

Those bringing flowers....



- 7—Debby & Bill Schovajsa
- 14—Dana Hall & Hugh Hall
- 21—Poinsettias
- 28—Poinsettias



# DECEMBER 2014

Liturgist for the Month:  
Jack Elvig

Ushers:  
7th, 14th & 21st— Bobbie Nash &  
Anna Katherine Schmidt  
24th— Girard Family

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>Communion</b> <b>December 7th:</b> Prepare—Gene Serve—Juanita, Debby, Pam & Mary	<i>1</i> B— Suzanne Manning	<i>2</i> Pres. Women’s Christmas Tea 2:00  Session 5:30	<i>3</i> Baritones 5:00 Choir 5:30 Pres. Men 6:30 B-Janet Parker B— Jerry Adams	<i>4</i> Quilters Christmas brunch @ Jean McHenry’s	<i>5</i> B— Chris Holmes	<i>6</i> A-Debby & Bill Schovajsa
<i>7</i> 	<i>8</i>	<i>9</i> Sort & Pack Toys @ St. Paul 8:00-12noon	<i>10</i> 5:00 Sops/Altos 5:30 Choir 6:30 Praise Band	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>13</i>
<i>14</i> B— Wade Blakey B— Kirk Craig  Second Sunday Luncheon	<i>15</i> AMEN	<i>16</i> Circle III Christmas Party 6:00	<i>17</i> 5:00 Baritones 5:30 Choir	<i>18</i> AMEN	<i>19</i> B— Elizabeth Sump  <b>Second Chance closed 19th through                      January 1st</b>	<i>20</i>
<i>21</i> Breakfast with Santa 9:15 Hayride & Caroling 3:00  A-Pam & Cliff Giese	<i>22</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>24</i> <b>Christmas Eve</b>  5:00 Choir <b>6:00 Candlelight                      Service</b>	<i>25</i> <b>Christmas Day</b> 	<i>26</i>	<i>27</i>
<i>28</i> B— Jessica James	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>31</i> <b>New Year’s Eve</b>			

**Thank You** to all who participated in Operation Christmas Child. Linda and Ted Borgstedte delivered **54 filled boxes!** Thank you all so much for helping a disadvantaged child have a better Christmas!

**A.M.E.N Grinch Project:** Due to the overwhelming number of people in need of assistance this year, we are still accepting your donations. Donations will be used to purchase HEB vouchers for Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. Clients will be able to purchase a turkey or other meat for their holiday meals. Envelopes for donations for the “Grinch Project” are in the pew racks. Checks should be made payable to AMEN with “Grinch Project” on the memo line. Food of the month for December is soup, canned meat and fruit.

**Meals on Wheels** is in need of a driver on Fridays for the North side of town. The route takes about 45 minutes to complete. Any help would be appreciated. Thank you!

**Joy Offering** envelopes are in the pew racks. This offering will be taken through Christmas.

**Christmas Tea:** All ladies are invited to the Presbyterian Women’s Christmas Tea- **Tuesday, December 2nd at 2:00 p.m.** There will be singing of Christmas carols, great food, fellowship and a brief program.

**Toy Drive:** There is a wrapped box in the fellowship hall for any gently used or new toys. Anything is appreciated!

<b>Advent Schedule</b>	<b>Families</b>	<b>Sermon Titles</b>
Nov. 30 <sup>th</sup>	The Gunn Family	Christmas Gifts: The Gift of Revelation
Dec 7 <sup>th</sup>	The Borgstedtes	Christmas Gifts: The Gift of Giving
Dec 14 <sup>th</sup>	The Jandas	Christmas Gifts: The Gift of Commitment
Dec 21 <sup>st</sup>	The Cantata	Christmas Gifts: The Gift of Love
Dec 24 <sup>th</sup>	The Gross family	Christmas Gifts: The Gift of Being a Blessing

**ADVANCED NOTICE:**

**Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>**- 6:00 p.m. Lit Wits Christmas party & book exchange at Anna Katherine Schmidt’s home.

**Sunday, December 21** - 9:15 a.m. - Breakfast with Santa in Fellowship Hall and 3:00 p.m. - Hayride & Caroling - Meet at the Church. Pizza afterward.

**Sunday, January 11** - Second Annual Chili Cook-Off - Get teams together. No more than 6 per team. Sign-up sheet will be posted in Fellowship Hall. Entertainment will be provided.

**Sunday, February 8** - Souper Bowl Sunday - Bring Soup and/or Sandwiches



**Church Women Untied** sponsors a TOY DRIVE each year and provides 200 children with toys, games and clothing for Christmas through generous giving from churches in our community.

CCA(Combined Community Action) provides us with a list of children, ages birth through 15, who would otherwise not have anything for Christmas.

We collect these items from each church then distribute them according to the name, ages and gender on December 9th at 8 am to 12 pm at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. **Volunteers** are welcome!

Please help us make a joyous Christmas for these underprivileged children by bringing unwrapped toys, games etc. Cash or check is also welcomed and may be placed in the offertory plate or dropped off at the church office. Please make checks payable to Church Women Untied and earmark it "Toy Drive".

**The deadline is December 7th.**

Any questions call Leigh Ann Bedient at 713-562-7146 or Heidi Schultze at 979-968-5257. Blessings!



The sanctuary will be decorated with poinsettias again this year. You have the opportunity to order your poinsettia and have it delivered to the church in time for worship on December 21st. They may be picked up after Christmas Eve’s worship service OR after December 28th’s worship service.

If you would like to purchase a poinsettia for the service through the church, the cost per poinsettia is \$13.50. Please send your check to Andrea at the church office or place it in the offering plate with your request.

Feel free to bring your own poinsettia. Just mark it so that you can take it with you after the service.

Poinsettias may be dedicated to more than one person. Please mark how you want yours to read.

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

OR

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

OR

To the glory of God by \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_ Please check here if you would rather bring your own plant from home. Your name will still be on the dedication list.

Your name \_\_\_\_\_

***(deadline for ordering is DECEMBER 9TH )***