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Parish Notes

Welcome to Worship

December 15, 2024

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Gathered and gifted to celebrate and share the love of Jesus

SUNDAY	8:30 am	-	Adult Bible Study
	9:30 am	-	Worship (Children's Sunday School during worship)
	10:30 am	-	Fellowship
	10:45 am.	-	Children's Bell Choir and Adult Choir (following worship)
MONDAY	9:00 am	-	Friendly Ties Quilters (1 st and 3 rd Mondays)
TUESDAY	11:00am	-	Bible Study
WEDNESDAY	1:00 pm	-	Book Club
THURSDAY	1:00 pm	-	Shepherding Bible Study Group – (3 rd Thursday) Game Day – (1 st Thursday)
	1:00 pm	-	Movie Day – (4 th Thursday)
	6:30 pm	-	Church Council meeting – (2 nd Thursday)
FRIDAY	8:00 pm	-	AA and Al Anon
SATURDAY	10:00am	-	WELCA Ladies (4 th Saturday)



December Birthdays

Deanna Brown	2
Don Brown	4
Anders Denniston	5
Aaron Butler	9
Marc Hughes	14
Billie Petersen	19
Katie Young	19
Jamie McConnell	27
John Fritschle	29

Upcoming Events

Dec 8-15 – Family Promise Host Week

Dec 16 – Family Promise Groundbreaking

Dec 19 – Shepherding Group Potluck

Dec 21 – Gingerbread Houses



Thanks to Cassie Barker, Mari Roberts and Callie Jo for providing treats for coffee hour.



Join us Saturday morning from 9-11 to decorate gingerbread houses, watch The Polar Express and have loads of fun!

On December 19th, at 1:00PM, the Shepherding group will meet in the fellowship hall for our Christmas potluck. Please bring a side dish or dessert. No gift exchanges this year. Please bring a paper product such as napkins, paper towels, tissue, paper plates, toilet paper. These items will be donated to the Rescue Mission. Come join in the fun. Call Arliss if you have any questions 🌲🧑‍🎄



Christmas Poinsettias We will be collecting donations and dedications for Christmas Poinsettias to beautify our worship services in honor or memory of a loved one. The poinsettias will be used to decorate our sanctuary during worship on Christmas Eve. 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. The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex – please include your name and your dedication

Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton has released her annual message for Advent and Christmas. 🌲 Bishop Eaton calls our attention to the word “joy” in the angel’s proclamation to the shepherds. “Do not be afraid, for see, I am bringing you good news of a great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord.” (Luke 2:10-11). She reminds us that the message of Christmas is joy, not happiness. Happiness is transient and humanmade. But joy given by God is deep and strong and unshakable. “Joy is a sign of the reign of God ... Perhaps that is why in the middle of the night, to terrified shepherds, outside of a small town, God chose to send the angels to announce the birth of Jesus. No distraction. No interference. Just the simple, deep, profound gift of true and lasting joy.”

You can view the video here <https://www.facebook.com/ELCAworldhunger>

There is also the opportunity this Advent season to give to ELCA World Hunger. Thanks to generous friends of ELCA donations between now and the end of the year will be matched. Your gifts help our church respond to hunger and poverty through hundreds of projects in more than 60 countries around the world, including the United States. These gifts are brought together with the skills, capacity and resources of local communities to make transformative change.

You can give by phone 800-638-3522 or give online at [ELCA.org/hunger/donate](http://elca.org/hunger/donate)
<http://elca.org/hunger/donate>
or you can mail your gift

Make checks payable to ELCA World Hunger.

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
ELCA Gift Processing Center
P.O. Box 1809
Merrifield, VA 22116-8009

Gifts must be postmarked by Dec 31 to be eligible for the matching gift.



Please Lift Up in Prayer:

- Tracie Truitt, friend of Alyson's
- Cory, Nancy Gale's son
- Pam Burbank
- Jessica Stewart, Dick Graves's daughter
- Jefferson Barrett
- Maylan Chugg, Don & Dee's granddaughter
- Chris, friend of Alyson W.
- Henry, Nancy G's grandson
- Cheryl, friend of Alyson
- Mark Hughes and family
- Heidi, Diane Shultz' sister-in-law
- Dick Graves
- Jack, Pastor Debra's nephew
- Suzy and her family
- Bill, Linda's brother
- Alice, Anastasia, and all the people affected by the war in Ukraine
- Brian Washburn, Kamberlynn's dad
- Terry, Dee Brown's brother
- Charlie Tufts
- Kim, Kelly's sister
- Judy, friend of Shellie
- Mary, Sharen's daughter-in-law
- Ruth Dupee, friend of Maria
- Lynn & Carol Benson
- Don Hughes
- Betsy Daley, friend of Nicole
- Lara and her husband, Nicole's sister and brother-in-law
- Don and Dee Brown
- Sue, Sharen's sister








- Dean and Val, Mike's brother and sister-in-law
- Steve Morlan
- Diana Warkentin
- Jamie McConnell
- David Stuart
- Callie Jo
- Patti Hall
- Sharen's Mahjong Group
- Gary Atteberry and family
- Ann Shane
- Shellie Ingram
- Jed M, a cadet at Kelly's school
- Chelsea, Nancy's niece
- Calvin Schalk Jr, his wife Janel and Calvin Sr, and Diana
- Glenn and Tonya, Shelie's brother and his wife

†Praying for Loved Ones in the Military or deployed:

- 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
- Alex Treadway

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, or would like to be added to our Prayer Warrior email group, please send Kelly an email jeffnkelly2@msn.com

**December
Ascension Ministries**

 SUN	 WORSHIP ASST	 ALTAR GUILD	 USHERS	 GREETERS	 ANNOUNCEMENTS	 COUNTERS
Dec 1	Katie Young	Kim Engelby	Todd & Renee Hart	Pat Refsdal	Kelly Martin	Renee Hart
Dec 8	Mark Denniston	Kim Engelby	Patti Hall & Stefani Rhees	Joanna Wolf	Kelly Martin	Mark Denniston
Dec 15	Arless Zimmerman	Kim Engelby		Stefani Rhees	Kelly Martin	Paula Del Carlo
Dec 22	Kelly Martin	Kim Engelby	James Jimenez	CJ Jordan	Kelly Martin	CJ Jordan
Dec 29	Patti Hall	Kim Engelby	Dave Filanda	??	Kelly Martin	Pat Refsdal

If you have articles or information for the parish notes, please send them to Kelly by Friday afternoon.