



**THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD
January 9 & January 10, 2016**

The wise men followed a star to Jesus. You, too, have followed the Holy Spirit's leading and have come to worship Him. **Welcome.** Please introduce yourself to **Pastor Allison and Pastor Akers**, and complete the information in the Rite of Fellowship pad located on the pew. **Large print services and assistive listening devices** are available from the ushers or at the Welcome Center. For **Pastoral Care** please call **Pastor Allison or Pastor Akers** at the church or at home. A **Sitting Room** [in the east wing] and a **Nursery** [in the west wing] are available for infants through age three during each worship service. **If little ones become restless during the service and are disturbing other worshipers, please take them out**

of the service until they have settled down. Thank you! "The Lutheran Hour" can be heard every **Sunday at 8:00 AM on WIOU 1350 AM, sponsored by Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer.**

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**SATURDAY EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE: 5:30 PM
SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES: 8:15 & 10:45 AM
CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP: 10:45 AM [1ST & 3RD SUNDAYS]
SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BIBLE CLASS: 9:30 AM**

WORSHIP SERVICE PARTICIPANTS - MUSIC

	SAT. 5:30	SUN. 8:15	SUN. 10:45
Preacher	Pastor Allison	Pastor Allison	Pastor Allison
Liturgist	Pastor Allison	Pastor Allison	Pastor Wasmuth
Organist	Beth Kuhlman	Florence Moeller	Florence Moeller
Acolytes	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed	Natalie
Sanctuary			Michelle Bodkin
Stewards			Patsy Kirkendall

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE - BUDGET INFORMATION / MUSIC

Saturday-5:30 PM - 82 / Sunday-8:15 AM - 117 / Sunday-10:45 AM - 163 = 362 / NY Eve - 135
Prelude - "Christ Our Lord to Jordan Came" - J. Pachelbel / **Choir** - "Do Not Be Afraid" - P. Stopford
Offertory - "Now Is Salvation Come" - Max Drischner / **Postlude** - "O Day Full of Grace" - arr. John Behnke

ALTAR FLOWERS

This weekend's altar flowers are given by **Kevin & Sara Klepfer** in honor of their 35th wedding anniversary and in thankfulness for their family and friends.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING, STRENGTH, PEACE AND COMFORT

We remember **Dick Dunkin, Darlene Foesch, Bob Wheeler, Doris Temme, Will Carson, Kori Wood, Betty VanOgden, Heather Hartman, Terry Michael, Faith [Spoon] Flowers, Jack Garner, Sandy Fisher, Leta Williams, Susan Hermes, Pam Richardson, and Marilou Reason.**

THANKS FOR YOUR LOVE!

Tom Baird and family wish to thank their church family who prayed for Tom during his recent hospitalization. We truly believe his recovery demonstrates the power of prayer. What an awesome God.

CHRISTIAN LOVE, SYMPATHY AND PRAYER

Our Christian love, sympathy and prayer go to **Pat Mundell** and the **Family of Bill Miller.** Bill passed away this past Tuesday.

TO THOSE WHO WENT CAROLING TO OUR SHUT-IN MEMBERS THEY SEND THEIR HEARTFELT APPRECIATION. BLESS YOU! ☺

PASTOR AKERS

*Pastor Akers is in Wisconsin this weekend celebrating a late Christmas with his family. He will be back in the office on **Wednesday** morning.*

SHUT-INS OF THE WEEK - WILBUR & LIBBY HUFFMAN

Wilbur & Libby Huffman are this week's honored shut-ins.

NEW OFFICER - BOARD MEMBER INSTALLATION - NEXT SUNDAY - JAN. 17 - 10:45 AM SERVICE

*Please note, during **next Sunday's [Jan. 17] 10:45 AM** service, **newly elected church officers and board members** will be installed into office.*

→ → → NEW TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE CLASS - GOSPEL OF LUKE - BEGINS THIS WEEK

Pastor Allison will begin a new study on the Gospel of Luke this Tuesday, Jan. 12 from 6 - 7 PM in Mission Hall. This week we'll be taking a look at lesson 1, "The Most Wonderful Child". All you need to bring is your Bible.

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASSES / SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES - 9:30 AM

ADULTS

This Sunday, two adult Bible Classes will be held. In Mission Hall, the ladies are studying "Living Beyond Yourself" - Exploring the Fruit of the Spirit by Beth Moore. This week is **Book - Free at Last!** In Fellowship Hall, Pastor Allison will lead the class, "Jeremiah and Lamentations".

CHILDREN - YOUTH - HIGH SCHOOL - COLLEGE

FAITHWEAVER NOW: PRE-K & K

All Toddlers through Kindergarten-aged children are invited to join Mrs. Melanie Waggoner in the Pre-school room across from the Nursery.

FAITHWEAVER NOW: ELEMENTARY

Students in grades 1-4 are welcome to join Mrs. Ashley Schneider in the 3rd/4th grade classroom to experience the Word of God.

FIRM FOUNDATION: MIDDLE SCHOOL

All 5th-7th grade students are invited to join Mr. Steve Gaunt in the 7th/8th grade classroom as we continue to look at the Bible as one big narrative(story). The Bible is the greatest story ever told and you are invited to take part in it! For all students looking toward 8th grade Confirmation, this is the place to start!

8TH GRADE CONFIRMATION

All 8th grade students are encouraged to attend class in the 5th/6th grade classroom as we Explore Luther's Small Catechism in preparation for Witness Night and Confirmation. We will continue our study of the six chief parts of the Catechism and apply them to our daily walk with the Lord.

STRONG TOWER: HIGH SCHOOL

Join Mr. Kyle Street and Mr. Brent Seaman during the Bible Study hour in the youth room upstairs for a closer look at the teachings of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

COLLEGE STUDENTS

You are invited to share devotions and fellowship with **Jonathan Guse** on **January 10** in the Adult Education Room.



Divorced? Separated? You don't have to go through it alone. Find help, discover hope, and experience healing through Divorce Care (from the creators of Grief Share). These classes begin with a DVD lesson presented by experts and are followed with a few optional discussion questions. Pastor Akers facilitates the group. DivorceCare for Kids will be led at the same time by Jonathan Guse. A new class is starting Thursday, January 14 at 6 PM. We will meet in the Sitting Room. If you are interested in participating or would like more information, talk to Pastor Akers or Jonathan Guse. You can also visit www.divorcecare.com for more information. Brochures are available in the narthex wall rack.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>TITLE / EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Sat.	5:30 PM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary
Sun.	8:15 AM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary
	9:30 AM	Adult Bible Class	Mission Hall / Fellowship Hall
	9:30 AM	Elementary / Jr. High - High Sunday School	RLS / Youth Rooms
	10:45 AM	Traditional Communion	Sanctuary
	12:00 PM	Board of Christian Outreach	Church Library
	1:00 PM	Guatemala Team Meeting	Mission Hall
	4:00 PM	Turner Small Group	Mission Hall
	6:30 PM	Grounds	Youth Room
Mon.	1:00 PM	Hands of Love	Sitting Room
	6:30 PM	Quilting Class	Mission Hall
Tues.	8:00 AM	Men's Bible Study	Mission Hall
	10:00 AM	Ladies' Bible Class	Mission Hall
	5:45 PM	Bell Choir	Choir Room
	6 - 7 PM	Tuesday Evening Bible Class	Mission Hall
	6:00 PM	Cub / Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	Choir	Choir Room
Wed.	8:45 AM	RLS Chapel	Sanctuary
Thurs.	9:30 AM	Quilting	Choir Room
	9:30 AM	Ladies' Koinonia	Mission Hall
	6:00 PM	Divorce-Care	Sitting Room
Fri.	7:00 PM	Duo Club	Mission Hall
Sat.	5:30 PM	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary

REMAINING BOARDS MEETING IN JANUARY, 2016

Board of Christian Outreach - Sunday - January 10 - 12:00 PM - Church Library

Voters' Assembly - Wednesday - January 20 - 7:00 PM - Mission Hall

GUATEMALA TEAM MEETING

*The Guatemala Mission team is scheduled to meet **this Sunday, January 10th** at **1:00 PM** in Mission Hall. All individuals that have indicated an intent to be part of the team, or are considering being a team member are invited to attend the meeting. If unable to attend, please pick up a set of the information handouts from **Dave Turner** or **Kyle Street**.*

TUESDAY LADIES' BIBLE CLASS

This Tuesday, January 12th, at **10:00 AM**, Pastor Allison's Ladies' Bible Class continues their study, "**Forgotten God - Reversing Our Tragic Neglect of the Holy Spirit**", by Francis Chan.

*© **Why was Jesus baptized?** Jesus' baptism was the first of many things He did to "fulfill all righteousness." Because Jesus never sinned, He didn't need to be baptized like we do. But He chose to be baptized so that He might identify with us who are sinners. In your baptism, Jesus has given you all of the forgiveness He earned for you on the cross. What a wonderful gift baptism is!*

RLS SCRIP

The crazy holiday season has come to a close, again. But Rhonda and Michelle are in the Extended Care room from 9-10:30 am on Sundays. We have inventory and are available to help with any questions you may have regarding on-line orders or PrestoPay set up. Let's continue to support RLS through SCRIP!

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Luke 3:21 "Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying. . ." We know why the people were baptized, but why was Jesus baptized? He didn't need repentance or forgiveness. The answer is that He did it for us. The reason God sent His Son into the world is to fulfill all righteousness for us, to do what we could not do. The whole of Jesus' life, everything He did and said, was one great offering to the Father in our stead to fulfill all righteousness for us. With our righteousness fulfilled in Jesus and given to us in Baptism – our hearts now overflow with thanksgiving and praise.

YOUTH CENTRAL

FOUNDATIONS – SUNDAYS AT 6:30 PM

Words can be the most powerful tool you will ever use. They can be used to build up and tear down. How does God want us to use our words? We'll talk about it **tonight!** Join us from **6:30-8:30 PM** in the Youth Room! Talk to **Jonathan Guse** if you have questions!

PATHWAYS

Our next meeting is **Wednesday, January 20th** from **6:30-8:30 PM** in the youth room! Join us as we conclude our series, "At Your Table." If you have any questions, see **Jonathan Guse, Tami Brooks, or Kori Wood.**

"REDEEMER REPORTER" DEADLINE IS THIS THURSDAY!