

ANNOUNCEMENTS – November 20, 2016

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Tuesday: 7:30PM Board of Elders
Wednesday: 4:30PM 5th/6th Grade Confirmation
5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation
7:30PM Choir
Thursday: 10:00AM Thanksgiving Day Worship
Friday: 10:30AM KWNG Recording Session
Next Sunday: First Sunday of Advent
9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class
9:45AM Fellowship Time
10:00AM Worship

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Monday - Dawn Laffey, David & Avis Sucher
Tuesday - Jan Langhans
Friday - Bill & Jan Langhans
Saturday - Amanda Dupre, Ronnie & Jean Stumpf

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 SCRIP ORDER

A Christmas Scrip Order will be placed on December 5th with delivery expected by Sunday, December 11th. Stop by the Scrip table and pick up a current list of participating retailers. Large orders (over \$100) will need to be pre-paid. Remember, a large number of gift cards are on hand on a regular basis, so don't just think of Scrip as a gift-giving opportunity. Use it for your everyday shopping needs! Hotels, restaurants, and on-line vendors participate, so I'm sure you can find what you're looking for! See Bonnie Kassen if you have any questions or give her a call at 923-4884.

2016 "KETCH-UP" CAMPAIGN

Good News! As of October 31, the church deficit has been reduced from \$25,000 to \$19,753. By God's grace, let's keep moving forward in reducing our debt. You will notice the ketchup bottle on the poster has now been partially filled in! By December 31st, it would be great to see that bottle full! Remember, as an additional part of this campaign, a blessing basket has been placed in the narthex under the poster. What special blessings are you thankful for at this time of national Thanksgiving? Take an envelope, record your blessing on the line, and put a special offering in the envelope and place it in the basket. With all of us working together, we can "ketch-up" and begin January 2017 with a positive balance.

LIFE QUOTE

November 20 "The Apostle Paul seemed to have thought that giving thanks was front and center in the life of the Christian: 'Give thanks in all things' (1 Thessalonians 5:18), 'Always and for everything giving thanks' (Ephesians 5:20), 'In everything by prayer ... with thanksgiving' (Philippians 4:6), 'And be thankful ... with thankfulness in your heart toward God ... do everything ... giving thanks to God the Father' (Colossians 3:13-17), 'Continue steadfastly in prayer, with thanksgiving' (Colossians 4:2)." *James M. Kushiner, The Fellowship of St. James – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life* • www.lutheransforlife.org

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“THE LUTHERAN HOUR” – Sunday, November 27, 2016

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

“The Perfect Christmas”

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz

The first Christmas was anything but perfect. Then again, if everything had been just as it should be, we wouldn't have needed a Savior. (Galatians 4:4-5)

CATECHISM REVIEW

What is the summary of commandments 1-3 (First Table)?

Jesus replied: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind” (Matt. 22:37).

What is the summary of commandments 4-10 (Second Table)?

“And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself” (Matt. 22:39).

What is the summary of all the commandments?

Love is the summary of all the commandments.

ADVENT MIDWEEK SERVICES

Advent midweek services will be held during the Wednesdays of Advent at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. The first service will be Wednesday, November 30th. This year's series is entitled: “Advent with Isaiah.” We will meditate on the wonderful promises of the Messiah and His Kingdom in Isaiah. We will have four midweek services and the dates, themes, and texts are as follows:

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| November 30: | God's Place (Isaiah 2:1-5) |
| December 7: | God's Person (Isaiah 11:1-10) |
| December 14: | God's Paradise (Isaiah 35:1-10) |
| December 21: | God's Presence (Isaiah 7:10-17) |