

# **IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH**

**THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 2, 2018**

**PLEASE NOTE:** Gluten free communion bread is available in the Communion tray - look for the baking cup.

The **SERVICE OF HEALING AND WHOLENESS** is this Sunday at 4:00 pm. This service is designed to create safe space and quiet time for individual and corporate prayer, individual and corporate blessings, anointing with oil, scripture readings, and music. Please feel free to bring family and friends.

**THANK YOU** for all who decorated our Church and a special note of thanks to Gayle Hampel for refreshing all the wreaths!

**ANGEL TREE** - Unwrapped gifts are due at NBPC, **Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>**.

Come join the **LUNCH BUNCH** at Noli's Vita Italian Kitchen, a new restaurant on Common Street on Tuesday, **December 4<sup>th</sup>** at 12:30. Sign-up sheet is in the Narthex

On **December 5<sup>th</sup>**, Krause's Café is hosting a vegetarian soup line from 6—9PM to benefit **THE SOS FOOD BANK**. Cost is \$10.00,

The **WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY GROUP** will begin an Advent Study with Pastor Katy **December 5<sup>th</sup>** at 10:00 am.

**CHRISTMAS CARDS NEEDED....** Do you have some extra Christmas cards we could use for the **Meals on Wheels** deliveries this holiday season? If so, please donate them *already signed* with "Blessings from New Braunfels Presbyterian Church" and turn them in (inside an envelope) by **Sunday, Dec. 9**. There will be a basket in the Narthex for the collection. Thank you!

**THE CHRISMON TREE:** Remember to pick up your copy of the Chrismon Tree booklet in the Narthex. This book outlines the Scriptural history and meaning of Chrismons, and how they help to explain various symbols and the relevant importance in our worship. Inside is information about the Chrismon Tree as it is known today, originating in the Ascension Lutheran Church in Danville, Virginia in 1957.

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## **Year to Date Financial Report as of October 31, 2018**

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| <b>Offering received</b> | <b>\$447,591</b>  |
| <b>Ministry Expenses</b> | <b>\$456,936</b>  |
| <b>More/(Less)</b>       | <b>(\$ 9,345)</b> |

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## PRAYERS FOR...

- † The Family of Pat Turner who passed away November 20
- † The Family of Betsy Beekly who passed away November 22
- † Travis and Ann Rider and their family
- † Joe Reinders - Lois Knudson's father
- † JoAnn Reinke - lung cancer - Jennifer Gately's mother
- † Marilyn Kolacek – breast cancer - Rosanne Stockhurst
- † Jimmy Kolacek – lymphoma - Rosanne Stockhurst
- † Joyce Hankins and family

## CONTINUING PRAYERS FOR...

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| † Shirley Brooks - at Kirkwood                  |                   |
| † Lois Johnson - in private care home in Seguin |                   |
| † Heidi Bantis                                  | † Nelson McCord   |
| † Buddy Beck                                    | † Lou Reisbeck    |
| † Hollye Cunningham                             | † Em Riding       |
| † Betty Drawe                                   | † Bill Tabb       |
| † Hal Fessler                                   | † Virginia Wilson |
| † Celeste Forres                                |                   |

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## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

**Sunday School for Youth and Children:** Our Pre-School (4 years & Kinder) meet in the last room of the Children's Wing, our Elementary (1st-5th) meet in the Art Room, and our Youth (6th & up) meet in City Gates.

**Interpreting the Word (Parlor):** Join us for group discussion over a selected lesson. We share leadership in teaching.

**Wonder and Witness (Ivy Room):** In depth studies of the Word through discussion, research, spontaneous insights, and shared leadership.

**Wired Word (Resource Room):** Each week we tackle a topic from the headlines and look at it through a spiritual lens. Contact Duane K. or Neil G. for more information.

**Living Word (Conference Room):** Join us as we dive into one of the scripture lessons for Sunday Worship and look at its context historically. We are an in-depth Bible study class, so bring your Bible and join us! Contact Sharon J. for more information.

**Parenting Together (Library):** Join other parents to journey together as children of God raising children of God. As a group, we'll share in facilitating as well as choosing the curriculum.

# WEEKLY CALENDAR

## **Sunday December 2**

### **Advent**

9:00 AM Worship  
10:00 AM Christian Education  
11:00 AM Worship with Choir and Organ  
4:00 PM Healing and Wholeness Service  
4:30 PM GS Troop 1189 - IVY

## **Monday December 3**

### **OFFICE CLOSED**

2:00 PM Pickleball  
5:30 PM Worship Committee Meeting - PAR  
6:00 PM GS Daisy Troop - Annex

## **Tuesday December 4**

### **OFFICE CLOSED**

9:15 AM KDO Chapel - SANC  
10:00 AM PW Board Meeting - CONF  
12:30 PM Lunch Bunch  
6:30 PM Long Range Planning Committee  
6:30 PM GS Troop 956 - Loft 2

## **Wednesday December 5**

9:15 AM KDO 2 Year Old's Christmas Program - SANC  
10:00 AM Disciple Bible Study - PAR  
10:00 AM KDO Christmas Program Rehearsal - SANC  
10:00 AM Wednesday Bible Study - CONF  
1:30 PM Staff Meeting - RES  
5:30 PM Bell Choir - SANC  
5:30 PM Christian Education Committee - RES  
6:00 PM GC Troop 1026 - Annex  
7:00 PM Chancel Choir

## **Thursday December 6**

9:15 AM KDO 2 Year Old's Christmas Program - SANC  
10:00 AM Facilities Committee - LIB  
11:00 AM Membership Committee - RES  
12:00 PM KDO Christmas Program - SANC & ACT  
1:00 PM NBPC Volunteers serving at SOS Food Bank  
2:30 PM Pickleball  
6:00 PM GS Troop 1163 - Annex  
6:00 PM Pickleball

## **Sunday December 9**

9:00 AM Worship  
10:00 AM Christian Education  
11:00 AM Worship with Choir and Organ  
7:00 PM From Sacred to Santa - Christmas Concert - ACT