

THE Epistle from St. Paul



December 2020

Advent in Our Time

The Church Year begins with the season of Advent, a season of waiting. We remember the Old Testament faithful, and how they waited for the promised Messiah to come. We too wait, waiting for the Lord Jesus Christ to come again. The Church Year follows the old military adage: hurry up and wait!



Last year at this time, we embraced the season of Advent, with our midweek services, pre-service meals, Christmas Program, and many other seasonal festivities, as we re-played the Divine Drama of waiting for the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ, and holding out hope that this might just be the year that he comes again. Little did we know what 2020 had in store for us. During our Advent and Christmas celebrations last year, we had no idea that, four months later, we would be locked down in our homes, schools would close down at Spring Break, that the economy would suffer the most dramatic decline in history, unemployment would go from all-time highs to all-time lows in a matter of weeks, millions in our nation would contract a novel coronavirus, and hundreds of thousands in our nation would die with the virus. And we had no idea that our worship would look different, our life together as a congregation would look different, and that many of us would have to make the decision to worship on a screen from home.

But something else happened last year. Maybe it had been there for a while, or maybe things like the pandemic, the current political climate, and our nation's worldview have moved us in this direction, but over the last year, it has become much more clear to me what our culture's dominant virtues have become. Through the chaos of a pandemic, the toxic political climate, and the increased reliance we have on using screens to shape and form our reality, fear, anger, and lust have emerged as our culture's dominant virtues.

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Fear. Our culture, or the world around us, tells us that the worst thing that can happen to us is to die, that we should fear even the remote possibility of death, and that we should make decisions that have a profound impact on our lives and the lives of our neighbors from that fear. (An aside: this is not a commentary on a common-sense response to the pandemic; it is saying that fear, as a virtue in our cul-

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A Christmas Story From An Early Church Father

Anyone else think that Christmas decorations went up a little early this year? Or how about Christmas music? I haven't heard anyone push back on Christmas music in November this year. And if I had to take a guess why, let's be honest, we can all answer this one together: because it's 2020. Maybe it is true that people are looking for a little extra hope and peace in the midst of the extra amounts of chaos and craziness that we've had this year. But, as followers of Christ, the hope that we have this year, is the same hope that we have every single year: that our God did not wait for us to come to Him but has come to us. It's the good news of great joy that is for all people, especially those around everyone today: **"For unto you is born in the city of David, a Savior, who is Christ the Lord"** (Luke 2:11).

But, since the world has started Christmas early this year, and maybe you've joined them in doing so, as well, it may come up that you go through all your normal Christmas movies, stories, songs, and at some point, are looking for something new. But, instead of looking to something new, let me point you to something old, like from the 4th or 5th Century old. It's a story that was originally told by the Early Church Father, Jerome. The back story is that in his old age, Jerome lived in Bethlehem, the town where Jesus was born. Now not too far from where he lived stood a beautifully crafted nativity scene, and the following is a short, hypothetical conversation that Jerome had with the Christ child,

"So often as I gaze upon this place, my heart has a sweet converse with little Jesus. I say: Oh, Lord Jesus, how you are shivering. How mien you lie there for the sake of my salvation, how can I ever repay you? – There I imagine the babe

answering me: I don't want anything, dear Jerome, but that you sing: Glory to God in the highest! Only let that please you, for I will become much more needy on the Mount of Olives and on the holy cross. – I say further: Dear little Jesus, I must give you something: I want to give you all my gold. – The infant answers: Heaven and earth are still always mine, I don't need it, give it to the poor. I will receive that as if it were given to me. – I go on to say: Dearest baby Jesus, I will gladly do that, but I must also do something for you personally, or I will die for sorrow. – The little child answers: Dear Jerome, since you are so very generous, I will tell you what you should give me. ***Give me your sins, your evil conscience, and your damnation.***

– I say: What will you do with them? – The baby Jesus says: I will take it on my shoulder. That shall be my government and my glorious deed, as Isaiah said in olden times, that I will bear and take away your sins (Is. 9:6; 53:4-12). – Then I begin to weep bitterly, said Jerome, and say: Child, dear child, how you have stirred my heart! ***I thought you wanted to have what is good, so you want to have everything that is evil about me. Take away what is mine. Give me what is yours. Thus I am free of my sins and sure of eternal life.***"¹

What a wonderful message that we are left with in this pandemic Christmas season. God wants to take our worst, so that He may give us His best! Baring that which God says in His Word, might be best news that we've heard this year!

Merry Christmas,
Pastor Andrew Coop

¹C. F. W. Walther, "Conversation of Jerome's Heart with the Christ Child," *Der Lutheraner* 1, no. 9 (December 1844): 34-35.



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ture, is manifesting itself in how our culture responds to the reality of our mortality that the pandemic has revealed to it.)

Anger. About a month ago, a rogue rock on I-80 cracked my windshield. Long story short, I was talking with the SafeLite Autoglass guy about what he does. He was a mid-40s family guy who liked cars, so we naturally were getting along quite well. Anyway, he was telling me how his customers have been getting more and more... angry. No manners at all. Over the summer, we saw outrage and anger in the streets of our cities. The internet is a training ground for cultivating anger. Even “news” shows have an increasing tendency to reward “experts” who are outraged with time in front of the camera.

Lust. This one’s easy. Just do a quick google search on the number of porn sites and the total time (and money!) people spend looking at online porn. Lust has replaced love as the chief goal of relationships, and the pinnacle of human emotions.

That’s the bad news.

The good news is that, as God’s Advent People (waiting for the Lord to come), our words and actions offer a better way than what the world has to offer. Instead of anger, our God offers peace which surpasses all understanding (Philippians 4:7). Instead of fear, our God offers hope—an indestructible hope in the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. And instead of lust, our God offers love—a love that led his son to lay down his life for his friends (John 15:13), and that leads us to love our enemies and pray for those who persecute us—a love the world cannot offer because it is a love the world does not know, and about which it cannot comprehend. And we reveal these three (peace, hope, and love) when we live out our faith and calling as followers of Jesus. And, in doing so, we offer the world—those around us who do not know Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior—a better way, a way that leads to a meaningful and blessed life now, and an eternity with God when Jesus comes again; a coming that we anticipate always, but especially this Advent Season.

God be with you all and bless you as you remain rooted in Christ, growing in grace, and reaching the lost.

In Christ,
Pastor Duncan



Wednesday, December 2
Wednesday, December 9
Wednesday, December 16
Wednesday, December 23
6:15pm & 7:00pm



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Preschool Updates

As the preschool wraps up November with teaching about being thankful, they ended the month of November with a BIG thanksgiving feast that included craisins, turkey roll ups, dinner rolls, and pumpkin pie.

In December, preschool moves into teaching about Christmas. This is a special time of year that the teachers love sharing about Jesus. The classrooms get transformed into reminders of why this season is so important. Not only are the children learning about the season, they are also singing some fun songs like "Oh, what a special night. Thank you God for baby Jesus." Even though there is no Christmas program this year, the joy that is shared during this time is still holding strong.

With COVID still in the air and DHS guidelines changing constantly, our teachers are working hard at keeping up with all of the changes. If you see one of our preschool teachers, thank them for all the hard work and extra hours they have put in this year. It is not easy trying to plan, implement, and keep families connected with all of the COVID restrictions. Thank you for your continued prayers and support of the preschool.

Have a blessed Christmas. I wish you peace, happiness, and love that the true meaning of Christmas brings.

Respectfully submitted by:
Alyssa Wendzel
Preschool Board Chairperson
preschoolboard@stpaulankenya.org



Like almost everything this year, our normal Christmas Eve schedule will look different. We will keep parts of the normal service that are near and dear to our hearts (like Christmas Carols, and a candlelight portion to end each service). But, as with our weekend worship services, Christmas Eve services will be shorter in length, but more in quantity to allow for social distancing and maximum in-person participation.

There will be sign-ups for Christmas Eve services, just like our weekend worship services.

There will be no Christmas Eve online service, but there will be for Christmas Day.

Christmas Eve Service Schedule

FLC Services with Pastor Duncan:

- 4:30 pm (Journey service style)
- 5:30 pm (featuring piano and guitar)
- 6:30 pm (featuring piano and guitar)
- 7:30 pm (The Gate service)

Sanctuary Traditional Services with Organ and Pastor Andrew:

- 5:00 pm (mask required)
- 6:00 pm
- 7:00 pm
- 8:00 pm

Donations Being Collected Until December 27

Fill the manger now through December 27. We are collecting food items along with cash donations to be split between the St. Paul Food Pantry/Blessing Box and DMARC (Des Moines Area Religious Council) food pantry network. DMARC anticipates they will assist over 17,000 individuals in November alone.

Need ideas? Go to <https://www.dmarcunited.org/food/most-needed-items/>.

There is power in your cash donation. Due to agreements with wholesalers, for each donated dollar, DMARC can purchase two to six times the amount of food that you can purchase. Please make checks payable to St. Paul Lutheran Church.

We will also be collecting manual can openers for distribution at Moulton Elementary.

Thank you for helping to fill the manger!



**FILL THE
MANGER**
FOOD DRIVE



Upon the advice of our governor, our December meeting has been canceled. We will hopefully celebrate Christmas in January instead!

As many of us have had to cancel our family get-together this year, it will be one to remember. But as we celebrate we should remember the most wonderful gift we have already received. Jesus was born many years ago, but He still lives in us daily.

My wish for each of you is to have a blessed Christmas and a very prosperous new year. Looking forward to 2021.

Betty McConnell
President

Lutheran Laughs



Merry Christmas from LSI!

"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." — John 1:5

As Christmas approaches, we give thanks to you! This year has been challenging for all of us, and we are grateful for the Iowans who have stepped up just for the sake of giving and helping LSI in 2020. Thank you for bringing the light of Christ to your neighbors who rely on these important services!

At LSI, we know many people experiencing deep darkness. We know parents who feel hopeless, with little resources to raise their young children. We know adults with disabilities who feel voiceless, with no support system or connection to their community. We know teens who are aging out of foster care, who fear they will never have a forever family to love them.

The holidays can be an especially difficult time for our neighbors who are so often overlooked in our society. In the spirit of giving, the spirit of love, and the spirit of working together, let us stand with them and lift them up this Christmas season. If you would like to learn more about how you can support Iowa children and families, contact Deb Whitford, LSI's director of philanthropy and church relations.

Wishing you a blessed and merry Christmas from LSI!



Evangelism Updates

We had a successful Drive-Thru Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 25. Eight decorated trunks helped spread the news of Jesus.

We are not having the Big Rake this year due to the pandemic.

Eileen Anderson, Betty Berlau, Linda Nordstrom and I mailed out handmade Veterans cards to all members who served our country in the military, as well as those members currently deployed. Thank you to Eileen for making the beautiful cards!

In November we collected warm clothing and blankets for the children at Moulton Elementary in Des Moines. After Thanksgiving we are changing the manger theme to collect donations for DMARC, the blessing box and our own food pantry.

In Christ,
Lynn Hanselman
Evangelism Board Chairperson

EVANGELISM



2021 Offering Envelopes

Offering envelopes for 2021 can be picked up in the hallway near the FLC. If you give electronically and no longer use envelopes, please let the church office know.

Land Committee Report

Copies of the Land Committee Report continue to be available on the kiosks in the Narthex and near the main entrance.

Stewardship Committee Stays Busy this Fall

Stewardship decided to provide iPads for shut-ins that do not have access to our online services. We purchased two new iPads and Randy Sunderman configured them for easy access to our worship services. We also put together a gift bag to be delivered with the iPads. Pastor Coop provided the names of some members who might be interested in using them.

Trunk or Treat was a fun event for us! Evangelism board members dressed up as bakers and gave out prepackaged donuts to a little over 100 children.

St. Paul as a great online directory available to all members. We are still missing several family's photos. If you haven't provide a photo, please visit the online directory website (you can also get it to Kathy in the church office), where you can submit a photo and update your information.

On Saturday, November 28 please come help us decorate St. Paul for Christmas at 9:00am. Treats will be provided. We are always looking for committee members! If interested please let me know.

Thank you and Blessings to you!

Tim Krehbiel

Stewardship Board Chairperson



Saturday,
November 28
9:00 a.m.

Sync Our Church Directory to Your Mobile Device

Now you can sync our church directory directly to your Apple, Android or Kindle Fire device with a FREE app!

Search for other members, and then email, call or text – right from the directory app.

It's Easy!

1. Go to your device's App Store.
2. Search for Instant Church Directory.
3. Enter your email as it's listed in our church directory.
4. Follow the directions on screen to complete the login process.



Council President's Comments

Annual Voters Meeting

The meeting was held as planned on November 22 but in a different format. The meeting attendance was limited because of recent proclamations so there were only about 20 voters who attended in person. Approximately 50 voters participated online. We succeeded in getting a larger level of participation than I expected by using the Zoom meeting format to conduct the meeting. Thanks to staff, the church council and others for communicating with membership and getting approval for key business items. I'd personally like to thank Kathy Olson for providing the meeting documents, Jason Buls for preparing understandable treasury items to obtain voter approval, Cindy Twedt for acting as secretary, and especially Pastor Coop for making the Zoom meeting arrangements and coordinating the interactive process.

Council Secretary

The council secretary position is still vacant. If you have the skills and interest for serving in that capacity until July 1, 2021, please contact me.

Worship Service Livestreaming

Pastor McLellan indicated in his monthly report that we have begun livestreaming the 9:00am Sunday worship service. This is viewed as a better way than was previously being done. If you watch it and have comments or suggestions concerning your online experience, please send them directly to Randy Sunderman at stewardship@stpaulankenya.org.

The next scheduled church council meeting is in the FLC on Tuesday, December 15 at 6:30pm.

Yours in Christ,
Gary Lohmann

Elders Report for November 2020

Our Sunday church service schedule is planned to remain as is for December. There will be two Wednesday evening services during Advent starting Wednesday, December 2. Then eight services for Christmas Eve with four services in the Sanctuary and four services in the FLC. Please provide any of your suggestions to your Elder as we try to improve our safety during this increased concern for contacting COVID-19.

The second Phone-a-thon is scheduled for Sunday, December 6 at 1:00pm. The Elders hope to complete a number of calls to members that haven't felt safe to attend in-person church services. We want to determine how our members are doing and see if there is anything that the Elders can do to help their family.

Membership and Service Attendance Report:

November 2019	Baptized – 762	Confirmed – 605	Family Units – 304
November 2020	Baptized – 750	Confirmed – 601	Family Units – 304

October Service Att. – 347
October Service Att. – 205

In Christ,
Bob Peters
Head Elder



We are still unable to hold Sunday School as usual, however Children's Church continues to be offered during the 9:00am service on the first and third Sundays. Additional lesson material is available in the Resurrection Hallway each weekend, and digital lessons are available on the church website under Family Ministries.

Midweek has been utilizing a hybrid learning model and rotating students on a weekly basis. The Board of Education will continue to monitor information and evaluate each month. In accordance with the Governor's latest mandate, we will not have Midweek on December 2. Digital lessons are available for parents interested in added materials. Just bring a flash drive to the church office.

December 2	No Midweek
December 9	Midweek, Group 2
December 16	Midweek, Group 1
December 23	No Midweek, Christmas Break
December 30	No Midweek, Christmas Break

Sadly we are unable to host a Children's Christmas program this year, but the Board of Education will still provide children's treat bags during all Christmas Eve services.

If you need additional information about any of the education programs at St. Paul, please feel to contact me anytime. Have a very Merry Christmas and blessings for the New Year!

In Christ,
Cindy Twedt
Education Board Chairperson

Buy Gift Cards Here!

Thank you to all of our St. Paul members supporting the St. Paul education programs by purchasing gift cards through the SCRIP program.



Consider using the SCRIP gift card program for all your holiday shopping needs. HyVee, Fareway, WalMart, Target, Menards, Home Depot, Kohls, Starbucks and Fleet Farm cards are all available. Kum & Go and Casey's cards are available for holiday travel.

Place orders with payment in the box near the church office. Orders placed on a Sunday are usually available the following Sunday. Please contact me with any questions.

Dorothy Marvin

Winter Weather is Coming!

Winter weather will be here before you know it! One way we notify members of cancellations due to weather is through email, text and phone notifications through the One Call Now program. Please make sure the church office has your current email address and phone number.



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receive texts.
Text ALERT
to 22300.**

October 20, 2020 Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 6:35pm. Opening devotion was given by Pastor Coop on Psalm 46. How have we been blessed? Alyssa Wendzel is thankful that her husband, Nathan, will be back home by the end of the week, after being gone the past 13 months. Jason Buls' great nephew, who has been in the hospital since May, will be coming home this week.

Approval of the previous meeting minutes made by Kaleb Grev, seconded by Jim Harvey. Motion approved.

DCE Call Update

The process continues to move along with the remaining two candidates left in the process.

Staff Report

Pastor Duncan stated his meeting with the IDW leadership concerning The Gate's progress and the Sudanese congregation was fruitful. He did receive some very upsetting news after the meeting which will require further conversation.

Elder Report

Bob Peters stated his report is in Dropbox. Of note, the elders are analyzing the different service attendance and may look at discontinuing one service.

Treasurer Report

Jason Buls presented the September 2020 financial summary which is also in Dropbox. He is currently working on the Small Business Paycheck Protection Program Loan forgiveness application. Gary Lohman asked about the interest incurred if it is not forgiven, which is 1%. Clarification was made that salaries are a higher percentage this year due to including the preschool staff. Bob Peters moved to approve the treasurer report, Jim Harvey seconded.

Board Reports

Christian Education

Cindy Twedt was unable to attend tonight, her report is in Dropbox.

Evangelism

Lynn Hanselman was unable to attend tonight, her report is in Dropbox.

Finance

Kaleb Grev presented giving through the end of September 2020. Discussed generating metrics for the budget committee to use forecasting 2021 giving with COVID still being a factor.

Property

Report is in Dropbox. Discussion about coordinating for the incoming furniture for the pastor offices. Some yard work will be accomplished in the next few weeks in preparation for winter.

Stewardship

Tim Krehbiel stated his report is in Dropbox. He spoke to the division between several council members and the pastors. He requests that a higher level of professionalism and maturity is adhered to in accomplishing the work of the church.

Youth

Malisa Davies stated her report is in Dropbox. The board is currently working on Trunk or Treat, the junior and senior youth district gathering will be virtual. Next board meetings is November 2 at 7pm.

Preschool

Alyssa Wendzel stated her report is in Dropbox. The first reported COVID cases were reported, a couple rooms were closed and sanitization procedures were taken. The teachers did online learning and they received praise from numerous parents. They will have a DHS inspection later this year so they are preparing for that.

Jason Buls moved to approve the board reports as presented, Bob Peers seconded. Motion passed.

Budget Committee

Ben Piepho stated this is a preliminary budget for presentation. The committee is still waiting on some minor fiscal figures from other boards. He then handed off to Jason Buls to discuss the budget. Jason reviewed the budget line by line for council members. Voting will take place in November.

Planning Committee

The planning committee will wait for the budget finalization to start their efforts.

New Business

Jason Buls presented the finance team recommendations. Bob Peters motioned to approve the presentation of the finance team's recommendations to the congregation at the November meeting with the stipulation "the Savings Fund is only accessible by the council if the general fund balance is below one month operating expense" clause.

During presentation Jim Harvey motioned to move Puerto Rico mission fund balance of \$31.19 to the Sunday School mission projects fund due to inactivity and no further support. Kaleb Grev seconded, motion passed. Motion will be presented at the November voters meeting for vote.

Bob Peters made a motion to request Jason check with the pastors if we should distribute \$3,000 from the compassion fund to Pastor Simon's family. Ben Piepho seconded. Motion carried.

No appointments or suggestions were made for Secretary.

Jason Buls motioned to close, Bob Peters seconded, motion carried.

Adjournment with the Lord's Prayer at 8:07pm.



October 2020 Financial Summary

October 31, 2020 (In 000's)	Current Month		Year-to-Date		Yearly Chng	% of Total Budget	% of 2020 Fiscal Year
	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>			
St. Paul Unrestricted Contributions	38.9	61.4	455.7	531.3	-14.2%	63.2%	83.3%
Preschool Income*	10.7	-	87.9	-	0.0%	76.0%	83.3%
Total Income	49.6	61.4	543.6	531.3		65.0%	
St. Paul Operating Expenses	40.5	54.2	477.2	532.8	-10.4%	66.1%	83.3%
Preschool Operating Expenses *	12.2	-	88.9	-	0.0%	80.6%	83.3%
Total Operating Expenses	52.7	54.2	566.1	532.8		68.0%	

*Preschool financial data was not included in 2019.

General Operating Fund (US Bank)	\$ 45.1	\$ 88.8
SBA Paycheck Protection Program Fund	\$ 83.4	\$ -
Total Operating Funds	\$ 128.5	\$ 88.8
Savings Balance (Edward Jones)	\$ 254.5	\$ 153.2
Restricted Reserves Fund Balance (LCEF)	\$ 139.8	\$ 114.7

Operating expense variances (as compared to 2019):

Worship Staff	10.8%
Outreach	-13.3%
Property	-3.2%
Ministry Boards	-35.7%
Administration	17.3%

How your unrestricted contributions have been spent:

Worship Staff (compensation, guest pastors, music ministry)	76.9%
Outreach (district pledge, The Gate support, scholarships)	3.8%
Property (utilities, cleaning, insurance, repairs/upkeep, etc.)	7.9%
Ministry Boards (evangelism, stewardship, education, youth)	3.4%
Administration (supplies, equip. maintenance, communications)	8.0%

DECEMBER 2020

ELDER OF THE WEEK

- 06: Gary Hauge
13: Dennis Shaltamis
20: Bob Peters
27: Jon Jero

OFFERING COUNTERS

December 6 & 13

Bill Kruse, Dewayne McGohan

December 20

Donna Stoelk, Doyle Witt

December 27

Jon Gerthls, Doyle Witt

Wedding Anniversaries

- 05: Jim & LuAnn Ruddy
09: John & Linda Gatz
10: Tyler & Lindsey Irlmeier
15: Darwin & Ann Rohlfesen
16: Curt & Marcia Hora
20: Terry & Carol Moehnke
23: Duane & Mary Suhr
28: Eric & Stacia Bradley
29: Todd & Christina Brady

Birthdays


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| 01: Abby Pinkerton
Beth Snyder
Patricia Townsend
Del Wesack | 02: Jon Jero
Anthony Rosing
Edward Bell
Glen Gustafson
Don Halbur | 03: Tony George
Melissa Hoffman
Parker Chrouser
Emily Nuetzman
Ed Pittenger
Char Shaw | 07: John Gatz
Rylan Rohlfesen
Scott Retzlaff
Brooklyn Robson
09: Kaitlynn Boersma
Linda Gatz
Scott Kotke
Sara Maxwell
AJ Mumm
10: Hannah Foster
13: Amber Giese
Kelly Hancock
Ben Piepho
14: Colleen Foster
Madalyn George
Eileen Haut
Alexander Heftlebower
Kyra Swenson | 15: Carol Schinpull
Mary Stratmann
17: Joanne Curry
Jostiah Kisker
18: Kyllah Greenfield
Kim Hood
Jan Schwarting
Nadine Sturtz
19: Gregory Brady
Karen Gerthls
Nicki Greenfield
20: Becky Haase
Jeanne Loring
Lydia Miller
21: Jason Bults
Amanda Hayden
Donald Nemitz
22: Dakota Allen
Jenni Madsen
Linda Nordstrom
23: Jo Ellen Sloan
Carleton Stoll
Stephen Townsend
24: Jostiah Anderson
26: Dan Dreke
Brian Johnson
Ruth Koester
27: Bill Miller
28: Sarah McLellan
29: Becky Behrens
30: Dan Portratz
Peter Shaw
31: Kevin Wesack |
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Baptism Birthdays

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| 01: Allison Dorflier
Chris Kortowski
Duncan McLellan
MacKenzie Rutter | 03: Aurora Nielsen
04: Chad Burgess
Joye Engstrom
05: Dorothy Swanson
Doyle Witt
06: Gary Lohmann
07: Hank Wierson
08: Randy Benda
09: Brady Kilgore
11: Larry DaKos
13: Jesse Kisker
15: Greg Crawford
Denny Lensch
16: Lavonne Stoelke
17: Jo Hancock
18: Clark Boersma
Jan Schwarting
Beth Snyder
19: Scott Kotke
Tina Meissner
21: John Strothcamp
Roger Iwert
23: Hannah Giese
Britney Hindman
Gwen Kilgore
Matthew Weathers
24: Amy Fahrman
Morgan Johnson
25: Denise Benda
Don Jacoby
Dewayne McGohan
26: Jaedon Wilber
27: Jennifer Doering
Abby Pinkerton
28: Michael Hayden
Sarah McLellan
29: Kaitlynn Boersma
30: Dan Dreke
31: Tyson Woerdhoff |
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December 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 9am Chapel w/ Holy Communion	3 9:30 am Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) 7:15pm Women's Zoom Bible Study	4	5 4pm Mask Required Service in Sanctuary 5:30pm Journey Service in FLC
6 Worship Services (sign up recommended) 8:00am 9:00am 10:00am 11:00am 7:00pm Zoom Bible Study	7 6:30pm Board Meetings 6:30pm GriefShare (via Zoom)	8 6:30pm Elders Meeting	9 9am Chapel w/ Holy Communion 4:00-5:30pm Midweek Group 2 4:00-5:30pm 6-7 Grade Conf.	10 9:30 am Romans Bible Study 6:30pm BSF 7:15pm Women's Zoom Bible Study	11	12 4pm Mask Required Service in Sanctuary 5:30pm Journey Service in FLC
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