

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS – December 11, 2016**

### **DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK**

Today            11:00AM    Congregational/Mentorship Christmas Potluck  
                    Afternoon    Mentorship Christmas Caroling  
Tuesday:        7:30PM    Board of Elders  
Wednesday:    5:30PM    7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation  
                    7:00PM    Advent Midweek Worship  
                    7:45PM    Choir  
Friday:          10:30AM    KWNG Recording Session  
Saturday:    9AM-11AM    Sunday School Christmas Program Practice  
Next Sunday:        Fourth Sunday of Advent  
                    9:00AM    Sunday School and Bible Class  
                    9:45AM    Fellowship Time  
                    10:00AM    Worship with Holy Communion  
                    6:00PM    Sunday School Christmas Program

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

Wednesday    - Lilian Germann-Hutter  
Friday         - Kim Frazier, Bill Langhans

### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

Willard Holst, Jeanette Falkner, Bill Langhans, Melissa Barbey, Catherine Smith, Phillip Sorenson (dealing with chronic illness), Pat Banitt (struggling with Disembarkment Syndrome), Bob Langhans, Jack Vold (11 year-old being treated for leukemia), Ronald Johnson (diagnosed with leukemia).

### **CHRISTMAS POTLUCK – TODAY**

Everyone is welcome to stay after church this morning for a special Christmas potluck. If you have forgotten to bring an item to share, don't worry about it! Stay anyway! We will have plenty of food available.

### **GOODHUE COUNTY CHRISTMAS PROJECT**

All items for the Christmas project are due at church on Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. Four items have still not been selected from the poster in the narthex. If you are willing to purchase items, please select today from the remaining choices! Remove the sticker on the item and write your name underneath. If you choose to wrap your items, please ensure that you mark them with stickers so that we know for whom the package is intended. Place all gifts under the tree in the fellowship hall! If you have questions, please speak with Bobbi Langhans. Thank you for your generosity!

### **CATECHISM REVIEW**

#### ***Who is able to keep the commandments perfectly?***

No person can keep any or all of the commandments perfectly, except Jesus Christ. All those who have faith in Him by the power of His Spirit willingly strive to keep these commandments.

### **LIFE QUOTE**

**December 11** "Mary and Joseph's hardships serve as a vivid reminder that as God's children, we don't always have it easy either. But because Mary and Joseph followed God's will, countless generations benefit from the presence of this child's life in the world. Let's put that in the context of modern life—a young couple facing an unexpected pregnancy. If they follow God's will, abortion will be averted, and countless generations will benefit, albeit in a much smaller way, from their child's presence in the world." *Bradley Mattes, Executive Director of Life Issues Institute – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)*

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## **HOLIDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

The remaining services of the Advent-Christmas season are as follows:

Wednesday, December 14:	7:00 PM	Advent Midweek
Sunday, December 18:	10:00 AM	Communion Worship
Sunday, December 18:	6:00 PM	Sunday School Christmas Program
Wednesday, December 21:	7:00 PM	Advent Midweek
Saturday, December 24:	4:00 PM	Christmas Eve
Sunday, December 25:	10:00 AM	Christmas Day
		No Sunday School or Bible Class

## **2016 "KETCH-UP" CAMPAIGN**

By God's grace, let's keep moving forward in reducing our debt. With all of us working together, we can "ketch-up" and begin January 2017 with a positive balance. Special envelopes are in the pews and by the "ketch-up" poster for your convenience.

**"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, December 18, 2016**

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

**"Peace On Earth, Peace That Lasts"**

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz

What is the key to real and lasting peace on earth? Jesus, God with us. (Matthew 1:18-25)