



Poinsettias will again be used at our Christmas services. If you would like to order one in memory or in honor of a loved one, contact the church office at 376-6148. Please indicate if you will be picking them up after the Christmas Day Service or if you will leave them here to be delivered to the shut-ins or nursing homes. Please leave the name of the person or persons you are giving one for. The cost will be \$10. **The deadline to have your order in is Monday,**

December 4. Thank you!

Blue Christmas Service will be held on Thursday, December 21, 2017 at 6:00 pm. This service is for those who have experienced loss in their lives.



Don't forget that a purchase of a Hy-Vee or Fareway gift card helps our general fund. The more we sell, the more we can deposit into the general fund. These make great gifts.

Christmas Salad Buffet – The women of American Lutheran Church would like to invite all women of First Lutheran to the annual Christmas Salad Buffet on Tuesday, December 5 at 6:00 pm. A delicious buffet of salads will be served in the Fellowship Hall followed by an inspirational program in the sanctuary. This evening is a wonderful way to begin our yearly journey through Advent as we prepare for the birth of Jesus. Please join us!



Members: Gene Wachter, Mary Kraft, Dale Koob, Jerry Anderson, Craig Nienkerk, Dennis Selberg, Betty Nelson, Norma Radenbaugh, Dianne Sanderson, Diane Sletten, Edna Marsh, Sandra Marsh, Joan Tofteland

Members in Nursing Homes: Delores Amundson, June Boots, Nancy Zuehlke, Helen Beckman, Arlene Muse

Members in Care Facilities: Gloria Widboom, Bobbie Elvin, Eldon Good, Dorothy Hallstrom, Joan Doeden, Adeline Larson, Jean Bender

Family Members & Friends: Traci Feit (Darcy Poppema's sister), Moses & Matilda Hofer (friends of Arnold), Nicole McKenna (Granddaughter of Lola), Brad Martens, Todd Bach, Vickie Bierman, Bill Dobson, Mary Elsing, Vivian Oakes, Pat Termunde, Donnie Wiff, Smokey Brandt, Julie Garvin

Our service men and women

Our Missionaries: Chuck & Sybil Rounds in Costa Rica and Love INC.

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Ministers: All baptized members – Jeanette McCormick, Pastor

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November 26, 2017 – Christ the King

9:00 am Services

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

INTRODUCTION TO CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

ELW 389, "Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing" (v. 1, 2 & 5)

THE JOURNEY: ADVENT

READING: Isaiah 40:1-11 (p. 581-582)

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

ELW 257, "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (vs. 1, 2 & 7)

CHRISTMAS

READING: John 1:1-14 (p. 862)

HYMN OF DAY

ELW 288, "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" (vs. 1 & 3)

EPIPHANY

READING: Isaiah 60:1-6 (p. 602)

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

ELW 302, "As with Gladness Men of Old"

LENT

READING: Isaiah 53:1-11 (p. 596-597)

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

ELW 803, "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

ELW 186, "Create in Me a Clean Heart"

THE JOURNEY CONTINUES: EASTER

READING: 1 Corinthians 15:1-4, 20-22 (p. 935-936)

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

ELW 365, "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" (vs. 1 & 2)

PENTECOST

READING: Acts 2:1-21 (p. 885)

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

ELW 396, "Spirit of Gentleness"

ORDINARY DAYS

READING: John 15:1-9 (p. 878)

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

ELW 685, "Take My Life, That I May Be" (vs. 1, 2, 3 & 4)

CHRIST THE KING

BLESSING

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

ELW 434, "Jesus Shall Reign" (vs. 1, 2 & 5)

SENDING

SUNDAY SERVANTS

ACOLYTES: Gracyn Vacura/Grace McGaughey
USHER: Angie Randgaard
NURSERY: Matt & Teresa Widboom Family
LECTOR: Winora Hallstrom
GREETERS: Brenda Hurlbut (N)
 Doug & Julie Christensen (B)
SOUND: Doug Frisch
POWERPOINT: Glenda Lais
ORGANIST: Nancy Hofstee
ASSISTING MINISTER: Matt Russell
COFFEE: Leroy & Rosie Merkel/Daren & Julie Bauman
VAN DRIVER: 11/26 – Midg White
 12/3 – Jay Myer
BUSY BAGS: November – Kathy Craun
 December – Pam Fleming

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance

Attendance Last Sunday: 130 Attendance a year ago: 141
 Attendance Last Wednesday: N/A



It's that time of year! Time for our Annual "Thankful" Tree. Please donate new socks of all sizes and colors, mittens, gloves, scarfs, etc. so we can decorate the tree. All the items will be donated to the Community Christmas Baskets. Thank you for your generosity. Today is the last Sunday to bring items as the items will be picked up on Monday.

Card Ministry meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month after evening church service (6:30). Men and women of all ages are welcome to join us! Check out our display of cards for sale in Centennial Hall. All cards sell for \$1.00. If you need a special card, let us know in the suggestion box. Proceeds from the cards will go to the coffee fund.

Lutefisk & Meatball Dinner tickets are now on sale. You can also sign up to purchase cookies, lefse, lutefisk, herring or meatballs. Tickets can also be purchased from Hy-Vee or the church office. Also, anyone on Facebook, please invite people to come to our dinner.

FELC SCHEDULE FOR November 27 – December 3, 2017

Monday 27	9:00AM	Bulletin Deadline
Tuesday 28	8:00AM 5:00PM 6:00PM	"Sisters in Spirit" Bible Study Bell Choir Boy Scouts
Wednesday 29	8:00AM 3:30PM 5:15PM 6:00PM 6:30PM 6:30PM 6:30PM	Lefse Making KFC Meal Worship 7 th & 8 th Grade Confirmation Sanctuary Choir Youth Team
Thursday 30	9:15AM 4:00PM	Coffee Time Bible Study (Ladies) Roll Meatballs
Friday 1		Pastor's Day Off
Saturday 2	8:00AM 9:30AM	Peel Potatoes Worship & Music Team Rehearsal
Sunday 3	9:00AM 2:30 & 5:30PM	Worship – 1 st Sunday of Advent Lutefisk & Meatball Dinner

Radio Broadcast Sponsor: In memory of our grandparents by Gary & Sherry Randgaard.

Cherish All Children is looking for volunteers to pray for our youth. If you are not already signed up for this important ministry, please talk with Carrie Adams, Erin Makela, Jon Wendt or Pastor Jeanette. You will be given a book with daily messages to pray for a particular youth in our church. All you have to do is pray!

We are looking for large round glass serving trays for the kitchen. If you would have one that you would like to donate to the church, please leave on the counter in the kitchen. Thank you!

LUTEFISK–MEATBALL DINNER IS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2017

SERVING AT 2:30 and 5:30

We appreciate the support of the whole congregation for this activity. You are welcome to volunteer to help; we can use all ages. Join the fun.

Make Lefse – Roll lefse starting at 8:00 am on Wednesday, November 29. Bring a rolling pin if you have one. Call Dorothy Bauman at 376-6948.

Roll Meatballs – 4:00 pm on Thursday, November 30. Need some small ice cream scoops and jelly roll pans or cookie sheets with edge. Also Terry would like someone to help mix the ingredients. Call Terry and Linda Neugebauer at 683-2897.

Peel Potatoes – 8:00 am on Saturday, December 2. Bring your own potato peeler.

Helpers on Sunday, December 3rd

Call – Judy Selberg at 376-5391 or 329-3212

Arlene Lowe will be calling for Swedish Cookies and Kelly Peters & Austin Smith for rice pudding.

Ninth Graders will serve plates of cookies with Santa Lucia. Arranged by Bonnie Bents.

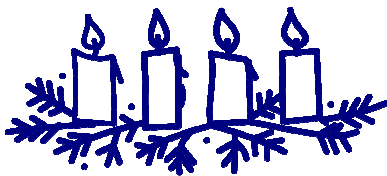
Sign-up sheets will be on the ticket table in November for fresh or cooked Lutefisk. Sign-up sheets will also be available for extra meatballs, lefse, cookies, rice pudding and salad.

All workers need to purchase a ticket to eat. Workers in the dining area please wear white tops and black skirts or slacks. Pick up red capes, caps, and suspenders in the Nursery.

Lock-In 2017- We are holding a lock-in December 27-28 (during break) from 7 pm-9 am. This lock-in is for all youth who are in 7th grade and up. We will have games, studies and exciting adventures. Cost is only \$20/youth, and friends are invited. Sign-up is on the youth board and permission forms will be available. You will need both since we will be leaving First and going out into the world. Join us for this fun event!

The family of Elaine Bayerkohler thanks the members of First Lutheran for their expressions of sympathy, hugs, cards, memorials, serving the lunch, ushering and any other way you helped our family. A special thanks to Nancy for your beautiful music and Pastor Jeanette for your comforting service and your help putting everything together.

Vicki Milbrath and Rosann Boots



Wednesday Advent Services

6:00 pm

Holden Evening Prayer for Advent



Merry Christmas

Christmas Services

Sunday, December 24

4:00 PM

Traditional candlelight communion service with choir singing and the singing of traditional Christmas hymns.

9:00 PM

Traditional candlelight communion service and the singing of traditional Christmas hymns.

Monday, December 25

9:00 AM

Intimate traditional communion service with singing of traditional Christmas hymns.

Christmas Cantata

December 17 will be the Christmas Cantata. We need youth to act and speak. If you are interested and you want to help, let us know a.s.a.p. We perform the service at the 9:00 service with a short celebration in Centennial Hall after. If you are not a youth but wish to help, let Jon know. Otherwise, come join us at the 9:00 service on December 17 to see the Christmas story as you haven't seen it before.

“Going, going, gone!” Yep, it's that time of year when on **Saturday, December 9, Worthington Christian School** (located at 1770 Eleanor Street) will host its **Annual Donation Fundraiser Auction**. Doors open at 9:30 am for all those who would like to support children learning in the light of God's Word. The live & silent auctions start at 10 am. Homemade rolls & coffee are the perfect accompaniment to raising that hand for the special auction items (like toys, tools, handcrafted items, & gift certificates). When you get hungry again, a smoked pulled pork lunch (with amazing **HOMEMADE** pies & bars for your sweet tooth) will be served from 11 am-1 pm. All auction items are donated by students & families of WCS or school supporters & great local businesses. We can't wait to see you there!