

Prayer Requests

Healing and Comfort

Keith Rennerfeldt
David Weckwerth
Joanne Johansen
Vonnie Karger

Blessings/Guidance

Concordia University
Paul & Kristin Humber

Shut ins

Sharen Kappes

Week Ahead

SUNDAY, November 24

8:00 A.M.	Traditional Worship
9:15 A.M.	Education Hour
10:30 A.M.	Contemporary Worship
Noon	Eritrean Worship

MONDAY, November 25

TUESDAY, November 26

WEDNESDAY, November 27

THURSDAY, November 28
Thanksgiving Day Office Closed

FRIDAY, November 29

SATURDAY, November 30

SUNDAY, December 1

8:00 A.M.	Traditional Worship w/Communion
9:15 A.M.	Education Hour
10:30 A.M.	Contemporary Worship w/Communion
Noon	Eritrean Worship

St. Stephanus Lutheran Church
Preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ for 129 Years

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with Jesus Christ and Each Other

November 24, 2019

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Upcoming Birthdays, Feasts & Commemoration

Nov. 24

Nov. 25:

Nov. 26: Ben Goodrich, Guttu Hussein

Nov. 27: Joan Baker

Nov. 28: Dan Sagstetter

Nov. 29: Jill Katzenmaier, Reba Peterson, *Noah*

Nov. 30: Philip Preuss, *St. Andrew, Apostle*

Dec. 1: Ruth Ann Willard



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

December contact persons: Lynne Heuton & Connie Petersen

Lynne Heuton, Connie Petersen, Erin Baker, Al Benson, Clarence & Yoshiko Benson, Michelle Connolly, Jeff & Suzanne Johnson, Allison Johnson, Admasu Mekonen & Diribe Desissa, Martha Sohn, Steve Sohn



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:

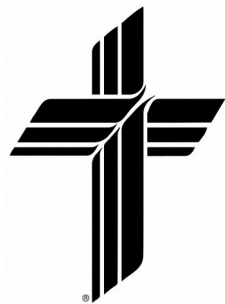
Non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center of the communion trays. It is distinctly lighter than the surrounding wine. Children who have not received instruction are invited to the rail to receive a blessing. Visitors are welcomed to the rail if you join us in confessing that the Lord gives not only 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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OFFICE HOURS:
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Bulletin Deadline: 11 AM Wed

Bible readings are located at
www.saintstephanus.org under the
"WORSHIP" tab
You can watch sermons on YouTube by
searching Saint Stephanus (date).

November 24 Worship Assistants

Preacher: Rev. Andrew Thompson
Acolytes: (8:00) Calvin Hanan & Emma Pagel
(10:30) Elizabeth & Mica Thompson
Caretaker: (8:00) Dan Savard (10:30) Judy Brinkman
Video Ministry: Jeff Johnson
Communion Assistants: (8:00) (10:30)
Elder: (8:00) Dan Savard (10:30) Keith Rennerfeldt
Greeters: (8:00) Marie Benson & Corine Goodrich
(10:30) Erin Baker & Judy Brinkman
Lector: (8:00) Lois Thur (10:30) Erica Moore
Music: (8:00) Organist: Bruce Anderson (10:30) Worship Band
Soundboard: (8:00) Scott Goodrich (10:30) Leonard Miller
Ushers: (8:00) Collin Hanan, Bruce Karger, Walt & Reba Peterson
(10:30) Steve Sohn, Jeff Wussler, Erica Moore, Tesfaya Maskalo



Today's Altar flowers are given by:

Reba & Walt Peterson in honor of their 58th wedding anniversary on Nov. 29th and also given by Bill & Joan Baker as they celebrate God's blessings of family, friends, and their 53rd wedding anniversary.

Last Week's Contributions:

Nov. 17 8:00 (55) 10:30 (91)

Current - \$11,306.86 Missions- \$1,511.00
Concordia Academy - \$10.00 Special Thanks - \$100.00
Christian Education - \$1.00 20 x 5 - \$5.00
Sunday School - \$6.46

Total - \$12,940.32 (\$7,200 needed weekly)

Dec. 1 Worship Assistants

Preacher: Rev. Andrew Thompson
Acolytes: (8:00)
(10:30)
Caretakers: (8:00) (10:30)
Video Ministry: Jeff Johnson
Communion Assistants: (8:00) (10:30)
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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 aid 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 ~

There will be no Thanksgiving worship service here at St. Stephanus but you are invited to spend Thanksgiving worship at Emmaus on Wed the 27 at 7 P.M.



Our December Advent worship schedule begins on Wed., Dec. 4 at 6:30 P.M.

Dec. 11 at 6:30 P.M.

Dec. 15 Sunday School Program at 10:30 service

Dec. 18 at 6:30 P.M.

Dec. 22 9:30 A.M. Worship

Dec. 24 4:00 P.M. Lessons & Carols

Dec. 24 10:00 P.M. Candlelight worship with communion

Dec. 25 9:30 A.M. Christmas Day worship with communion

Dec. 29 9:30 A.M. Worship with communion

New Year's Eve worship with communion at 6:30 P.M.

Adult Bible study will meet downstairs in the Fireside Room



Martin Rinkart (1586-1649) was a Lutheran pastor at Eilenberg, Germany (near Leipzig) during the Thirty Years' War (1618-1648). Because Eilenberg was a walled city, it became a refuge for political and military fugitives from far and near. Due to the subsequent overcrowding the entire city suffered from famine and disease. In 1637 a plague went through the town killing about eight thousand people, including Rinkart's wife. At that time Rinkart was the only minister in the city, so Rinkart conducted burial services, sometimes as many as 40-50 a day. Even in such difficult times, Rinkart held the belief that God's providence is always good. Rinkart wrote a song for his children to sing in thanks at the dinner table, penning the words to "Now Thank We All Our God." Set to the tune "Nun Danket alle Gott" composed by Johann Crüger (1598-1662), this hymn was later translated into English for British hymnals by Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878). Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750) used this hymn as a chorale in his Cantata No. 79, "God, Our Lord, Is Sun and Shield". A transcription of this setting, as arranged by Virgil Fox (1912-1980) will serve as our postlude this morning (8:00). ~From the organ bench~

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.**