

Prayer Requests

Healing and Comfort

Shirley Nuechterlein
Gene Heuton
Dennis Nuechterlein
Luanne Schmidt
Miquela Omosowon

Blessings/Guidance

Yohannes Ghebru
Concordia University
Rich & Miriam Carter

Shut ins

Vera Schwagel
Heritage Apartments
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The Week Ahead

SUNDAY, December 17

8:00 A.M. Traditional Worship w/Communion
10:30 A.M. Contemporary Worship w/Communion

MONDAY, December 18

TUESDAY, December 19

WEDNESDAY, December 20

5:15 P.M. Meal
6:30 P.M. Holden Evening Prayer

THURSDAY, December 21

FRIDAY, December 22 Office Closed

1:30 P.M. Feeding Frogtown @ St. Paul City School

SATURDAY, December 23

SUNDAY, December 24

9:30 A.M. Traditional Worship
4:00 P.M. Service of Carols & Lessons
10:00 P.M. Candlelight Worship w/Communion

Upcoming Birthdays, Feasts & Commemoration

December 17: *Daniel the Prophet and the Three Young Men*
December 18: Derrick Jahr
December 19: Andy Thao, Simeon Thompson, Trent Willard, *Adam & Eve*
December 20: *Katharina von Bora Luther*
December 21: Vera Schwagel
December 22:
December 23: Ben Mohrland, Wayne Warnest

CELEBRATING



December contact persons: Lynne Heuton & Connie Peterson

Dan Baker, Clarence & Yoshiko Benson, Kyle & Cassandra Corey, Eugene & Lynne Heuton, Joan Johnson, Keith Rennerfeldt, Dan & Sharon Savard, Dale Trapp

St. Stephanus Lutheran Church
Preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ for 125 Years

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with Jesus Christ and Each Other

Dec. 17, 2017



THIRD SUNDAY OF *Advent*

Welcome Visitors

Please sign the attendance register. If you desire a call from the pastor or are interested in membership, please note that on the attendance register.

Our Mission Statement:

To proclaim the gospel through word and sacrament to our membership, our communities and our world.

Our Vision:

Connecting people with Jesus Christ and each other through worship, learning and service.

Connecting Groups & Youth:

Much more than a Bible Study... come and find true Biblical Relationships. For more info, contact: Megan Huff meghuff@gmail.com

About Communion:

Non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center of the communion trays. It is distinctly lighter than the surrounding wine. Children who have not received instruction are invited to the rail to receive a blessing. Visitors are welcomed to the rail if you join us in confessing that the Lord gives not only bread and wine, but His very Body and Blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of our sins and to strengthen our union with Him and one another. Our Lord invites to this table those who (1) trust his words, (2) repent of all sins and (3) set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He has forgiven and loves us.

Sunday Services

Traditional Worship 8:00 AM
Education Hour 9:15 AM
Contemporary Worship 10:30 AM
Holy Communion at both services on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday of each month.
Eritrean Service 12 Noon



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December 17 Worship Assistants

Preacher: Rev. Andrew Thompson
Acolytes: (8:00) Calvin Hanan & Jingyan Schlechte
(10:30) Savannah & Sebastian Caquelin
Caretaker: (8:00) John Schonebaum (10:30) Rich Culbert
Video Ministry: Jeff Johnson
Communion Assistants: (8:00) Matt Hanan, Megan Huff, John Schonebaum
(10:30) Gene Heuton, Akbar Muhammad, Dale Trapp
Elder: (8:00) Matt Hanan (10:30) Jerry Spiess
Greeters: (8:00) Corine Goodrich & Sheila Schlechte (10:30) Tarrie Culbert & Jerry Spiess
Lector: (8:00) Shelly Novotny (10:30) Terianne Bender
Music: (8:00) Organ: Bruce Anderson, Cantor: Lois Thur (10:30) Worship Band
Soundboard: (8:00) Scott Goodrich (10:30) Keith Rennerfeldt
Ushers: (8:00) Justin Baker, Collin Hanan, Reba & Walt Peterson
(10:30) Erica Moore, Bill, Jeremiah & Trent Willard



Today's Altar flowers are given by:
Jeremiah & Ruthann Willard

Last Week's Contributions:

December 10 8:00 A.M. (52) 10:30 A.M. (125)

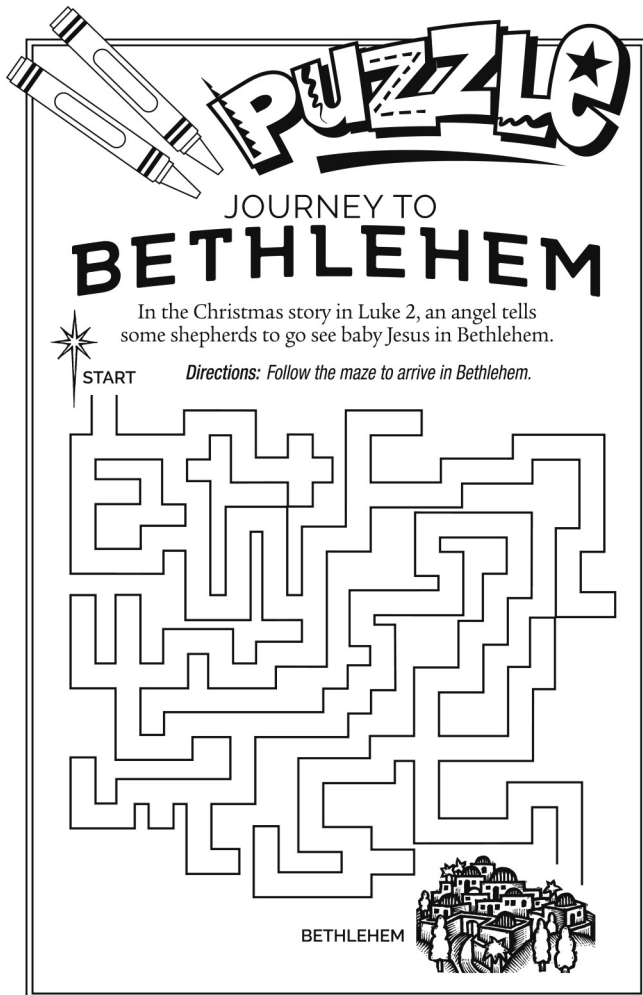
Current - \$ 4,988.26	CLS - \$275.00
Special Thanks - \$5.00	Advent - \$110.00
Christmas Eve - \$5.00	Christmas - \$20.00
New Year's Eve - \$5.00	Caring & Sharing - \$565.04
Giese Memorial - \$ 25.00	Sunday School - \$27.13
Total - \$ 6,025.43 (\$6,500 needed weekly)	

December 24 Worship Assistants

Preacher: Rev. Andrew Thompson
Acolytes: (9:30) Sebastian Caquelin & Micah Thompson
Caretaker: (9:30) Dan Savard
Video Ministry: Jeff Johnson
Communion Assistants: (9:30)
Elder: (9:30) Dan Savard
Greeters: (9:30) Dan Savard & Dale Trapp
Lector: (9:30) Sharon Savard
Music: (9:30) Organist: Bruce Anderson
Soundboard: (9:30) Leonard Miller
Ushers: (9:30) Steve Sohn, Trent Willard, Ron & Jan Brubak

Martha Sohn has a new book available, “God’s COLORS for kids of all ages”. This book grew out of her first book and collaboration with Marie Woller, “God’s Alphabet for kids of all ages”. With God’s guidance, the next one is a reality! Praise God!
“God’s COLORS for kids of all ages” is available from Martha, at \$25.00 per copy. Please contact Martha at marthasohn60@gmail.com.

As Chairman of Social Need, I want to thank several of our members who have generously gifted a needy family with Target gift cards, diapers, and hand knitted mittens, scarves, and hats. Your love overflows through out the year.
~Connie Petersen~



Bible Study: will meet in the Fireside Room.

Meine Seele erhebt den Herren. This is Martin Luther's translation of the traditional Latin Magnificat to German. Today's prelude (8:00) consists of a harmonization of the melody by Johann Sebastian Bach, followed by chorales on the same melody by Delphin Strungk (1600-1694) and Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706). *My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.*
~From the organ bench~

Join us for Holden Evening Prayer at 6:30 P.M. on Wednesdays in December (12/20) as we prepare for the celebration of Christmas. There will be a meal served starting at 5:15 P.M. in the Fireside Room.

Our Holiday schedule

- Dec. 24 9:30 Sunday Service
4:00 Carols & Lessons
10:00 Special Candlelight with Communion
- Dec. 25 9:30 with Communion
- Dec. 31 9:30 1st Sunday of Christmas with Communion
6:30 New Year's Eve service with Communion

