



WELCOME VISITORS AND GUESTS!

December 24, 2023 • Fourth Sunday in Advent

We're glad you're here and invite you to consider yourself part of our Grace Family. We would love to connect with you. Please fill in the "Welcome Card" found in the pew rack and place it in the basket on the table at the entrance to the sanctuary. Thank You!

Thank you for your faithful prayers and financial support of Grace Ministries. Tithes and offerings may be placed in the grey box sitting on the table next to the Usher's Station at the back of the sanctuary.

OUR STEWARDSHIP

General Giving Needed Monthly:

\$17,917

November Giving: \$29,336

Other: \$335

Gift Baskets: \$480

Sunday School/Mission: \$15

Food Pantry: \$150

Food Pantry: 34 people/125 bags

Worship Attendance: 78

Small Group Studies: 55

Altar Flowers

Sunday Flowers Provided by

LWML

In honor of Christ's Birth!

**Dates Available for
January 4 & 17**

Delicious Recipes!

**Grace LWML Cookbooks
Only \$12**

Purchase from Faye Mergups



Prayer Requests

Traveling: Barb Allen; Bob & Debbie Cochran

Healing: Ericka Wilson, Phoebe Lenhart and others suffering from flu-like illnesses; Debbie Cochran who has bronchitis; Stephanie Hogan's mother, Cynthia, has a serious virus or infection; Ricki Tardif has health issues; Bettye Hooven is recovering after getting a pace-maker; Bryan Stanley recovering from surgery; John Havens has some medical concerns; Ed Kinney (Mimi Stephen's son) is going through cancer treatment; Allan Tiejen in hospice care; James Howard (Pam Meirndorf's brother) cancer treatments; Sheila Shanle undergoing chemo; Jean Restad's great-nephew, Mason Young (7-years old) underwent a liver transplant this week; Julie Shafer who is on dialysis; for the aging in our congregation and those recently diagnosed with cancer.

Encouragement: Stephanie McDonald and family; Tom Cochran who is caring for his wife, Susan, who has dementia; Sue D'Errico & Leesa Williams who are both caring for their mothers. Mary Thiessen who is having family issues.

Bereavement: Carole Cink and family in the passing of her brother-in-law; the Shanle family in the passing of Brian Shanle.

IN OUR CONTINUED PRAYERS

Those who are hospitalized, chronically ill, in nursing home/care facilities, or otherwise in need of encouragement. **Cards and calls are always appreciated!**

Judy Wilson, Veda Connor, Arlene Krogstad, Chris Colacicco, Patricia Waggoner, Angela Stanley, Preston Reed (Janis Sad's brother, heart & lung issues), Jeannie Tardif, Mary Jean Ames, Seth Bauer, Ruthe Mayer, Ashlie and Jared Newton, Ashlie Reed, Nancy and David Scott, Della Schmidt, Ray Melvin's brother Gary, the family of Tony Dantzman, Rhonda Robb, Judy Brusnighan, Carolyn Cochran, Richard Evanow, LaMarr Cuffie, Ken Tyler, Richard Gonzalez's son, Brandon.

Family and friends serving in the military: Chris Beeson, Sgt. Troy Clements, David Eninger, Gannon Machado, Collin Matz, Mark Tatara, Brent Thompson & Guy Walker.

Please help us to stay up to date regarding those in need of our prayers by calling the office at 707-464-4712. Please report back any updates.

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

December 24-30, 2023

OFFICE OPEN 10:00AM - 3:00PM | TUESDAY - FRIDAY

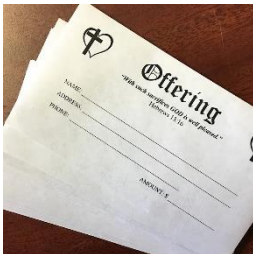
Sunday:	9:00am	Bible Study
	10:15am	Worship Service with Children's Church & Nursery
	11:15am	Fellowship & Refreshments
	6:00pm	Candlelight Service
Monday:		OFFICE CLOSED
	10:15am	Christmas Day Traditional Worship Service
Thursday:	10:00am	LWML Quilters
	2pm-5pm	Pastor Visitations
	5:00pm	Worship Team
Friday:	1pm-4pm	Pastor Visitations

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Isaiah 61:10-62:3; Psalm 111; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2:22-40


For additional information about events and ministries, check the church calendar online at www.GraceLutheranCC.com.

Due to the holidays, the Men's Breakfast and the Confirmation Class have been cancelled.



If you have not been assigned offering envelopes for the 2024 giving year and would like to receive some, please see our Financial Secretary Thom Hutzell. We also have electronic giving available for your convenience and giving can be set up on our website gracelutherancc.com. NOTE: All donations for 2023 receipts must be received or postmarked by 12/31/2023.

THE APOCLYPSE
IS COMING!



THE BOOK OF
REVELATION

7-WEEK STUDY BEGINS
SATURDAY, JANUARY 6
10AM

LEADER: DAVID WILSON




**NEW VIDEO
STUDY**

**BEGINS SUNDAY
DECEMBER 31 AT 9AM**

**LEADERS
THOM & RENÉ HUTZELL**

**BOOK
CLUB**



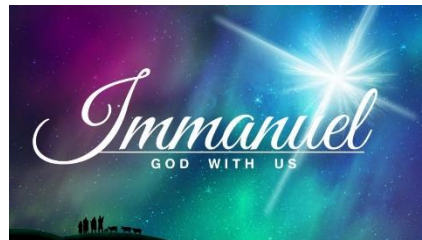
**JANUARY 11
3PM**

**COME TO THE EDGE
ARRIVAL & SURVIVAL IN
DEL NORTE COUNTY**

EDITED BY RUTH RHODES

THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS...GOD WITH US

*"Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign:
The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son,
and will call him Immanuel" (Isaiah 7:14).*



What's your name? When your loved ones hear your name, they picture you — your face, your voice, even your personality. With your name comes the image of you!

Through the prophet Isaiah, God gave Jesus the name Immanuel, which means "God with us." When we hear this name, we think of God's Son being born among people, becoming a true human being yet remaining fully God. The name Immanuel reminds us that God was present in the manger on that first Christmas night, and He is also present in our lives today.

Immanuel! Picture Him lying in a manger. Hear His voice preaching to the crowds, comforting the sick, and inviting us to come to Him so He may give us rest. See Him as a Man, dying on the cross, and imagine His stunning presence on that first Easter morning. Listen to His name — Immanuel — and know that God is with us always.

Immanuel, come into our life and make Your presence known through Your Word and Sacraments. Amen.

Mustard Seed: The Joy of Christmas. 14/32 Author: Patricia Mitchell. ©2011 Lutheran Women's Missionary League, 801 Seminary Place Ste. L010, St. Louis, MO 63105. www.lwml.org. Scripture quotations are taken from The HOLY BIBLE, NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION Copyright © 1973, 1978, 1984 by International Bible Society. All rights reserved worldwide.





SWEET SUCCESS FOR LWML PIE SALE!

The LWML had a very successful pie sale with over \$7,000 in sales! The pie ladies devoted 20 days (310 hours) to making the delicious pies. It took 296 pounds of flour, 200 pounds of sugar, 132 pounds of Crisco and bushels of fruit to put the pies into the tins. Below is the list of mission distribution from the sales.

Net profit from 2023 PIE SALES..... \$7,009.69

Money in Reserve

Altar flowers for: EASTER, CHRISTMAS, LWML SUNDAY..... \$600.00
LWML 2024 Convention Scholarships x 2 @ \$100 each \$200.00
Memorial Bench Gene Rump..... \$150.00
Quilter Supplies..... \$500.00
Scholarships for higher education x 2 @ \$250 each \$500.00
Start up cash for 2024 Pie Sale (Paid back after sale)..... \$450.00
Zone 13 Pro-rate and Quarterly Magazine..... \$100.00
Total..... \$2,500.00

Reconciled to bank: \$8,600.16
AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR MISSIONS \$6,100.16

MISSION GRANTS 2023

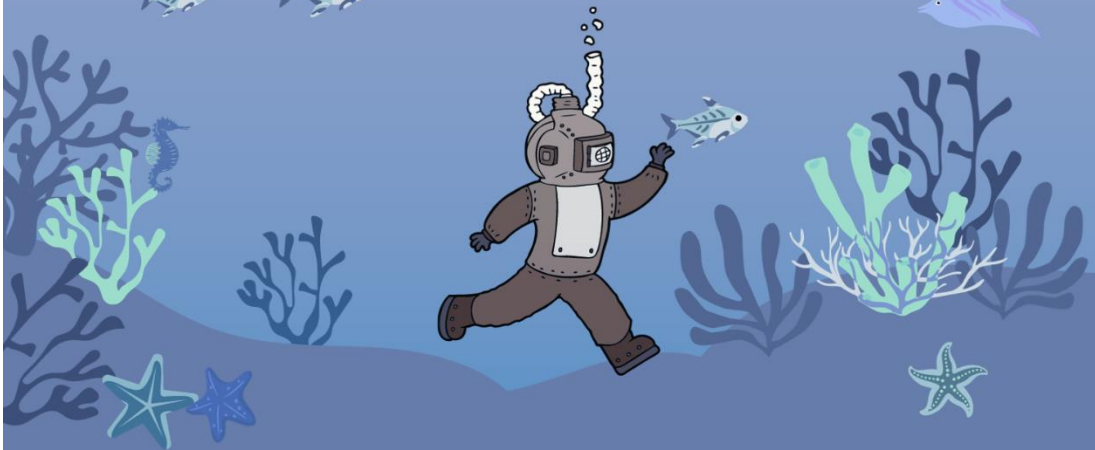
Coats for Kids--BiCoastal Media \$500.00
Del Norte Literacy..... \$100.00
Del Norte Senior Center \$200.00
Food for the Poor..... \$200.00
Harrington House \$300.00
LCMS LWML Mites \$1,000.00
Lutheran World Relief \$1,000.00
Lutherans for Life..... \$200.00
Orphan Grain Train \$1,000.00
Pregnancy Care Center..... \$200.00
Stephen's Pantry \$300.00
Samaritan's Purse..... \$1,000.00
TOTAL \$6,000.00

SEAFOOD SUNDAY

**KICK OFF THE NEW YEAR WITH
GRACE'S FAMOUS FISH FRY!**

January 7, 2024

**Following the new officer
installation service
ALL ARE INVITED TO STAY &
ENJOY!**



**A FREE-WILL OFFERING is encouraged
to help offset the Cost**

**YOU CAN HELP
HUNGRY PEOPLE**

FOOD PANTRY

**HERE ARE THE WAYS
YOU CAN HELP**

- VOLUNTEER ON A MONDAY, 2-4PM
- SHOP OR STOCK
- BE A BAGGER
- PICK UP FOOD
- DONATE FOOD OR CASH



MORE INFO CONTACT JIM RAMSEY 707-464-7195