

Prayer Requests

Healing and Comfort

Ernie Brown
Reba Peterson
Suzanne Johnston
Keith Rennerfeldt
Clarice Anderson

Blessings/Guidance

Concordia Academy
Rich & Miriam Carter

Shut ins

Lisa Bisping

The Week Ahead

SUNDAY, January 13

8:00 A.M. Traditional Worship
10:30 A.M. Contemporary Worship
Noon Eritrean Worship

MONDAY, January 14

TUESDAY, January 15

WEDNESDAY, January 16

6:00 P.M. Confirmation

THURSDAY, January 17

FRIDAY, January 18

SATURDAY, January 19

SUNDAY, January 20

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

Upcoming Birthdays, Feasts & Commemoration

Jan. 13:
Jan. 14:
Jan. 15:
Jan. 16:
Jan. 17: Marie Benson
Jan. 18: Leah Van Dassor, *The Confession of St. Peter*
Jan. 19: Sheila Schlechte

CELEBRATING



January contact person: Sue Kressin

David & Diana Betts, Erin Betts, Matt & Jen Caquelin, Marian Harmening, Ronald Hoelscher, Arnie Johnson & Eileen Vierow, Admasu Mekonen & Diribe Desissa, Ed & Marlene Potter, Jim Radtke & Sue Kressin, Jeff & Jodi Wussler

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

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with Jesus Christ and Each Other

January 13, 2019

First Sunday of Epiphany



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.

About Communion:

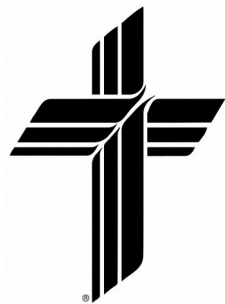
Non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center of the communion trays. It is distinctly lighter than the surrounding wine. Children who have not received instruction are invited to the rail to receive a blessing. Visitors are welcomed to the rail if you join us in confessing that the Lord gives not only 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.

Prayers:

You are invited to fill out a prayer card located in the pew. Pastor will gather these cards before the prayers of the church. Please print your prayer requests.

Sunday Services:

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



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Admasu Mekonen

OFFICE HOURS:
Monday to Friday 9 AM to 1 PM
Bulletin Deadline: 11 AM Wed.

January 13 Worship Assistants

Preacher: Rev. Andrew Thompson

Acolytes: (8:00) Christopher & Owen Schonebaum

(10:30) Joshua Langemo & Lexi Miller

Caretaker: (8:00) John Schonebaum (10:30) Admasu Mekonen

Video Ministry: Jeff Johnson

Communion Assistants: (8:00) (10:30)

Elder: (8:00) Wayne Warnest (10:30) Redazgi Habtezgi

Greeters: (8:00) B.J. Brown & Candy Pagel (10:30) Janine, Marty, Zach Langemo

Lector: (8:00) Lois Thur (10:30) Janine Langemo

Music: (8:00) Organist: Stella O'Neil (10:30) Worship Band

Soundboard: (8:00) Scott Goodrich (10:30) Leonard Miller

Ushers: (8:00) Tesfaya Maskalo, Philip Pruess, John Schonebaum, Wayne Warnest
(10:30) Noah Miller, Erica Moore, Jeremiah & Trent Willard



Altar
Flowers

Today's Altar flowers are given by:

Kathy Fleischhacker and family in memory of Andrew Fleischhacker, Jr. who went to his heavenly home 2 years ago today.

Last Week's Contributions:

December 30 9:30 (120)

Current - \$8,228.00

Christian Education - \$26.00

New Years Eve \$291.00

Missions - \$22.00

Special Thanks - \$5.00

Caring & Sharing - \$300.00

Total - \$8,872.00 (\$7,000 needed weekly)

Jan 20 Worship Assistants

Preacher: Rev. Andrew Thompson

Acolytes: (8:00) Calvin Hanan & Elizabeth Thompson

(10:30) Savannah & Sebastian Caquelin

Caretaker: (8:00) Russ Van Dassor (10:30) Rich Culbert

Video Ministry: Jeff Johnson

Communion Assistants: (8:00) Megan Huff, Russ Van Dassor

(10:30) Dale Trapp, Jeremiah Willard, Tricia Schmidt

Elder: (8:00) Matt Hanan (10:30) Keith Rennerfeldt

Greeters: (8:00) Marie Benson, Dan Savard (10:30) Jerry & Jackie Spiess

Lector: (8:00) Shelly Novotny (10:30) Dale Trapp

Music: (8:00) Organist: Bruce Anderson (10:30) Worship Band

Soundboard: (8:00) Dan Savard (10:30) Leonard Miller

Ushers: (8:00) Dan Savard, Collin Hanan Reba & Walt Peterson
(10:30) Jeff Wussler, Jon, Rich, Tarrie Culbert

2019 Men's Club Officers

Dennis Nuechterlein—President
Vice President—Dave Sura
Secretary—Jeff Wussler
Treasure—Wayne Warnest
Member at Large—David Jahr

Pastor Dan Siedenborg will be retiring on Feb. 24, 2019 after 41 years of ministry. If you would like to send him a note of congratulation, you can send it in care of his daughter, Hannah, to address:

Pastor Dan Siedenborg
C/O Hannah Gage
1975 Betty Jane Ct
North St. Paul, MN. 55109

LWML Winter Workshop

Please join us on February 2, 2019 from 9-11AM for the LWML Winter Workshop hosted by the St. Paul Metro Zone LWML.
Registration and light breakfast 9AM, speaker 9:45-11AM, free will offering

Eastern Heights Lutheran Church
616 Ruth Street N
St. Paul, MN 55119-3936

speaker from: Jonathan House

“Helping people survive and recover from forced displacement by offering shelter and community”

Bible Study: will meet in the Fireside room.

Beginning January 16, through the month of January, I will be out of the office but please leave a voice mail and or email and I will get back to you. ~Clarice Anderson~

A huge "Thank You!" to all who helped with the Christmas services, especially John Schonebaum, Amy Gundermann, Tom Gundermann, the members of the Worship Band, and members of the Bell Choir. Your service helped bring Christmas Joy to worship!

In 1735-1736 Johann Sebastian Bach compiled a set of compositions called the *Clavier-Übung III*, also referred to as the *German Organ Mass*. This collection is bookmarked with the Prelude and "St. Anne" Fugue, with 21 chorale preludes based on parts of the Lutheran service and catechism. Found in this publication is Bach's setting of "Christ, unser Herr, zum Jordan kam", which is found in our hymnal as #406: "To Jordan Came the Christ, our Lord". This setting encompasses the message of the hymn with the melody appearing in long notes in the pedal while the keyboard accompaniment reflects the river water rippling along in fast notes. This chorale will serve as our prelude today (8:00). ~The Organ Bench~



How about this for a Valentine's gift? Receive the gift of enhanced communication skills with Lutheran Marriage Encounter! The next event is scheduled Feb. 15-17, 2019 in Brooklyn Center, MN. Apply now at GodLovesMarriage.org, or contact Peter & Phyllis McMahon at mcmahonp@comcast.net or 763-561-1575 for more information. Special 50% discount off the regular application fee for 2019 events in celebration of Worldwide Marriage Encounter's 50 years of enhancing marriages! Pre-registration is required— don't miss out!

HUMBLE REQUEST: If you or someone you know is in the hospital, nursing home or has an emergency, **PLEASE** call the **CHURCH OFFICE** to leave a message for Pastor Thompson. He would like to visit as soon as possible.

Many times, members do not pass this information along and Pastor does not find out about it until after the fact.

A reminder: If you drop off items, furniture or other items for the church please let the office know your name and the reason for dropping it off. If you are leaving notes for staff members PLEASE DATE AND SIGN IT.



On the third Sunday of each month, our church collects your pocket change for "mites for missions" in the big mite box in the narthex. Please remember to bring your mite box from home or take one with you to fill for next month. These mites go towards mission projects as well as provide assistance to those seeking a Lutheran High School education, assisting seminary students with food/clothing, or help expand outreach to ethnic women and families to name just a few ways that your mites help the LWML

reach the world. Thank you for your support.

~Women's Ministry ~

Jonathan House Ministry: Shelter, Hope, and Healing for Asylum Seekers

Recovery from forced displacement requires a supportive community, life-giving faith and emotional well-being along with the ability to navigate and contribute to society.

Mark your calendars with the following events happening as we move closer to the opening of Jonathan House on Blair!

Saturday, January 26 - Volunteer Cleaning Day. Volunteers are needed to help prepare the house to receive residents. This day will be focused on final cleaning and set up with furniture and any household items received. (time is to be determined, for more information contact Cherie Fleischhacker ckflei@yahoo.com)

- **Tuesday, February 5 - House Dedication Service.** This will be a time to celebrate and pray over the house, dedicating it and committing all who will come there to the Lord's love and care (time is to be determined as date approaches).

Wednesday, February 6 - Jonathan House on Blair open to welcome residents!

PRAYER:

Please pray for the volunteers and staff who are preparing the Blair house for residents, for the residents who will be coming to live at Jonathan House, and for the ministry of Jonathan House.

We continue to meet at St. Stephanus on the 4th Wednesday of every month at 7PM for a brief update on Jonathan House and for prayer for the ministry, asylum seekers, refugees, etc. Please join us at the next meeting on Wednesday, January 23rd at 7PM.

DONATE:

Furniture is now being gathered to furnish the Blair house for Jonathan House residents. A list of furniture needs is posted on the Jonathan House bulletin board located in the Fireside Room. If you have new or gently used items to donate, please take a photograph and send to joshl@iafr.org by **January 19th.**

To stay up to date on everything that is happening with this ministry you can: check the website at <http://iafr.org>, like them on Facebook Jonathan House IAFR, or email with any questions at jonathanhouse@iafr.org