



THE MESSENGER

IF TOMORROW NEVER COMES

Norma Cornett Marek

If I knew it would be the last time that I'd see you fall asleep,
I would tuck you in more tightly, and pray the Lord your soul to keep.
If I knew it would be the last time that I'd walk you out the door,
I would give you a hug and kiss, and call you back for just one more.

If I knew it would be the last time I'd hear your voice lifted up in praise,
I would tape each word and action, and play them back throughout my days.
If I knew it would be the last time, I would spare an extra minute or two,
To stop and say "I love you," instead of assuming you know I do.

So just in case tomorrow never comes, and today is all I get,
I'd like to say how much I love you, and I hope we never will forget.
Tomorrow is not promised to anyone, young or old alike,
And today may be the last chance you get to hold your loved one tight.

So if you are waiting for tomorrow, why not do it today?
For if tomorrow never comes, you will surely regret the day
That you didn't take that extra time for a smile, a hug, or a kiss,
And you were too busy to grant someone, what turned out to be their one last wish.

So hold your loved ones close today, and whisper in their ear,
That you love them very much, and you will always hold them dear.
Take time to say "I'm sorry," "Please forgive me," "thank you" or "it's okay."
And if tomorrow never comes, you will have no regrets about today.

During this holiday season, be sure to let your special loved ones and friends know how much you love them as special gifts to you from God!

ADULT BIBLE CLASSES

Why should you attend our Adult Bible Classes on Sundays or on the weekdays?

It will improve your Bible knowledge. When you know and understand God's Word for yourself, you are more likely to obey the Lord.

It will help you to become more proficient in using God's Word, the Bible.

Come to one of our Adult Bible Classes and you will grow in your Christian faith and life.

YOU MATTER – Two words that carry a lasting impact.



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It's Your Best Day!

I was privileged, once again, to serve with our Messiah's Touch Ministry Team in our annual "Surviving the Holidays with Jesus at the Center" event in November. I mention that, in this December issue, because I want everyone to know how blessed our congregation is to have such dedicated people involved in that ministry. Messiah's Touch is what we call a *"High Touch, Low Visibility"* ministry. By that, I mean that most of the people involved – and the ministering we do – is behind the scenes – offering comfort and care to those who are hurting or going through some difficulty in life.

The "Surviving the Holidays" event was a good example of that. The holiday time of the year is often filled with get-togethers, parties, and events which bring people together in exciting ways. Most of these are family-oriented, and they should be! Not everyone, though, gets excited about this time of year; especially those who have lost loved ones in the past couple years. For those people, their grief is especially tough during the holidays. Messiah's Touch seeks to reach out and minister during that time. Our event offered counsel and advice on how to celebrate in ways that make sense; how not to over-do it; and most of all, how to keep Jesus at the center – even in the midst of sadness and loss.

I, personally, am blessed to serve with such a great team of folks. I've said that every year, as the teams in the past years have been just as awesome! Our team consists of: Bill Swan (Elder Connections); Bob Sands (Shut-In Connections); Gina Lehrmann (Grief Connections); Peggy Lehrmann (Communications); Carolyn Nussman (Comfort Dog Ministry).

In the year ahead, we look forward to discovering new ways that Messiah's Touch Ministries can reach out to each of you, as well as, enlisting your gifts and talents in care giving. May God bless that effort, as we seek to Share His Light!

It's Your Best Day! Make the Best of It!
Pastor Jim Otte



A Word From Pastor Lee

The Small Catechism

The word “advent” is from the Latin word for “coming.” It describes the “coming” of our Lord Jesus Christ, as He came into our world. As we continue with our Introduction to the Explanation of the Small Catechism, we find that, after answering “Who is Jesus Christ?” we now look at what God has done for us. Question 3 (page 44) says, “What has this one God done?” The answer is this: “God made all things and loves His creation, especially His human creatures. Beginning with our first parents, all humanity has rebelled against Him and fallen into darkness, sin, and death. God the Father sent His only son into the world to become man and to redeem and save humanity by His death and resurrection. God sent His Spirit so that people might once again be His own through faith in His Son, Jesus, who is the world’s “only hope, life, and salvation.”



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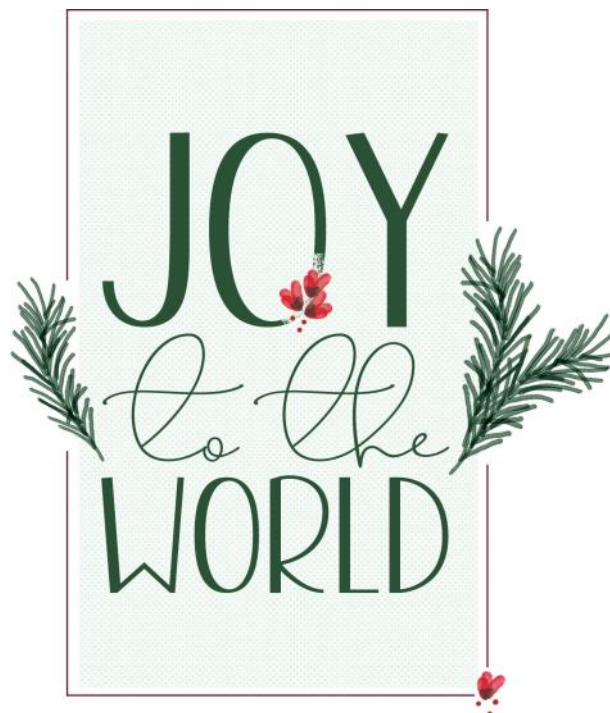
Romans 6:23 – For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

John 3:16 – For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

Galatians 4:4-5 – But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth His son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.

May God bless you as we continue to remember that God sent His One and Only Son into our world and that He has given us hope, life, and salvation.

In Christ’s service, Pastor Lee

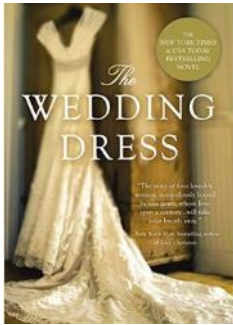




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On Monday, November 28th, at 3pm, Chuck will have a scope done to see if any cancer has returned. Our prayer is that there will not be any cancer left in his body. Once we get the results he will find out the schedule for his next treatments. They will happen in 3 weekly installments further apart at 3 months, 6 months, 12 months, etc.



KINGDOM WOMEN BOOK CLUB will be on Monday, November 28th at 6 pm. We will meet at La Madeleine near church, 520 W 15th Street, to discuss "The Wedding Dress" by Rachel Hauck. We chose a wedding-themed book in honor of our leader and December Bride-to-Be Leann Dietze. If you would like more information about our November gathering or the book, please contact her with questions and/or to RSVP, leann.dietze@gmail.com. You are also welcome to RSVP to me, eet75002@gmail.com.



SIGHTS & SOUNDS MOVIE EVENT FOR EVERYONE

"I Heard the Bells" (iheardthebellsmovie.com)

Saturday, December 3rd, 4:00pm at Cinemark Legacy
7201 Central Expressway, Suite #100, Plano, TX 75025

Limited seats available. Cost \$12.50. E-mail me to sign up: eet75002@gmail.com.

Known as America's Poet, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow leads an idyllic life... until the day his world is shattered by tragedy. With a nation divided by Civil War and his family torn apart, Henry puts down his pen, silenced by grief. But it's the sound of Christmas morning that reignites the poet's lost voice as he discovers the resounding hope of rekindled faith.



I encourage you to go and see the first 2 episodes of Season 3 of The Chosen which opens in theaters across the metroplex on Friday, November 18th. Wouldn't it be awesome if The Chosen blew every other movie out of the water that week? Seeing Judas introduce himself to Jesus gave me chills. Go to www.angel.com/the-chosen-3 to see where it is playing near you. Here is the trailer as well as a video of the cast talking about Season 3.

<https://tinyurl.com/thechosentrailer>

<https://tinyurl.com/thechosen3worthit>

An early gift from the heart this Christmas



Give Blood

Give the gift of life this Christmas!
Christmas Carter Bloodcare Blood Drive
Sunday, December 18th, 8:30am-12:15pm
First Floor Multi-Purpose Room

Reserve your time at:

<https://tinyurl.com/MLCDecemberBloodDrive>



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AWE AND WONDER

"While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son."

Luke 2:6-7

Family Advent Series Dec. 7, 14, 21 Wednesdays 6:00pm in the Chapel



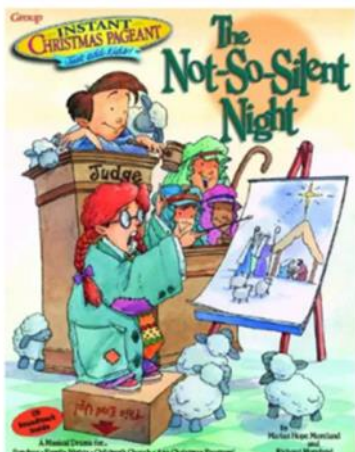
Songs of the Christmas Story, can be heard each Wednesday in the Chapel. Come join us! The next weeks highlight "Silent Night" (God's Plan is surprising), "Angels We Have Heard on High" (God's Plan is for everyone), and "O Come, All Ye Faithful" (God's plan is something to celebrate)!

Bring back the take home projects to share with our friends at Evergreen Senior Community.



"Little Bit of Christmas" 2s - Kindergarten

Dec. 3	ONLY Rehearsal 10:00am - 12:00	Sanctuary
Dec. 4	Into costumes at 9:20 am	Reception Room
Dec. 4	Program begins at 9:45am	Sanctuary
Dec. 4	Happy Birthday Jesus Cast Party	Multi-Purpose Room



"Not So Silent Night" 1st - 5th Grade

Dec. 7, 14	All Cast rehearsals 6:30 - 7:00pm	Chapel
Dec. 10	Lines only rehearsal 2:00 - 3:00pm	Chapel
Dec. 17	BIG Rehearsal from 9:00am - noon	Sanctuary
Dec. 18	Into costumes at 9:20 am	Choir Room
Dec. 18	Program 9:45 am	Sanctuary
Dec. 18	Costume return and Cast gifts	Choir Room

Footprints of Faith - Three year olds Baptismal Remembrance

In 2023 this event will be held the second Sunday of January when we celebrate the baptism of Jesus. Children in the 3 year old Sunday School class and their families are invited to a fellowship breakfast on January 8th where we hold a Baptism Show N Tell. During the 11:00 worship service the children will receive a seashell candle to use on their baptismal birthday. Look for an email with more details. RSVP in realm by January 3rd. 5

MYM



Messiah Youth Ministry



Merry Christmas! It's a busy season here at church! As we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus, note that in the month of December we will not meet for Sunday School as we have some very special traditions planned. Please make plans to join us in the sanctuary for some treasured celebrations during the SS hour as scheduled below.

December 4th - Little Bit of Christmas

December 11th - Christmas Cantata

December 18th - Christmas Program

December 25th - No Sunday School, Christmas Day Worship only.

JAM will begin at 6:00 with the Family Advent service. Those participating in the Christmas program will stay in the chapel and the others will head to the youth room for JAM.

MESH and MYM will meet as regularly scheduled!

Come spend the day at Holiday in the Park! Tickets are \$36.99. Please sign up and pay by December 7th. We need 15 paid tickets to secure this pricing. Your families are welcome to join us. Please let us know if you need tickets or have a season pass, note in comments.



We will leave the church at 11:00 AM and return to church at 10:00 PM.

You will need to bring \$ for meals, snacks and souvenirs. Please dress for comfort and weather. Wear sunscreen!

MIDDLE SCHOOL Weekly Schedule

Wednesdays - Family Advent Service 6:00-7:00 PM

JAM 7:00 - 7:30 in the youth room

MYM - December 11th, Christmas Party

HIGH SCHOOL Weekly Schedule

We meet in the youth room 5:30 - 7:30 each week

1st Sunday: MESH

2nd Sunday: MYM with middle school - with dinner

3rd Sunday: MESH

4th Sunday: Peer Leadership training - Resuming in January

Stay Connected

Bookmark and check our social channels often. The Facebook and Instagram pages are private sites for youth and family.

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Notes from Dorothy Sherrod



A Weary World Rejoices!

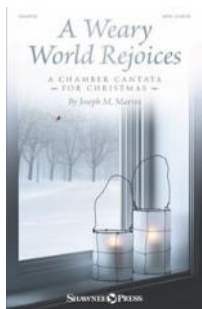
Songs from our Hearts

With excitement and great anticipation, we enter the Advent season! As we join together in joyful worship of our Lord, here is the schedule for this Holy season. Holy Communion is celebrated in each Sunday service in Advent.

Sunday, November 27– The First Sunday of Advent

Wednesday, November 30–Family Advent Service 6pm (Chapel) & Advent Service 7pm (Sanctuary)

Sunday, December 4– Second Sunday of Advent–During the Sunday School/Bible Class Hour, the annual program ***“Little Bit of Christmas”*** will be presented by the 2-4 year-olds. Come celebrate our Savior’s birth!



Wednesday, December 7– Family Advent Service 6pm (Chapel) & Advent Service 7pm (Sanctuary)

Sunday, December 11– Third Sunday of Advent–the 8:30am service will be held as usual. At **10am** our Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra will present the cantata ***“A Weary World Rejoices”*** by Joseph Martin in the Sanctuary. This presentation replaces the 11am service for that day.

Wednesday, December 14–Family Advent Service 6pm (Chapel) “A Weary World Rejoices” Cantata will be presented in the **Sanctuary** at 7pm.

Sunday, December 18– Fourth Sunday of Advent –Messiah’s Joyful Ringers hand bell choir will add several festive music offerings during both services. During the Sunday School/Bible Class Hour, the 1st—5th graders will present ***“The Not So Silent Night.”*** Come and see what all the ruckus is about!

Saturday, December 24th–3:00, 5:00 and 7:00 p.m. These services will include favorite carols and candles, as we welcome our newborn King!



Sunday, December 25–Christmas Day Service at 10:00 a.m.–Sanctuary–
Happy Birthday, Jesus!



Saturday, December 31–7:00 p.m.–New Year’s Eve Service We look forward to 2023 with prayer and praise!

Sunday, January 1, 2023! First Sunday of the New Year/Epiphany–Services at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. We will be visited by our own Wise Men. At the end of each service, there will be an opportunity to receive a family blessing.

*“Beautiful music is the art of the prophets that can calm the agitations of the soul;
it is one of the most magnificent and delightful presents God has given us.”*

~Martin Luther

In Our Music, God is Glorified

As of November 20, 2022

Church Faith Budget

Given last week	\$ 46,772
Given year to date	\$ 2,266,564
Given year to date last year	\$ 2,123,835

Building Fund

Given last week	\$ 669
Building Fund total for 2022	\$ 111,824

Offering
Total 

*In planning for the future,
consider including the
church in your will.*



Messiah Lutheran Church is excited to offer **UPWARD BASKETBALL** for a 10th consecutive season. We focus on providing a fun environment for young athletes while developing them Mentally, Athletically, Spiritually and Socially. To learn more about our program and to register your K5 - 8th grader visit <https://www.messiahlutheran.com/ministries/sports-recreation/upward-sports/>

Cost: \$150

practices on Friday nights or Sunday afternoons. 8 games begin Saturday, January 7th. The Season celebration is on February 25th.

If you have any questions feel free to contact:

TODD SMITH, Recreation Director at gym@messiahlutheran.com or 972-880-1794

-or-

CARL HUETT, Upward Basketball Director at carlhuett@verizon.net or 214-693-6979



Dear Pastor Kollmann, staff and funeral reception committee, Thank you so much for the beautiful service and all that the church body did for Aunt Jeanell (Kilgore), her family and friends. She would have been honored as well all were. The luncheon was wonderful and very much appreciated as so many traveled a good distance for the service. In Christ, *Sandra Reeder & Foerster family*

Dear Dorothy Rigg of the Sunshine Guild: thank you all for the lovely basket! I am enjoying it so much!
Love, *Carol Barletta*

News from Messiah Lambs

"Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous branch." Jeremiah 23:5a

Messiah Lambs students have heard about God's plan for our salvation in our classrooms and from Pastor Lee in Chapel this semester. Now, in December, as we get closer to Christmas, they will see God's plan unfold with the birth of Jesus, our Savior! Advent is a very special time at Messiah Lambs. Our preschool and kindergarten students are practicing for their Christmas program, our dance classes are practicing for their December recital, and our littlest children are also getting into the action with fun songs and crafts.



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Did you know that the Lambs has Chapel services led by Pastor Lee every Wednesday and Thursday? These services are recorded and can be watched at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8ZedhCqC154&list=PLvfznK-a2gxBSfn2-DhPhG6Yn7A6R25U>

Our Basket Auction was a big success this year. Thank you to all who bid on and purchased our baskets. We raised over \$4000 which will purchase a new 6 seat toddler buggy for our school.

If you ordered Butter Braids in November, they will be delivered in the afternoon on Wednesday, December 7th and can be picked up in the Lambs office during the week or on Sunday, December 11th right after 1st service. Bring a cooler or insulated tote to keep them frozen until you get home. Thank you for supporting our school with this fund raiser.

Important Upcoming Dates:

Dec.7: Butter Braid Orders arrive at 1:30 pm

Dec. 14: 9:30 am Lambs Christmas Program (in the Sanctuary)

Dec. 19-Jan. 2 No School Christmas Break



Messiah Serves: Social Ministries and Outreach

Touching Lives Through Christ

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The mission of our Outreach Ministries is to be Jesus' hands to our church, city, national, and international community. We do this through weekly opportunities for hands-on service such as those listed below and also through contributions to community charities such as Network of Community Ministries and the Assistance Center of Collin County, wonderful organizations who are equipped to deal with the long-term needs of struggling individuals.



Thank you for supporting our Thanksgiving / Fall Harvest Service Project!

I would like to thank each of you for your wonderful generosity that enabled us to **help over 100 families and seniors** this past Thanksgiving season. We have blessed the senior residents living at the Plano Community Homes with filled Thanksgiving boxes and over 100 Families served through Good Samaritans of Garland with filled Thanksgiving bags.



SECRET SANTA & ANGEL TREE CHRISTMAS PROJECTS

During the upcoming weeks in December Messiah will take part in The Network of Community Ministries Toyland Express Program and Collin County Meals on Wheels Secret Santa program.

Collin County Meals On Wheels Secret Santa Program

Please consider picking up a Secret Santa tag for the Collin County Meals on Wheels residents who are recipients of our Thanksgiving boxes at the Social Ministries and Outreach table. The Thanksgiving boxes and Secret Santa gifts are the two very special programs that we participate in every year that are truly blessings to the local residents of Plano Community Homes on Ave L., who receive them.

Gifts bought for our precious seniors can be gift wrapped! No worries if you're not into wrapping, gift bags work just as great. I can also wrap any gifts needed before delivering them. If you choose a Secret Santa tag for a Meals on Wheels program **please drop off the gifts no later than Friday, December 9th**, so that I may deliver them personally over the weekend!

The Network Of Community Ministries Toyland Express Program

Details regarding the Network of Community Ministries Toyland Express Program will be announced in the worship bulletin throughout the month of December. As shared in past announcements, The Network of Community Ministries has moved to a much larger facility enabling them to help even more families living in the Richardson area. Please consider stopping by the Social Ministries and Outreach table to pick up a blue and/or pink angel tag for the Toyland Express Program.

If you would like more information about our Social Ministries & Outreach programs or Lutherans for Life and the opportunities we have to Share God's Light, I can be reached at (972) 948-8966, or dawnmj@fastmail.net.



Thanks to everyone who helped LWML load the trucks for Lutheran World Relief on Saturday, November 12. A special thanks to the Elders for helping with this special mission project. Here are a few pictures of the group getting our Personal Care Kits put together before the trucks arrived.



Building the boxes and showing the assembly line for the Personal Care Kits. We completed 176!

130 Veteran cards were addressed, signed, and mailed. Thanks to Ann Strieter for the beautiful cards and to the Preschool Lambs for their special patriotic inserts.



We were blessed with many caring workers to complete this mission project.





COMFORT DOG MINISTRY

DECEMBER 2022

Here we are in the Advent season once again and that means not only are we focusing on the birth of Jesus, but it also means yet another year has passed. So many wonderful memories to reflect back on as we served the Lord through Messiah Lutheran Church. At this time of the year when everyone thinks of "gifts," we think of "presents" just spelled differently...



The LCC K-9 Comfort dogs are a bridge of compassionate ministry, opening doors for conversation about faith and creating opportunities to share the mercy, compassion, **PRESENCE** and proclamation of Jesus Christ!



Good Samaritan Fall Festival-Oct. 18



Villagio-October 19



Prince Of Peace School-Oct 24th



UTD-October 24



Greenwood Hills-October 25



Team Joy Handler Funeral in Houston-October 28



Christ the King Lutheran Church, Waxahachie Trunk or Treat October 29



MLC Trunk or Treat-October 30



Merry Christmas & a blessed 2023 from the Triton Comfort Dog Ministry team!

For more information about the Comfort Dog Ministry, contact our "Top Dog" Carolyn Nussman, email: messiahk9comfort@gmail.com

Triton's Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/TritonComfortDog>

Triton's Instagram page: <https://www.instagram.com/lck9triton/>

THE ADVENT WREATH

Candles more and more have come to symbolize Christ as the light of the world. The use of candles in the Advent season, lighting another each week, is symbolic of the approaching coming of Christ. The increasing light reminds us that His presence draws closer. The intensity of light builds to a climax on Christmas Eve.



The circular wreath is a symbol of the continuing and eternal presence of God. The Evergreens symbolize everlasting life. There is no universal tradition for the color or names of the candles. When purple candles are used they symbolize penitence and forgiveness. A pink rose candle, symbolic of joy, is sometimes lit during the third week.

Suggested themes for the four candles which will be celebrated in our church worship services are: the PROMISE of the prophets that the Messiah would come; the WAITING for the Messiah; the PEACE we find in Christ who is the Prince of Peace; and the HOPE we find in Christ. If you choose to put a white Christ candle in the center of your wreath, it should be lit on Christmas Eve to show that the wait is over! Jesus Christ, the promised Prince of Peace, is born!

AN ORDER FOR FAMILY PRAYER

One member lights candles.

All: sing "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

*Vs I. Oh, come, oh, come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to you, O Israel!*

Leader: (Read devotion for the day.)



One of family: (May lead in the prayers each day or all may join in saying.. "Our Father, who art in heaven..")

Leader: May the Lord Bless us all, keep us from sin, and lead us to heaven. Amen. (Extinguish candles.)



Save the date-Un-decorating on Friday, January 7 and Saturday, January 8th. Time and details to follow.



December

BIRTHDAYS

Cadyn Reyes	12/01	Pepe Huse	12/08	Barbara Albert	12/15	Judi Tovell	12/23
Kristi Unger	12/01	Cindy Mattson	12/08	Juels Chrisman	12/15	Lois Bengtson	12/24
Michael Tyler	12/01	Dan Wheaton	12/08	Sophia Ernest	12/15	Alaina Cavin	12/24
Tracy Prior	12/01	Gavin Miller	12/08	Linda Rosendahl	12/15	Kris Holben	12/24
Tony Albanese	12/02	Scott Beetley	12/09	Christopher Bouressa	12/16	Dominic Ruble	12/24
Bill Moyer	12/02	Karin Dunn	12/09	Anna Boyd	12/16	Margie Walther	12/24
Reagan Moore	12/02	Josh McBride	12/09	Rachael Frushour	12/16	Juliana Fredrickson	12/24
Jay Lowry	12/02	Danielle Arras	12/09	Jill Marek	12/16	Pat Thompson	12/24
Linda Moore	12/02	Robert Linenweber	12/09	Chris Crowell	12/16	Douglas McCutcheon	12/25
Tiffany Schuster	12/02	Carol Avellanet	12/09	Siva Kommareddy	12/16	Ann Beck	12/25
Daniel Thornburg	12/02	Alex Bruning	12/09	Kristen Puchek	12/16	Kurt Claussner	12/25
Greyson Trimpe	12/02	Lana Hoepner	12/09	Calvin Wilson	12/16	Ross Nelson	12/25
Dan Watson	12/03	Cathy McDaniel	12/09	Klaus Krah	12/16	Alexis Lehman	12/26
Jim Sharkey	12/03	Patty Luecke	12/10	Kevin Sommerfield	12/16	Shannon Napier	12/26
Avery Looney	12/03	Greg Stone	12/10	Ben Findley	12/17	Marcia Mueller	12/26
Mike Luce	12/03	Katie Graham	12/10	Mary Wenshau	12/17	Joshua Hoffman	12/26
Nancy Kelly	12/03	Nancy Garland	12/11	Erica Barnes	12/18	Lance Martinez	12/26
Stacey Mahaffey	12/03	Brian Butler	12/11	Matthew Belisle	12/18	Mike Mattson	12/26
Kathryn Harris	12/03	Allen Butler	12/11	Cindy Barnes	12/18	Connor Molina	12/26
Meredith Livingston	12/03	Jennifer Chappelle	12/11	Roy Roloff	12/18	Jamie Schwinck	12/26
Steven Slagel	12/03	Cheryl Kirschenmann	12/11	Jennifer Fibranz	12/18	Jamie Stuart	12/26
Jordan Hoffman	12/04	Janet Stauch	12/11	Peyton Henderson	12/18	Gino Tanzi	12/27
Aaron Lee	12/04	John Brownlee	12/11	Darren Arterbury	12/19	Tyler Moore	12/27
Molly McCullough	12/04	Ken Lynn Trimpe	12/11	Diana Hart	12/19	Wanda Woods	12/27
Melinda Shadday	12/04	Mack Paradowski	12/11	Rev. Victor Kollmann	12/19	Brendan Olsen	12/28
Mike Beber	12/05	Alec Schubert	12/12	Paige Lehmann	12/19	Dianne Steele	12/28
Missy Keown	12/05	Kori Wright	12/12	Elizabeth Pace	12/19	Robin Sykora	12/28
Carolyn Hayes	12/05	Chloe Winkler	12/12	Don Pence	12/19	Cheyenne Sisk	12/28
Michael Robbins	12/05	Alex Willard	12/12	Bruce Van Horn	12/19	Brandon Kovach	12/28
Ron Harwick	12/06	Leslie Bowling	12/13	Skyler Young	12/20	Evan Monroe	12/28
Charlie Nicholson	12/06	Charlotte Brooker	12/13	Sandra Mueller	12/20	Catherine Duchow	12/29
Gail Hollcroft	12/06	Anita Hanson	12/13	Anna McGraw	12/20	Rashelle Foale	12/29
Matthew Lopez	12/06	Adrienne McGregor	12/13	Julie McCall	12/20	James Harris	12/29
Manu Thomas	12/06	Mark Hagner	12/13	Rick Callaway	12/21	Jean Osburn	12/29
Jessica McCullough	12/07	Everleigh Goerz	12/13	Alison Gilbert	12/21	Jonathan Kollmann	12/29
Caysen McCullough	12/07	Paisley Graham	12/13	Donna Moore	12/21	Nicole Belisle	12/29
Michael Neumann	12/07	Joshua Kuncaitis	12/13	Nadine Smith	12/21	Denise Moseley	12/29
Kadin Ruble	12/07	Soksommang Muong	12/13	Dan Beyer	12/21	Julie Netherton	12/29
Kaitlyn Stephens	12/07	Catherine Schoppa	12/13	Georganna Sisk	12/21	Matthew Roth	12/29
Stephen Schwartz	12/07	Amy Whittemore	12/13	Zac Calabrese	12/21	Whitney Arellano	12/30
Claire Troy	12/07	Jennifer Schroeter	12/13	Cason Scruggs	12/21	Laura McCallan	12/30
Sharon Stuart	12/08	Gary Schubert	12/13	Chris Price	12/22	Beverly Gatewood	12/30
Graham Godwin	12/08	William Gullett	12/14	Danny Trussell	12/22	Robin Patterson	12/30
Shirley Crittenden	12/08	Karl Worthen	12/14	Jim Harton	12/22	Christi Tompkins	12/30
Karl Claussner	12/08	Amy L. Jones	12/14	Carol Voss	12/22	David Hoepner	12/31
Wyatt George	12/08	Rachel Terman	12/14	Linda George	12/23	Parker Looney	12/31
Natalie Warneke	12/08	Hank Reeh	12/14	Brynn Scruggs	12/23	Gabriella Ostrom	12/31
Emma Jameson	12/08	Brenda Brittain	12/15	Samantha Otte	12/23	Kelly Kuecher	12/31
				Emillie McCallan	12/23		
				Reagan McCall	12/23		
				Landry McCall	12/23		
				Titus Phelps	12/23		



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ANNIVERSARIES

Duane and Michiet Dieterich	12/03/1988	Ron and Marilyn Harwick	12/19/1980
Bruce and Cindy Heller	12/05/1981	David and Rebecca West	12/19/1992
Aaron and Kelly Isackson	12/05/2009	Gary and Magic Schubert	12/20/2004
Brandon and Laura Johnson	12/05/2009	Jimmy and Margie Walther	12/21/1968
John and Grace Ma	12/07/1983	Dale and Meredith Crawford	12/21/2018
Trevor and Danielle Arras	12/07/2019	David and Lana Hoepner	12/22/2017
John and Cyndi Scruggs	12/07/1991	Ronald and Sandra Ward, Sr.	12/23/1963
Mark and Leah Lewis	12/08/1990	Delbert and Linda Pasons	12/24/1961
Mike and Odie Ernest	12/09/1995	Ron and Debra Spears	12/26/1987
Mike and Kim Cassady	12/10/2005	Bob and Marilyn Schwarz	12/27/1952
Tim and Barbara Looney	12/10/1971	Herschel and Sandra Johnson	12/27/1965
Jimmy and Cristina Roberts	12/10/2017	Robert and Linda Moore	12/27/2003
Bart and Amy Scott	12/11/1999	Manu and Nisha Thomas	12/27/2010
Scott and Janet Binder	12/14/1985	Walter and Janet Mueller	12/28/1958
Brian and Sharon Naber	12/14/2002	David and Kelly Reh fuss	12/28/2012
Joshua and Larissa Tonder	12/14/2015	David and Sue Jablinski	12/29/1989
Ryan and Elisse Woelfel	12/16/2000	Steven and Karen Eichinger	12/29/2006
Tim and Allie Mojica	12/16/2017	Victoria and Rodney Cordt	12/29/1978
Don and Ruth Hogan	12/17/1967	Ken and Rashelle Foale	12/29/2005
Tim and Kelly Wasemiller	12/17/2005	Robert and Carol Brabham	12/30/1994
Leroy and Brenda Lovitt	12/18/1969	Douglas and Rebekah Myer	12/30/2005
Charles and Elizabeth James	12/18/2010	James and Pam Stephens	12/30/1982
David and Liese Semans	12/18/2003	Gregory and Teresa Warren	12/31/1987



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 9:00 AM-Kingdom Yoga 9:30 AM-Women's Bible Class 9:45 AM- Kingdom Yoga Beginner 10:15 AM-Kingdom Chair Yoga	2	3 8:15 AM-Kingdom Yoga Intermediate 9:15 AM-Kingdom Yoga Beginner
4 8:30 AM-Worship Celebration 9:45 AM-Little Bit Of Christmas 11:00 AM-Worship Celebration 3:30 PM-JOYFUL Bible Study 5:30 PM-MESH 7:00 PM-Voter's Meeting	5 7:00 PM-Scout Meeting	6 9:30 AM-Women's Bible Class 5:30 PM-Good Times Line Dance 6:00 PM-Joyful Ringers 7:00 PM-Sanctuary Choir	7 12:00 PM-Men's Bible Class 6:00 PM-Children's Choir 6:00 PM-Family Advent Service 6:30 PM-JAM 7:00 PM-Sanctuary Orchestra 7:00 PM-Advent Service	8 9:00 AM-Kingdom Yoga 9:30 AM-Women's Bible Class 9:45 AM- Kingdom Yoga Beginner 10:15 AM-Kingdom Chair Yoga 6:30 PM-Primetimers Christmas Party	9 5:30 PM-Good Times Dance Event 5:00 PM-Dietze/Moore Wedding Rehearsal	10 8:15 AM-Kingdom Yoga Intermediate 9:15 AM-Kingdom Yoga Beginner 5:00 PM-Dietze/Moore Wedding
11 8:30 AM-Worship Celebration 10:00 AM-Cantata /Worship Celebration 5:30 PM-MYM	12 7:00 PM-Scout Meeting	13 9:30 AM-Women's Bible Class 5:30 PM-Good Times Line Dance 6:00 PM-Joyful Ringers 7:00 PM-Sanctuary Choir	14 12:00 PM-Men's Bible Class 6:00 PM-Children's Choir 6:00 PM-Family Advent Service 6:30 PM-JAM 7:00 PM-Sanctuary Orchestra 7:00 PM-Advent Service	15 9:00 AM-Kingdom Yoga 9:30 AM-Women's Bible Class 9:45 AM- Kingdom Yoga Beginner 10:15 AM-Kingdom Chair Yoga	16	17 8:15 AM-Kingdom Yoga Intermediate 9:15 AM-Kingdom Yoga Beginner 4:00 PM-Good Times Open Dance
18 8:30 AM-Worship Celebration 9:45 AM-Children's Program 11:00 AM-Worship Celebration 3:30 PM-JOYFUL Bible Study 5:30 PM-MESH	19 7:00 PM-Scout Meeting	20 6:00 PM-Joyful Ringers 7:00 PM-Sanctuary Choir	21 6:00 PM-Children's Choir 6:00 PM-Family Advent Service 6:30 PM-JAM 7:00 PM-Sanctuary Orchestra 7:00 PM-Advent Service	22 9:00 AM-Kingdom Yoga 9:45 AM- Kingdom Yoga Beginner 10:15 AM-Kingdom Chair Yoga	23	24 Christmas Eve Services 3:00 PM 5:00 PM 7:00 PM 
25 10:00 AM-Christmas Day Worship Celebration 	26 	27 5:30 PM-Good Times Line Dance 6:00 PM-Joyful Ringers 7:00 PM-Sanctuary Choir	28 6:00 PM-Children's Choir 6:30 PM-JAM 7:00 PM-Sanctuary Orchestra 7:00 PM-Worship Service	29 9:00 AM-Kingdom Yoga 9:45 AM- Kingdom Yoga Beginner 10:15 AM-Kingdom Chair Yoga	30	31 New Year's Eve Service 7:00 PM 

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Weekly Worship Opportunities:

Sunday-8:30 & 11:00 AM / Sunday School-9:45 AM
Wednesday, 7 PM

December Worship Opportunities

Sunday, December 4– The Second Sunday of Advent- “Little Bit of Christmas” 9:45 AM-Holy Communion

Wednesday, December 7-Family Advent Service 6pm (Chapel) & Advent Service (Sanctuary) 7:00pm

Sunday, December 11– The Third Sunday of Advent-Holy Communion (8:30)-Choir Cantata 10:00 AM

Wednesday, December 14-Family Advent Service 6pm (Chapel) & Choir Cantata (Sanctuary) 7:00pm

Sunday, December 18-Fourth Sunday in Advent--Holy Communion-Children's Program 9:45 AM

Wednesday, December 21-Family Advent Service 6pm (Chapel) & Advent Service (Sanctuary) 7:00pm

Saturday, December 24– Christmas Eve Family Services at 3:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m., and 7:00 p.m. These services will include favorite carols as we welcome our newborn King!

**Sunday, December 25-Christmas Day Service at 10:00 AM in the Sanctuary. Holy Communion
Happy Birthday, Jesus!**

Wednesday, December 28-Wednesday Traditional Worship Celebration-Holy Communion-7:00 PM

Saturday, December 31-New Year's Eve Service at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. We look forward to 2023 with prayer and praise!