

## **WELCOME**

#### PREPARE

Pray | We encourage you to take time before each service to speak to God in prayer.

Use your own words, or, if you're struggling to find the words, please refer to the Prayer

Before Worship that is projected on the screens.

Be a good neighbor | Please greet those sitting near you and introduce yourself! Church is a place for the community of God's people, and we want you to be able to participate in it. So as not to distract others in worship, please silence your cell phone.

#### PARTICIPATE

The order of service is printed for you in this bulletin and is projected for you on the screens.

If you are hard of hearing, personal listening devices are available from the elder.

If you are hard of seeing, large print bulletins are also available from the elder.

Please take a moment to fill out a CONNECTION CARD that can be found on the backs of

each pew. This allows us to have a record of you worshiping with us today. You can place them in the offering plate following worship.

#### RETREAT

 $\textbf{Restrooms} \mid \texttt{The restrooms} \text{ are located in the south hallway (over your left shoulder as you sit in the pew)}. Water fountains are in the hallways on either side of the sanctuary.}$ 

Restless children | We love having your children in worship and want to help little ones in their worship of our Lord! However, if you feel the need to leave the sanctuary but still want to follow along, a TV with a live feed of the service as well as rocking chairs, children's books and toys is located in the Library/Chapel across the south hallway.

## YOU'RE INVITED MIDWEEK ADVENT WORSHIP

This year's Midweek Advent Worship services will be held on Wednesdays, December 3, 10, and 17 at 6:30pm. Our theme is "Bible Songs of Christmas," and we'd love for you to join us as we prepare our hearts for the celebration of Christ's birth. We will also be providing a meal at 5:30pm prior to the services. On December 3, join us for Sloppy Joe's, Macaroni and Cheese, Tomato Soup, and Grilled Cheese. We are looking for members to bring a dessert each week. If you'd like to bring one, please find a sign-up sheet in the entryway.

#### LIVE NATIVITY

Save the date for our annual Live Nativity! Join us on Sat, Dec. 20 as the children of First Lutheron bring the very first Christmas to life. This year's Live Nativity will be held in our gymnasium, at 1:00pm.

#### **BREAKFAST WITH JESUS**

Join us on Sun, Dec. 21 for Breakfast with Jesus. First Lutheran School will be serving breakfast following worship. It will be the perfect opportunity to join together for food and fellowship as we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Swuor.

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#### THIS WEEK



TODAY: 10:15am - Christian Education Hour

Mon: 6:30pm - Worship with Lord's Supper

Tues: 9:00am - Women's Bible Study

Wed: 5:30pm - Midweek Advent

6:30pm - Midweek Advent Worship

Thurs: 7:00am - Men's Bible Study

> 4:00pm - Christmas Decorating

Sat: 9:00am – Live Nativity Practice 5:00pm – Lake Geneva Christmas

Christmas Parade

# SPIRITUAL GROWTH

#### JOIN US FOR WORSHIP Sundays

9:00am

1st Monday of the Month 6:30pm

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR

A Bible Study on Apologetics Sundays @ 10:15am

#### WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Women of the Bible Tuesdays @ 9:00am

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY Harmony of the Gospels Thursdays @ 7:00am

### **GET INVOLVED** WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

## All ladies of the congregation are

invited to join us each Tuesday for our Women's Bible Study! On Dec. 2, meet us at Helen Hacht's house (6171 Raven Ct., Burlington, WI) at 9:00am. FELLOWSHIP VOLUNTEERS

#### NEEDED! We are currently seeking volunteers to

add to our post-service fellowship hospitality list. Responsibilities include preparing coffee, preparing a postservice "snack" for members to enjoy, and serving with a smile. Volunteers typically serve around 3 times per year. Reimbursement for purchases is available.

Contact Nicole Meier at meierni01@amail.com for more information.

#### CHOIR PRACTICE Our choir is looking for some voices to

help beautify our Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services. The rehearsal schedule is as follows: Wed. Dec. 3 — 15 minutes after

- worship • Wed, Dec. 10 - 15 minutes after
- worship Thurs, Dec. 18 at 6:30pm

We'll once again be beautifying our

church with poinsettias for the Advent

- · Week of December 21 time TBD
- Rehearsals will run about 30 minutes.

#### POINSETTIAS

and Christmas season. If you'd like to purchase one, please sign up in the entryway. Checks may be made payable to Women Working for Christ.

## MORE INFORMATION PARADE

#### WORSHIP STATS

Last week, 140 people joined us for worship and \$6,142 was gratefully given in offerings and tuition.

#### ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT Women of the LWMS Southern Lakes

Circuit are invited to an afternoon of worship and fellowship on Sun, Dec. 7, at 2:30pm at First Lutheran Church, 415 Devendorf St., Elkhorn, WI (in the gym). Join us as we celebrate "Unwrappina the Names of Jesus."

Please RSVP by November 30 to Alice Lembach at il61@elknet.net

### CHRISTMAS DECORATING

We will be decorating the sanctuary for Christmas this Thursday at 4:00pm. We appreciate any hands that are able to help, even if it is for short time. Whatever we do not finish on Thursday. we will wrap up on Saturday at 8:30am. If you are able to help, please find a sian-up sheet in the entryway.

## First Lutheran is excited to have a float

LAKE GENEVA CHRISTMAS

in this year's Lake Geneva Christmas Parade that will be held on Sat. Dec. 6 at 5:00pm. We are looking for people interested in riding on our float and waving to parade attendees. If you're interested in joining us, please sign up on the sheet located in the entryway. We kindly ask that all sign-ups be completed by this Wednesday.

### GIFTS FROM THE HEARTH

Our Gifts from the Hearth display will be up in the entryway beginning Dec. 7. This year, we will be collecting items for those in need within our congregation.

In addition to general household and personal care items, gift cards and Christmas aift items will be collected to help bless families during the holiday season.

If you are a member in need, or know of someone in need that would benefit from some of these items, please speak with Steven Davis in the office.

## DAILY BIBLE VERSE

Monday - John 1:1-2, 14 Tuesday - Hebrews 1:1-2

Wednesday - John 6:35

Thursday - John 8:12

Friday - John 10:7, 9-10

Saturday - John 10:14-15 Sunday - John 11:25

## PRAYER REQUESTS

AVIS GRAUMANN Receiving palliative care at home.

KEITH LOVE Dealing with chronic pain and torn

meniscus.

#### CONTACT US Pastor Derek Bartelt

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### **OFFICE HOURS** THIS WEEK

Mon - Tues: 8:00am - 3:45pm Thurs - Fri: 8:00am - 12:00pm

#### SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE IN THE COMING WEEKS PROJECTIONIST

ELDER Dec. 7 -Dec. 14 - ALTAR GUILD Dec. 7 - Kelly Shwartz Dec. 14 - Gail Michnay & Jan Lazzaroni

Dec. 7 - Maraie Smith Dec. 14 - Spencer Sonnemann

FELLOWSHIP

Dec. 7 - Nicole Meier Dec. 14 - Gail Michnay