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Worship Times: In-Person
Sunday 8:00am & 10:30am

Adult Bible Study & Youth Sunday School - Sunday 9:15am
Live Streaming via Facebook - Sundays 8:00am
All services transmitted in parking lot on FM 98.3

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Office hours:
Mon-Fri 9:00-3:00

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Secretary hours:

Pastor Licht is off on Mondays



The Gospel for December

December 5 - Luke 3:1-14

John the Baptist Prepares the Way

⁴ As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet,

"The voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. ⁵ Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall become straight, and the rough places shall become level ways, ⁶ and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'" *Luke 3:4-6*

December 12 - Luke 7:18-28

Messengers from John the Baptist

¹⁸ The disciples of John reported all these things to him. And John, ¹⁹ calling two of his disciples to him, sent them to the Lord, saying, "Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?" ²⁰ And when the men had come to him, they said, "John the Baptist has sent us to you, saying, 'Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?'"

Luke 7:18-20

December 19 - Luke 1:39-45

Mary Visits Elizabeth

³⁹ In those days Mary arose and went with haste into the hill country, to a town in Judah, ⁴⁰ and she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. ⁴¹ And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the baby leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit, ⁴² and she exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! ⁴³ And why is this granted to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me? ⁴⁴ For behold, when the sound of your greeting came to my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. ⁴⁵ And blessed is she who believed that there would be ^[a] a fulfillment of what was spoken to her from the Lord."

Luke 1:39-45

December 26 - Luke 2:22-40

Jesus Presented at the Temple

²⁵ Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. ²⁶ And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ.

⁹ "Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word;

³⁰ for my eyes have seen your salvation

³¹ that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,

³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel."

Luke 19:35-40



December 12 Messengers from John the Baptist

When John's messengers had gone, Jesus began to speak to the crowds concerning John: "What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken by the wind? ²⁵ What then did you go out to see? A man dressed in soft clothing? Behold, those who are dressed in splendid clothing and live in luxury are in kings' courts. ²⁶ What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. ²⁷ This is he of whom it is written,

"Behold, I send my messenger before your face, who will prepare your way before you."

Luke 7:24-27

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We are now in the season of Advent and preparing to celebrate the coming of our Lord into world history as the “Word made flesh.” And, at the same time we are also preparing for His coming again on the Last Day as our Redeemer and Bridegroom. It is the fervent prayer of the Church that our Lord who has come and will come again will do so quickly: “Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!” (Rev. 22:20).

But as we wait for our Lord’s final and joyous coming to take us to be with Himself at the Wedding Banquet which has no end, we can take comfort in the fact that our Lord comes to us now. He comes to us in every Divine Service through Word and Sacrament. He comes to us with the full and free forgiveness of sins that He won for us on the cross. As we prepare for our Celebration of His birth, we remember that He came to be the Savior of the World. Indeed, His name, Jesus, proclaimed by the angel, means, “The Lord is salvation” (Matthew 1:21).

The Son of God born of Mary came into this world to save sinners. He came only for sinners—so it behooves us to confess that we too are counted among the sinners. Jesus lived up to His name on the cross. He then rose again from the dead, victorious over sin, death, and the grave. And He has ascended into heaven where He continues to intercede for us poor sinners: “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.” He will also come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and at the name of Jesus every knee will bow!

Though we anxiously await that day, we Christians don’t wait for the Last Day to bow our knee before Him. We do so now in His holy Church for He who came and will come again is with us. He is Immanuel, “God with us” (Matthew 1:23). So let us be like the shepherds in the fields of Bethlehem who heard this angelic message:

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.” And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

“Glory to God in the highest,

and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!”

When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us” (Luke 2:11-15).

We too have heard the message of the birth of our Savior. Like the shepherds before us, we too can say, “Let us go over to Bethlehem.” But it won’t be necessary for us to travel overseas. For, “Bethlehem” means, “House of Bread.” And God has graciously provided us with our own “Bethlehem” right here. It is where we gather to see our Savior wrapped in the swaddling clothes of Scripture and in His Sacraments. We find Him lying in the “manger” of lectern and pulpit, font and altar. So, how fitting it is that we still sing the song of the angels:

Glory to God in the highest,

And peace to His people on earth.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

Pastor Licht





Join us on Sunday mornings for Bible Study @ 9:15am

Continue our walk through the Old Testament;
each week in advance of the year-long Sunday
sermon series.



New Member Class

If you are interested in joining our church or know
of someone who is, please contact Pastor Licht
or call the church office - 563-386-2342.



LifeLight

Look for more information on the next LifeLight
class, starting in January, 2022

CHURCH FINANCIALS FOR THE MONTH OF NOV, 2021

Submitted by: Barb Grosskopf

Each month we distribute 12% of our contributions to six LCMS missions. One mission is **Davenport Lutheran Home**

In 2021 we send .4% of our contributions. These funds are used for activities to keep the residents active.

The other five are IDE, IDE Scholarship Fund, Concordia Seminary in St Louis and Ft Wayne, and Lutheran Family Services.

“Every tithe of
the land,
whether of the
seed of the
land or of the
fruit of the
trees, it is the
Lord’s; it is
holy to the
Lord.”

Leviticus 27: 30



**The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod
LCMS Stewardship Ministry
Newsletter Article – December 2021**

Our Lord Jesus Christ, the great physician of both body and soul, healed a man with dropsy by His Word on the Sabbath (Luke 14:1–6). Dropsy is a paradoxical ailment, with an unquenchable craving for drink even though the body is over inflated with fluid, a craving that, when indulged, served not to ease but to feed the disease.

And so, if a man drinks a great deal but is never filled, he sees a doctor to inquire about what ails him, what is wrong with his body, and how to remedy it. For that is not thirst but a disease (Seneca, *Consolation to His Mother Helvia*, 11.3).

But if the owner of five couches goes looking for 10, or the owner of 10 tables buys up as many again, and even though he has plenty of land and money, he remains unsatisfied and desires yet more, losing sleep and always in discontent, does he not also require a physician to diagnose the cause of this distress?

For this is not want or lack, it's a disease (Aristippus, quoted in Plutarch, *Love of Wealth*, 524b). As St. Augustine of Hippo wrote, "we may rightly compare the dropsical man to a covetous rich man: For the more the one is swollen with excess of water, the more he thirsts; so also the other: The more he abounds in riches ... the more eagerly he desires them" (*The Sunday Sermons of the Great Fathers*, 4:135). Both require physicians. Both require diagnosis and medicine applied from the outside to the inward being. For these are not desires to be fulfilled but diseases to be cured.

This is why our Lord instructs us to not to be consumed by money. "No one can serve two masters ... You cannot serve God and money" (Matt. 6:24; Luke 16:13). Our desire for money, like the disease dropsy, is never satisfied. We always desire more. We think, "If I just had this much then I would be happy."

But even when that much comes, which God gladly gives, happiness evades us. The desire for more is never satisfied. It demands our constant energy, either in procuring more or protecting what we already have. When this happens, God, in His mercy, shows us that the money that He has given is no longer serving us, but we it. We have another master.

To overcome this, we need a physician's diagnosis and a physician's remedy. And our Lord Jesus Christ, our great physician of both body and soul, applies His Word to us as He did to the man healed of dropsy. He shows us how we have put our fear, love, and trust in our money and not feared, loved, and trusted in Him above all things.

In essence, He says, "Stop chasing after these fleeting things. They are vanity. They are the things that moth and rust destroy. You cannot have two masters. Repent!" And in seeing our great error, we are sorry that we have not fully feared, loved, and trusted in God above all things. And, in the mercy and grace that He earned for us on the cross, He takes away this sin, restores us to health, and bids us to live.

But then what? What do we do with this healing balm and care that our great physician has given? Do we simply go back to our old ways? "By no means!" St. Paul says (Rom. 3:31; 6:2). We do not just go back to the old ways, the ways that lead us to death. No, we live a new life, a life filled with the grace, mercy and love of God toward us. And God's great mercy, grace, and love toward is so abundant that it overflows and pours out onto those around us.

So we no longer hoard money and possessions. We no longer scrape and crawl our way to amass more. We give to those around us, as God in Christ has given to us. We press our money and possessions into service for those who need it: our family, our society and our church. For money is God's gift to us to serve us and others. Not the other way around. It serves us because it is a gift from our Father in heaven.



LITTLE BLESSINGS DAYCARE

"Proclaiming the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ to children and their parents through a high quality child care program."

November has come to an end and now we start the December and the busy season before the end of the year.

For Thanksgiving we were going to have our annual dinner sitting together with all the children, but since so many had colds and we were missing several children because of illnesses, we will try for a Christmas dinner in December where we can all sit together and enjoy each other.

In November Heidi, our DHS consultant came to visit. We had a great visit and any minor issues needed to be changed. New locks put on a door and a safety latch put on the cleaning closet door. Heidi did not recommend wearing masks for any workers or children.

They have found that the masks have put the children behind in learning. Infants and toddlers have had trouble with facial expressions since the masks have been worn around them so much. Thank God we have been mask-free and the center has had no cases of covid.

The center will continue to meet parents at the front door for pick up and drop off at least through the winter months. We will reevaluate in the spring.

On the other hand, because of everyone wearing masks last year, the doctors are seeing a lot more illnesses that they had not seen last year. Centers have been hit very hard with RSV, hand foot and mouth and just the common colds. This year they are recommending not letting children come to daycare with a simple cold until the child is completely healed. This makes it very hard on families, but is keeping other children from getting sick.

We will continue to wash the toys more frequently than we normally would have to prevent germs from spreading.

First item of interest in December is our Christmas program on December 7th at 7:00 pm. The toddlers through PreK will be singing songs to Jesus. We pray it will all go good, but every year we have surprises. Our Program is open to everyone. We will have refreshments and fellowship time after the program.

On December 13th, we will have our Polar Express day and Pj day for all the children. This is always a fun time for the children.

During the month of December, the children will talk about the Ark of the Covenant, Walls of Jericho, Christmas and Jesus' Birth and a time for everything. All about the different seasons of the year.

This has been one of the hardest years for the daycare. With covid and not being able to fill the opening spots in the rooms in a timely manner we have been quite stressed and has been harder on our budget. Our food budget has been hit hard this year by having to buy individual containers of snacks and fruits. It is much safer to let each child have their own containers of fruit and snacks and prevents spreading germs, this also doubles the amount of money we have to spend on food each week.

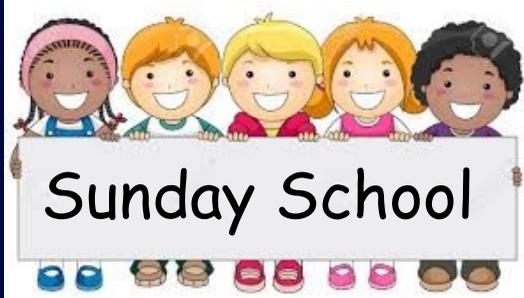
Not being able to find staff members to help out in the classrooms have made it hard along hitting the budget hard with much overtime. Thank God, 2 weeks ago we were able to hire one more person and we can get through most days with little overtime now. God always pulls us through the difficult times.

We staff would like to thank a very generous church member on giving a wonderful donation to the staff this last month.

For families that have Thrivent dollars to spend, they can be given to the daycare as well as the church or divided up between the two. Donations may always be given to the daycare and are tax deducted.

The center staff and children wish everyone a wonderful and joyful Christmas and New Year.

In Christ
Terrie



Calling all 3 year old's - 5th graders!!!

Join us upstairs on Sunday mornings to dig into God's word and learn about the early church of the New Testament. Invite a friend to join us!

If you have a heart for showing children about the love of Jesus and would like to serve in Children's Ministry, contact Leslie McCoy
leslie@rclcqc.org or
Call/text (309)230-4860

Dates to Remember:

- *Children's Christmas Program practice dates:
 - Dec. 5th @ 9:15am
 - Dec. 11th @ 9am
 - Dec. 12th @ 9:15am
- *Children's Christmas Program:
 - Dec. 12th @ 10:30am
- *No Sunday school:
 - Dec. 26th & Jan. 2nd

We spend the first part of our Sunday school hour looking at our Christmas Program parts and songs. I encourage you to make Sunday school attendance a priority as we will be practicing as we can until the Program date of December 12th. Invite your family and friends to come hear the story of our Savior's birth told as only children can. Stay afterward for cake and ice cream to celebrate Jesus' birthday.



Dec 05 Rachel Luebbe
Dec 12 Dawn Luedtke
Dec 19 Jenny Miller
Dec 26 NO NURSERY COVERAGE
Jan. 02 NO NURSERY COVERAGE

Nursery is located upstairs in the Youth room as we are not allowed to share space with the Daycare at this time. Thank you all for serving!

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."
Matthew 19:14

Middle School & High School Youth

Calling all Middle school and High School students!

Join Mrs. Vicki Doner & Mr. Stephen Smith for Sunday school at 9:15am in the office.

This is a great opportunity to study God's Word with uses for your daily life.

Bring a friend!

Middle School Retreat and Snowlympics is back and scheduled for Jan. 28-29th at Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca.
More information coming soon!

Bible Trivia

In what languages were most of the Old Testament and New Testament given in: Are they both in:

- A. Greek
- B. Greek & Latin
- C. Latin & Hebrew
- D. Hebrew & Greek

Answer to last months trivia question: God called out to young Samuel 4 times.

*"...with full courage
now as always
Christ will be honored
in my body, whether
by life or by
death. For to me **TO
LIVE IS CHRIST**, and
to die is gain."*

*~ St. Paul,
Philippians 1*

**Friends are
welcome at
all of our
events.
Please
invite
them!**



Dates to Remember:

No Sunday school - Dec. 26th or Jan. 2nd.
Stay tuned for future youth events!

Submitted by: Paulette Waech

ADVENT: BEHOLD THE KING COMES, OUR LORD AND SAVIOR, JESUS CHRIST:

Advent: Rejoice: LSB 331 “The Advent of our King” *John 1:1&14*
*“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God,
 and the Word was God.”*

Christmas: LSB 358 (verses 1,2,13) “From Heaven Above to Earth I Come”
*“From heaven above to earth I come, to bear good news to every home,
 Glad tidings of great joy I bring, whereof I now will say and sing.”*
*“To you this night is born a child of Mary, chosen virgin mild;
 This little child of lowly birth shall be the joy of all the earth.”*
*“Ah, dearest Jesus, holy Child, Prepare a bed, soft, undefiled,
 A quiet chamber set apart, For You to dwell within my heart.”*

Advent: Rev. 7:12 “Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength, be to our God for ever and ever”.

Christmas: LSB 357 Refrain: “Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel”

During Advent let us prepare our hearts and lives for the coming King, be in God's Word made flesh to tabernacle among us, that we rejoice and sing praises to our Savior.

NATIONAL WINTER QUARTERLY & DISTRICT ALIVE:

During the month of December we should be receiving the Winter Quarterly and District Alive periodicals. In addition, it will be time for renewal, so will include an envelope to submit the yearly “subscription” of \$10.00, which can be given to either Paulette Waech or Heidi Iltis.

IOWA EAST DISTRICT CONVENTION:

The Iowa East District Biennium Convention is planned for Friday and Saturday, June 10 & 11, 2022, at the Hilton Garden Inn, Cedar Falls, with the theme based on Heb. 6:19, “We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure.” The Proclaimer will be the Rev. Brian Saunders, Iowa East District President, Brian Saunders,, with the Banquet Speaker, Cari Chittick, Associate professor of Education at Concordia University, in Irvine, California. More information will be available later in the upcoming months.

TOTAL TALLY OF KITS, QUILTS AND MATS:

Lutheran World Relief Quilts 44; (“Outstanding”); Orphan Grain Train Quilts: 7 (“Praise God”); Health Kits: 75; (“Tremendous”); Baby Care Kits 82: (“Fantastic”); School Kits:196 (“WOW”); Pl-arn Mats: 81(“Awesome”).

QUILTERS NEEDS: MIDDLES AND YARN:

The Monday afternoon monthly quilters are in need of “middles” for the quilts assembled, particularly flannel sheets, batting, lightweight blankets, old mattress pads. They are also in need for yarn to hooded jackets for the Lutheran World Relief Baby Kits.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Thursday, Dec. 2,	6:30pm	Ladies' Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
Monday, Dec. 13	3:30pm	Quilt Assembly	Fellowship Hall

**(No “Mugs & Muffins” in December, will resume in January 2022,
 depending on the weather)**



**Bible
Study**



Thursday, Dec. 2nd @ 6:30pm
Bible Study & Meeting



Quilt Assembly Group

Monday, Dec. 13th @ 3:30pm

All skill levels welcome.

No Sewing experience necessary!



Propelling the Gospel LAMP Ministry, Inc.

Lutheran Association of Missionary Pilots (LAMP) has been using small aircraft to take the Gospel message to the Indigenous people in remote areas of northern Canada.

Each year, hundreds of volunteer missionaries from the United States travel to teach vacation Bible school to thousands of children in remote northern communities.

LAMP's ministry is highly dependent on the two aircrafts that they use in order to get their missionaries to these places so they can bring the Gospel of Jesus Christ to those who need to hear the Good News.

The aircraft has evolved over the years, and upgrades must be made to ensure safety and the ability for LAMP's missionaries and pilots to reach remote communities only accessible by air. This grant will provide funds for these upgrades.



\$ 65,000

Educating Pastors in Africa Mission Central

God is calling African men to become pastors. These men of faith know the culture and how best to share God's truth and the love of Christ in their native country.

Matongo Lutheran Theological College, Kenya, East Africa, is a confessional Lutheran college of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kenya (ELCK), which is in Altar and Pulpit Fellowship with The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS).

This theological college needs support funding. Grant funds will be used for pastoral education projects, including scholarships and seminary needs in Kenya, Togo West Africa, and Uganda, as well as general support of six missionaries—five pastors and one layman.



\$100,000



Based on the Biblical account of the widow's mite (Luke 21:1-4), the Mite Box is intended for regular contributions of 'mites' - offerings above and beyond the support given to congregations and the LCMS. Mite Box contributions amount to millions of dollars that fund district and national mission grants and implement the LWML program. *Each month we will highlight the grants supported by your generous mite gifts.*

Christmas Decorating – Nov. 28th & Dec. 5th @ 2pm



Put up the tree, hang the wreaths and garland on Nov. 28.

Decorate with lights and Christmas on Dec. 5.

Please plan to participate!

Saturday Morning Workouts

Join in on
Saturday mornings
@ 7:00am



MEN'S
BIBLE BREAKFAST

SATURDAY

December 4th
Starting @ 7:30am

Breakfast will
be served!



Fellowship
FRIDAY

December 3rd @ 12:00am

Bring a dish to share and
invite a friend!

Stay and play card games
following the meal.

A Season of Preparation

Advent Services

Wednesdays, @ 7pm

December 1st, 8th, & 15th

*Hope * Love * Joy * Peace*



Advent Soup
Suppers
Wednesdays @
6pm
December 1st
December 8th
December 15th



Come join us before the Advent service for a soup supper.
Suggested donation of \$3.

Sign up at the kiosk to cook and serve.

December 1st - **Chili & Minestrone.**

December 8th - **Potato Soup w/ Ham & Chicken Noodle**

December 15th - **Chicken Tortilla & Clam Chowder**



Serving One Another

CHRIST'S HANDS IN ACTION – Do you have tasks or small jobs around the house with which you need help? Risen Christ is looking to establish a “Service Group” at the church to assist church members (and others) with tasks/small jobs around the house. These small jobs could range from changing light bulbs to raking leaves, to small landscaping projects. As such, we are looking for inputs on service/assistance needs of members. After we formulate a list of projects, we will be seeking participation of members to assist with performance of these service tasks. **Please submit ideas/requests to Dave Luebbe, 563-340-7400, or write them on the sheet in the Narthex,** with sufficient contact information to allow follow-up on your suggestions. Thanks in advance for your inputs to jump start this new service opportunity

“Christ’s Hands in Action” is a servant group intended to assist members (and others) in need with minor task completions (ie. Minor home repairs, outdoor cleanup, small projects, and the like). However, to support this mission, we are seeking volunteers to be the “Hands” to support the group’s mission. Not all tasks are physically intensive, so this group can be supported by a diverse group of members to support requests as time and talents allow. If you would like to support this team, please either: 1) Put your information on the member signup form in the Narthex, or 2) Contact Dave Luebbe @ 563-340-7400.

When the team is established a Flock Note notification will be sent when a request is made, with members volunteering to support projects as their time and talents allow. I’m excited to work with the group to provide a useful mission for our members. If you have any questions, please contact Dave Luebbe @ 563-340-7400.

Things of Note



Once again, the Altar Guild is selling the BOGO Restaurant Books. The cost is **\$35**, cash or check (made payable to “RCLC Altar Guild”).

A sign up sheet is located on the kiosk.

You will be contacted when your book is available for pick-up in the church office.

We thank you for supporting The Altar Guild with your purchase. Proceeds go directly to help beautify our altar.



Risen Christ Angel tree is set up in the fellowship hall, with detail on the families posted by the tree. Lutheran Social Services have given us names of families in need and we have three special Veteran families that need help this year. **Please have gifts (wrapped or in gift bags) returned by Dec. 12th.** Cards and gift cards can be turned into the church office.



Poinsettias - Order yours today! Sign up at the kiosk. It's a wonderful way to honor a loved one and to beautify our sanctuary.

Cost is \$9, checks made out to RCLC Altar Guild through December 15th.





Men's Shelter Meal Service

Where: 2209 3rd Avenue, Rock Island, IL

When: The fourth Thursday night of each month. Arrive at the shelter between 5:00- 5:30 pm, depending on meal prep time required.

What: We provide a meal for 50-60 people.

Details: Meal items can be prepared ahead of time and heated up at the shelter. They have 2 big ovens that we can use. They provide serving dishes, utensils, plates, drinks and clean-up. We provide a tasty nourishing meal (main dish, side dishes, dessert.).

Thrivent members can apply for Thrivent Action Team dollars for each date they help in order to defray the costs.

In a nutshell: sign up for a date, plan a meal, prepare it and serve it with love.

Contact Bryan Johnson (563)579-3334 or Sandy Sievert (563)349-4288 if interested in helping prepare a meal or sign up at the kiosk in the fellowship hall.

This is a great family or small group activity!

Sign up is available at the kiosk for the months of 2022.

Beautify our Altar with flowers. Sign up at the kiosk bulletin board.

ALTAR

12/05 OPEN
12/12 OPEN
12/19 JAMES & DAWN LUEDTKE
12/26 OPEN

ORGAN



Flower Chart for year 2021 is available on the kiosk in the fellowship hall.

When you have signed up to provide flowers for a certain date, please fill out the pink Altar Flower instruction sheet and turn it in to the office by the prior Sunday. The cost for a bouquet is \$38 (slightly more if you wish to add special flowers).

Please make checks payable to RCLC Altar Guild.

Sunday Cookies

12/05 8:00 Marilyn Luebke
10:30 OPEN
12/12 8:00 Heidi Iltis
10:30 OPEN
12/19 8:00 OPEN
10:30 OPEN
12/26 8:00 OPEN
10:30 OPEN



Please sign up at the kiosk to provide or serve cookies or both. There's opportunity for everyone to serve in some way.

Everyone enjoys treats & fellowship after Sunday morning worship services. Call the church office with any questions.

December Worship Servants

Elders

- 12/01 7:00 Reynold Waech
12/05 8:00 Ron Borcharding
10:30 Jim Wegener
12/08 7:00 Rich Emory
12/12 8:00 Jason Franzenburg
10:30 Tim Welch
12/15 7:00 Stan Stanfield
12/19 8:00 Dan Kloppenborg
10:30 Ian McCloud
12/24 3:00 Reynold Waech
7:00 Rich Emory
11:00 Tim Welch
12/25 9:00 Rich Emory
12/26 9:00 Ron Borcharding
12/31 7:00 Dan Kloppenborg

Current Elder Assignments

Families with last names starting with:

A-Bo - Ian McCloud

Br-Di - Stan Stanfield

Do-F - Reynold Waech

G-He - Rich Emory

Hi-La -

Le-Mc - Tim Welch

Me-O - Ron Borcharding

P-R, T - Jim Wegener

S - Dan Kloppenborg

U-Z - Jason Franzenburg

Sound & Video

- 12/05 Scott Bosco
12/12 Terry Warner
12/19 Dick Schrage
12/26 Dave Luebbe

As for me and
my house, we will
serve the *Lord.*

Joshua 24:15

Altar Guild

Margaret Miller

Join the Altar Guild! Open months include March, June & August. Contact Margaret Miller, Dawn Curtiss or Pastor Licht if interested.

December Worship Servants

12/01	7:00	Sam & Asher Ross
12/05	8:00	Jordan Franzenburg Charlotte Bauer
	10:30	Gabe Crane & Ava Lamar
12/08	7:00	Charlotte Bauer
12/12	8:00	Nathan & Maddie McCoy
	10:30	Sam & Asher Ross
12/15	7:00	Nathan & Maddie McCoy
12/19	8:00	Kailynn McCracken
	10:30	Cooper Krager & Lillian Lochner
12/24	3:00	Molly Licht
12/24	7:00	OPEN
12/24	11:00	OPEN
12/25	9:00	Jacob Luedtke
12/26	9:00	Dalton & Hayley Ferris
12/30	7:00	OPEN



12/5	8:00	Dave Luebbe Steve McCoy Scott Sievert	10:30	Brad Johnson Mark Neubauer Scott Sievert
12/12	8:00	Terry Warner Ian McCloud Scott Sievert	10:30	Bryan Johnson Alan Elias Scott Sievert
12/19	8:00	Andrew McDowell James Luedtke Scott Sievert	10:30	Sandy Sievert Jason Lehman Scott Sievert
12/26	9:00	Scott Sievert		

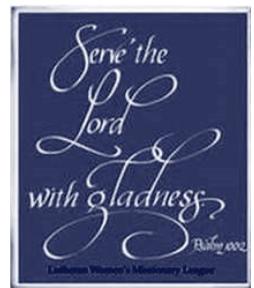
GREETERS

8:00

12/05	Carol McAnelly & Sandy McLeod
12/12	Jean Wenndt & Jack Boley
12/19	Dick & Grace Schrage
12/26	9:00 Leslie McCoy

10:30

Jim & Missy Wegener
Stan & Cindy Stanfield
Tim & Jessica Welch



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 12/03 Sherri Johnson
12/05 Katie Gruenhagen
Morgan Meador
12/07 Teresa Azure
12/08 Alyssa Martens
12/10 Addison Rasler
12/12 Molly Licht
12/14 Alexa Wakeland
12/15 Charlotte Bauer
12/17 Marv Reimers
12/19 Pam Speer
Carter Wichelt
Nolan Wittnebel
12/22 Holden Hess
12/23 Mark Neubauer
12/25 Heidi Iltis
12/26 Margaret Brodale
12/28 Gwen Oosting
12/30 Gabriel Crane
12/31 Carol McAnelly





12/01 Brad Bauer
 Ryan Zeimet
 Brianna Zeimet

12/02 Byron Otto

12/03 Megan Smith
 Myles Zirpel

12/04 Jackson Franzenburg

12/06 Nathaniel McCoy

12/08 Michelle Warner

12/16 Jeff Burkey

12/17 Paulette Waech

12/18 Madelaine McCoy
 Scarlett Sievert
 Patty Thomas

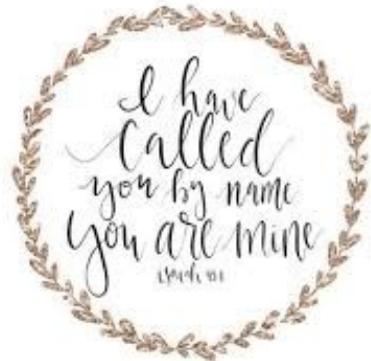
12/20 Abigail Luedtke
 Kay Petersen

12/23 Larry Niebuhr
 Marilyn Sorensen

12/24 Dawn Curtiss
 Tim Curtiss

12/25 Melissa Wegener

12/28 Cheri Amhof



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

12/11 Rich & Dawn Emory
12/19 Ron & Glenda Gruenhagen
12/27 Rev. Brian & Lynette Licht



I am my beloved's and my beloved is mine.

Song of Solomon 6:3



December – Dates to Remember

11/28 Sun.	2:00pm	Christmas Decorating
12/01 Wed.	5:30pm	Confirmation – Weekly
	6:00pm	Advent Soup Suppers – Weekly
	7:00pm	Advent Worship – Weekly
12/02 Thurs.	6:30pm	Elder’s Meeting
	6:30pm	LWML Bible Study & Mtg.
12/03 Fri.	12:00pm	Fellowship Friday
12/04 Sat.	7:00am	Workout – Weekly
	7:30am	Men’s Bible Breakfast
12/05 Sun.	9:15am	Children’s Christmas Program Practice
	2:00pm	Christmas Decorating
12/06 Mon.	2:00pm	Photo Make-up Day
12/07 Tues.	7:00pm	LBDC Christmas Program
12/09 Thurs.	6:00pm	Church Board Meetings
	7:30pm	Church Council Meeting
12/11 Sat.	9:00am	Children’s Christmas Program Practice
12/12 Sun.	9:15am	Children’s Christmas Program Practice
	10:30am	Children’s Christmas Program
12/13 Mon.	3:30pm	Quilt Assembly Group
12/22 Wed.	<u>NO</u> Confirmation Class, Supper or Worship service	
12/24 Fri.	Christmas Eve – LBDC & Church Office Closed	
12/31 Fri.	New Years Eve – LBDC & Church Office Closed	

See back cover for December worship service opportunities





MISS YOUR CHANCE to have your photo taken, but still want to be part of the **pictorial directory?** Schedule your make up appointment for **Dec. 6th, 2pm-8:30pm.** Sign up at church or online <https://ucdir.com/schedule/login.php>
Church code: ia159 Password: photos



If you have changed address, or know of another member who did, but may not have informed us, please either remind that person to get us the new information or supply it yourself. Thank you for helping us keep in touch with our treasured members.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Todd Hafner (brother of Lynette Licht) - Rehabilitation
David Hentze (brother of Gary Hentze) - Undergoing Cancer Treatment
Vernon Vance (Grandfather of Scott Bosco) - Continuing treatment for lung cancer
Joe Speer - Recovering at Home
Lisa Keller - Recovering at home
Reva Thoeming - Undergoing Cancer Treatment
Paulette Waech - Awaiting medical tests



HOSPITALIZED? If you or a loved one is admitted to the hospital or will be an outpatient at any medical facility and you desire Pastor Licht to visit, please notify the church office at 386-2342. Also, if you are a home-bound member and would like a visit, feel free to request a visit by notifying the church office.

December Worship Services

Advent Worship Services

Wednesday, December 1st @ 7:00pm

Wednesday, December 8th @ 7:00pm

Wednesday, December 15th @ 7:00pm

(Come join us at 6 for Soup suppers before worship)

Children's Christmas Program

Sunday, December 12th @ 10:30am

(Join us afterward for Cake & Ice cream to celebrate Jesus' birthday)

Christmas Eve Worship

Friday, December 24th

3:00pm, 7:00pm & 11:00pm

Christmas Day Worship

Saturday, December 25th @ 9:00am

Sunday Morning Worship

Sunday, December 26th @ 9:00am

(No Adult Bible class or Youth Sunday school)

New Year's Eve Communion Worship

Friday, December 31st @ 7:00pm

