



**Redeemer
Radiates
November 2018**



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The Pastor's Corner

It was to shepherds on Bethlehem's hills that an angel first proclaimed the Christmas message, saying, "Fear not, for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people. For unto



you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord" (Luke 2:10-11). Then suddenly, a multitude of angels unleashed their chorus of praise, singing, "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men" (Luke 2:14).

Did you hear the angel's message? "Unto you is born a Savior." You is only a little word, but to us who know our sinful condition, it should make us glad.

Martin Luther once said, "To whom is God speaking through His angel -- to wood or stones? No, God speaks to people, to all people. Shall we doubt the grace of God and say, 'Peter and Paul rejoiced that their Savior is come, but I cannot, for I am a miserable sinner and thus this dear and precious treasure is not for me?' 'My friend,' Luther continues, 'if you say He is not mine, then I say, whose is He then? Has He come to save geese and ducks and cows? See who He is! If He had come to save another creature, He would have assumed the likeness of that creature. But He has been made the Son of man!'"

St. Luke records the incarnation of the Son of God in these familiar words:

"While they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And

she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped Him in swaddling clothes, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn” (Luke 2:6-7).

As so we sing:

O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
Christ the Lord!

Pastor Grassley



ELDER OF THE MONTH OF DECEMBER:

Paul Wagner
Asst. Elder: John Moyer



ANNIVERSARIES IN DECEMBER:



12/02	Gerald & Anne Lutterman (40)
12/02	John & Nancy Moyer (29)
12/19	Gary & Dixie Burkett (57)
12/19	Norman & Lisa Preston (21)
12/20	Dennis & Martha Kitzmann (49)
12/20	Larry & Tammy Riemenschneider (32)

BIRTHDAYS IN DECEMBER:

12/01	Judy Pitre	12/11	Brooks Heitmeier
12/03	Mary Pumphrey	12/11	Gene Zulfer
12/04	Michael Neben	12/18	Frances Graham
12/06	Laura Stuck	12/22	Mark McGee
12/07	Betty Landy	12/23	Curt Fischer
12/07	Norman Preston	12/31	Richard Carter
12/08	Florene Richter	12/31	Eric Skiles
12/10	Mary Marones		



ALTAR FLOWERS FOR DECEMBER:



12/02	The Wagner Family in memory of Ben.
12/09	The Landy Family in celebration of Betty's birthday.
12/16	Gary & Dixie Burkett in celebration of their anniversary.
12/23	Poinsettias.

GREETERS IN DECEMBER:

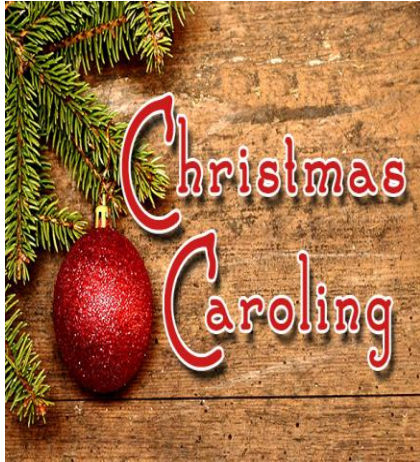
12/30 Alan & Georgia Hotaling



Mysterion is over until January. They will begin a new book then. More details to come.

BOARD INFORMATION

Stewardship:



December 15th, at 1:00 pm, we will hold a Christmas Caroling event in the neighborhood! Please join us as we go door-to-door to our neighbors spreading Christmas cheer to everyone. We also plan to visit our shut-in's and our nursing home members. Then we will meet back at church for hot cocoa and sweets! If you are interested, please sign up on the sheet posted on the Stewardship bulletin board in the narthex so that our Music Director can organize the groups. Thanks so much.

Christian Education:

The Tuesday Morning Bible Study is suspended until January.

The Ladies' Bible Study is also suspended until January.

Mission Ministry:

Thank you, everyone, who graciously took a Christmas Angel(s). As a reminder they are due back at Church on Sunday, December 9th.



Don't forget to save all of your cancelled stamps from your received Christmas cards.

We will be packing bags for LSSS on Thursday, December 6th at 10am in the Mission Center.

Whole Person Health Ministry:

Upcoming:

- **Be Stronger, Live Longer will meet December 4, 11, and 18 in December. We will then resume January 8th** and meet each Tuesday in January, from 8:30 am to walk laps, followed by 45 min. strength, balance and exercise class, all fitness levels welcome, at 9 am. We always include prayer and a brief devotion.
- The **annual WPHM Evaluation and Planning meeting and lunch** will follow Divine Service on Sunday, January 27th until about 1:30 pm. Elders and spouses, Pastor and Pat and our Cabinet members and volunteers are invited to attend. Please see Donna for questions.
- **Monthly blood** pressure screenings will be: **December 16th and January 20th** following Divine Service in the Parish Hall.



The following suggestions are adapted from Jane Geske, RNC, Parish Nurse Coordinator Lutheran Home & Services: “Keep holiday stress under control during the upcoming Christmas holidays” by adjusting your life in some areas:

1. Instead of baking multiple cookie recipes, consider baking just one favorite and try perhaps the others once a month during the remainder of the year.

2. Recruit family members to help address Christmas Cards. Or divide your list among 12 months and surprise friends and family with a letter or email at another time of the year.
3. Shop online; wrap gifts as they arrive.
4. Focus on devotions, Christmas programs, Bible Study, Worship Services, Advent services, Christmas carols.
5. The Christmas tree and decorations do not have to be perfect. Enjoy the process!
6. Get the sleep you need, eat fruits and vegetables, drink a lot of water.
7. Keep meals simple, even Christmas dinner. Enjoy relationships of those around your table. Grace them with your calm and caring presence.

Remember Health is not a test we pass in order to do faith. Health is an implementation of faith.

May our Prince of Peace give us all a stress free, calm and joyful spirit this Christmas season!

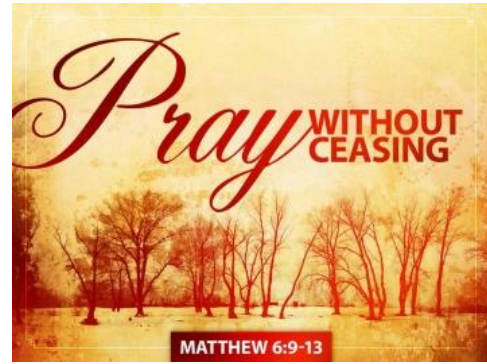
Donna Riccono, BSN, RN, Parish Nurse
Faith Community Nursing



Please remember in your prayers: **Members:** Bettye Baird; Jocelynn Collins; Elaine deTurck; Frances Graham; Mark Hinrichs; Darold Klamt; Eva Merritt; Gene Morones; Anna Moser; Rev. Richard Nelson; Lori Penning; Judy Pitre; Charles Ruhmann; Bettie Schatte; John Schatte; Alan Schaubhut; Dan Shackelford; Lucille Skehan; Bill Skokan; David Thomas; Randy Thomas; Stormi Thomas; Mildred Wagner; Jeanette Zulfer.

Relatives of members: Nanci

Alcorn; Bill Baird; Kala Barnett; Bobby Blackman; Janet Bliss; Susan Boudreaux; Meril Christenson; John Baars Connell; Dean Crocket; Shirley English; Jason & Denise Ford; Pat Ford; Pat Garnet; JoAnn Gibbs;



Andrew Graham; Linda Graves; Melody Giunta; Glen Hammett; Margaret Hollar; Craig & Trina Hotaling; Jeanette Hutchinson; Arleen Hayek; Debbie Hyden; Louetta Lewis; David Littlefield; Peggy Madison; Alison McMurray; Chuck Merritt; Jim Moser; Kevin Neville; Lynda Quirey; Ryan Robinette; John Sergent; Timothy Sherman; Brian Stevens; Matthew and Shantel Schatte; Family of Davey Thomas; Jacob Thomas; Danielle Tyus; Scotty Walker; Pat Wyer.

Friends of members: Kelley Adams; John Allison; Sammie Atwell; Steve Briscoe; Dawn Brown; Renee Brown; Joseph Burdick; Elinore Cocca; Dan Crofts; Jolene Crowe; Lauren DiGiovanni; Robert Edmonds; Parker Garret; Candy & Bruce Grantham; Patricia Hill; Larry Hoffman; Nancy Hood; Kyle Hopkins; The Aaron Johnson Family; Peg Kennedy; Telina Manbek; Charlene Marroquin; Julie Miranda; Marshall Martinez; Jed Oidtman; Deann Pearson & Family; Linda Riojas and daughters, Zoe and Sage; Camilla Ryan; Camilla Stephens; Dannette Taylor; Tina Taylor; Jerry Walker; Louanne Weber.

From “*Martin Luther Day by Day*”

December 5

This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet...

Matthew 21:4

The Promise Fulfilled



The evangelist cites [this prophecy] so that we may see how Christ has come not for the sake of our merit, but for the sake of divine truth. For He was promised long ago before we, to whom He comes, existed. Therefore, just as God promised the

Gospel out of pure grace, so He has also fulfilled it to demonstrate His truth – that He keeps what He promises – in order to stir us to build confidently on His promise, for He will fulfill it. And this is one of the Scriptures in which the Gospel was promised, of which Paul says, “God promised the Gospel beforehand through His prophets in the Holy Scripture, concerning His Son, Jesus Christ,” etc. (Romans 1:2). We have now heard how, in this verse, the Gospel, Christ, and faith are pointed out with the utmost excellence and consolation.

From the *Church Postil*, sermon for Advent 1 on Matthew 21:1-9
(*Luther’s Works* 75:57)

December 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 10:30 AM Divine Service	3 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM St. Paul Basketball Practice 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Youth Group Meeting 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM LifeLight, Hotaling's	4 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Be Stronger - Live Longer 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM St. Paul Basketball Practice 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM Adult Choir Practice	5 10:00 AM Quilting 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM Advent Meal 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Mid-Week Advent Vesper Service	6 10:00 AM Grocery Bags for LSSS 7:00 PM Board Meetings	7 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM St. Paul Basketball Practice	8
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16 10:30 AM Divine Service 11:45 AM Blood Pressure Check after Service	17 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM St. Paul Basketball Practice 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Youth Group Meeting 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM LifeLight, Hotaling's	18 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Be Stronger - Live Longer 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM St. Paul Basketball Practice 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM Adult Choir Practice	19 10:00 AM Quilting 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM Advent Meal 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Mid-Week Advent Vesper Service	20	21	22
23 10:30 AM Divine Service	24 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight Service	25 Church Office Closed for Christmas Day 10:30 AM The Nativity of Our Lord Divine Service	26 10:00 AM Quilting 7:00 PM Wednesday Evening Bible Study	27	28	29
30 10:30 AM Divine Service	31 7:00 PM New Year's Eve Service					