

St. James Evangelical Lutheran Church of New Wehdem  
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*To Know Christ and to Make Him Known*  
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Darla Winkelmann, Treasurer

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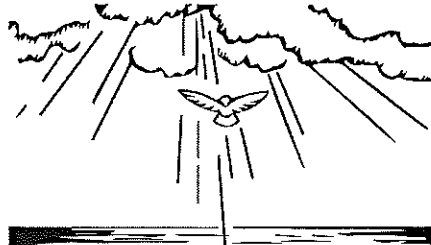
Tanya Rosenbaum, Adm. Asst.



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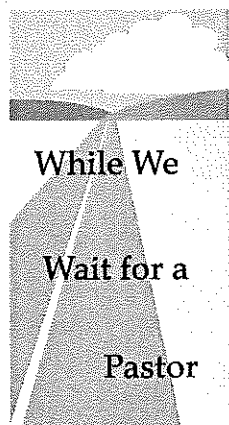
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JANUARY 2017



"THIS IS MY  
BELOVED SON,  
WITH WHOM  
I AM WELL  
PLEASED."

MATTHEW 3:17, ESV



While We

Wait for a

Pastor

### CALL COMMITTEE

The Call Committee is being formed and will meet in January to complete the Profile Package. Supply pastors are continuing to serve our congregation at this time. We will continue to keep you updated on the process.

### NEEDS OR CONCERNS

If you need something or have a concern, please call a council member or call the church office and leave a message. We check the messages left on the church phone.

### SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP LEADERS FOR JANUARY

- Jan. 1 Jerry Ondrias
- Jan. 8 Pastor Lawrence Bade
- Jan. 15 Pastor Lawrence Bade
- Jan. 22
- Jan. 29 Pastor Lawrence Bade-Treehouse Ministries

### WE REJOICE IN THE HOLY BAPTISM OF

#### BECKETT BROOKS WINKELMANN ON DECEMBER 18

He is the son of Wesley and Erica Winkelmann and was born Oct. 4, 2016. His sponsors are Josh Schneider and Megan Bartay. Grandparents are Chet & Margaret Schneider and Robert & Becky Winkelmann. Great-grandparents are John & Priscilla Ogden, Bernice Emshoff, and Lee Roy & Delores Winkelmann. Big brother is Greyson. Welcome, Beckett!

### WELCOME TO RUSSELL AND JANICE "SUSIE" HONERKAMP AS MEMBERS OF ST. JAMES!

They were received by affirmation of their faith on December 18 and have been worshipping here previously.



### IN MEMORY OF EDNA BOEKER

- Nathan & Darla Winkelmann
- Brian & Natalie Tiemann & Family
- Michael & Heather Tiemann & Family
- Larry & Sally Dierking, Marc & Laurel
- Odis & Mildred Haynes
- Angelie Goeke
- Gary & Phyllis Weiss
- Bernice Emshoff
- Verlyn Mascheck & Family
- Joan Buenger & Family
- Bruce & Cheryl Buenger
- Sharon Jasinski
- Dorothy Wiesepepe
- Simon & Knellen Quinteros & Family

- Ralph & Debbie Tiemann
- Anna Nail
- Nancy & Charlie Sommer
- Leeland & Florence Rinn
- Charles & Vickie Goeke
- Julian & Geneva Martin
- Elsie Pieper
- Jason Schroeder
- Joyce & Herbert Rust
- Wm Jr Dierking
- Sandra Teufel
- Pat & Cindy Majewski
- Roger & Emily Oehler

### IN MEMORY OF JEFF JANNER

Roland & Viola Wittner

### IN MEMORY OF ROBERT SEARLE, JR.

Roland & Viola Wittner

### IN HONOR OF WILLIAM, JR & PEARLIE DIERKING FAMILY

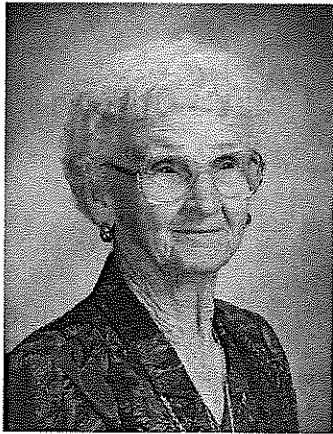
The J. H. Freeman Family

The family of Edna Boeker extends their gratitude to Pastor Bade and members of St. James who prepared the church, bulletins, ceremony, and burial plot for her funeral. We want to thank all who sent food and especially a big thank you to the ladies in the kitchen.

Thank you to each church member who came to visit Edna at the nursing home for the past five years. Your visits and prayers meant the world to her.

Edna, being a lifetime member of St. James, looked down upon each and everyone one of you with her heavenly smile on that day. We feel truly blessed to have been a part of Edna's family and we cry for our loss but rejoice in her new place in Heaven.

*Family of Edna Boeker*



Edna Sophie Schomburg Boeker, 101 of Brenham, passed away peacefully with family by her side, Saturday, November 19, 2016.

Edna was born December 5, 1914 in Germania, Texas to Christian Schomburg and Mathilda Tiemann Schomburg. She was baptized January 31, 1915 and confirmed March 24, 1921 in St. James Lutheran Church of New Wehdem. Edna married Ernest Boeker Sr. on April 23, 1934 in St. James Lutheran Church of New Wehdem.

Edna lived in the Germania and New Wehdem area her entire life and was a devoted wife, mother, sister, and friend. She loved having her children and grandchildren come to the farm and visit. Upon leaving, she would always say, "Come when you can." Edna was known to all the many children she took care of, as "Nanny". Some did not want to go home, so at times they would stay the night. Her grandchildren and children she took care of loved her sweet tea, canned biscuit doughnuts and sugar bread. Edna always had a smile on her face and kind words to share with others.

Survivors include: grandchildren, Tammy Pearce of Weatherford; Joel Cowart of Brenham, Tony Carr and significant other Rynn of Dallas, Kevin Boeker and wife Kelly of Brenham, Kaci Dudenhofer and husband T. J. of Yorktown, Pamela Rodgers and husband Terry of Houston, Nita Carol Arriola and husband Zack of Houston, Charles Turner of Houston; daughter-in-law, Carol Boeker of Brenham, mother of Kevin and Kaci; sixteen great grandchildren; eight great-great grandchildren; numerous nieces & nephews.

She was preceded in death by: her parents, Christian and Mathilda Tiemann Schomburg; husband, Ernest Boeker Sr.; brother, Arnold Schomburg; sister and brother-in-law, Lenora and A.L Patterso; daughters and sons-in-law, Betty and Wayne Turner, Joann and Marvin Stafford; son, Ernest Boeker, Jr.; grandsons, Dale Turner and Greg Cowart; and great grandson Bobby Carr.

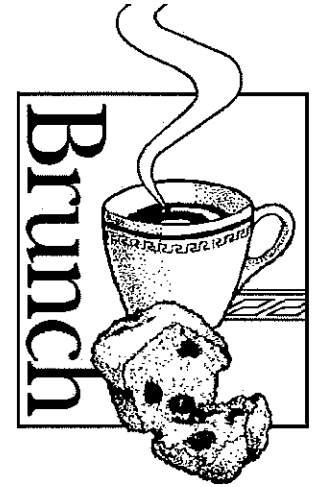
Funeral services were held here on November 22.

## WOMEN OF THE ELCA BRUNCH

Mark your calendars for January 21, 2017, to attend our Women's Brunch in the Family Life Center at 9:00am. Amanda Buenger has accepted our invitation to speak to us about Human Trafficking. More details will follow in the Sunday bulletins.

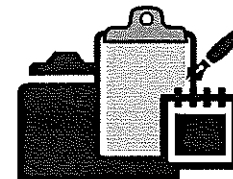
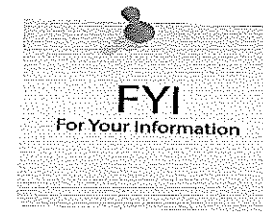
We will take up an offering to support Amanda's ministry with Human Trafficking.

If you would like to help plan the brunch or bring food, please contact Joan at 357-2406 or Phyllis at 277-8840.



## EVANGELISM COMMITTEE CONTACTING MEMBERS

Our newly formed Evangelism Committee members will be contacting each member of St. James for feedback for current and future needs for spiritual growth at St. James.



2017 Church Council

## OUR 2017 COUNCIL

**President:** Betty Bowden

**Vice President:** Erwin Sander

**Secretary:** Rhonda Craigen

**Treasurer:** Darla Winkelmann

**Assistant Treasurer:** Jerry Ondrias

**Building & Grounds:** James Herrmann

**At Large:** Christiana Koehn

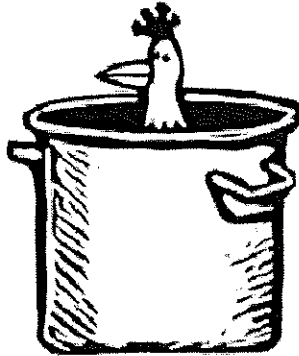
**Installation of our new church council will be on January 8 during the worship service.**

**LOOKING AHEAD—**  
*Put it on your calendar—now!*

**Sunday, January 29, 2017**

**“OLD FASHIONED”  
CHICKEN STEW**

**Eat in or to go (bring container)**



**SILENT AUCTION  
&  
HOMEMADE DESSERTS**

**11:30 AM – 1:00 PM**

**ADULTS - \$8.00 CHILDREN 6-12 - \$4.00**

**UNDER 6 EAT FREE**

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**ST. JAMES AMAZING  
SAINTS**

*Each month we recognize members in our congregation for their achievements. If you know something that a member has done that needs recognition, let us know so we can celebrate what God is doing in and through the people of St. James.*

*Email the info to the church office before the Tidings deadline.*

**\$570.00 FOR PIGS AS PRESENTS FOR CHRISTMAS**

Wow!! You gave a total of \$570.00 to provide pigs to impoverished families through Heifer International. This project was started by the Hannah Circle and they invited members of the congregation to contribute.

This program began in 1944 and has worked to bring help, healing and hope to more than 25 million families in more than 30 countries. One animal could eventually benefit an entire community. Families are trained in the care of the animals and agree to give one or more offspring to another family in need. Why pigs?? A pig needs little land and can thrive on crop and garden byproduct scraps. And since an average sow can provide a family with up to 16 piglets a year, many more families will soon benefit as our gift is passed on. The gift of one pig costs \$120 or to share a pig is \$10.00. **What a Christmas gift from St. James!**

**MANY THANKS** to all who helped with Christmas Eve Worship

- Pastor Bade for leading us in worship on this special evening.
- Those who worked with the children in preparing the program.
- To the children participating and their parents for getting their children to all of the rehearsals.
- To all of you who came to share the evening. Attendance was 277!

**THANKS ALSO** to all who helped with the Christmas party on December 18! The food was great and the crafts were fun!

*Thank  
You!*



## Bible Readings for January

January 1

Isaiah 63:7-9; Ps. 148; Hebrews 2:10-18; Matthew 2:13-23

January 8

Isaiah 42:1-9; Ps. 29; Acts 10:34-43; Matthew 3:13-17

January 15

Isaiah 49:1-7; Ps. 40:1-11; 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42

January 22

Isaiah 9:1-4; Ps. 27:1,4-9; 1 Corinthians 1:10-18; Matthew 4:12-23

January 29

Micah 6:1-8; Ps. 15; 1 Corinthians 1:18-31; Matthew 5:1-12

## CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE

January 4 (snacks by Bartay)

January 8 at 9:00am

January 15 at 9:00am

January 25 (snacks by Schaper)

January 29 at 9:00am

WITH  
*Gratitude* 

Thank you so very much for all the prayers, cards and phone calls during and after my surgeries. May God's love and peace be with you all.

*Bruce Buenger*

Thank you for thinking of me this Christmas. The cross and poinsettia you brought to me reminds me of all the love and kindness at St. James. Thank you again for your prayers and thinking of me. God bless you all.

*Jr. Dierking and His Family*

## CHICKEN STEW

Posters and tickets for our annual stew on January 29 are available from the table in the back of the church. Your help with placing the posters around town and with selling tickets will be greatly appreciated.

Also our dessert table is always a big hit. Put on your baking hats and aprons and let's have the best ever dessert table.

Silent Auction items are needed also.

## OLDIES BUT GOODIES SERVICE

Our Next Oldies But Goodies Service will be on January 8. Join us as we raise our voices to God with our favorite old-time hymns!

**POTLUCK & GAMES DAY** January 15 after worship

## DONATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

Donations are still being accepted for Christmas decorations. Please mark you donations "Christmas Decorations."

## AVAILABLE FOR YOU IN THE BACK OF THE CHURCH

- Portals of Prayer
- 2017 Offering Envelopes
- 2017 Flower Chart

## WOMEN OF THE ELCA PROJECTS

Women of the ELCA special projects for Lutheran World Relief are soap and blankets. This is a great opportunity to help so many through the efforts of LWR.



For January please bring  
canned or dry soup mixes

## LUTHERAN MEN IN MISSION ASSEMBLY

FEBRUARY 10-11 AT CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH  
IN GEORGETOWN

The keynote speaker for this Tri-Synodical Lutheran Men in Mission Assembly will be Retired Astronaut Charles Moss Duke, Jr., who will speak under the theme "Boldly go."

### Cost & Registration

Early registration (by January 15): \$40  
Regular registration: \$50 Students: \$10

Registration cost includes Friday dinner and Saturday lunch.

Please make checks payable to "SWTX Synod Lutheran Men in Mission". Mail to Ivan Janssen at PO Box 71, Fredericksburg, TX 78624.

## ZION RETREAT CENTER IN GALVESTON

### Grand Opening and Dedication

February 26 from 3:00pm to 6:00pm  
Dedication Service begins at 4:00pm

The new Zion Retreat Center is located at 6910 Yucca Drive, Galveston and is part of Lutherhill Ministries. It is an 8-bedroom retreat center 10 blocks from the beach. Each bedroom can sleep up to 6 people with 2 double beds and 2 lofted single beds. A private bathroom is attached to each bedroom. It also includes a multi-purpose meeting space, kitchen, and dining area. It will be open to the public and can be used by any group or organization, corporation or private party. It has a full time staff person to host groups, serving as the facilities manager. Zion Retreat Center will also offer the public programmed retreats, that are planned and facilitated by the staff.



### IN OUR PRAYERS—

- We pray for our congregation that our loving and gracious God will lead us through this time as we seek a new pastor who will share God's Word and Sacraments with us.
- **We pray for the whole church and for these members:** Kristy Martin Collier, Jr. Dierking, Laura Fieseler, Reagan Inman, Carolyn Loesch, Anna Nail, Bonnie & Travis Pilchick, Hudson Schaper, Ronny Schaper, Floreen Schulze, Lon Tiemann, Nelda Wilke, Delores Winkelmann, & Viola Wittner.
- **We also pray for family & friends:** Travis Boeker, Nelda Cuthbertson, Sam Duree, Melroy Eixman, Tom Fatjo, Carol Fenton, Gabriel Fuentes, Mike Ham, Elgin Klausmeyer, Barbara Marsland, Pam Tamburello, Harris Walenta, & Lisa Wise.

*Please call or email the church office  
if you wish to add or remove a name.*

### PRAYER REQUESTS

To place a name on the prayer chain or the prayer list do one of the following:

*(remember to always have permission from the person we would be praying for or permission from someone in the immediate family)*

- Call the church at 836-2795 and leave a message—someone is checking messages left on the church phone
- Call Betty Bowden at 979-865-9395
- Call Tanya Rosenbaum at 979-289-4648



- 2 Lillian Koehn
- 3 Courtney Galle  
Butch Lorenz
- 5 Peggy Emshoff  
Colby Hanath  
Kimberly Wade
- 7 Kelly Quinton
- 8 Callie Fishbeck
- 9 Lee Neumann  
Travis Pilchick
- 11 Lea Bartay
- 12 Hailey Ross
- 13 Will Meischen
- 14 Wendy Loesch
- 15 Jesse Buenger  
Chris Wade
- 16 Leeland Rinn
- 17 Becky Winkelmann
- 18 Erline Sommerfeld
- 20 Reid Lane Sander
- 22 Gayle Engeling
- 25 Jack Buenger
- 26 Elan Braun  
Laura Fieseler (90!)
- 29 Ryan Buenger  
Daniel Engeling  
Michael Tiemann
- 30 Shirley Hohlt
- 31 Lee Roy Winkelmann

### Baptismal Anniversaries

- 1 Ronny Schaper
  - 5 Kamie Krueger  
Florence Rinn
  - 8 Anthony Jasinski
  - 9 Kaysee Schulte
  - 12 Emilie Gaskamp  
Terri Johnson
  - 14 Donnie Henske  
Tristan Teufel
  - 15 Cari Goeke
  - 16 Sandra Teufel
  - 17 Shea Emshoff
  - 20 Margaret Tiemann  
McCrae Wade
  - 21 Kristy Collier  
Art Remmert
  - 22 Patrick Mabry
  - 24 Blake Sander
  - 25 Christopher Tiemann  
Amy Winkelmann
  - 28 Briana Oevermann
  - 29 Kyle Bentke
  - 30 Teresa Quinteros
  - 31 Brooke Schrader
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- 2 Elana & Royce Garling
  - 6 Sarah & Clint Buenger
  - 8 Connie & Troy Oevermann
  - 11 Kay & Erwin Sander
  - 16 Christina & Adam Koehn
  - 17 Brandi & Dwight Conway

### SERVING IN JANUARY

- 1 Lay Reader: Jerry Ondrias  
Organist: Fredericka DeBerry  
Acolytes: Tyler & Callie Fishbeck  
Altar Flowers:
- 8 Lay Reader: Kelly Quinton  
Organist: Phyllis Weiss  
Acolytes: Collin Goeke & Jeremy Quinton  
Altar Flowers: Erwin & Kay Sander in honor of their wedding anniversary
- 15 Lay Reader: Betty Bowden  
Organist: Cheryl Buenger  
Acolytes: Jake & Aislin Schaper  
Altar Flowers: Ron & Lea Bartay in honor of Lea on her birthday
- 22 Lay Reader: Joan Buenger  
Organist: Fredericka DeBerry  
Acolyte: Travis Bartay  
Altar Flowers: Brett & Krista Sander in honor of Reid on his birthday
- 29 Lay Reader:  
Organist: Phyllis Weiss  
Acolytes: Tyler & Callie Fishbeck  
Altar Flowers:  
  
Ushers/Greeters: Jodie & A. J. McReynolds;  
Denise & Kenneth Neumann  
  
Council Person: Rhonda Craigen

# January, 2017

SUNDAY WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION 10:00AM  
SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00AM

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
<b>1</b> NEW YEAR'S DAY FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> HANNAH CIRCLE 4:00PM CONFIRMATION 6:00PM	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> EPIPHANY DAY	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> BAPTISM OF OUR LORD CONFIRMATION 9:00AM COUNCIL INSTALLATION DURING WORSHIP OLDIES BUT GOODIES SUNDAY	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> HOPE CIRCLE 4:00PM	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY CONFIRMATION 9:00AM POTLUCK & GAMES DAY	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> CHURCH COUNCIL MTG. 6:30PM	<b>18</b> TIDINGS DEADLINE	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> WOMEN'S BRUNCH FLC 9:00AM
<b>22</b> THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY	<b>23</b> JAN 23-25 TRI-SYNODICAL THEOLOGICAL CONFERENCE-AUSTIN	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> CONFIRMATION 6:00PM	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY CONFIRMATION 9:00AM ANNUAL CHICKEN STEW 11:30am-1:00pm	<b>30</b> WORSHIP COMMITTEE 9:30AM	<b>31</b>				

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