

# YOUTH EVENTS

## SUNDAY COOL

Join us every Sunday @ 9:45 am in the Youth Room! All 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders welcome.

## SENIOR HIGH & JUNIOR HIGH

THIS WEEK! **Gifts & Games** – Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, from 5:30-7:30 pm. Come sort gifts for our SPEAR kids, play games, and eat snacks! Sign-up on the Youth Board and bring your Christmas cheer!

**Rocky Rococo & Laser Quest!** Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, from noon-3 pm. Sign-up on the Youth Board. We'll eat at Rocky Rococo's first and then walk to Laser Tag. Cost is \$12.

## SENIOR HIGH

**Café Night** with party games is TONIGHT! Come chill out after the smorgasbord!

### Worship Attendance

Saturday, December 1	5:30 pm	54
Sunday, December 2	8:30 am	174
	10:45 am	226
	Total	454

# PRAYERS

This week we pray for those who are ill, in treatment, bereaved, \*deployed or in need of support

**Bill Thordarson**  
**Duane Little**  
**Leslie Rendle**  
**Chris Larson**  
**Leo Lang**  
**Ulla Przewolka**  
**Gloria Baker**  
**Don Spedden**  
**Bonnie Kinkel**  
**Arleen Libertini**  
**Terry Gillette**  
**\*Steve Brown**, son of Judy Rose  
**Norman Hagen**, father of Todd & Brett Hagen  
**Skip Patterson**, brother of Don Patterson  
**Art Berg**, brother of Patti Berg  
**Anne Guhlke**, great niece of Diana Pickering  
**Shelley Barnard**, daughter of Sue and Paul Luppert  
**Bent & Barbara Andersen**, parents of Dennis Andersen  
**Avery Cole**, grandson of Jim and Sharman Watson  
**Eleanor Larsen**, sister of Louis Larsen  
**Janet Mann**, sister of Carol Nelson  
**Stephanie Lanam**, daughter of Jon & Ursula Lanam  
**Lori McCallister**, daughter of Bernie Rodseth  
**Hartwig Vatheuer**, brother of Ina Goetzinger  
**Carolyn Turner**, mother of Brett Hauber  
**Cody Robertson**, grandson of Connie & Burt Finch  
**Bill Guhlke**  
**John Cleary**  
**Matt Williams**  
**Stacy Rizzo**  
**Evan**  
**Kirstie**  
**Marek**  
**Ihsan and family**

Prayers for family of **Gerald Dittrich** at the time of his death.

Prayers for the family of **Shirley Sturdivant**, mother of Camille Strudivant-Daly.

Prayers for the family of **John Boucher**, father of Chris Boucher, at the time of his death.

Prayers for the family of **Tony Praxel**, father of Jack Praxel, at the time of his death.

Blessings on the birth of **Bennett Dean Warren**, son of Elizabeth & John Warren, grandson of Roger & Kathy Chase.

Please notify us of any changes to our prayer list. Those on the prayer list will be removed after one month, unless there is a specific request to the church office to remain on.

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Service times: Saturday-5:30 pm, Sunday-8:30 and 10:45 am  
 Pastor Eric Dull ♦ Pastor Kate LePard ♦ Pastor Edwin Weber

# St. Mark's Lutheran Church

The Second Sunday in Advent

December 9, 2018

## WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Preaching Minister	Kate LePard
Presiding Ministers	Eric Dull & Edwin Weber
Assisting Minister	Amilee Little (10:45)
Acolytes	
8:30	Jamie Fitzgerald & Eva Holland
10:45	Boden Clark & Jonathon Nowland
Greeters	
8:30	Kathy Randall
10:45	Kenna & James Morgan Ava & Zoë Smith
Ushers	
8:30	Hillary Berg & Sharon Straub Ryan, Micah, & Noah Ragaza-Bourassa
10:45	Dee Lorenz Duane & Jennifer Little
Lector	
5:30	Harmony Young
8:30	Gail Lancaster
10:45	Judy Rose
Creed & Prayers	
8:30	Brett Hauber
10:45	Scott Rudy
Sound	Jason Berg
Altar Guild	
5:30	Darleen Fitzgerald
8:30	Pat Manz
10:45	Judy Palrud
Bread	Nancy Childre
Music Director/Choral	Debbie Hansen
Music Director/Organist	Carol Miyamoto
Director of Children's Arts	Ann Benson

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# TODAY'S MUSIC

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## Prelude

*Trumpet Tune on "Wachet Auf"*

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## Choral Voluntary at the Offering

*Arise, Your Light has Come*

Chancel Choir (10:45)

David Danner

## Postlude

*People Look East*

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# TODAY

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**Baptized today at 8:30 am**, Ruby Jane Ravio, daughter of Derek & Lori Ravio. Sponsors are Jill & Garrett Manion.

**WELCOME VISITORS!** It is a pleasure to have you worship with us today. Please fill out a worship attendance card located in the pew and place it in the offering plate. All are welcome to the Lord's Table for communion. For information on St. Mark's go to [www.stmarks-spokane.org](http://www.stmarks-spokane.org) or you may pick up a brochure in the narthex.

**Large print worship folders**, loaner reading glasses and hearing devices (our facility is equipped with a hearing assistance system) are available in the narthex. Gluten-free wafers are available on a small table by the communion rail.

**Busy Bags** for kids during worship: Young children may pick up a "busy bag" from the yellow poles in the narthex. Please return the bag after worship to the basket under the poles. Worship bulletins are also available for older children who are pre-readers or readers.

**Our Nursery**, open during worship times for children age infant up to kindergarten, is at the top of the stairs on the right. Paggers are available for parents. Please, no food in the nursery.

**Alleluia Choir** is today at 8:30 am for first through sixth graders. This is a fantastic opportunity for kids to deepen connections to friends at church, become confident singers, and get a glimpse into what it's like to give your music as a gift to the church. For more information contact Ann Benson at 954-9819 or [annmbenson@gmail.com](mailto:annmbenson@gmail.com).

**Godly Play Sunday School:** All ages go to the sanctuary for Christmas Pageant practice at 9:45 am.

**LCS and SPEAR presents are due today!** Thank you for your generosity and enthusiasm in buying gifts for many LCS foster kids and SPEAR children. We are still shopping to fill all of the requests. Any additional donations are welcome! St. Mark's is a generous congregation!

**Poinsettia Envelopes** are located in the pews. If you would like to purchase a poinsettia the **deadline is Sunday, December 17.** Plants are \$15 each.

**Sankta Lucia Brides** –Today starting at 3:00 pm you'll be fitted for a robe, then learn and practice the song in the choir room. The "brides" sing and serve cookies at **both seatings** of the Smorgasbord, usually at 4:20 pm and 6:20 pm.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL KIDS! ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT!

All Sunday School kids are involved in the annual Christmas Pageant. It's a great way to bring the Christmas story to life for them.

**Rehearsal #2:** today at 9:45 am DURING SUNDAY SCHOOL.

**Dress Rehearsal:** Today at 3:40 pm. Parents: Bring your kid to church; go enjoy the Smorgasbord at 4:00 pm. We'll feed them dinner after rehearsal and then you're all set to enjoy the...

**Christmas Pageant Performance:** Today at 5:00 pm. All are welcome to this retelling of the very first Christmas.

**Today!** Our annual **Smorgasbord** has two seatings at 4:00 pm or 6:00 pm. Everyone is welcome!

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# THIS WEEK

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**Church Council** meets Monday, December 10, at 6:30 pm at the home of Liz Grosen.

**Scripture and Coffee** is Tuesday, December 11, at 10:30 am in the conference room. This group meets for a Bible-based conversation with one of the pastors to study the scripture texts for the following Sunday. This week's readings are **Zephaniah 3:14-20, Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3: 7-18.**

**Sunrise Saints and Sinners** is Wednesday, December 12, from 6:30-8:00 am at The Chalet Restaurant. In this group you'll have lots of laughs, crazy discussions about everything, plus a good breakfast. All men are welcomed, saints or sinners! Questions? Contact Roger Chase at 838-1040.

**Lutheran Campus Ministry at EWU and Lutheran Community Services NW** are having a benefit showing of Elf the Musical at the Spokane Civic on Wednesday, December 12. The social hour begins at 6:00 pm with the curtain going up at 7:30 pm. For more information or to purchase tickets contact Christie McKee at 343-5020 or [cmckee@lcsnw.org](mailto:cmckee@lcsnw.org).

**Compline at St. Mark's Lutheran Church-** Take a break this Advent. On Wednesdays, December 12 & 19, at 7:00 pm, we will be using the service of Night Prayer also known as Compline. This worship service lasts between twenty and thirty minutes. Following our worship time we will serve wine, juice, crackers and cheese for a brief fellowship time.

**Chancel Choir** practice is on Thursday, December 13, at 7:15 pm in the music room. We would love to have you! Contact Debbie Hansen at 710-1334 if you are interested in singing in the choir.

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## Mission Statement –

To share the gospel through worship and service.  
To be an inclusive community for justice and  
peace among diverse peoples.

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# COMING SOON

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The **German American Christmas** service is Sunday, December 17, at 3:00 pm at St. Mark's. Our very own Pastor Eric will be preaching.



## Christmas Eve Worship

<b>4:00 pm</b>	<b>Holy Communion, candlelight family service</b>
<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>Holy Communion, candlelight and carols</b>
<b>10:00 pm</b> <small>earlier time</small>	<b>Holy Communion, candlelight and carols with Chancel Choir</b>

*\*All children are invited to worship.  
There is no nursery for these services.*

**Mozambique School Lunch Initiative:** On Sunday, December 30, at 9:45 am in the conference room we will have a special adult forum on the Mozambique School Lunch Initiative. Cara Myers, daughter of Paul and Lori Myers, will share about this charitable organization she founded. This initiative works with the local farmers to serve nutritious school lunches to rural children in Mozambique. Please join us for this special event.

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# INFORMATION

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**Seeking Volunteers** Salem Lutheran Church here in Spokane have opened their doors as an emergency shelter for the winter. The congregation is seeking volunteers who would be willing to welcome folks as they arrive for the evening. If you have an interest in helping out, contact Pastor Edwin who will happily connect you with the coordinators at Salem.

**Social Ministry** – St. Ann's church in the East Central neighborhood is taking up a collection of **hats, gloves, and warm socks** as a small gift to the adults who enjoy a meal there. These need to be at the church by Saturday, December 22. If you would like to contribute, a basket will be labeled in the narthex. These items are really appreciated by those who receive them.

**A Proper Study:** Join us every week Sunday morning at 9:45 am to read and study next Sunday's readings (or propers). Contact Sandra Davis at 747-7408 for more information.

**Stewardship Drive:** Pledge cards are in the pews. Feel free to fill them out and put them in the offering plate or return them to the office at your convenience. Thanks for your support!

**2019 Flower Chart** is up in the narthex. Sign-up to bring flowers for 2019!