

ANNOUNCEMENTS – DECEMBER 6, 2015

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Wednesday: 4:30PM 5th/6th Grade Confirmation
5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation
7:00PM Advent Midweek Service
Acolyte: Lily Germann-Hutter
7:45PM Choir
Thursday: 11:00AM Seminary Home Chapel
Friday: 10:30AM KWNG Recording Session
2:00PM Plaza Service
Saturday: 9:00-10:30AM Sunday School Christmas Program Practice
Next Sunday: Third Sunday in Advent
Goodhue County Christmas Project Donations Due Today
9:00AM Sunday School & Bible Class
9:45AM Fellowship Time
10:00AM Worship with Baptism of Kaden Dicke
Acolyte: Connor Ballman
11:00AM Christmas Potluck
Confirmation Mentorship Event: Caroling

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Today - Steve & Maureen Alms
Wednesday - Bob & Mary Langhans
Thursday - Jerry Holm

IN OUR PRAYERS

Willard Holst, Jeanette Falkner, Bill Langhans, Melissa Barbey, DaWayne Wichern, Catherine Smith (recovering from surgery), Phillip Sorenson (dealing with chronic illness), and Wayne Dicke (recovering from a four-wheeler accident).

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR GOODHUE COUNTY CHRISTMAS PROJECT

Won't you please help provide food and Christmas gifts for three needy families in our community? Donations are due **NEXT WEEK** and a number of items on the Christmas project poster board have not been claimed! The poster board in the narthex lists the items we still need. Just remove the post-it-note of the item and write your name on the board underneath the item you have selected. You do not need to wrap the gifts. However, if you do, make sure to put a note on the item saying what is inside; otherwise, we will have to unwrap them before distribution. Place all donations under the tree in the fellowship hall by next Sunday. Thank you! If you have questions, please speak with Bobbi Langhans (385-8167).

CHRISTMAS POTLUCK – NEXT SUNDAY!!

A Christmas potluck sponsored by the Ladies Aid will be held directly following the worship service next Sunday, December 13th! Everyone is invited to attend and also bring a dish to pass!

CONFIRMATION MENTORSHIP EVENT

The next confirmation mentorship event will be held after church on December 13th. We will stay for the Christmas potluck at church and then go caroling after the meal. We will return to church for refreshments. If you have questions, please speak with Bonnie Kassen.

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CATECHISM REVIEW: THE FIRST COMMANDMENT

You shall have no other gods.

What does this mean?

We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things.

HOLIDAY SCRIP ORDER

Scrip makes a great Christmas gift and is also a neat way to gain a little extra money for the ministry of our congregation! If you would like to place an order for something particular for the holidays, please do so by December 6th. Delivery of your requests will take place by December 13th. If you have further questions about this program, speak with Bonnie Kassen.

FIRST CHOICE BABY BOTTLES

Immanuel is again participating in the First Choice Clinic Baby Bottle Fundraiser. Please take a baby bottle and fill it with your change over the coming weeks. Please bring them back to church by Christmastime. If you would prefer to donate by writing a check, that is also acceptable. Just place your donation inside one of the baby bottles in the narthex. When you give to First Choice Clinic, you are helping to provide ultrasounds, pregnancy testing with options education, parenting and life-skills education, and material assistance to a woman in need. Because of First Choice's faith-based, life-affirming foundation, the clinic does not offer, recommend, or refer for abortion or abortifacients.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Mark your calendars for the Sunday School Christmas program. Again this year it will be held on the Sunday before Christmas (December 20th). The program will begin at 6:30 PM and will be followed by refreshments in the fellowship hall. Many thanks to Nikki Scheele and Leslie Germann-Hutter for serving again as coordinators.

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, December 13, 2015

8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920)

"The Lord is Near"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz

God's message is simple and straightforward: Jesus is near—put your trust in Him! (Philippians 4:4-7)

LIFE QUOTE

December 6 "Why was God's Son in a manger, a feeding trough for animals? Because He is the Bread of Life, spiritual food for starving mankind. So the True Bread from Heaven is first encountered by humble shepherds in a place where food is placed for animals, in Bethlehem, which means 'House of Bread.' What's more, the Good Shepherd was found by the shepherds!" *James M. Kushiner, the Fellowship of St. James – A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*