

ANNOUNCEMENTS – DECEMBER 10, 2017

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Today: 11:00AM Mentorship Event (with games and gift exchange)
Tuesday: 7:00PM Properties Committee Meeting
Wednesday: 5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation
7:00PM Advent Midweek Worship
7:45PM Choir
Saturday: 9AM-11AM Sunday School Christmas Practice and Baking Treats
Next Sunday: Third Sunday in Advent
Christmas Project Gifts Due Today
9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class
9:45AM Fellowship Time
10:00AM Worship with Holy Communion
6:00PM Sunday School Christmas Program (youth arrive at 5:30PM)

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Today - Jerry Holm
Thursday - Lilian Germann-Hutter
Saturday - Kim Frazier

IN OUR PRAYERS

Jeanette Falkner, Melissa Barbey, Pat Banitt (struggling with Disembarkment Syndrome and recovering from knee replacement surgery), Bob Langhans, Jack Vold, Roy and Jane Krueger (thanksgiving for healing received), and Kathy Voth (recovering from surgery), Doug Callstrom (recovering from surgery), and the family and friends of Ronnie Stumpf (as they mourn his passing).

GOODHUE COUNTY CHRISTMAS PROJECT

Our congregation is again participating in the Goodhue County Christmas Project, an effort to help struggling families with Christmas resources and gifts for the holidays. A poster has been placed in the narthex to let everyone know what the needs are. Please sign your name to whatever gifts you plan on purchasing so that we can track which needs have been fulfilled. If you do not sign your name, it is quite possible that double purchases will be made; we do not want to come up short for our families! Gifts should be placed under the Christmas tree in the fellowship hall. If you choose to wrap your gifts (which is NOT necessary), please put a note on the outside indicating what's inside or we will need to unwrap them. Thanks so very much for your generosity this Christmas season!

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

This year's Sunday School Christmas Program will be held on Sunday, December 17th at 6:00 PM. In addition to practice during Sunday School, we will have one more Saturday practice from 9 AM to 11 AM on December 16th. If you have questions, please call Nikki Scheele (380-5645) or Leslie Germann-Hutter (380-1910).

LIFE QUOTE

December 10 "As we bask in the glow of God Himself choosing, from His freedom and through His immeasurable power, to sanctify every aspect and moment of human life by taking flesh and passing through every stage of human growth and development, and sanctifying each of those moments, let's do the very hard work of taking our faith seriously and, knowing God loves us and will always forgive every sin, let's winsomely and gently live in such a way we show the world a better way." *Fr.*

Barnabas Powell, Cumming, Georgia. – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life •

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CATECHISM REVIEW

The Second Article: Redemption

Why did Christ humble Himself?

Christ voluntarily humbled Himself in order to "redeem me, a lost and condemned person."

From what has Christ redeemed you?

He has redeemed me "from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil."

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, December 17, 2017

6:05AM on WCCO-AM (830), Minneapolis

6:00PM on KDHL-AM (920), Faribault

"Life Narrows Down"

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer

John the Baptist had a passion for the Lamb of God. What's your passion in life? How far into the future will it take you?

[John 1:6-8, 19-28 (John testifies to Christ)]