte: Aidan Ramel

Elder Assistant: Russ Ramel

Usher(s): Jerry Klawitter

Organist: Kristin Bonilla



If you have any questions, please call the church office at 920-887-1272. You may also visit our website, <http://www.bdpeacelutheran.org/home> or go to WBEV, Daily Dodge Hometown News for any new updates.



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE



Sunday, December 20

- 8:00 am Divine Service / Communion
- 9:20 am Adult Bible Classes
- 10:30 am Divine Service / Communion

Monday, December 21

- 7:30 am Men's Bible Study

Thursday, December 24

- 5 & 7 pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Services

Friday, December 25

- 9:00 am Christmas Day Divine Service

Sunday, December 27

- 8:00 am Divine Service / Communion
- 9:20 am Adult Bible Classes
- 10:30 am Divine Service / Communion

OUR GIFTS FOR THE LORD'S WORK YEAR-TO-DATE THROUGH NOVEMBER 2020 General / Building Fund Combined

Offerings	\$ 285,227
Budget needs	\$ 306,028
Expenses	\$ 281,539
Offerings vs Budget	<\$ - 20,801>
Offerings vs Expenses	\$ 3,688



Copies of Board of Directors meeting minutes are in a binder in the church office for your review.

STAY CONNECTED

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