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Parish Notes

Welcome to Worship

Nov 28, 2021

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Gathered and gifted to celebrate and share the love of Jesus

SUNDAY 9:30 am - Worship
 10:30 am - Fellowship
 11:00 am - Teen Sunday School
 1:00pm - Bible Study (via Zoom)

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74401670409?pwd=QlVYTGJObGptRjJ6V2NXMlZ4Y1pvZz09>

Meeting ID: 744 0167 0409

Passcode: Study

MONDAY 9:00 am - Friendly Ties Quilters (1st & 3rd Monday's)

WEDNESDAY 9:00 am - Yoga
 1:00 pm - Book Club
 6:00 pm - Dinner & Faith Formation

THURSDAY 1:00 pm - Shepherding Bible Study Group - (3rd Thursday)
 6:30 pm - Church Council meeting - (2nd Thursday)

FRIDAY 8:00 pm - AA and Al Anon

SATURDAY ~~7:30 am - Men's Group - (2nd Saturday)~~

First Sunday of Advent

John 18:33-37

Living in Christ - Listen

Focus Question - *How do you listen to the voice of Jesus?*

November Birthdays

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| Deanna Brown | 2 |
| Don Brown | 4 |
| Janet Kilhefner | 13 |
| Marc Hughes | 14 |
| Steve Rhees | 31 |

Upcoming Events

- Dec 1 - Book Club
Faith Formation
- December 2 - Bazaar Set Up
- December 4 - Holiday Bazaar
- Dec 26-Jan 2 - Family Promise
- Jan 5 - Ministry Reports Due
- Jan 23 - Annual Congregational Meeting



Don't forget to bring in hats/socks/underwear/gloves for our Giving Tree. All items will be taken to the Ogden Rescue Mission.

"A Future with Hope" Stewardship Results

Thank you to everybody who participated in our Stewardship Campaign this past month. A special note of thanks to Sharen Kamp who put together a fantastic campaign, and Lillian Hughes and Jim Craig who shared their thoughts about joining our church family. The date for returning pledges was Nov 21, but we are grateful for your help with our future ministries and are happy to receive estimates of giving at any time.

Results for "A Future with Hope" are:

For the Year 2022

Number of pledges - 21

Amount Pledged - \$118,720

For the Current Year 2021

Number of pledges - 18

Amount pledged - \$97,576

Thank you again to Sharen and to all for a very successful stewardship campaign. Well done!

Christmas Poinsettias Give a poinsettia to beautify our worship in honor or memory of a loved one. The poinsettias will be used to decorate our sanctuary during worship on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Each poinsettia donated costs \$10. You may pick up your donated poinsettia after the Christmas Eve worship service. Cash or checks (made out to Ascension Lutheran Church) may be given to Pat Refsdal or Arliss Zimmerman - please include your name and your dedication.

Flowers on the altar are given Kelly Martin and Jeff Turner in honor of their 30th Anniversary



The Inn - Housing the Holy The pandemic has laid bare, and widened, economic disparity locally and globally. As we enter the Advent season, how can our churches become houses where the Holy will be born anew-offering respite, sustenance and care, opening the doors ever wider to those seeking shelter from the onslaught of life? No one church can do it all, but each can do something.

We have problems to address. And so did the Holy Family that night. An oppressive regime had demanded everyone upend their lives and hightail it to their home towns to register for the census-for tax purposes, likely. Mary was on the verge of giving birth and the AirBnB app just wasn't an option. Whether they got to town late or for some other reason, they had a housing problem that night.

The Innkeeper is a figure of our imaginations. Not referenced in the sacred texts, we assume that since Luke said there was an "inn," then there must have been an "innkeeper." Often our stories cast him in a negative light, someone who banished a pregnant woman to where the animals were kept. But what if, since we are engaging our imaginations anyway, what if he was truly an entrepreneur? Someone who saw a problem and thought, literally, "outside the box" to solve the problem of where Mary could have her child? Instead of thinking "there's nowhere," he said to himself first, "there has to be somewhere."

As we study the biblical prophets that call us to care for our neighbors and "make room in the inn," the lonely and frightened spaces within us are filled with the light of Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love.

Faith Mentor Needed - We have a new confirmation student. If you would like to serve as a faith mentor, please contact Kelly Martin.

Capital Campaign - As we approach 2022, we are planning to conduct a Capital Campaign to repair/replace the stucco around the church and seal the window on the south side of the church building. Doing this repair will then allow us to complete repairs, painting, and installation of worship screens in the sanctuary. More information will be available in the January timeframe. If you would be willing to help with this campaign, contact Pat Refsdal, 908-625-2039.

Collection for Narthex Furniture and Carpeting - for the next several weeks we are collecting a free will offering for new furniture for our Narthex. We are also going to budget to replace the carpeting in early 2022, and any money that is left after the furniture is purchased will be put toward the carpet.

†Please Lift Up in Prayer:

- Family and Friends of Carol
- Lillian & Don Hughes & Family
- Tracie Truitt, friend of Alyson's
- Kristy - Shari Morosky's daughter
- Bruce & Joan Marlow
- Stephanie, niece of Gloria
- Cory, Nancy Gale's son
- Pam Burbank
- Jessica Stewart, Dick Graves daughter
- Rebecca Rens and the Eyre Families
- Patti, Shari Morosky's sister
- Jefferson Barrett
- Kyle and Kristen - friends of Kelly
- Maylan Chugg, Don & Dee's granddaughter
- Julie Jensen, Mike Williams' sister
- Heather Nolting, wife of Arliss' nephew
- Gloria Mike
- Chris, friend of Alyson W.
- Judy Sherman
- Henry, Nancy G's grandson
- Justina, friend of Rebecca
- Sharen's sister and her family
- Lynn Copper and her family
- DJ, friend of Nancy O.
- Leigh, friend of Kelly and Jeff
- Sean Zeller, Pastor Gene's nephew
- Cheryl, friend of Alyson
- Mark Hughes and family
- Char and the Otto family
- Richard, Shari Morosky's husband
- Erik Thompson
- Pat, Lillian's Sister in Law
- Scott, Diana Warkentin's friend
- Heidi, Diane Shultz' sister-in-law
- Dick Graves

- Paula and Dave Stuart and Paula's Mom
- Bob P.
- Mark B.
- Shari Morosky and her family
- Dee Brown
- PJ, friend of Kelly
- Toni, Pastor Debra's Sister-in-Law
- Lynn and Carol
- Katie's mom, friend of Pastor Debra's daughter
- Yoshi, friend of Pastor Debra
- Kathie, Pastor Debra and James' Sister-in-Law
- Pat, friend of Shari M.
- Carol Reopelle
- Kim, friend of Bob
- Jack, Pastor Debra's nephew
- Suzy and her family
- Stef, Steve, and Tayson
- Grace Scothern

†Praying for Loved Ones in the Military:

- Steve Johnson
- Kaleb Tarr, Ethan Lee, Michael Connelly (deployed 13 July 17, 2021)
- Dariyan Edsinger
- Mason Bushey and his wife Ida, and family
- Brody Wilcock
- Renee Kiel
- Justin Kiel
- Kris Kiel
- Matt Malde
- Jason Chugg

December
Ascension Ministries

|  SUN |  WORSHIP ASST |  ALTAR GUILD |  USHERS |  GREETERS |  ANNOUNCEMENTS |  COUNTERS |
|---|--|---|---|--|---|--|
| Nov 28 | Connie Larsen | Kim Engelby | Todd & Renee Hart | John & Diane Warkentin | Sharen Kamp | Renee Hart |
| Dec 5 | Patti Hall | Kim Engelby | James Jimenez | Brigitte Schultz | Sharen Kamp | Keith Sorbo |
| Dec 12 | Mylitta Barrett | Kim Engelby | Patti Hall/ Stef Rhees | CJ Jordan | Sharen Kamp | CJ Jordon |
| Dec 19 | Pat Refsdal | Kim Engelby | Brigitte Shultz | Stefani Rhees | Sharen Kamp | Dorothy Harmon |
| Dec 24 | | | | | N/A | |
| Dec 26 | Connie Larsen | Kim Engelby | Todd & Renee Hart | John & Diane Warkentin | Sharen Kamp | Renee Hart |