

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS – DECEMBER 15, 2013**

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

Today: 11:00 AM Church Potluck (Sponsored by Fellowship Club/Ladies Aid)  
Wednesday: 4:30 PM 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation  
5:30 PM 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation  
6:30 PM Advent Midweek Supper  
7:15 PM Advent Midweek Worship  
8:00 PM Choir  
Friday: 10:00 AM J. Brown Visit  
10:30 AM KWNG Recording Session  
Saturday: St. Thomas, Apostle  
Jdgs. 6:36-40; Eph. 4:7, 11-16; Jn. 20:24-29  
9:00 AM to 11:00 AM Christmas Program Practice  
Next Sunday: The Fourth Sunday in Advent  
9:00 AM Sunday School and Bible Class  
9:30 AM Sunday School Christmas Program Practice  
9:45 AM Fellowship Time  
10:00 AM Worship with the Baptism of Chase Kyle Wilcox  
6:30 PM Sunday School Christmas Program

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

Today: Johnathon Burns  
Monday: Kim Frazier  
William Langhans, Sr.  
Tuesday: Mary Augustin  
Patricia Schmitz  
Friday: Linda Rehder  
Saturday: Carol Koester  
Tyler Ballman

### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

Willard Holst, Jeanette Falkner, Hilbert Gerdes, Richard Diercks, Skip Baker, Marilyn Kromminga, Pastor Sorenson, Catherine Smith, and the family of Lorena Stemmann (as they reflect on her passing).

### **POTLUCK TODAY**

Everyone is welcome to attend the potluck which is being held in the fellowship hall immediately after worship this morning. Many thanks to the Fellowship Club and our Ladies Aid for sponsoring this Christmas event!

### **DOOR OFFERING**

A collection is being received today at the back of the sanctuary which will be divided between the current military members of our congregation. We thank God for His continued protection and care for them. If you would like to send Christmas cards or other greetings to these men and women, here are the current names and addresses: (OVER)

SPC David Banitt 209<sup>th</sup> MP Co., Building 2268, Fort Polk, LA 71459

Megan DeLeon 4119 Arbor Heights, San Antonio, TX 78251

Leah Dicke 14 Paradise Road, Swampscott, MA 01907

Amanda Dupre (and Kirby, Cici, Joey, and Allison) 2026B Spruce Drive Grand Forks AFB, ND 58204

Sgt. Chad Meyer UMAQ-3 ECM PSC Box 8060 Cherry Point, NC 28533

(Chad will be home for a visit this month)

### **CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**

The Immanuel Children's Christmas Program will be held next Sunday, December 22 at 6:30 PM.

### **CHURCH PICTURE DIRECTORY**

Tentative plans have been made to have photos taken for a new picture directory between April 30<sup>th</sup> and May 3<sup>rd</sup> of 2014. The directory committee needs to know if those dates work for you. Let Pastor Sorenson know ASAP if that time frame would preclude your participation. A sign-up sheet has also been posted on the bulletin board for those who would like to serve on the directory committee. Thank you!

### **SNOW SHOVELING**

A sign-up sheet has been posted for those who would be able to help with snow shoveling this winter. Thanks for your help!

### **CATECHISM REVIEW**

**The Lord's Prayer: The 6<sup>th</sup> Petition**

**“And lead us not into temptation.”**

What do tempt and temptation mean in the Scriptures?

In the Scriptures these words have two meanings:

A) The testing of our faith, which God uses to bring us closer to Himself.

B) The attempts of our spiritual enemies to lure us away from God and His ways.

### **GOODHUE COUNTY CHRISTMAS PROJECT GIFTS DUE**

It's time to turn in your donations for the Goodhue County Christmas Project. All gifts should be placed under the Christmas tree in the fellowship hall. Make sure that they are marked with a tag stating what is inside, especially if you have chosen to wrap your gifts. Donations should be put under the tree by Wednesday of this week, at the very latest. If you have further questions, please call Bobbi Langhans at 385-8167. Thanks.

### **FIRST CHOICE CLINIC FUNDRAISERS**

It's that time again to help our local pro-life, crisis pregnancy center. The annual baby bottle fundraiser is a great way to help in a simple way. Just take a bottle, fill it with change in the coming weeks, and bring it back by the end of January. If you would prefer to write a check, you may do that as well and place it in a bottle. Donations are tax-deductible and may be made in honor or in memory of someone special. Another way of helping out is to purchase Papa Murphy's cards that are available in the narthex. You pay only \$10 for a Papa Murphy's coupon card that will save you over \$25. First Choice makes some money; you get great pizza and a great deal. If you have questions, talk to Pastor Sorenson, who is the Pastoral Adviser on the Board of Directors of First Choice Clinic. God Bless!