

CHRIST THE SERVANT LUTHERAN CHURCH

From the Pastor – December 2024

Can you believe that we are at the beginning of a new year? It is hard to believe and yet we have had so many blessings during this past year. Can you count them? Take time to reflect on what has been done.



On Reformation Day we celebrated in the Affirmation of Faith for 5 of our Youth (Lucas, Riley, Tate Peterson, Isabelle Seagren and Kyle Broders and First Communion for 1 (Dagney Peterson)– Congratulations to each of you of making this step in your faith journey.

We have shared in worship and prayer with our neighbors and friends and will share our offerings with Samaritan's Purse...what a great event we had and more times will follow.

We will be decorating for the Christmas season soon and each of you are invited to share in this time. Don't forget that we are able to share the story of Jesus with words of faith with others....It's not just a holiday season, but it is Christmas and we can say Merry Christmas to all. Let's share the words with others.

Now, we move into a season of joy, hope, love and will enjoy our youth Christmas Program on December 8, along with Potluck Sunday. Come and sing, come and hear, come and enjoy the day with our youth telling the story.

We will share in worship at 3:00 pm on Wednesday, December 4, 11, 18 for our Advent Worship time. We will continue to have study time at 7:00 pm on those days for those unable to attend the afternoon worship.

Bring a friend, invite your neighbors, come and share in the excitement of the season, but also let's find ways to tell the story of faith. What can you do? Be the person of faith, that bends down and serves the other.

God's Peace, Pastor Cindy

BIRTHDAYS

12/9 Gabriel Olson, 9

12/11 Sharon Boelman

12/14 Don Knee

12/23 Don Burke

12/24 Pastor Cindy

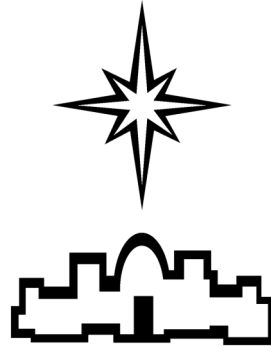
12/28 Jeff Petersen

Please sign up in the church office to sponsor altar flowers.

This month we are praying for St. Peter Lutheran Church in Creston and Interim Pastor Doug Zurek.

ANNIVERSARIES

12/28 Roger and Dee Bailey, 33



Card of Thanks

Prayer of thanks for everyone who was praying for our son Steve. His elbow is nearly healed, his leg has all support off, and he has had cataract surgery successful and needs no glasses. He is praising God the healer!

Dean and Doris Hoffart

Pastoral Acts

Nov. 20, 2024 Funeral of Marilyn Woolard

Change of Address

Danita Broders and family, 83660 555th Ave., Norfolk

Fellowship/Hospitality events

Oct. 29: provided coffee and treats following Night of Prayer

Nov. 20: served funeral luncheon

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

DEC	GREET	USHER	LECTOR	COMMUNION	COFFEE	OFFERINGS
1	Al & Sharon	Warren Greg	Connie		Rich & Kay	Skoglunds
8	Dean & Doris	Doug Pat	<i>Christmas program</i>	Linda Megan	Brad & Kathy	Wittes
15	Donna	Lonnie Al	Lu		Dean & Doris	Skoglunds
22	Charlie & Louise	Ron Greg	Kay	Brenda Al	Jared & Sau Man	Wittes
29	Doug & Pat	Warren Lonnie	Charlie		Dean & Doris	Skoglunds

*Communion: 2nd
and 4th Sundays

December 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9 Sunday school 10 worship	2 7 Bible study	3	4 3 worship 7 book study	5 9 PieceMakers	6 6:30 Girl Scouts	7
*8 10 Christmas program/worship 11 potluck/cookies and carols	9 7 Bible study	10	11 3 worship 7 book study	12 2 Bible study	13	14
15 9 Sunday school 10 worship	16 7 Bible study	17	18 3 worship 7 book study	19 2 Card club 6 MOPS 6:30 Council	20 6:30 Girl Scouts	21
*22 10 worship	23 7 Bible study	24 7 candlelight service	25 MERRY CHRISTMAS	26 2 Bible study	27	28
29 10 worship <i>Food pantry</i>	30 7 Bible study	31	A BLESSED NEW YEAR		Office hours Monday thru Thursday 8:00 to 5:00	

“Warmth, Peace and Pajamas”



The Salvation Army this Christmas Season, along with their usual “Toy and Food Drive” is again collecting new pajamas for the pajama project. The deadline to donate is **Thursday, December 12th**.

Below are ways we would love your help!

1. Donate money – All checks made payable to the Salvation Army Pajama Project.
2. Donate “new” pajamas – All sizes are needed.
3. Donate other items – We also try to give a pair of “new” socks to every child. Scarfs, mittens, hats, etc. are also great!

Please consider making either a monetary donation or buying a new pair of pajamas so that all of Norfolk’s children can sleep in warmth. If you are interested in volunteering, please send me a message!

God Bless and Merry Christmas!

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Drop off locations:

- Black Cow Fat Pig
- Sacred Yoga
- Salvation Army
- WJAG Radio Station
- Sundance Investments