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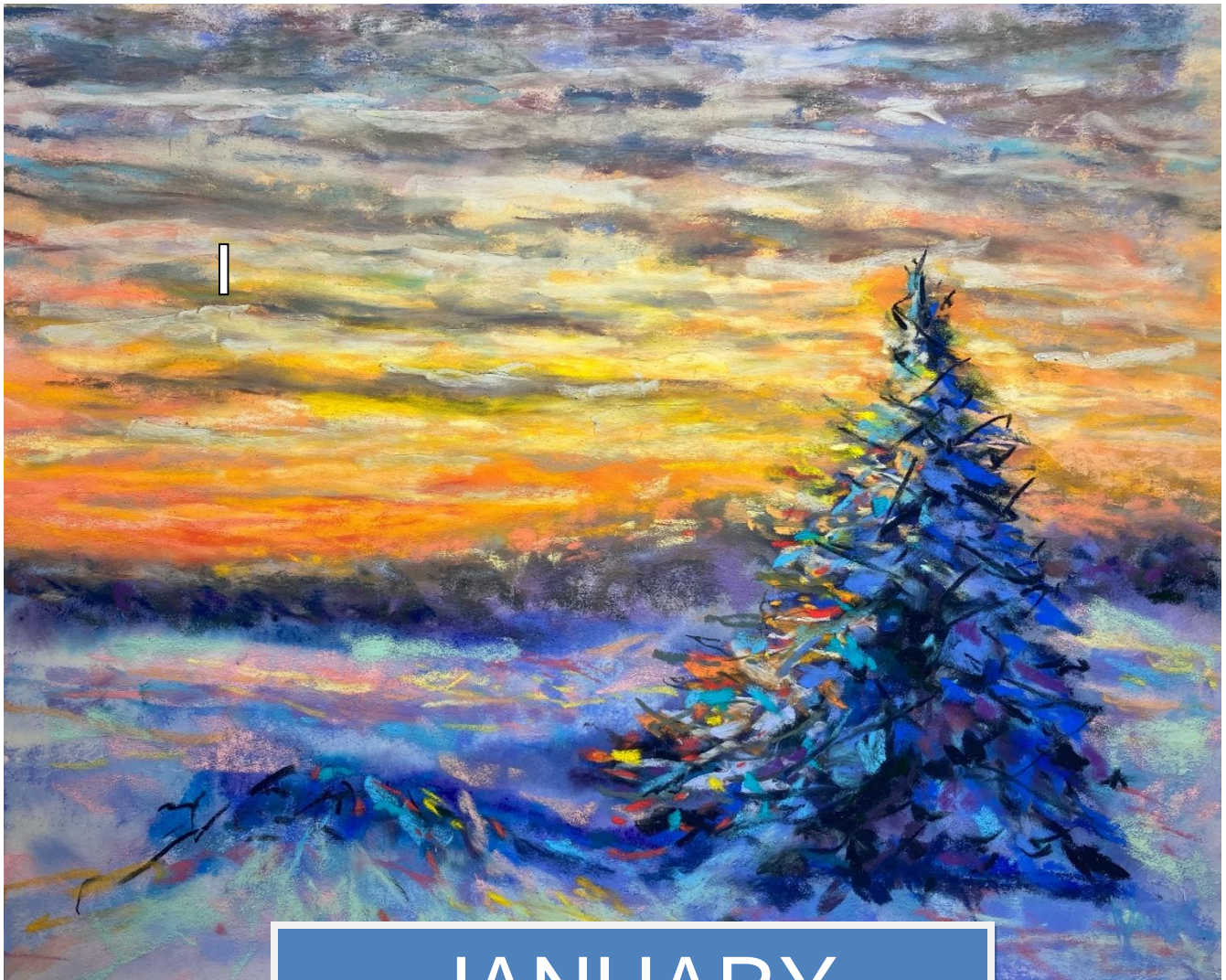
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We, a diverse Christian family, faithful in word and sacrament strive to share in God's unconditional love through prayer, worship, and outreach.



JANUARY

Saturday: 5:00 pm Liturgy I
Sunday: 8:45 am SCS
9:00 am Pericope
10:00 am ELW
Wednesday: 7:00 pm Liturgy II

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:
MONDAY, WEDNESDAY
& THURSDAY
9:00am – 12:00pm



- 1-1 Valerie Fogarty
- 1-2 Kelly Schwartz
- 1-3 Rorrie Lang
- 1-7 Joni McDonald
- 1-8 Leanne Buttke, Wally Hogan,
Denise Schmid
- 1-9 Howard MacMillan
- 1-11 Jodi Heine, Bert Ugrotzi
- 1-13 Diane Hogan
- 1-16 Jason Koenig
- 1-17 Sherri Schroeder
- 1-18 Jane Bogart, Jeanne Cassinelli
- 1-19 Kay Thein
- 1-20 Paul Turlais
- 1-21 Benjamin Kawczynski, Lori Rathmann
Julie Wishall
- 1-22 Penelope Martinez
- 1-24 Elaine Kuehn
- 1-27 Keaton Atwood
- 1-28 Sydney LaFond, Rick Wettengel
- 1-31 Karol Docter

- 1-1 Cheri & Keith Saylor
- 1-4 Peggy & Richard Rudolph-Lisle
- 1-6 James & Patti Sprague
- 1-17 Kelly and Joseph Schwartz
- 1-20 Pat and Kenneth Bruss-Horswill



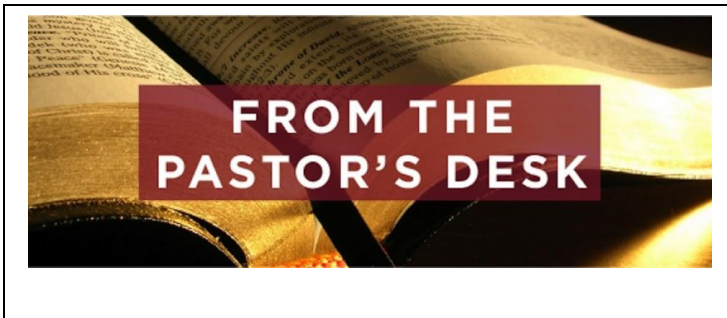
COVER ART

**“Blue & Gold” –
Original pastel painting
by Kinga E. Vnuk**



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This helps ensure our files stay current. THANK YOU

Comment Article: The Pondering Servant of the Lord



I was thinking about Jesus as the Suffering Servant of the Lord...and out of nowhere it hit me, his mother was “the Pondering Servant of the Lord.”

Now that is NOT TO SAY that Jesus didn't do his fair share of pondering...because I imagine he pondered, thought and brooded, a lot.

Like mother, like son, and I snickered to myself...

Both of them had their share of struggles. And a life-journey that laid before them.

I would imagine, at some point, Mary looked forward to her wedding day, as most Hebrew girls did. She probably looked forward to settling down with Joseph and leading a quiet, normal, routine life. Was she ever in for a surprise...and a journey!

Everything changed, her whole life and existence changed that “one day” when God stepped into her life, vis-à-vis the angel, Gabriel, and told her she would be the mother of the Savior of the WHOLE WORLD.

And probably not knowing what she was even saying, she said, “I am the servant of the Lord.” “May your word be fulfilled.” Let it be...to me, as you have suggested!

From that moment on, she was all in, hook, line, and sinker. The rest would be history... talk about the adventure of a lifetime!

“Her journey” took her from Nazareth to the Hill Country, to Bethlehem, to Egypt, and back again to Nazareth again and on to Capernaum, and ultimately to Jerusalem. Where her son, went, so went Mary... She was “in,” no matter where God's adventure would take her. We have to realize, at that time, most people NEVER VENTURED more than 7-10 miles from their place of birth.

Mary gave birth to her first-born son and wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a feed trough for animals. Joseph and she named “their son” – JESUS, which means he who saves, or he will save, or Yahweh saves...as directed by the angel of the Lord.

Next a rag-tag group of shepherds showed up without invitation, babbling on and on about a bright light in the nights sky (and no, it wasn't a drone) and a choir of angels. The angels spoke of the MESSIAH, “Christ the Lord.”

Again, all Mary and Joseph could do, was to reflect upon ALL these strange things happening to them and around them...

Joy-filled shepherds! Babbling on and on...and more visits from angels...

What is going on here?

Poor Mary continued pondering...and again would be interrupted, by "Wise Men" from the East, dreams of Joseph and more weirdness....

They all but barely escaped a massacre by the local king and later she would follow her son at a distance...and see how people responded or didn't respond to him.

She worried and was concerned about his safety. She suffered right along with him. I think she followed him, in the event that he might need his mother.

She was present at the wedding in Cana in Galilee, no doubt the relative of a family member... She placed herself among the other women, who followed him...and she followed him all the way to Jerusalem, to the foot of his cross.

After his resurrection she was with him still, still by his side until he ascended...and then, with his disciples...from that point on...

I assume all this time she was still pondering, still trying to wrap her head around all that had happened, and all that was occurring.

I wonder if she ever regretted her decision...if she ever regretted the journey...

Christmas Eve/Day has come and gone...but the Season continues on through January 6th...

I wonder how many of us would/do take God at his word...no matter what our circumstances...and just how good are WE at FOLLOWING?

How many of us say "YES" to God? How many of us say "NO" to God on a regular and ongoing basis...

Are you a ponderer? A servant? Or do you continue to keep him at a safe distance? It is all stuff to continue to ponder upon...

See you in worship!

Pr. Mortenson...

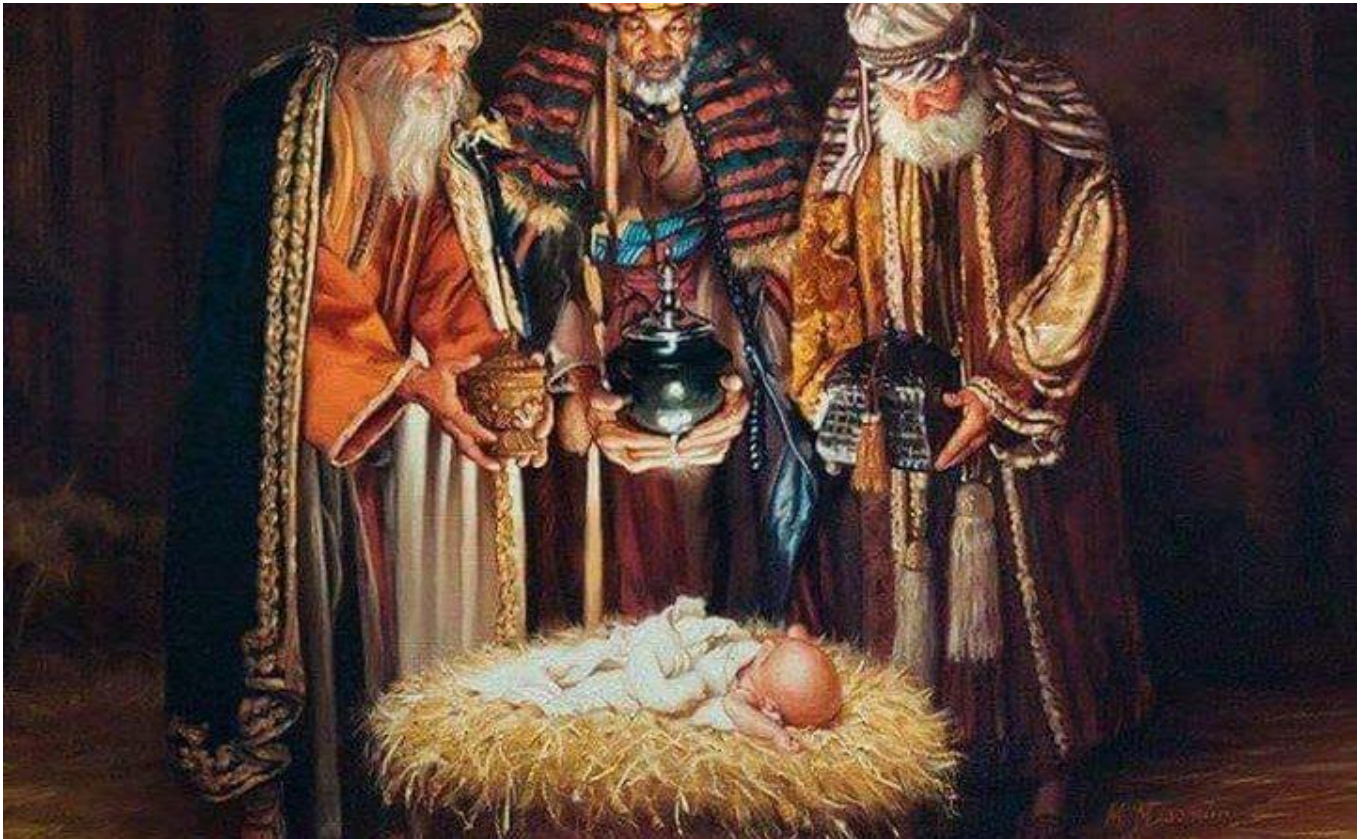


**The Epiphany of Our Lord
Three Kings Day
Feliz dia de Reyes
(Happy Epiphany!)
January 6th, 2025
The Three Magi**

So, what are the traditional names of the three wise men or the three kings...
Of course, you know...

Gaspar (Caspar) represents the youngest of the three and he brings Frankincense...
Balthazar represents a middle-aged man, and he brings the Myrrh and finally,
Melchior, who is the oldest of the three and he brings the gift of gold.

Caspar, Balthazar, and Melchior
Now, you are in the know...



In Spain, Santa Claus isn't the star of the show when the holiday season rolls around. Instead, it's the **Three Wise Men—or los reyes magos**—who take center stage during the winter holidays. They're the ones who bring Spanish children their gifts the night before **Three Kings Day in January**.

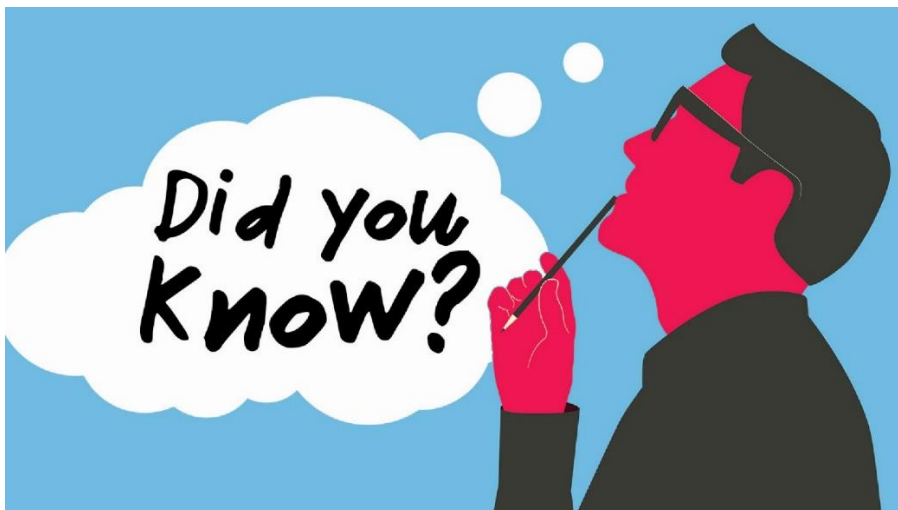
See Matthew 2. 1-12

The Three Wise Men, also known as the Magi, are mentioned in the Bible in the Gospel of Matthew, Chapter 2. However, the Bible does not specify the exact number of wise men; it only mentions that they presented three types of gifts.

Matthew's story is quite vague and shrouded in mystery. Where did they come from? "The east" is hardly specific...and actually tells us nothing!

Did You Know?

- This is our LIX Annual Meeting.
- 2025-1966 = 59 years
- Our 59th year of existence as a church family.
- We go back as far as the first Super Bowl Season, 1966-1967.
- Any idea who won that very first Super Bowl?
- The game was between the Kansas City Chiefs and the Green Bay Packers.
- The game was played at the Memorial Coliseum in Los Angeles, CA.
- The Final score being 35-10 Packers.
- The head coach was Vince Lombardi.
- Other famous players included Elijah Pitts and Max McGee.
- The quarterback was a guy named Bryan Bartlett Starr, who completed 16 of 23 passes.
- The first trophy was engraved with the words: “World Professional Football Championship” and was later renamed the Vince Lombardi Trophy.
- Now you are in the know... 🤔





Please note#

**There is NO WORSHIP LITURGY
BEING HELD
ON
JANUARY 1st at 7:00 P.M.**

We pray that you have a blessed and safe and healthy 2025!



Christian Education

Sunday School focus for the coming week:

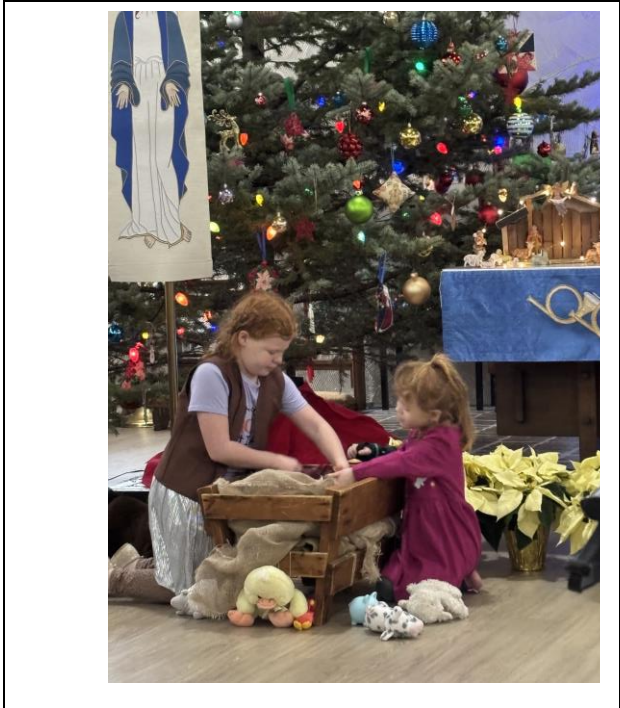
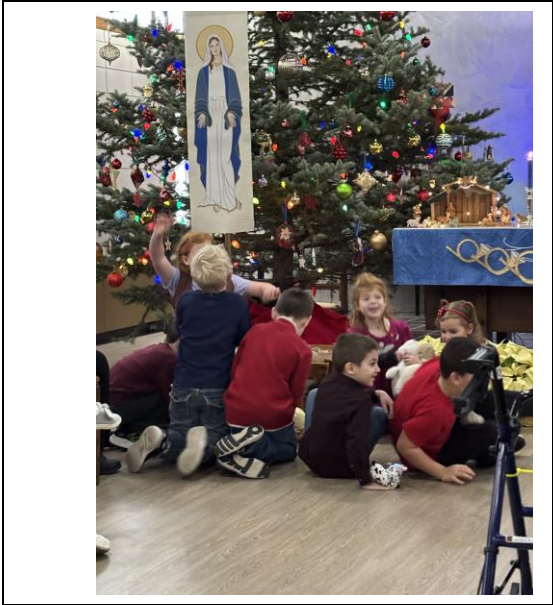
Date	focus verse	Topic
• January 5	1 Corinthians 6:19	Health
• January 12	• Daniel 1 Proverbs 16:24	Daniel eats vegetables Kindness
• January 19	• James 3:2-12 Mark 12:30	Be Careful to Say Good Words Love for God
• January 26	• John 3:1-21 John 13:34	Jesus talks to Nicodemus Re: Love Love for Others
• February 2, 2025	• Galatians 1:1-2, 5:16 Psalm 33:21	Fruits of the Spirit Joy
	• Mathew 3:13-17	John Baptizes Jesus

The Sunday School Christmas Program occurred on Sunday, December 22, 2024 during the Sunday Worship Service. THANK YOU to all who helped, supported, and encouraged the students during the program. They are our future and having the love and support meant a great deal to many of them. **A special Thank You to David Speaks who was our Grandfather for the program.**

The Sunday School students collected coins in their banks for their December Giving Focus. They were quite excited to share their giving to the church. A few families told how their child(ren) checked cars and home furniture for coins while others begged families for change to go in their banks. "And a little child shall lead them" comes to mind. May we all become cheerful givers as our Sunday School students demonstrated.

Christian Education committee will meet on January 5, 2025, after service (at 11 am). We would love to see more faces to help discuss the Christian Education concerns and decisions of All Saints. Many hands make light work.

Respectfully submitted,
Robin Schmitt



**January 15th
Wednesday Evening
7:00 P.M.
The Annual Pet Blessing**



You will not want to miss it!

Thanks to Dale Hochevar and all those who LIVE STREAM for us, you will be able to worship with us and our animal companions!

ONLY AT ALL SAINTS!



Lynn Friedman will be filming! Thanks, Lynn!



Council Capsules

Council approved the following matters at the December council meeting.

- Council approved the proposed 2025 budget that will be presented to the congregation at the Annual meeting on February 2, 2025.
- Council approved a motion to work with the custodian to establish specific tasks that need to be accomplished biweekly, weekly, bimonthly and monthly allowing her to work up to but not always exactly 12 hours per week.
- Council approved a motion to cancel liturgy on Wednesday, January 1st.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Wytrykus Kleppek
All Saints Lutheran Church
Council Secretary



*Our deepest and most heartfelt sympathy is extended
to Rod and Denise Kalski and family
on the death of Rod's Mother, Jeanne.
Blessed are those who die in the Lord*



In the early church...

different celebrations took place at different times, in different places. Worship celebrations were fluid. Changeable. Dependent on locale and local tradition.

In the early Church, Christians, particularly those in the East, celebrated “the advent of Christ on Jan. 6” by commemorating “Nativity, Visitation of the Magi, Baptism of Christ, and the Wedding of Cana” all in one feast of the Epiphany.

By the fourth century, both Christmas and Epiphany had been set as separate feasts in some places. At the Council of Tours in 567, the Church set both Christmas Day and Epiphany as feast days on Dec. 25 and Jan. 6, respectively, and named the 12 days between the feasts as the Christmas season. And thus, it was established!

Over time, the Western Church separated the remaining feasts into their own celebrations, leaving the celebration of the Epiphany to commemorate primarily the visitation of the Magi to see the newborn Christ on Jan. 6.

Meanwhile, the Eastern Churches’ celebration of “Theophany” celebrates Christ’s baptism and is one of the holiest feast days of the liturgical calendar.

For the Western Church the Baptism of Our Lord, is the Sunday after the Epiphany.

Evangelism



Next Meeting:

December 12th

@ 11:15am

The Evangelism Committee is looking for new members and fresh ideas! If you're interested in joining or just would like to come to a meeting (no pressure!), please reach out to Brittany Czarny by email: Brittany.czarny@outlook.com or by phone: 262/672-1943.

The Evangelism Committee enjoyed spending time with children and adults for the Hot Cocoa & Ornament Painting Night. We had a total of 3 children and 6 adults join us for the fun.

Our Giving Tree was placed in the entrance way of the Church this year. The donations are going to Safe Haven, a non-profit agency who supports families and children in need.

Our committee is looking forward to our annual Pet Blessing on Wednesday, January 15th, 2025.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany Czarny

Blessing of the Pets

Wednesday, January 15th, 2025

7:00pm Liturgy

All Saints will be turning into a zoo again in January for our Annual Pet Blessing.

All pets are welcome to join! Every year it is different. It seems like there is nothing more natural or calming, than coming to worship with your faithful animal companion at your side.





Yep, the kids in Sunday Church School...

They each were gifted with little piggy banks so that they too, could learn something about “Christian Stewardship” and saving money at the same time.

The Sunday School Children helped out the entire congregation by saving their pennies, nickels, and dimes for the WINDOW FUND at church...

You should have seen and witnessed HOW JOYOUSLY THEY GAVE and without any hesitation whatsoever.

Gifts freely given.

And they had a good time stuffing PETUNIA THE PIG to overflowing...on one Sunday morning, the Sunday School Children emptied their piggy banks and added: \$62.65 to the Window Fund!

Thanks guys! Thanks for sharing! And thanks for your Christian stewardship! You guys, rock!



Council Meeting – Monday, January 20th at 6:30 pm
Check the Calendar for the dates and times
of the various Committee Meeting



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| Charles Kocourek | Jerry Pavlik |
| Marlene Anderson | Ana Rivas |
| Joni McDonald | Jeff LaFond |
| Diane Salewski | Sydney LaFond |
| Debbie Maley | Joel Raison |
| Rita Cieszynski | Keith & Cheri Saylor |
| Peggy Rudolph-Lisle | Sue McIntosh |
| Julie Wishall | Sue Duchesneau |
| Kelly Braet | Tony Duchesneau |
| Wally & Diane Hogan | Dennis Schneider |
| Sue Gorecki | Phyllis Thompson |
| Jim Sprague | Marty Kleppek |
| Benny Brown | Lily Sageser |
| Pat St. Louis | Brian St. Louis |

Kenadee & Nico, Grandchildren of Rob & Pam
The Mother of Nancy Mason
The Children of Rita St. Louis
Corby & Mike Erickson
Debbie & John Krajnak
Bruce, the brother of Howard MacMillan
For the Fathers of Suz Pitts, Pam Kawczynski, and Jodi Heine
For the parents of Lisa Kleppek and Robin Schmitt
For the niece of Sue and Mike McIntosh
For all of our Police Officers, Military Members, Fire Fighters,
Paramedics and All First Responders...
For all those addicted and still suffering...
Keep those prayers going...it is more appreciated than you will ever realize!



Thanks, Barb, for all you do!

The Holy Harley of All Saints Tree...

As you are reading this, the Harley Tree is a warm memory. Special thanks to everyone who contributed.

Again, this year were the pet beds from quilters...they were beautiful and will make some homeless dog or cat very happy!

We also had many bags of towel (thanks to those who went through their linen closets and weeded out their ratty, used towels) to donate to our shelters.

Lots of cat/dog toys, cat/dog food, litter, collars and leashes that will really help out our shelters.

We also had monetary donations which will help our shelters buy those things really needed.

So, Bow-Wow, Meow-Meow, and thank you, thank you, thank you, thank you! You guys are the best!



Electronic Giving!

Included in this issue of the REVEALER is an Authorization Form to sign up for electronic giving to All Saints!

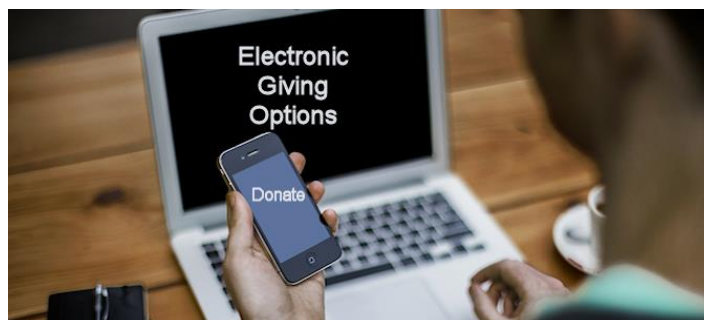
You can have your checking/saving account charged, or you can have your credit/debit card charged.

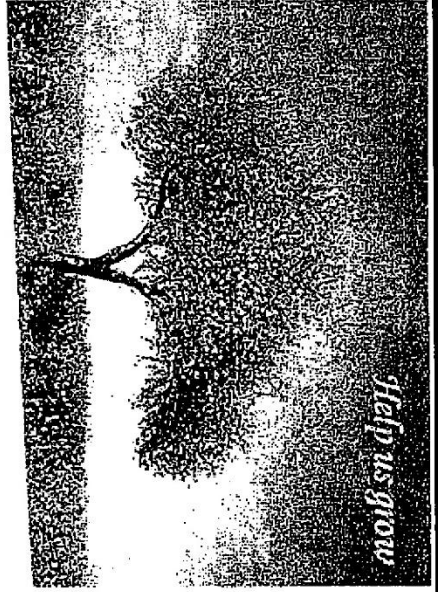
For those of you who always forget to use your “giving envelopes,” this is a simple and easy way to contribute to the support of YOUR CHURCH.

Just like your family, the church’s bills come in each and every month. So why not be consistent in your giving – sign up for electronic giving today!

If you have any questions on how to fill out the forms, email Barbara Schrubey at bschrubey@yahoo.com. You can always drop the Authorization Form off in the church office at any time.

Thanks for all you do!





Electronic Giving
A convenient, consistent way to help our church grow

Enjoy the convenience of electronic giving
 Our church offers electronic giving, which allows you to make donations on a scheduled, automatic basis. If you are writing checks and preparing envelopes every week, you will especially appreciate electronic giving. It is convenient for you and provides much-needed donation consistency for our church.

How to get started

To set up electronic contributions, (a) complete the authorization form on the right and return it to the church office or (b) visit the church website and follow the directions to donate.

Electronic contributions can be made using any of the following payment methods:

- Checking account
- Savings account
- Credit card
- Debit card

RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO THE OFFICE

AUTHORIZATION FORM

Church name: _____
 Your name: _____
 Address: _____
 City, State, Zip: _____
 Email address: _____

I would like to make the following contribution(s):

<input type="checkbox"/> General Operating Fund	\$ _____	Date of first contribution: ____/____/____
<input type="checkbox"/> Building Fund	\$ _____	Frequency of contribution (check one):
<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Weekly - Mondays
<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Semi-monthly - 1 st and 15 th
<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Monthly on the 1 st
Total:	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Monthly on the 15 th

CHECKING/SAVINGS Complete this section if using your checking or savings account

Please debit my (check one):
 Checking account—attach voided check Savings account—attach voided deposit slip

Routing #: _____ Account #: _____
 Valid routing # must start with 0, 1, 2 or 3

I authorize the above organization and Varco Services to process debit entries to the above account. I understand that this authority will remain in effect until I provide reasonable notification to terminate the authorization.
 Authorized signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

CREDIT DEBIT CARD Complete this section if using your credit or debit card

Please charge my (check one): Visa MasterCard Discover American Express

Card #: _____ Expiration Date: _____
 Name on card: _____
 Billing Address (if different from above): _____

I authorize the above organization and Varco Services to charge the above card. I understand that this authority will remain in effect until I provide reasonable notification to terminate the authorization.
 Authorized signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

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**You would never believe all the stuff our Church Treasurer does behind the scenes!
It's True!**

Did you know that since the creation of THE WHITE BOOKS, our treasurer, Barb Schrubey has done all the repairs and the upkeep of those books.

The reason that you can find a book with each chair is because when they fall into disrepair, it is our treasurer, who takes them home and works on them....

Therefore, Barb writes:

THE WHITE HYMNALS...

The WHITE HYMNALS were starting to lose pages, so they've been rebound and the "lost" pages have been replaced.

PLEASE TAKE CARE OF THESE HYMNALS.

Try not to rip the pages out, don't turn the books inside-out, and if you find that pages are missing, please turn the hymnals into the church office to be rebound! Thanks...

It is always amazing what goes on behind the scenes and who does what!

As for us, we must be thankful that Barb has taken on this project and has done it long term.

Thank you, Barb, for all that you do, for us...



2025 DONATION CHART

Our 2025 Donation Chart for flowers, candles and bulletins is now posted on the bulletin board in the ASLC Informative Board. Bulletin cost is \$15; Memorial/Honor Candle is \$8. Flowers need to be ordered on your own and need to be on the Sanctuary Altar before 5:00 pm on Saturday evening. Please help out All Saints by donating those items. Your help is greatly appreciated! God bless you!



Swap & Helping Hands Board

Are you looking for a used item of some kind or have something that is too good to toss and would like to pass on to someone else? Or do you have a need for some helping hands or would like to offer your services if needed??? Give me your "Needs" and/or "Give aways" and it will be listed in the "Revealer" every month. Do not call the church office.

I, Margaret Coonan, will be organizing these services. No monies will be exchanged.

I can be reached at 414-764-3197. GIVE AWAY: Ping Pong Table (good condition, with cover, and accessories)



Live Streaming Schedule for January 2025

- Sunday, January 5th – Jayne Murnane
- Sunday, January 12th – Dale Hochevar
- Wednesday, January 15th – Lynn Friedman
- Sunday, January 19th, - Brian Rathmann
- Sunday, January 26th – Judy Wolter

Please note#
Oh boy!

The Annual Pet Blessing
Will be LIVE STREAMED on January 15th,
Make sure you watch it LIVE!
It no doubt will be a Zoo!



Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year To my Church Family!

**Consider yourselves guarded.
Consider the parking lot watched.
Consider the front doors secure.
I am on the job...
And, on duty.
My ears are always listening...
And I am usually, always watching...
Once-in-a-while I do snooze...
I do crawl on my bed and close my eyes...
But for the most part, I am on duty and watching...**

**I watch the sidewalks out front...
I watch the back-forty...
Again, for the most part, I am vigilant.
I am here for you.
I've got this!
I hope you guys have a safe and happy New Year ahead.
I will be on watch.**

Moriah Joy, the Church Dog



Stewardship Committee

2025 is upon us! I feel the new year is a time for reflection and re-dedication to your church! Last year, as council member and as Stewardship Chair, my committee held a **Time and Talent CAMPAIGN** as well as a **Pledge Drive**. I want to thank my committee members-**Derk VanderMolen, Mary Zahn and Sandy Montague**. You rock! I appreciate your help on this committee.

There is still much to do in the area of Stewardship. We can all help with this effort by inviting new members to join our church family, by **helping out at the VARIOUS committees** and by sustaining our church with our monetary **pledges AND GIFTS...**

Using **Simply Giving** as a form of donation is also a great help. I have stated this before, it offers our Treasurer a constant stream of income with which to pay our bills in a timely fashion. This is important.

We can all offer our **Time and Talents** as well as our donations to this effort.

Thank you to all that have worked so hard to **keep this “family” going!**

You are **a blessing** to us all!

Kathy Mack - STEWARDSHIP CHAIR



Don't forget Petunia the Pig and our "Window Fund!"

WISH LIST

13-gallon white garbage bags
30-gallon black garbage bags
D – batteries...

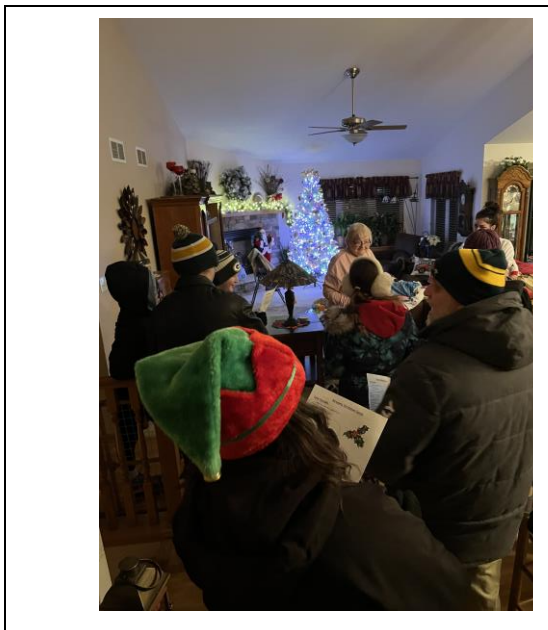
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Confirmation corner...



Some lovely highlights from the Youth/Confirmation Caroling night event.



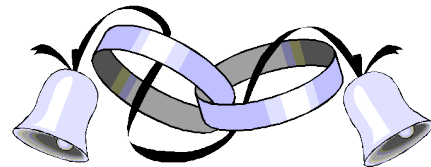


Famous Quotes: **Who said these things?**

- “Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere.”
- “Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that.”
- “The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.”
- “Freedom is never voluntarily given by the oppressor; it must be demanded by the oppressed.”
- “The time is always right to do what is right.”
- “True peace is not merely the absence of tension; it is the presence of justice.”
- “Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter.”
- “Free at last, Free at last, Thank God almighty we are free at last.”
- “Faith is taking the first step even when you don't see the whole staircase.”
- “In the end, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends.”
- “I believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love will have the final word in reality. This is why right, temporarily defeated, is stronger than evil triumphant.”
- “I have decided to stick with love. Hate is too great a burden to bear.”

(If you answered Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. you are correct!)

Congratulations



Congratulations to

Cheyenne Henke, and Jacob Meier

married here on December 3rd, 2024.

*May God bless the love you have for each other and bless you
in all your years together ahead.*



World Concerns

Thank you to all the church members who donated clothing, toiletry items, and toys for the Sojourner Peace Center. Also thank you to all the scrip donors! We were able to collect \$935 in scrip cards that will be so helpful to these displaced families. The gifts were donated on Dec 16th, 2024, and the director was very grateful to our church.

Sojourner Family Peace Center has helped 10,000 clients this past year- providing families affected by domestic violence achieve safety, justice and well-being.

We provided 4 large bags of new pajamas, sweatpants, shampoo, soaps, and toys. Thank you to our scrip donors: Peggy Todryk, Bonnie Daily, Betty Ford, Mary Jo Meier, Lynn Friedman, Jodi Heine, Donna Woods, Sue Payne, Thomas Grudzielanek, and Judy Wolter. God bless all those who donated items and helped with this great cause. Please say a prayer for those people that are struggling today.

Lord, comfort the homeless in their struggles. Let them not lose hope during their trials. May they feel your love and presence even in their darkest hours,

The World Concerns Committee





**Just a final report
For you...
We did hit OVER \$9,000.00
On the Christmas Bazaar & Cookie Sale!**





Letters we receive: Correspondence



Dear PJ,

Thank you for the beautiful wedding ceremony for Jake and Cheyenne. It was a small, very special ceremony (with Elaina growling during the vows) and Peggy' beautiful music playing. Please put this contribution towards the window fund. All our prayers and thanks.

Mary Jo and Randy Meier



Dear PJ,

"Your kind expression of sympathy is deeply appreciated and gratefully acknowledged by the family of Chuck Wolter.

Thank you for your support and prayers for our family during this difficult time. Thanks for communion at the hospital and presiding over the service and burial. You're the best.

Love,

Judy Wolter



From the Kitchen of Saint Ruth

(Mother of PJ)

French Coffee Cake

Ingredients:

- ½ cup shortening
- 1 part butter
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 3 eggs
- 2 cups flour
- 1 tsp baking powder
- 1 tsp soda
- ½ tsp salt
- ½ pint sour cream

Directions:

Cream together the shortening, sugar, and vanilla.

Sift dry ingredients together and add to creamed mixture alternate with sour cream.

Spread half batter in greased 9x13 inch pan.

Sprinkle with half of the topping.

Cover with the rest of batter and cover with remaining topping.

Bake for 35 minutes at 350 degrees oven.

Enjoy!

Epiphany

Z L I Y Z N R T W W Y M Z C I R Q
 Q S V V B E T H L E H E M A T D M
 V T V Z F G M A G I C F A M P N J
 N A G I F T S F B H T H R E E F T
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Frankincense	Balthasar	Bethlehem	KingHerod	Epiphany
Melchior	Offering	Treasure	Twelfth	Wisemen
Camels	Gaspar	Homage	Manger	Child
Feast	Gifts	Jesus	Light	Myrrh
Night	Three	Gold	King	Magi
Mary	Star			



Just for Laughs...

- Reverend Clive Morgan was completing his homily in St John's Church about the dangers of alcohol and the need for moderation and temperance. He announced at the end of the sermon in a loud, clear voice, 'If I had all the beer in the world, I'd take it and throw it into the river.' With even greater emphasis he added, 'And if I had all the wine in the world, I'd take it and throw it into the river.' Finally, he intoned in an extremely serious manner, 'And if I had all the whiskey in the world, I'd take it and throw it into the river.'

The Reverend Morgan then sat down. Jerry, St John's leading chorister stood up and announced with a smile, 'For our closing hymn this Sunday, let us sing together hymn number 109: 'Shall We Gather at the River.'
- One beautiful Sunday morning, Reverend Barnard announces to his congregation, 'My good people, I have here in my hands three sermons...
 A \$100 sermon that lasts five minutes
 A \$50 sermon that lasts fifteen minutes
 And a \$20 sermon that lasts a full hour.
 Now, we'll take the collection and see which one I'll deliver.'



Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! ~ Psalm 100:2

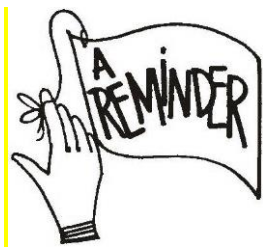
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Revealer Articles are due on Wednesday January 22nd by Noon.

With extending the deadline, to the Wednesday after Council meets -

this is a firm deadline for all Revealer Articles. You are encouraged to send them to the church office in advance if possible. Please make sure to have them in on time. Thank you.

**2nd Sunday of Christmas**

Jeremiah 31:7-14
 Psalm 147: 12-20
 Ephesians 1:3-14
 John 1:[1-9] 10-18

Baptism of Our Lord

Isaiah 43:1-7
 Psalm 29
 Acts 8:14-17
 Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 62:1-5
 Psalm 36:5-10
 1 Corinthians 12:1-11
 John 2:1-11

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10
 Psalm 19
 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a
 Luke 4:13-21

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