



THE PARISH NEWS



January, 2022

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NEWSLETTER INFORMATION/

ARTICLES DEADLINE is 20th of each month.

Our Mission. . . "Working hand in hand to know Christ and make Christ known through Worship, Christian Education, Evangelism, Fellowship, Caring Ministries, and Service."

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¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come."
2 Corinthians 5:17

Grace, mercy and peace be with you from God our Father, and our Lord Jesus Christ as we enter this new year. Wow, what a year it has been. Just like 2020, 2021 has been full of many surprises and challenges for everyone to navigate. Nevertheless, at this time of year, many find themselves reflecting on their lives and even making resolutions of changes they would like to see happen in their lives during this upcoming year. Perhaps, this is where you find yourself this new year. It may have something to do with your health, being more organized, change of occupation, learning a new skill or hobby, new financial goals like saving more or spending less money, traveling more, or many other things. We may find ourselves in this state of self-reflection.

Isn't it interesting that this list follows a similar pattern of either taking something away or adding something new or more to your life? If we take a moment to reflect on our spiritual lives in a similar fashion, we may be surprised (or not) with similar changes we'd like to see to our lives of faith. Our passage from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians, states that we already live as a new creation that is found *in Christ*. The "in Christ" is significant because this defines our entire life down to the bedrock of our identity. But an important distinction must be made that makes the Christian life so different from any new year's resolution.

The Christian life, living a life *in Christ as a new creation* requires NOTHING from us. We must always start our life in Christ by surrendering the control and our human need to do something to earn our way. This idea is taken up by Pastor Watchman Nee (1903-1972) who is a noted Chinese Bible teacher and Christian leader, in his book "Sit, Walk, Stand: The process of Christian Maturity."¹ He describes this as a mistake most Christians make that they try to walk in order to be able sit. The question to ask is what can we attain without our effort?

If we seek to attain something in our spiritual journey, we get nothing, we miss the point. In the words of Pastor Nee, "For Christianity begins not with a big DO, but with a big DONE." This is the starting point. We begin this expedition of faith by not relying upon our own doing, but upon what He had done for us. From that point we then are found in the right place that we are saved by faith (Ephesians 2:8-10) not by our own doing.

This conclusion does not mean we cannot draw nearer to God: focus more on our faith, worship with other believers more often or service God by serving your neighbor etc. But, where we start this process of improvement is important.

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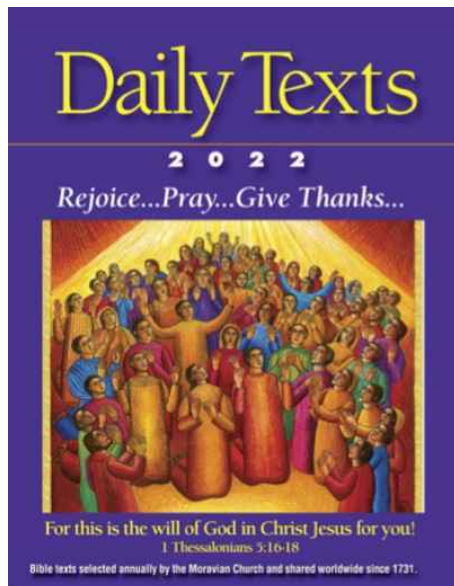
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May this New Year of 2022 be a new year also for you to reflect on your personal relationship with Jesus Christ and how the Church can partner with you in your journey through this time. Whatever the new year may bring, may we all take the secret of the Christian life, that we begin from our rest in Christ.

Let us draw nearer to God this new year allowing this year to pass away and let us pay attention to the new year that is to come.

In Christ,
Pastor Chuck

[†] Nee, Watchman. Sit, Walk, Stand: The Process of Christian Maturity." CLC Ministries International, Fort Washington, PA, 2015, 12



Daily Text 2022

Looking for a new devotional resource? The *Daily Text* is a devotional that has been published yearly since 1731. The texts are prayerfully picked each year so that each day you can be guided by the Holy Spirit. The texts are chosen from both Old and New Testaments to help you see the connection between the verses.

The devotional also has additional materials including prayers written for each day's verse, pages to record your own prayer concerns, hymns for each week, a Bible reading plan and other prayer resources. They are available at the church office for \$9 each if you would like to purchase one.



LCMC 10th Annual Three Days of Prayer
January 4-6, 2022 • www.lcmc.net/three-days-of-prayer • Every Congregation

LCMC 3 Days of Prayer January 4-6, 2022

We would like to invite everyone to join us in the LCMC 10th Annual Three Days of Prayer that will take place on January 4, 5, 6, 2022. Prayer is a gift that God has given to us as a means to approach the throne of grace with confidence—like that of a child coming to their parents sharing concern, victories, defeats and every part of life.

The focus of this year's prayer will be the following:

January 4

This day is focused on Confession

January 5

This day is focused on Intercession

January 6

This day is focused on Mission

We will be encouraging all those who participate to pray wherever they are and set aside some time each day (whether 15 minutes or more) or short time each hour throughout the day. The church will also be open from 9 am to 3 pm for private prayer. There is a booklet available in the Narthex for anyone who would like to use a prayer resource.

There will be a prayer service offered on Thursday, January, 7, 2022 at 7:00 pm at the church and possibly online for us to join together as the Church and pray with our LCMC brothers and sisters in Christ.





DECEMBER 7, 2021 COUNCIL MEETING

(Please note that minutes are not approved until voted on by the council at the next meeting.)



The Church Council met on December 7, 2021, at 7:00 PM. Present were: Matt Gardner, Mac Beaudry, Donna Sommer, Pastor Mann, Melanie Beckman, Kathy Keller, Jeff Schmidt, Stacy Boeshans, Lee Kugler and Janet Hanson. Also present was Jeannette Rost.

The meeting was called to order and the agenda was approved.

Pastor started out with devotions on Jeremiah 10:12 and read from the Daily Text.

Beckman/Boeshans to approve the minutes from October 12, 2021. Carried.

Sommer gave the treasurer's report. The following balances are on hand: CD's: \$150,000.00; Checking: \$88,523.43; Building: \$31,025.91; Cemetery: \$617.40; Interest: \$5,372.98; Music: \$591.74; Parking Lot: \$95.00; Worship: \$2,683.44; Morgan Stanley: \$11,992.40. Total Assets: \$290,902.30. Keller/Beaudry to approve the report for future audit and to pay all non-budgeted bills. Carried.

Pastors Report: Pastor presided over two baptisms and three funerals/committal services this past month. He continues meeting with members in person, phone and with home communion. All Saints Sunday was November 7 where we remembered 16 members and loved ones. There was Thanksgiving Eve service on Wed. night. Special Advent events are highlighting the SS advent, candle lighting reading and prayer. Christmas Eve service will be at 4:30 and 9:00 pm. Pastor will be on vacation from Dec. 25-Jan. 4 and we will have two different people leading the Sunday's he is gone.

Review of the constitution: Mac reviewed the Vice President position. The Vice President is on the Exec committee, head of the Mutual ministry committee, can be on any other committee, and will take over as President when that term comes up.

Committee reports:

Stewardship: Keller has met with the Exec committee to work on the budget.

Worship: Schmidt has the reader/communion assistant list out for next year. He will work with the Pastor to work with committees.

Education: Boeshans has all the members for her committee. For the Advent program the kids are making ornaments and putting on the tree and they are working on the Christmas program.

Evangelism: Beckman will get the new member packets out and will get packets ready for Christmas.

Property: Kugler reported the new stove and microwave for the parsonage is in and he has received three quotes for the parsonage bathroom remodel. The windows are in, blinds are ordered, and will be installed. Things to look at are the Church storage and property use guidelines need to be put in writing. Chris Trzpuć will be doing our snow removal, Kugler is looking at getting quotes for sprinkler system, the parking lot got lined, the gutters cleaned, some steps need some work, and balcony windows have been scraped and resealed. We have a bid from HA Thompson for a maintenance agreement. Council members will look over the bid and discuss this next month.

Executive Committee: Since Sept., the Executive committee has met numerous times to discuss Personnel issues. Dates met were Sept. 9, Sept. 11, Sept. 27 (whole council), Oct. 20, Oct. 31, Nov. 16 (whole council), and Nov. 30 (whole council).

Mutual Ministry Committee: The committee is starting to meet. They are still short one person.

Technology Committee: They will be meeting to talk about the security system and auto lock.

Old Business:

We have \$758.92 in Thrivent Choice Dollars.

The endowment committee has met and Gardner presented the Council on their proposal. Beaudry/Keller to approve the Endowment Committee's proposal to go with establishing an endowment with Thrivent but change their recommendation to put in \$125,000 of the Johnson Trust plus the amount that is in the retirement portfolio. Carried.

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This proposal will go to the Congregation for a vote at the Annual meeting in January.

West River came out and looked at the internet coverage for no cost. They added a port in the balcony and set up a guest network.

Everything will be installed for the lock system soon and then training will be held.

New Business:

Beckman/Schmidt to approve the following benevolences to be paid: US/Local Missions-\$375.00 to Dakota Boys Ranch, Global Missions-\$375.00 to KIDS International Ministries, World Hunger-\$125.00 to Great Plains Food Bank, and Relief Missions-\$250.00 to the Salvation Army. Carried.

Beaudry/Keller to host a Bluegrass concert on Feb. 27, 2022 at 2:00 with Schmidt being the volunteer coordinator. Carried.

Beckman/Boeshans to approve \$175.00 from Thrivent funds to pay for an ad in the Leader/News Caroling Booklet. Carried.

Discussion was on hiring a Youth Director. Boeshans/Beckman to form a committee of Sommer (Chair), Boeshans, Schmidt, and Pastor, to come up with the framework for ideas and job description for a Youth Director. Carried.

The budget for 2022 was looked at. Keller/Kugler to approve the budget as presented. Carried. The Annual meeting will be held on January 23, 2022 after a meal that starts at 11:45. Committee reports are due no later than noon on January 12, 2022.

Schmidt reported he could use a tall ladder. The consensus was for Schmidt to purchase a ladder.

Beaudry/Sommer to approve the transfer in of Mike and Jamie Nelson and children Mya, Brady, and Kale from United Methodist Church of Washburn and transfer out of Gary and Nancy Fuchs to Charity Lutheran Church in Bismarck.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 6, 2022 at 7:00 pm.

Schmidt/Beckman to adjourn. Carried.

Respectfully submitted by:
Janet Hanson
Church Council Secretary



We welcome
Adelynn Schmidt and
Townes Swanson
as our newest
members of
First Lutheran.



Adelynn Bea Victoria Schmidt
Baptized November 27, 2021

Pictured are:
Jeff, Amanda & Adelynn Schmidt
Pastor Chuck Mann



Townes Earl Swanson
Baptized December 6, 2021

Pictured are:
Jordan, Samantha & Townes Swanson
Pastor Chuck Mann

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM BISHOP DANIEL SELBO

Greetings in the name of our God — Father, Son and Holy Spirit — as we celebrate our Lord's birth at Christmas and look forward to His glorious return when the Father will call us all home to be with Him forever!

Thank you for your good and faithful ministry and for your partnership in the work of the Gospel. It is my deepest and most sincere desire and prayer that this Christmas season will be one in which we offer a strong and encouraging word of hope to a world that is in desperate need of what only our Lord Jesus can give.

There is little doubt that we are living in challenging times. Our world continues to be threatened by a global pandemic that appears to be with us for an uncertain amount of time. Our nations continue to be torn by politics that tend to separate and divide rather than unify and lead to peace. The uncertainty of the stock markets, the threat of increased inflation, the tension that exists between some of our world's strongest nations — these are but a few of the many reasons why people are concerned for their futures and find little reason for hope for the generations that will follow.

At the same time, as followers of Jesus, we know that the troubles of this world are only of this world. As real as they are and as challenging and troubling as they might be, they do not and never will have the final say. The final say belongs to God. The final word is always and only His. And the Word He has given to us, in His Son, Jesus Christ, is one in which we find real and lasting hope.

In his letter to the believers in Galatia, the apostle Paul points to the confidence we can have in our God who knows and sees and responds to our deepest needs in a timely manner. "When the time had fully come, God sent His Son, born of a woman, born under law, to redeem those under law, that we might receive the full rights as sons" (Galatians 4:4-5).

Our hope is in Jesus. Our security is in Christ. We have been redeemed, bought back, justified, and made right with God in what has been accomplished for us in His Son. Christmas offers a word of needed and lasting hope to all who are willing to place their trust in Jesus.

It is always helpful, in troubling times, to remember the context of the world into which our Lord Jesus was born. People were fearful of the political powers. Although there was a Roman peace, it was

one brought about by a singular power instead of a shared unity. Countries were divided. Families were being torn apart. Racism was real. Life was fragile. There was as much anxiety and fear in Jesus' day as there is in ours. Although much has changed in our world in the past 2,000 years, little has changed when it comes to this world's troubles and the need people have for a real and lasting word of hope.

Over the past several months, as travel restrictions have eased up, I have had the privilege and joy of visiting some of our mission districts and congregations. There is no doubt that our pastors have been challenged. There is no denying that the past year and a half have been a struggle and that the resulting impact of the pandemic has reduced the number of people in worship. There is also little doubt that God is alive and at work, and no denying that the lives of people for whom our Lord Jesus gave His life on the cross continue to be transformed.

My encouragement to our pastors is to not become too concerned with what might appear to be a decline in the impact we are having through our ministries. The deceiver wants nothing more than for us to focus on the numbers and percentages that would lead us to become discouraged. Rather, our calling is to fix our eyes on Jesus and to remember that there is nothing in this world that can stop the power of the life-giving message offered in Him.

Continue to love your people. Find new ways to make the connections that are so vital to our faith and life. Fulfill the ministry to which you have been called. The Church belongs to Jesus. He is Lord. He knows the challenges we face. Be encouraged by His presence in your ministry and His promise to give hope.

The promise and presence of the Christ child, born in Bethlehem's manger, is as needed and relevant today as it was when our Lord was born. As the familiar Christmas hymn puts it, "The hopes and fears of all the years" are still being met and fulfilled in the Word made flesh, God's only Son, Jesus Christ.

As I reflect on the events of this past year and the work of our congregations and ministry partners, I cannot help but give thanks for the many ways in which God has been blessing us from the start. We are now in our 12th year as a church body. We have missionaries and ministries in more than 10

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countries around the world. We have a vision for our future. We have a renewed energy and focus for our work. We have the guidance of God's Holy Spirit. We have the gift of forgiveness and life eternal in God's only Son. And we have the purpose our Lord has given us in His commission, to "make disciples of all nations," and the promise of Emmanuel, "God with us" in all things.

For these reasons, and many more, we are and will always be a people of hope. As a result, let us be bold in our witness and confident in the words we share. We carry a message our world needs to hear, and we follow the One who has called and claimed us for eternity.

Thank you for your faithful witness. Thank you for the partnership we share in Christ. Thank you for persevering in what has been another challenging year. I look forward to the year ahead and to continuing the work that is ours in Jesus.

It is a joy and an honor to serve as your bishop. Know that my prayers are with each of you. Have a blessed and a hope-filled Christmas!

In Christ,

Bishop Dan

Bishop Dan
North American Lutheran Church



2022 offering envelopes at ready and on the table in the narthex. Please pick yours up if you have not already done so. If you have not received envelopes and would like a set, please let Jeannette know in the church office.



STEWARDSHIP



"Forget the former things;
See I am doing a new thing!"
Isaiah 43:18

Just a few quick thoughts on the new year. Many of my friends know how disgusted I get when I have to fiddle with my laptop to make it work (or even turn on)! I have the word "reboot" imprinted on my brain cells! I finally have West River coming this weekend to hopefully correct whatever I am doing wrong or fix it another way. I don't care! I just want my computer to operate the way it should without all these mess-ups! I want a new start!

As we go into the New Year, I thought about that renewal and fresh start that many of us seek every January 1. Isn't Jesus all about reboots and fresh starts? Amazingly, He also promises not to hold our goofs and mess-ups against us! How cool is that! God always has a new plan for us! (with a boatload of love and forgiveness to go with it!)

So as I wish you all a very happy and prosperous new year, ask yourself what kind of a clean start do you need this year? Take a minute to ponder and own up to all your mess-ups. I know that if you ask Jesus to forgive you and empower you, He **will** give you a new start as you head into the new year.

One final note, next month is annual meeting month so mark it on your calendars! January 23, 2022 will be a bittersweet month for me as I write my last Stewardship column for the February newsletter and attend my last council meeting after my six years of being your Stewardship Deacon. It will be exciting to see our new council members as they accept their positions at the annual meeting.

God Bless you all and again: A happy and God centered 2022 to you all!

Kathy Keller
Stewardship Trustee



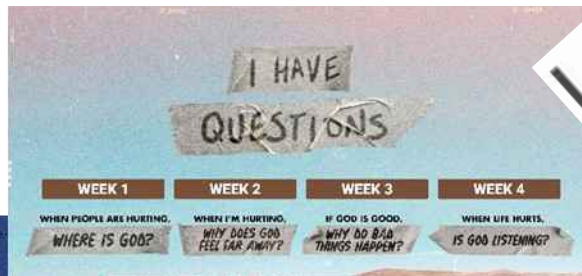
As of December 26, 2021:

Our envelope giving is \$241,189.92 with a yearly budget of \$195,000.00.
\$48,810.89 ahead of budget.

The plate giving is \$7,805.82 with a yearly budget of \$8,500.00.
\$579.93 behind budget.

Thank you for your giving.

FLC Confirmation



Grow Healthy



WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE
Bible Study led by Cathy Sheldon

"Where do we go from here" Bible Study will meet at 8:30 am on the following days:

- January 2
- January 9
- February 6
- February 13
- February 20
- February 27

Please join us! Everyone welcome!



Please have all committee reports for the annual meeting booklet to the church office by noon on January 12, 2022.

Drop them off at the office or email them to flc@westriv.com. Email is preferred.

Annual booklets will be ready to pickup January 16, 2022, one week before the annual meeting on January 23, 2022.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM - DECEMBER 19, 2021



BEING NEIGHBORLY

The last time you moved into a new community, did your neighbors welcome you? From previous moves, I fondly recall receiving smiles, handshakes, baked goods and houseplants. Because one new neighborhood included two parsonages, I wasn't surprised to receive invitations to worship. After that, I began anticipating similar invitations, even though we had a church home. We don't

always take our new neighbors up on the offers, but knowing that churchgoers live nearby is comforting.

When a new family moves into your neighborhood, how do you respond? Does it cross your mind to invite them to worship? Maybe they're waiting for — even needing — that invitation. To ask, you don't need to be a pastor or a member of the evangelism committee ... just a friendly neighbor.

—Julie Lee

2022 ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, January 23, 2022

Soup, Bread, Salad, Fruit & Bars
11:45 AM
(Served by the Church Council)

Annual meeting follows the meal!

Soup



and bread meal



CALLING
ALL
Members

If you are a confirmed and giving member of First Lutheran, you are considered a voting member and encouraged to attend this meeting to show your support of your church!

- ⇒ We will look back at 2021 and forward to 2022
- ⇒ Adopt a 2022 Budget
- ⇒ Elect new representatives to serve on the council
- ⇒ Thank those leaving the council
- ⇒ Welcome new council members

SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM - DECEMBER 19, 2021





Education Report

Stacy Boeshans



“Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.”

The biggest news this month was our Christmas Program. There are so many people to thank.....

Thank you to all who have made this Christmas Program come to life! Our Sunday School teachers:

- Sue Winter and Kristy Jaeger – PreK and K Music
- Melissa Rothe – Elementary Music
- Judy Beaudry – Costumes
- Sarah Kadrmas – Lead Director
- Sarah Kraft and Cameron Albers – Directors of the Shiny Things (3rd & 4th grade)
- Don Winter – Set design and changes, and much more!
- Julie Bentz – 1st & 2nd grade, Mary and Joseph
- DJ Winter – Set changes and placard holder
- Education Committee – choosing our elementary program

This group of teachers is nothing short of amazing. They are talented, dedicated and FUN ~ truly a blessing to our kids and our church. Teachers - - - - Thank you for all you do!

Thank you also to the parents for getting kids to practice, helping with costumes and props, and being patient with us as we often were late getting out of Sunday School.

Thank you to Pastor Chuck for sitting in on our practices and being so supportive of our work.

And finally, thank YOU for coming to see us perform.

- **ADVENT PROGRAM.** Thank you to all who planned and participated in Advent Children’s sermons throughout the month of December. A special thanks for Lexie Solomonson for the idea.
- **STAY CONNECTED WITH THE REMIND APP**
 - We will continue to use the Remind app to inform families about activities going on in Sunday School. If you are

not currently getting reminders on this app, please contact the church to let us know and we will get you connected!

- **EDUCATION COMMITTEE has a new member! Welcome Kacy Hardt to our Team and thank you for joining us!**
 - Current Education Committee:
 - Lexie Solomonson
 - Kacy Hardt
 - Kellie Sheldon
 - Melissa Kugler

Below is the tree with the ornaments the youth made for the Advent Children’s Program.



SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM - DECEMBER 19, 2021



First Lutheran January Birthdays

Happy Birthday to the following First Lutheran members who have birthdays in January. We are sorry if we missed anyone this month. If your name has been missed, kindly report it to the church office so we can get your birth date for our records. Likewise, if we have printed your birthday and you do not wish to have it published in the newsletter, please let Jeannette know in the church office. We will remove it for next year. Thank you!



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1 Kara Richards Ashlyn Schmitz
2	3 Michael Fee Wayne Leidholm Eli Schmidt	4 Sharon Hoff Sherry Kinnischtzke Tanner Lundby Karen Roper Bryan Thiel	5 Tanner Fiedler Alyson Knox Nikki Sackman Brittany Schell	6 Bob Frank Noah Holznagel Alyssa Kadrmas Emily Scheresky	7 Erik Johnson	8 Preston Hinson Rhonda Johnson Hollyn Murrey
9 Shannon Helm Alex Retterath	10	11	12 Candace Wieger	13 Jaemeson Havig Jill Senftner	14 Gene Rost Jason Ziemann	15 Braden Ficklin Cameron Hall Karly Smith
16	17 Bowen Gutknecht Arianne Salaj	18 Mike Aull	19 Sonja Bergstedt Ethan Courtemanche Sue Thiel	20	21 Drew Petersen	22
23 Ryan Dockter Shane Joersz Kithe Malsam	24 Kimberlie Price Mary Schulz	25 Claudette Ness	26	27 Cameron Albers Colt Biesterfeld	28 Devin Retterath	29 Jordan Waldren
30 Bradley Hanson Lukas Smith	31 Tana Larsen Ryan Leidholm					

FLCW NEWS

January, 2022

Executive Board:

Judy Beaudry

Secretary:**Treasurer:**

LeAnn Richard

Action (Quilts, LWR Kits):

Gwen DeMontigny
Marlys Knell

Altar Guild:

Theresa Petersen

Audit:

Mary Ann Beeks

Camp of the Cross:

Peggy Moran

Community:

Kathy Keller
Meals on Wheels
Lions Bake Sale
Alli Sheldon
Goodies From the Heart

Good Cheer:

Mary Ann Beeks

Growth (Confirmation & Graduation Tea and 3rd Grade Bibles):

Janet Hanson
Margaret Rasmussen

Kitchen:

Arlene Schwarz
Kathy Keller
Linda Zeller

Lefse, Cards, etc.:

Donna Kröll
Marlys Knell

Library:

Sharon Chrest
Sande Wagner
Norma Petersen
Arlene Schwarz

Prayer Chain Chairmen:

First Lutheran Church
Pastor Chuck Mann
Jeannette Rost

Receptions/Bulletin Board**Decorating:**

Donna Gunderson

Service Secretary:

Sharon Chrest
Donna Gunderson

MEALS ON WHEELS - JANUARY

Kathy Keller is performing the job of the Meals on Wheels coordinator for First Lutheran Church. We will deliver in January, and she will be calling for deliveries. Don't turn her down. It's a big job to get the deliveries assigned. And if you have never delivered you will find great reward in greeting those receiving the lunch very grateful for their meal and your face. Take just a minute to introduce yourself and ask them about themselves. I want to thank those who volunteer regularly. Isn't it wonderful that we take care of each other.

JANUARY 4-6 - THREE DAYS OF PRAYER

This is a special Three Days of Prayer, sent to us from Lutheran Church in Mission for Christ, LCMC. We will have some ideas for prayer time and guidance from LCMC. Think about it early and plan to make a special time each of those three days. Either at the church or in your home.

JANUARY 18 - 7 PM - EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

We go into the new year short some key positions on the FLCW Board. We need a co-chair to help lead and plan for the women and we need a secretary to keep us recorded and straight. Please consider stepping up.

JANUARY 27 - QUILTING - 9 AM AND A PAINTING CLASS FOR FUN - 7 PM

Come help the Quilters. They do so much for the church and always have non sewing chores to do. Whether you sew or not come for the fun.

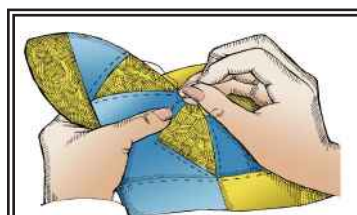
Also, that evening we will have a painting class for the women. An artist will be here to show us our inner cleverness, I think. It will be fun. Watch for sign up in the bulletin.

JANUARY 28 - QUILTING - 9 AM

Here's another chance to help.

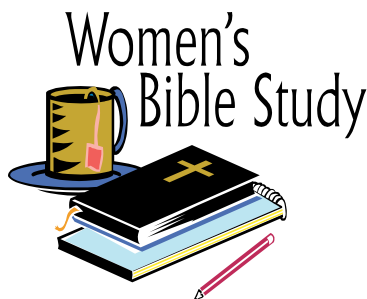
Also, ladies, the First Lutheran Church Women's booklets for 2022 are in your mailbox at the church. Please pick yours up and take it home so you know what is happening with FLCW.

Judy Beaudry
FLCW Chair



QUILTING GROUP

January 27 & 28
9:00 AM



Women's
Bible Study

Deborah Bible Study

January 20
9:30 AM

at the church

Arlene Schwarz &
Brenda Ankenbauer
Host

Please let your hostess know whether or not you
will be attending each month.

Study will be Episode 6, Movie

JANUARY WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

SUNDAY USHERS/GREETERS - 9:30 AM

2 - Randy & Gwen Hall, Claudette Ness
9 - Alton & Brenda Krebsbach
16 - Mike & Sharon Nelson
23 - Jim & Kathy Kaiser
30 - Melanie Beckman, Amanda Vetter

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READERS

2 - Joe Sheldon
9 - Alli Sheldon
16 - Randy Hanson
23 - Kathy Keller
30 - Sunday School

ACOLYTES

2 - Haylie Bentz & DJ Winter
9 - Berandt Olafson & Parker Jacobson
16 - Justin Dahl & Brady Vollmuth
23 - Beckett Kadrmas & Trevor Bengtson
30 - Oscar Wood & Tanner Fiedler

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

2 - Joe Sheldon, Jeff Schmidt & Gwen Hall
16 - Randy & Janet Hanson and Leilani Olafson

VIRTUAL SERVICE TECHS

2 - Matt Gardner
9 - Melissa Rothe
16 - Dwight Rasmussen
23 - Don & DJ Winter
30 - Nate Fiedler

ALTAR CARE

Brenda Suckow & Steph Mann

COFFEE HOUR SERVERS

2 - Randy & Gwen Hall
9 - Alton & Brenda Krebsbach
16 - Randy & Gwen Hall
23 - Jim & Kathy Kaiser
30 - Randy & Gwen Hall

SERVICE GROUP COORDINATORS

Randy & Gwen Hall

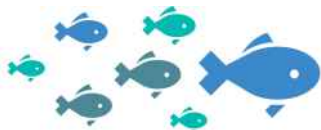
A PRAYER FOR EPIPHANY



O Lord Jesus Christ, heavenly King, thank you for bringing both Jews and Gentiles to hear your voice. Enable us to follow your holy Word, as those from the East followed the leading of a star. Give us grace to confess your holy name. Rule us by your Spirit, so that the joys of your birth may increase in us.

Hear our prayers and cries. Accept our offerings, which you yourself have given us: the gold of our faith, the incense of our prayers, and the myrrh of our contrite hearts. Deliver us from the destructive ways of sin, and lead us in the ways of peace and in the paths of righteousness. Grant us all, when this life is done, a participation in the joys of the Year of Jubilee in heaven, where we shall praise and serve you and the Father who live and reign in unity with the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

—Wilhelm Loeh (adapted)



Evangelism OPPORTUNITIES

The following list is the service group scheduled for **February**. The group coordinators are **Randy & Janet Hanson**. *If your name is on this list, please check the calendar and see what Sunday(s) service in February works best for you and give Randy or Janet a call at 462-8475. If Randy or Janet calls you, please prayerfully consider how you can help.* If you don't see your name on this list, your month is coming. Please say yes, when called. Thank you for doing your part and participating in our worship service.

Mary Ann Beeks
Dick & Barbara Brewster
Steven & Sylvia Kalliokoski
Kathy Key
Monte & Wendy Miller
Jan Olson
Kristi Olson
Brent & Theresa Petersen
Wes Sauer
Dale & Geniel Schell
Elmer & Arlene Schwarz
Elray & Lynette Sondrol
Arden & Sande Wagner
Don & Sue Winter
Virgil & Deb Wisdom
Willie & Janell Ziemann

REVISED WORSHIP REPORT

Jeff Schmidt - 701-202-1211

Hello to you all. **Save this memo!!** Below is a list of past readers and communion assistants. We will need updated contact information you prefer to have placed on a log sheet, preferably by Friday, February 5, 2022. Home phone, cell phone, or email are all acceptable forms of contact. If you do not provide an update, we will assume your previous contact is your current contact. Each of the people on the list will have a call sheet placed in their mailbox on February 6, 2021. If you cannot fulfill the appointment, please call someone from the groups to swap dates. These groups will rotate each year accordingly. **If you are not on the list and would like to be, we'll gladly welcome you! The more, the merrier!**

When a scheduled swap is made and it is one or more months out, contact Jeff or Jeannette to insure the newsletter and bulletin are accurate. **DO NOT** call about swap until the month prior to service date. I am always willing to fill in when in a difficult position, as are a host of others on this list. A few lucky folks are doubled up throughout the course of the year, so all in all, I'd say that is a success. Variety is good!! Thanks so much for the awesome service you've provided so far and will continue to do for First Lutheran Church.

If you alone are positioned on a first or third Sunday, both duties are assigned to you.
R = Reader; C = Communion Assistant

January, February, March

Joe Sheldon - Jan. 2 (R & C)
Gwen Hall & Jeff Schmidt - Jan. 2 (C)
Alli Sheldon - Jan. 9 (R)
Randy Hanson - Jan. 16 (R & C)
Janet Hanson & Leilani Olafson - Jan. 16 (C)
Kathy Keller - Jan. 23 (R)
Sunday School - Jan. 30 (R)
Alexis Solomonson - Feb. 6 (R & C)
Melanie Beckman & Kathy Keller - Feb. 6 (C)
Donna Sommer - Feb. 13 (R)
Peggy Wollmuth - Feb. 20 (R & C)
Val Swanson & Emily Retterath - Feb. 20 (C)
Sunday School - Feb. 27 (R)
Arden Wagner - March 2 (R & C)
Mac Beaudry & Rick Richard - March 2 (C)
Dean Bergstedt - March 6 (R & C)
Sonja Bergstedt & Leilani Olafson - March 6 (C)
Peggy Moran - March 9 (R)
Tyge Sheldon - March 13 (R)
Jeff Schmidt - March 16 (R)
Kellie Sheldon - March 20 (R & C)
Melanie Beckman & Sharon Nelson - March 20 (C)

Brad Sheldon - March 23 (R)
Sunday School - March 27 (R)
Suzanne Swanson - March 30 (R)

April, May, June

Alexis Solomonson - April 3 (R & C)
Aaron Solomonson & Peggy Moran - April 3 (C)
Peggy Wollmuth - April 6 (R)
Jeff Schmidt - April 10 (R)
Suzanne Swanson - April 14 (R & C)
Jeff Schmidt - April 15 (R)
Brent Petersen - April 17 - 7:00 AM (R & C)
Dewey Oster - April 17 9:30 AM (R & C)
Brad Sheldon & Peggy Wollmuth - April 17 - 9:30 AM (C)
Sunday School - April 24 (R)
Suzanne Swanson - May 1 (R & C)
Peggy Moran & Tyge Sheldon - May 1 (C)
Gwen DeMontigny - May 8 (R)
Margaret Rasmussen - May 15 (R & C)
Dwight Rasmussen & Gwen DeMontigny - May 15 (C)
Randy Hanson - May 22 (R)
Wendy Miller - May 29 (R)
George Swanson - June 5 (R & C)
Leilani Olafson & Luke Retterath - June 5 (C)
Dick Bickert - June 12 (R)
Brent Petersen - June 19 (R & C)
Drew Petersen & Jeff Schmidt - June 19 (C)
Rick Richard - June 26 (R)

July, August, September

Emily Retterath - July 3 (R & C)
Kris Schmidt - July 10 (R)
Luke Retterath - July 17 (R & C)
Cathy Sheldon - July 24 (R)
Sharon Nelson - July 31 (R)
Rick Richard - Aug. 7 (R & C)
Haley Anderson - Aug. 14 (R)
Willie Ziemann - Aug. 21 (R & C)
Stacy Boeshans - Aug. 28 (R)
Leilani Olafson - Sept. 4 (R & C)
Steph Mann & Sonja Bergstedt - Sept. 4 (C)
Rick Richard - Sept. 11 (R)
Peggy Moran - Sept. 18 (R & C)
Val Swanson & Kathy Keller - Sept. 18 (C)
Sunday School - Sept. 25 (R)



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October, November, December

Alexis Solomonson - Oct. 2 (R & C)
Aaron Solomonson & Suzanne Swanson - Oct. 2 (C)
Wendy Miller - Oct. 9 (R)
Steph Mann - Oct. 16 (R & C)
Mike Nelson & Don Winter - Oct. 16 (C)
Arden Wagner - Oct. 23 (R)
Sunday School - Oct. 30 (R)
Emily Retterath - Nov. 6 (R & C)
Suzy Jacobson & Sue Winter - Nov. 6 (C)
Randy Hall - Nov. 13 (R)
Gwen DeMontigny, Kellie Sheldon & Suzanne

Swanson - Nov. 20 (R)
Suzanne Swanson, Emily Retterath & Suzy Jacobson - Nov. 20 (C)
Wade Boeshans - Nov. 23 (R & C)
Stacy & Tolya Boeshans (C)
Sunday School - Nov. 27 (R)
Peggy Wollmuth - Dec. 4 (R & C)
Cantata or S.S. Program - Dec. 11
Cantata or S.S. Program - Dec. 18
Kellie Sheldon - Dec. 24 @ 4pm (R & C)
Brad Sheldon & Joe Sheldon - Dec. 24 @ 4pm (C)
Jeff Schmidt - Dec. 24 @ 9pm (R & C)
Dewey Oster - Dec. 25 (R & C)
Rick Richard - Dec. 25 (C)

**FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH CHOIR CANTATA
"SONG OF JOY" - DECEMBER 12, 2021**



SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM - DECEMBER 19, 2021



THANK YOU

- ☺ Thank you Maybell Job, Peggy Moran & Carla Bickert for helping fold and tape the December newsletter for mailing.
- ☺ Thank you Matt Gardner, Melissa Rothe, Don & DJ Winter, Nate Fiedler and Dwight Rasmussen for taking on the responsibility of making sure we had YouTube Live this past month.
- ☺ Thank you Maybell Job, Pastor Chuck, Steph Mann, LeAnn Richard, Sonja Bergstedt and Sharon Chrest for your help with Pizza Day.
- ☺ Thank you Melanie Beckman for going through the pew cards and pencils.
- ☺ Thank you Men's Bible Study for putting up the nativity set outside.



- ☺ Thank you everyone that purchased a poinsettia and the outdoor greenery for Christmas. Also to Theresa Petersen for taking care of the poinsettia tree.



- ☺ Thank you Ardee Kurle and Lexi & Remi Solomonson for decorating the church for Christmas. Also Ardee and all her other helpers for decorating throughout the year.
- ☺ Thank you Jeff Schmidt and family for putting up the Christmas tree and decorating it.
- ☺ Thank you Brent Petersen for First Lutheran's float in the December 4th parade. Also for Pastor Chuck family for passing out candy.



- ☺ Thank you First Lutheran Choir for your performance of "Song of Joy" at the December 12th worship service. Another excellent job well done. Also for all your special music throughout the year. Also to Randy Hall for directing the choir.
- ☺ Thank you Sunday School grades pre-k through 6 for your wonderful presentation of the birth of Jesus during the December 19th worship service.
- ☺ Thank you Rick Richard for filling in on December 26th while Pastor Chuck was on vacation.
- ☺ Thank you to Pastor Chuck & Steph Mann for everything you did at First Lutheran.
- ☺ Thank you to the bell choir for their special music throughout the year and to Gwen Hall for directing them.
- ☺ Thank you to Laura Gardner for all you did for our youth while you were our Youth Director.

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- ☺ Thank you to Donna Gunderson for decorating for special events for the FLCW.
- ☺ Thank you to everyone that provided special music throughout the year.
- ☺ Thank you to Jeff Schmidt for all the work you do at the church.
- ☺ Thank you to Mary Ann Beeks for baking the communion bread.
- ☺ Thank you to the church council for all you do to lead the church.
- ☺ Thank you to Cathy Sheldon and Alexis Solomonson for leading the Sunday morning bible studies.
- ☺ Thank you to Donna Gunderson for heading up the planting and care of the outside flowers and those who helped with the watering.
- ☺ Thank you to everyone that served coffee, was a communion assistant, read scriptures, ushered, acolytes, help with altar care, and also to everyone that was or is in charge of finding these people.
- ☺ Thank you to the Sunday school teachers, subs, music people, and those that helped with VBS.
- ☺ Thank you to the FLCW that served funerals, potlucks, etc.
- ☺ Thank you to the women that served on FLCW committees.
- ☺ Thank you to our FLCW quilters.
- ☺ Thank you to everyone that supplied flowers for the altar throughout the year.
- ☺ Thank you to our organists: LeAnn Richard and Theresa Petersen.
- ☺ Thank you to our money counters: Arden Wagner, Deb Wisdom, Sharon Chrest, Mary Ann Beeks, Arlene Schwarz and Wes Sauer.
- ☺ Thank you to everyone that helped Jeannette out in one way or another this past year.
- ☺ Thank you to anyone that was missed or does not want to be recognized for their services at First Lutheran. If someone was missed that should be listed, please let Jeannette know.

☺ Thank you everyone that helped with the Thanksgiving meal. Here are a few pictures of some of the help. There were many more helpers that helped pull this all together. We couldn't do it without your help! Thanks to Judy Beaudry and Mike Aull for heading this up.



CAMP OF THE CROSS NEWS

January 15 Adult Art Day
January 19-23 Crafting Weekend
January 28-30 Men's Retreat

February 23-27 Crafting Weekend
February 27 CCM Annual Meeting

March 5 Adult Art Day
March 9-13 Crafting Weekend
March 18-19 4th-6th Grade Bash
March 25-26 7th-9th Grade Bash

April 6-10 Crafting Weekend

** **BOARD MEMBER NEEDED** – February 2022 – Peggy Moran will have fulfilled two 3-year terms, maximum allowed by the Constitution and Bylaws for Camp of the Cross. Since I represent an LCMC congregation, a replacement needs to come from an LCMC congregation. For the last almost two years, our meetings have been on ZOOM, with only one in person meeting at the camp a year. Besides the board meetings, board members are assigned to committees and most of the time they have been ZOOM as well. Let Peggy Moran know if you would like to consider running for the Board at the next Annual Meeting.

** In December 2020, one of the program managers was released due to COVID related expenses. However, we are overjoyed to welcome Samuel Wolf to the year-round staff starting in January. Sam has been on the summer staff for many summers and is an alumni camper.

** **TWICE BLESSED CAMPAIGN** – It's a blessing when you give a gift to others. We're honored to be working with St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation to double your blessing during our TWICE BLESSED campaign. From November 15 through the end of December, the gifts made to our organization were eligible for a match. Thank you to those who may have supported CCM through this program.

** **GIVING HEARTS DAY** – watch for information

on this fundraising program that has taken place in February for the last several years.

** **ADULT ART DAYS** – 9 am to 3 pm. January 15 join Sarah Huber for our first Adult Art Day in 2022. This class will allow participants to create personalized coasters using magazines, paper, and pictures. These coasters can be used as vision boards for the upcoming year in a way to display your creativity in your home! You are more than welcome to bring your own photos.

** **CRAFTING WEEKENDS** – Options: 2 nights, 3 nights & 4 nights. Crafting Retreats continue to be popular, so register early to get in on all the fun – quilting, scrapbooking, making cards, needlepoint, paint, knit, crochet, whatever your craft, you are welcome to attend! There are short mealtime devotions, games, fun demonstrations laughter, fellowship, and good food!

** **MEN'S RETREAT** – Come for a weekend full of worship, adventure, service, discussion, and fellowship with some other guys trying to live out their own faith.

** **CCM ANNUAL MEETING** – scheduled for 2 pm on February 27 both virtual and in person at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Garrison.

** **SUMMER 2022** – I see camp dates on the website under Upcoming Events so you can start planning for next summer!

** Time to hire summer staff. If you know of anyone – please let CCM know so they can be in contact with them. Staffing is one of the factors that helps determine the number of campers Camp of the Cross can accommodate at each session.

Call 701-337-2246, Camp of the Cross office, with questions. Go to www.campofthecross.com to register or for more information.

Thank you
Peggy Moran

PINE RIDGE DONATIONS

A reminder to hold your donations for Pine Ridge at your home until further notice. First Lutheran does not have room to store the items. A notice will go out in advance once we know a date when someone will be going to take donations to Pine Ridge. Call the church office with questions.



Blessings to you from Camp of the Cross Ministries!

We are blessed at CCM by the many people who pray for us, participate in, and support our ministries. We are proud and humbled to provide a ministry to all ages that helps each person ***“Live out their Lives of Faith!”***. Thank you as a constituent congregation for your support in our success!

CCM, during the year 2021, even though we were continued to be challenged by the pandemic, has had a profound influence in the lives of children, youth, young adults, and adults who were touched by our ministry. This could not have been done without our mission partner congregations like yourselves!

We were blessed to be financially stable during the spring and into the summer because of many generous donors and that we qualified for the Paycheck Protection Program in February.

During the summer months, we welcomed campers to our sight. The joy and the excitement they brought this summer was extremely rewarding. Our numbers increased this summer compared to the summer of 2019. We welcomed over 300 campers.

We are already planning for the summer of 2022 with a similar program, and we are hopeful because we were successful this past summer. Registration opens mid-November.

The year-round retreat ministry to children, youth and adults began in January. Surprisingly, even though we still had restrictions for COVID, our weekends were fully booked. As we look to the retreat season during 2022, we are already booking groups and are full to capacity on most weekends.

We invited again the Garrison Elementary School out to camp for 4 days for outdoor education and fun. The school was split up by grades and each day a grouping of classes came out. It was refreshing for us and the school. The kids had a great time! We continue to work with other local school districts in the hope that they too will join us for outdoor education at CCM.

We were excited to celebrate with the annual Prairie Lake Festival this summer. We held the auction both virtually and in person. Overall, it was a success, but it did have some learning experiences being online. The committee has met and will be planning for an even more successful fundraiser in June. Mark your calendars now for Saturday, June 18th at CCM.

Due to a COVID outbreak within our summer staff, we did have to cancel the last week of camp. We had estimated that was a \$20,000 loss in our budget. But, thankfully, due to generous donors who responded to a summer appeal, we were able to raise over \$19,000 to supplement that loss. Thank you!

Last December, we had to release from employment one of our program managers due to COVID. However, we are overjoyed to welcome Samuel Wolf to our staff starting in January. Sam has been on our summer staff for many summers and is an alumni camper.

Please continue to keep us in your prayers as we navigate this “new” normal in outdoor ministry. Despite the continued challenges of COVID, we are proud of how many people “Live out their Lives of Faith”, by being a part of our ministry as donors, ministry participants like yourselves and prayer partners!

**Thank you for praying for us and supporting us!
Your mission in Christ is especially important to us!**



The following people were prayed for by request at worship from Sunday, November 28 - Sunday, December 26. If we missed you or your loved ones, or your prayer requests, please accept our apologies.

Please let the church office know before you enter the hospital for planned surgeries, during any hospitalization, or about your illnesses and any special needs that we may pray for you.

- ◆ Family of Judy Eichhorst on her death
- ◆ Family of Curtis Lechner on his death
- ◆ Jeannette Neil
- ◆ Maddie Clarys - Friend of Donna Gunderson
- ◆ Family of Willie Tiefenthaler on her death
- ◆ Family of Tom Brewster on his death
- ◆ Bobbie Rost - Daughter-in-law to Jeannette Rost
- ◆ Amber Selken - Sister to Wendy Miller
- ◆ Family of Ray Hager on his death
- ◆ Nancy Liffrig
- ◆ Gracie Larson
- ◆ Tanner Brunsell
- ◆ Gary Gunderson - Cousin to Terry Gunderson
- ◆ Becky Matthews
- ◆ David White - Brother-in-law to Norma Petersen
- ◆ Brandy Rahr
- ◆ Howard Johnson
- ◆ Russ Leidholm
- ◆ Kathryn Johnson
- ◆ Diana McCree - Friend of Laura Gardner
- ◆ Roque Corral - Husband of Wendy Miller's Niece
- ◆ Donna Doepke
- ◆ Mary Jo Olson - Cousin of the Olson's
- ◆ Monte Miller
- ◆ Jake Miller
- ◆ Joyce Risan
- ◆ Roger Hall - Brother to Randy Hall
- ◆ Connie Lawson
- ◆ Dennis VanHoorn
- ◆ People of Haiti, Afghanistan, Jerusalem and the USA

- ◆ Kathy Key
- ◆ Karen Goehring
- ◆ Pat Anderson
- ◆ Mardella Aanderud - Mother to Melanie Beckman
- ◆ Keith Hammerbeck - Family friend of the Kugler's
- ◆ Deborah Davenport - Mother of Laura Gardner's friend
- ◆ Virgie Emineth
- ◆ Ruby from Pine Ridge
- ◆ Claire Boucher
- ◆ Jamie Baumann
- ◆ Taylor Gardner
- ◆ Elaine Renfrow - Mother to Lynette Sondrol
- ◆ Harlow Tatum - Daughter of Brea (Gutknecht) Tatum
- ◆ Ruth Lund - Mother to Doddie Kuntz
- ◆ John Krebsbach - Brother to Peggy Wollmuth
- ◆ Arlo Omoth - Brother to Jeneen Loe
- ◆ Bob Miller

Military Prayer and Card List

We pray for the Men & Women in our Military who protect our country, especially those assigned to serve overseas or away from home.

Members of First Lutheran on Active Duty in The Military and the National Guard:

- ◆ Sgt. Bryce Rost – Army National Guard – Deployed
- ◆ Olivia Retterath - National Guard

Friends and Family on Active Duty in the Military and in the National Guard:

- ◆ Col. Warren Pauling – National Guard
- ◆ Dustin Enockson – National Guard
- ◆ Emily Johnson - Air Force
- ◆ Spc. Josiah Johnson - Army
- ◆ Bryar Anderson - Marines
- ◆ 1SG Jordan Ternes - Army National Guard - Deployed
- ◆ Tech. Sgt. Andre Austin
- ◆ Hunter Feigum - National Guard



Our sympathy goes out to:

- ⇒ Al & Anna Rall on the death of Al's sister, Willie Tiefenthaler
- ⇒ Dick & Barbara Brewster and Don & Teri Brewster on the death of Dick & Don's cousin, Tom Brewster
- ⇒ Kitty Tweeten and family on the death of Dick's brother-in-law, Curtis Lechner
- ⇒ Jack Eichhorst and family on the death of Jack's wife, Judy Eichhorst

May God give them comfort in this time of sorrow.

Memorial Gifts Given to Special Funds (Sunday, November 28 to Sunday, December 26)

<u>Fund given to & by whom</u>	<u>In Memory of</u>	<u>Fund given to & by whom</u>	<u>In Memory of</u>
Building Fund	\$10.00	Global Missions	\$0.00
Rick & LeAnn Richard	Judy Eichhorst		
Camp of the Cross	\$0.00	LWR	\$60.00
		Dewey & Wanda Oster	Ray Hager
		Dewey & Wanda Oster	Meinhardt Kleingartner
		Steve & Peggy Wollmuth	Judy Eichhorst
Decorating (Church)	\$0.00	Music	\$55.00
		Randy & Janet Hanson.....	John Mann
General Fund	\$3,150.00	Arden & Sande Wagner	John Mann
Mac & Judy Beaudry	John Mann	Jim & Kathy Kaiser	Doug Hultberg
Dennis & Janice Hammling.....	Laren Holznagel		
Sharon Chrest	Ray Hager	Parking Lot Fund	\$115.00
Elaine Carr	Clay Carr	A.J. & Doddie Kuntz (3 times).....	Keith Kuntz
Tom Merkel	Ray Hager	A.J. & Doddie Kuntz	June Turnbow
Jeneen Loe.....	Ray Hager		
Jeneen Loe.....	David Loe	Relief Missions	\$25.00
Dick & Carla Bickert.....	Rodney Jaeger	Steve & Peggy Wollmuth	John Mann
Alton & Brenda Krebsbach	Mike Blazek		
Janet Carvell	Al Carvell	Sunday School	\$75.00
Dick & Jackie Olson.....	All loved ones that passed away this year	Wes Sauer.....	Doug Hultberg
		Wes Sauer.....	Curtis Lechner
Wes Sauer.....	Janet DuToit		
Wes Sauer.....	Laren Holznagel	US/Local Missions	\$0.00
Wes Sauer.....	Tom Brewster		
Wes Sauer.....	Mike Blazek	World Hunger	\$0.00
Jim & Jan Stoppler	Ray Hager		
Francis & Joann Brunsell.....	Willie Tiefenthaler	Worship	\$0.00
Leif & Rosalind Ravnaas	Tony & Gladys Freidig		
	Gordon Rothmann, Steven Scholl		


SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM - CHILDREN'S SERMON - DECEMBER 19, 2021





JANUARY

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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2 Second Sunday of Christmas Holy Communion 8:30 AM Bible Study 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Fellowship/Coffee Hour 7:00 PM AA Meeting Al-Anon Meeting	3	4 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 10:00 AM Mommy's Group	5 Pizza Day 9:30 AM Friendship Bible Study 6:30 PM Confirmation 6:45 PM Bell Choir 7:30 PM Choir 8:00 PM FLY	6 Epiphany AM Pastor Chuck at Text Study 7:00 PM Council Meeting	7 7:00 PM Prayer Service	8 4:00 PM Car Club Christmas Party
LCMC THREE DAYS OF PRAYER						
9 Baptism of Our Lord 8:30 AM Bible Study 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Fellowship/Coffee Hour 10:45 AM Sunday School Bible Study 7:00 PM AA Meeting Al-Anon Meeting	10 10:00 AM Chat & Sew Quilting	11 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 10:00 AM Mommy's Group	12 9:30 AM Friendship Bible Study Noon Committee Reports Due for Annual Report 6:30 PM Confirmation 6:45 PM Bell Choir 7:30 PM Choir 8:00 PM FLY	13 AM Pastor Chuck at Text Study	14	15
16 Second Sunday after Epiphany Holy Communion 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Fellowship/Coffee Hour 10:45 AM Sunday School Bible Study 7:00 PM AA Meeting Al-Anon Meeting	17 Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Noon Newsletter Deadline	18 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 10:00 AM Mommy's Group 7:00 PM FLCW Executive Board Meeting	19 9:30 AM Friendship Bible Study 6:30 PM Confirmation 6:45 PM Bell Choir 7:30 PM Choir 8:00 PM FLY	20 AM Pastor Chuck at Text Study 9:30 AM Deborah Bible Study at the Church 6:00 PM Technology Committee Meeting	21	22
23 Third Sunday after Epiphany 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Fellowship/Coffee Hour 10:45 AM Sunday School Bible Study 11:45 AM Soup & Bread Meal Followed by Annual Meeting 7:00 PM AA Meeting Al-Anon Meeting	24	25 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 10:00 AM Mommy's Group	26 9:30 AM Friendship Bible Study 6:30 PM Confirmation 6:45 PM Bell Choir 7:30 PM Choir 8:00 PM FLY	27 AM Pastor Chuck at Text Study 9:00 AM Quilting 7:00 PM FLCW Painting Class	28 9:00 AM Quilting	29
30 Fourth Sunday after Epiphany 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Fellowship/Coffee Hour 10:45 AM Sunday School Bible Study 7:00 PM AA Meeting Al-Anon Meeting	30					

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Service.”*

Happy New Year to:

January 2022 Newsletter

BIBLICAL RESOLUTIONS

Hold firmly to your faith (Hebrews 4:14)
Assemble with the saints (Hebrews 10:25)
Pray and thank God earnestly (1 Thessalonians 5:17-18)
Petition God for great blessings (Malachi 3:10)
Yield not to temptation (1 Thessalonians 5:22)

Notice opportunities to serve others (Galatians 6:10)
Examine yourself daily (2 Corinthians 13:5)
Work diligently for the Lord (1 Corinthians 15:58)


Yearn for righteousness (Matthew 5:6)
Exercise godliness (1 Timothy 4:7)
Aim for sinless perfection (Hebrews 6:1)
Redeem the time, living wisely (Ephesians 5:15-16)

—Gus Nichols (adapted)

Bible Quiz

In the story of the Magi, what word is used to give a sense of Jesus' age when the wise men visited? What does it tell us?

- A. “baby”; Jesus was still a newborn in a manger
- B. “child”; when the wise men visited, Jesus had grown past infancy
- C. “youth”; Jesus was probably between 10 and 14
- D. No word is used to suggest Jesus' age at the time of the wise men's visit.



Answer: B (See Matthew 2:1-12.)