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# THE VOICE

**St. Paul Lutheran Church - Postville IA**

**DECEMBER 2018**

## ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH STAFF

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Saturday Casual Worship ~  
5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall  
Sunday Worship ~  
9:00 am in the Sanctuary  
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Please let the church office know if you have an  
address change.

If you would like a visit...Call Pastor or the church  
office at 864-7643. If you are  
hospitalized...Please call and let us know if you or  
a family member is hospitalized; also remember to  
use the hospital chaplain if available.

If we can pray for you...Please let us know if you  
or a member of your family would like to be  
included in our prayers; in the bulletin and in the  
prayers during worship.



**BARNABAS UPLIFT**  
a mission of encouragement

## *St. Paul Lutheran in Postville* *"Barnabas Uplift" French* *Toast Brunch*

Sunday, December 2, 2018  
10 am-Noon

Carry-outs available

### Menu:

French Toast: Syrup & Toppings  
Sausage  
Fruit Cup  
Milk/Coffee/Water

### Freewill Donation

(Suggested minimum \$5/person)

Proceeds to Barnabas Uplift program.  
Supported by Thrivent Action Team!

*Barnabas Uplift: a ministry of encouragement  
Provides training & support for lower income persons  
interested in a career in health care.*

*Participants obtain training & certification for nurse  
aide positions. St. Paul Lutheran is entering the 11th  
year of this ministry. We invite you to join us for  
brunch & help persons aspiring to improve their lives  
& the lives of others. Interested in applying?? Call  
563-864-7643.*

## WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR?



Advent is both a wonderful and a challenging in our church calendar. We begin a new church year while the world is busy finishing a calendar year—and the month is filled with shopping, concerts, and parties beyond what our energy and time can handle. But while society urges us to hurry and spend, Scripture and tradition summon us to slow down and wait.

Many centuries years ago, German Christians fashioned elements into the Advent wreath—the greens a sign of hope and eternity. What was once a Feast of the Sun has become for us the Feast of the Son.

Advent urges us to mark the passage of time as we wait. Despite all evidence to the contrary, Advent is about the art of waiting. But holiday decorations have been on the shelves at stores since well before Halloween, and the world declares everything after Thanksgiving Day the “Christmas season.”

Though all of us are tempted to act otherwise, now is the time for slowing down and leaning together. As with the Saints who have gone before us, we gather in the darkness to wait for the light. Instead of rushing to the mall, I invite us to sing the ancient hymns of Advent and hear readings of prophecy and promise.

In the dead of winter, we need one another, and we need signs that the sun (and the Son) will come again—life returning to dark and dormant land and lives. Like the Saints of long ago who gathered together for courage and hope that the sun would return, we gather each week during Advent to hear the Word that does not pass away. The season’s texts give us voice for our brokenness and the promise of a Savior.

The future coming of Christ, in which he will take on “glory and majesty,” is central to the Gospel reading for the first Sunday of Advent. The Gospel for the first Sunday of Advent places us near the end of Luke’s Gospel, where Jesus cautions his follows to “be alert” because redemption is drawing near. This redemption comes from the Son of Man, who is coming in a cloud.

John the Baptizer enters the salvation stage in the Gospel readings for the remainder of the Advent season. On the second and third Sundays, John’s public witness at the Jordan River announces the one who is both before and after him, before in terms of being the Word at the beginning of all things. John’s appearance is made known on the fourth Sunday, when Mary visits Elizabeth and Zechariah, and John leaps at the presence of the mother of the Lord. This recognition leads Mary to proclaim her song, the Magnificat, one of Luke’s three canticles.

With texts and traditions as guides, I invite us to let Advent challenge each one of us to honor these dark days. As twenty-first-century people, we are not good at either embracing darkness or slowing down. We don’t even know darkness anymore—we’ve banished it with electricity, everywhere and at all hours. And we certainly can’t wait. We look for the shortest line at the grocery store and rush through yellow lights. But we know growth is what we often most need: for grapes to become fine wine, for a novel to be written, for dough to rise, for a crop to grow, for a baby to be born. It is in the waiting that we learn about ourselves and others, taking important steps toward understanding. Perhaps there is no better gift to teach our children than the ability to wait. Christmas is coming; it’s just not here yet.

But Advent is not all doom and darkness; it is filled with possibilities to bring forth light along the way. Each week (and daily at mealtime), the Advent wreath candles do that for us. We light them during worship and are invited to do the same at home.

December 6 is St. Nicholas Day. So, on December 2 St. Nicholas will be making a visit to spend time in worship during the Children’s Message. We will hear about his deeds of love and mercy anonymously and without reward—these were the ways of St. Nicholas. Giving gifts and helping another when no one is looking brings joy and learning about, sharing about, and celebrating the original St. Nicholas gives dignity back to Santa Claus, who was fashioned from this saint.

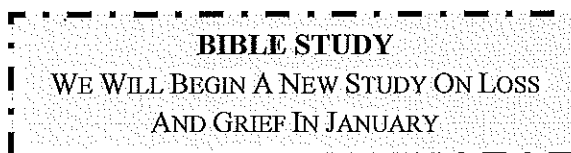
I invite us to consider not to be in a hurry this Advent, but to wait and to prepare our hearts and our very being in preparation of the return of Jesus Christ in all his honor, power, and glory.

Peace be yours in these days as we celebrate the Christ child’s birth. Happy Advent and Merry Christmas.

Peace,

In Christ,

Pastor Lynn



# DECEMBER Volunteers

**December 2 - 9:00 am**

**Holy Communion**

**Council:** Jessica Deering & Theresa Johnson

**Communion Servers:** Mike Jacobson

**Reader:** Jodi Jacobson

**Video:** Daryl Schultz

**Acolyte:** Katelyn Frey & Greyson Guerrero

**Cross Bearer:** Nora Malcom

**December 9 - 9:00 am**

**Council:** Sharon Dean

**Reader:** Laurel Ohloff

**Video:** Ken Upton

**Acolyte:** Audrey Ruff & Marleni Soy

**December 16 - 9:00 am**

**Sunday School Christmas Program / Communion**

**Council:** Sharon Drahn & Eric Meyer

**Communion Servers:** Youth

**Reader:** Youth

**Video:** Mike Krambeer

**Acolyte:** Emily Timp & Rojelio Upton

**December 23 - 9:00 am**

**Council:** Andy Jacobson

**Reader:** Jeanine Lenth

**Video:** Mark Zieman

**Acolyte:** Gabby Xiya & Emily Frey

**December 24 - 5:30 pm**

**Bell Choir / Holy Communion**

**Council:** Paula Enyart

**Communion Servers:** Neal Horns,  
Sara White, Joyce Christofferson

**Video:** Beth Snitker

**Acolyte:** TBD

**December 24 - 7:30 pm**

**Senior Choir / Holy Communion**

**Council:** Charlie Meyer & Jessica Deering

**Communion Servers:** Bonnie Moellers,  
Sandie Helgerson, Kim Schutte

**Acolyte:** TBD

**December 25 - 9:00 am**

**Council:** Sharon Dean

**Acolyte:** TBD

**December 30 - 9:00 am**

**Council:** tbd

**Reader:** Lillian Jahnke

**Video:** Mark Zieman

**Acolyte:** Jacob Kirkestue & Bobby Kober



**Saturday Night Worship - 5:30 pm**

**December 1**

**Worship / Holy Communion**

**Council:** Dean Ohloff

**December 8**

**Council:** Dean Ohloff

**December 15**

**Worship / Holy Communion**

**Council:** Roger Mathews

**December 22**

**Worship**

**Council:** Roger Mathews

**December 29**

**Worship**

**Council:** Mindy Rose

**December Usher Team**

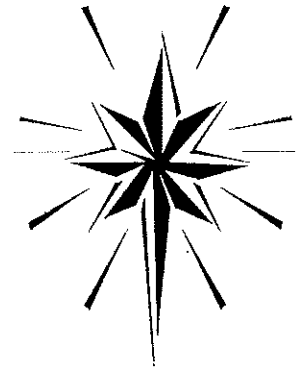
Bob & Sandy Deering (leaders), Randy Gunderson,  
Leigh & Gwen Rekow, Doug Anderson, Tyler  
Zuercher, Daryl & Dolly Schultz, Dick Helgerson

**December Tellers:**

Bunny Fox, Becky Fritz, Janet Kuhse, Joan Moore

**December Altar Guild:**

Carol Deering & Becky Fritz



Come join us Saturday, December 15, at 5:30 for our  
Annual Carols by Candlelight

An all new service this year tells the story of The Journey  
ending with the birth of Jesús told in scripture and song.

Followed by fellowship and hot chocolate, apple cider and  
sweet treats. See you there!

# Poinsettias

Would you like to share a poinsettia in memory or in honor of a loved one/s? Please, do NOT bring them more than a week before Christmas so they will be at their best for the Christmas services. Plants may be left in the Library.

If you would like the name/s or person/s the plant is in memory or in honor of included in the Christmas bulletins, please leave the name/s, and also who it is from at the office. Names are needed in the office no later than Friday, December 14th. This information may be left on the church's voicemail at any time. Forms are also available in the Fellowship Hall.

You are welcome to take your plant home after the 9 a.m. Christmas Day Service. Those left will still be used in later worship services.

Thank you for helping us decorate St. Paul this Christmas!



CHURCH  
GARAGE  
sale

## Don't forget we have a Storage Unit!!

We have a storage unit and accepting gently used or new items for the St. Paul Garage Sale that will take place in May! Proceeds from the garage sale help support our VBS program! Contact Becky Zieman at 319-929-7979 to make arrangements!

## ADVENT WORSHIP

*All are invited to worship on Wednesday's, December 5, 12, 19 at 11:30 in the Fellowship Hall. It will be a time to gather as we will use service of the word to worship during the season of Advent, and a time for fellowship. You are invited to bring a salad or dish to share and join us for lunch following worship.*

## Free Movie Matinee Coming to St. Paul Lutheran, Postville

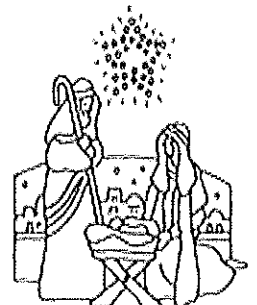
**When:** Friday, December 7 at 1:30 p.m.

**Where:** St. Paul Fellowship Hall

**What:** We will be showing the Christian movie, *The Nativity Story*

**Bonus:** There will be Free Popcorn and bottled water for everyone

**ALL are welcome. Please come and bring your friends**





With Christmas being only 4 weeks away, it reminds us that the “Spring Festival” is only 4 months away. We are thinking to try something different for 2019 by having a “church raffle”. We will continue with the church bake sale but will not be having the craft or silent auction. The “Spring

Festival” will be **April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019.**

The “Spring Festival” Committee



### WORSHIPING AWAY



On July 29<sup>th</sup>, Ardie Kuhse attended St Peter Lutheran in Eldorado. David & Linda Schierholz worshiped at Lifepoint in Ontario, Oregon. On August 12<sup>th</sup>, Mike & Barb Krambeer worshiped at Church of St Joseph in Red Wing, MN. Richard & Sandie Helgerson were at St John’s 125<sup>th</sup> Celebration where the St Paul Quartet sang on August 19<sup>th</sup>. Gerald & Vada Guyer with daughter Rana & family from Seattle, WA attended West Clermont Church service in the park on August 26<sup>th</sup>. Ron & Linda Upton worshiped at Frankville Community Presbyterian Church on September 16<sup>th</sup> and on September 23<sup>rd</sup> worshiped at Illyria Community Church. Also, on September 23<sup>rd</sup>, Ron Meyer attended and sang at One in Faith Parish in Strawberry Point. Ron Meyer sang in the Barbershop Quartet at St Paul’s United Methodist in Elgin and also at Illyria Community Church on September 30<sup>th</sup>. Jim & Bonnie Moellers visited St Ansgar’s Lutheran Church in Cannon Falls, MN on October 14<sup>th</sup>. Also, on October 14<sup>th</sup>, Joyce Kuhse St Patrick’s Catholic Church in Waukon for the Baptism of her Great Grandson, Dax Leslie Snitker. On October 28<sup>th</sup>, Mike & Barb Krambeer attended the Confirmation of Granddaughter, Isabella Knutson, at First Lutheran. Joyce Kuhse attended the Baptism of Great Great Grandson Clayton Earl Ness at Old West Paint Creek Lutheran Church on October 28<sup>th</sup>.



**THRIVENT  
FINANCIAL®**

### Attention Thrivent Members

We will be having our annual Thrivent meeting on Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup> following church in the Fellowship Hall. Please make plans to attend. We will be deciding on projects to donate our monies to. Also, please contact Thrivent either by phone (800-THRIVENT, 800-847-4836) or through your computer account at [Thrivent.com](http://Thrivent.com) to direct **Choice Dollars for 2018**. These expire and do not compile each year, so they must be used! You can do the same to obtain **Thrivent Action Cards** to support activities at St. Paul or the charity of your choice. This is an important aspect of the Thrivent organization which can benefit St. Paul or any organization of your choice. **Make your choice matter!**

### *Learn English or Get your GED*

Do you know an adult who wants to learn English or get their high school diploma? Here is a great opportunity for them to increase their English language skills or get their high school degree. Northeast Iowa Community College (NICC) is now offering English (ESL) and HSED (GED) classes at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church in Postville IA. Better yet, the classes are free! Class times for English are: Mornings 9:30am-12 Noon Tues. & Fri. and Evenings 6:30-9:00p Tues. & Thurs. Classes to get a HSED (High School Equivalency Degree) are held on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30-9:00pm. Students should enter the East door of the church; go up the stairs to the classroom on the left. Instructors are Jan Bear (563-380-7600) and Jennifer Olufsen (563-387-1093). Again, the opportunity is free, so help us encourage others to reach their goals.

Any WELCA questions please contact  
Pat Zidlicky, WELCA President at 864-3781

**\*General Meeting\***

Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup>

Noon Lunch – Executive Committee serving  
Program – Candles Tell the Christmas Story  
Report on Cluster Meeting, Volga

**\* December Circle Meetings\***

**Mary Circle** at East Park Terrace  
Wednesday, December 26<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 pm  
*Potluck*

**Eve Circle** in Alcove  
Tuesday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am  
*Brunch Potluck*

**Priscilla Circle**  
Thursday, December 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm  
*Potluck*

**Ruth Circle** at Good Sam  
Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 pm  
*Potluck*

Be sure to watch our Sunday Morning  
Service on NEIT Cable TV.  
It is shown twice a week on  
Channel 4:  
on Tuesday at 2:30 pm  
and on Thursday at  
7:00 pm. This is a free  
service from NEIT.



MINISTRY



New Member Classes will be held for 5 weeks starting in January on Sunday mornings. If you know of someone who wishes to join our church, please contact Koral Harbaugh or the church office.

**Merry Christmas from LSI!**



"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." — John 1:5

As Christmas approaches, we give thanks to you! Every day, as a ministry partner of LSI, you help bring the light of Christ to others.

At LSI, we know many people experiencing deep darkness. We know parents who feel hopeless, with little to no resources to raise their young children. We know adults with disabilities who feel voiceless, with no support system or connection to their community. We know teens who are aging out of the foster care system, who fear they will never have a family to love them.

The holidays can be an especially difficult time for our most vulnerable neighbors. In the spirit of giving, the spirit of love, and the spirit of working together, let us stand with them and lift them up this Christmas season. If you would like to learn more about how you can support Iowa children and families, contact Deb Whitford, LSI director of philanthropy and church relations, at 563-676-2065 or [Deborah.Whitford@LSIowa.org](mailto:Deborah.Whitford@LSIowa.org).

*Our Mission: Lutheran Services in Iowa responds to the love of Jesus Christ through compassionate service. LSI is an affiliated social ministry partner of the Iowa congregations of the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America) and a member of LSA (Lutheran Services in America). We proudly serve people of all ages, abilities, religions, sexes, gender identities, national origins, ethnicities, races, and sexual orientations. Learn more at [LSIowa.org](http://LSIowa.org) and [Facebook.com/LSI.iowa](https://www.facebook.com/LSI.iowa).*

**Giving Back to Her Community**

Two years ago, Sarah felt helpless. She struggled with her mental health, there was tension between family members at home, and she couldn't find support or resources that worked with her family's busy schedule.

Sarah connected with LSI's Early Childhood Services, and through a local program she received flexible in-home parenting education to help her family thrive. Her LSI parent educator worked with her to learn about money management, healthy communication, and skills for parenting her two young children.

Now Sarah feels confident raising her family. She has found a support system and is ready to give back to her community and help other young mothers in need. Whenever she can, she tells other moms about LSI and helps refer them for services.

Because she felt empowered by LSI's Early Childhood Services, Sarah is creating a ripple effect across her community. She is passionate about lifting up and strengthening other families in need of the hope and healing she received.

# Thank you for your **GENEROSITY!!**

## God's Gifts – My Gifts

### World Hunger

As part of the Generosity Mission of St. Paul Lutheran Church we support ELCA World Hunger, a most noble cause.

*The information printed below is taken from the ELCA website:*

More than 800 million people — that's 1 in 8 people in our world today — are hungry.

As members of the ELCA, we are called to respond. We are a church that rolls up our sleeves and gets to work.

Working with and through our congregations, in the United States, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands Lutheran churches overseas and other partners, ELCA World Hunger is uniquely positioned to reach communities in need. From health clinics to micro-loans, water wells to animal husbandry, community meals to advocacy, our gifts to ELCA World Hunger make it possible for the ELCA to respond, supporting sustainable solutions that get at the root causes of hunger and poverty.

*Printed below are some facts about Hunger. Please take a minute to think about those in need:*

#### **Hunger facts**

868 million people – that's 1 in 8 – are chronically hungry and cannot lead active daily lives.

1.2 billion people live in extreme poverty, living on less than \$1.25 per day.

In the United States, more than 50 million people do not know where their next meal will come from. 46.2 million Americans are living in poverty.

#### *Special Monthly Offering*

Jan. – Postville Food Pantry - \$840.00
Feb. – EWALU - \$563.00
Mar. – Barnabas Uplift - \$424.00
Apr. – Hospice - \$482.00
May – Scholarships - \$466.00
June – Black Hills Cares - \$432.00
July – Campus Ministry - \$318.00
Aug. – Shepherd of the Hills - \$344.00
Sep. – Postville Child Care - \$758.00
Oct. – Lutheran Services in Iowa - \$1521.00
Nov. – Camp Courageous -
Dec. – World Hunger -

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## **SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS**

### **CONFERENCE MINISTRY NEWSLETTER**

100 West Hill Street, PO Box 36, Saint Olaf, Iowa 52072-0036    Hours: 9am-12 and 1-4 pm. Monday-Fridays

#### **Greetings from the Hill:**

Our busiest time of year is upon us, here at SOTH ~ The Annual Hog Roast & All Saints Service is complete and the Holiday Season is beginning.

The All Saints Service was held on November 4 in Edgewood, at St. Marks. A special thank you to the Staff of St. Marks for welcoming us, as well hosting and providing us with delicious treats!

In just a few weeks, the **Annual Christmas Just 4 Kids Project** will be held on Dec 12-13th. We serve families in need of assistance, with a referral from one of the county agencies, social workers or even their pastor. Our Hope is to make christmas just a little merrier for the children and families we serve. Volunteers are needed for this special event, whether you can give just a morning or afternoon, or all day, we would love to have you! Donations can be brought to the auditorium on Setup days or at the center, if unable to come on those days. Any questions or check on volunteering, please feel free to reach out to me at the office email or phone listed above.

I would just like to remind everyone that **end of year tax donations** must be received at SOTH by December 28, to be included in 2018 tax year. Donations received after that date, will be coded as a 2019 donation on our end, as it will be deposited in 2019.

Blessings for a Joyful Christmas Season!!!

*Heather Crogan ~ Director*

#### **COMING EVENTS**

- =====
- Dec 10-11 ~ Setup Days for Holiday Shop  
St. Olaf Auditorium 9am-330pm
  - Dec 12-13 ~ Christmas Just 4 Kids Project  
St. Olaf Auditorium/SOTH
  - Dec 22-Jan 1 ~ SOTH/Food Shelf Closed

**Roll Call:** Paula Enyart, Sharon Dean, Andy Jacobson, Eric Meyer, Charlie Meyer, Sharon Drahn, Jessica Deering, Theresa Johnson, Mindy Rose, Roger Mathews, Dean Ohloff, Drew Lubka, Pastor Lynn J. Noel. **Absent:** John Brazell,

**Regular Minutes** in September was approved as read.  
M/S/C

**Thank You from** NEIA Synod & Postville Food Pantry. Agreed to let Food Pantry store eggs in kitchen cooler if they do not have adequate room at Pantry.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor made it clear that if he receives a letter that is not signed (anonymous) it will be disregarded and filed in the trash. All correspondence must be signed.

**Funerals:** Jodi Schierholz, October 19<sup>th</sup>

**Wedding:** Samantha Harms & Jason Kraus, October 20<sup>th</sup>

**Baptisms:** McKenzi Hartley, October 21<sup>st</sup>

Worship Attendance – Weekend Averages

2018 to date	Last Month	2017	2016
160	157	173	175

**Requests for Use of Church Facilities:** M/S/C

Head Start Family Fun Night, November 29<sup>th</sup> 4:30 – 7:30 pm, FH/K (Sharon Dean ok'd Kitchen use)

**Committee Reports:**

**EVANGELISM & MEMBERSHIP** – Met October 16<sup>th</sup>. Revised the bylaws and constitution. Discussed Pastor Mark's visit to St. Paul. New member classes will be held after the first of the year.

**FINANCE** – Met November 10<sup>th</sup>

**GENEROSITY** – Met October 24<sup>th</sup>. Consecration Brunch will be held November 18.

**Old Business:**

- Camera Installation on 2<sup>nd</sup> floor – Need someone to drill hole in cement (Patience will check into this more, they haven't gotten back to us about what is exactly needed)
- Funeral policy: Sharon and Sharon presented revised funeral policy booklet with changes suggested by Council at Oct. meeting. M/S/C

**New Business:**

- Pastor's Housing allowance needs to be changed from \$174 per year to \$174 month.
- The painting project in the fireside room and hallway was approved at an estimate of \$1574 cost from Kris Kruse. M/S/C
- Charlie addressed the fact that the kitchen cupboards have not been completed. He will discuss the matter.
- Charlie will also address the matter of getting the cooler door in the kitchen replaced.

Sharon Drahn, Secretary

**\*\*Deadline for VOICE\*\***

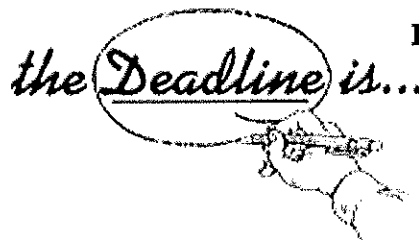
Friday December 14<sup>th</sup>

**Bulletins Deadline**

Each Wednesday

**Council Deadline**

Friday, December 28<sup>th</sup>



**December Special Offering**

World Hunger

**Loose Quarters** go to

World Hunger

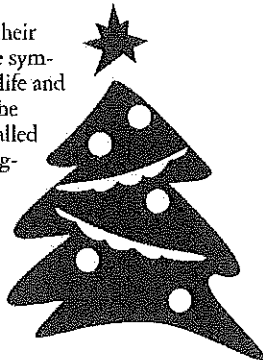
Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup> &

Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>

**+ Christian Symbols +**

**Evergreen Tree**

These trees, which keep their green leaves year-round, are symbolic of Christmas, eternal life and God's everlasting love. In the Bible, evergreen trees are called the "cedars of Lebanon," suggesting growth (Psalm 92:12), height (Amos 2:9), fragrance (Hosea 14:6) and steadfast faith.



**+ Christian Symbols +**

**Advent Wreath**

The Advent wreath is a symbol of watchfulness and increasing joy as we anticipate Jesus' birth. The wreath's circular shape symbolizes eternity, or life without end. The candles remind us that Jesus is the Light of the World — he brought light and life to a dark world (see John 1:4-5). On each of the four Sundays of Advent, we light a new candle. As the light grows, so do our hope and joy.





St. Paul Lutheran Church

*(B)irthdays and (W)edding Anniversaries*

DECEMBER 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>2</b> Sandra Goetze (b.) Janet Kuise (b.) Eric Meyer (b.) Tennis Work (b.)	<b>3</b> Richard Heins (b.) Kay Ruckdaschel (b.) Tony & Pamela Schlee (w.)	<b>4</b> Steve Enyart (b.) Shane Fox (b.) Ida Heins (b.) Kendal Jarmes (b.) Diane Kruse (b.) Michael Ruckdaschel (b.) Nile & Donna Ziemann (w.)	<b>5</b> Robyn Jarmes (b.) Gabby Xiya (b.) Becky Ziemann (b.)	<b>6</b> Ellen Althouse (b.) Becky Fritz (b.) Judy Hyman (b.) Andy Jacobson (b.) Kira Johnson (b.) Terry Lenih (b.) Mary Relerson (b.) Laura Roney (b.) Nancy Turner (b.)	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Shanna Afana (b.) Cheryl Ash (b.) Ashley Heins (b.)
<b>9</b> Brenda Deering (b.) Dave Deering (b.) Norman Leeman (b.) Lynn Noel (b.)	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Joyce Heins (b.) Douglas Koenig (b.) Lora Ziemann (b.)	<b>12</b> Pat Mjeme (b.) Kristy Turner (b.)	<b>13</b> Kendra Johnson (b.) Donald Muchow (b.)	<b>14</b> Koal Deering (b.)	<b>15</b> Morgan Deering (b.) Tanner Deering (b.) Whitney Deering (b.)
<b>16</b> Douglas Anderson (b.) John Dundee (b.) Grace Wilker (b.)	<b>17</b> Brooke Huinker (b.) Cooper Huinker (b.) Jerry Olson (b.)	<b>18</b> Zachary Burns (b.) Ruth Hilgerson (b.) Rachel Koenig (b.) Amber Radloff (b.) Norma Schlee (b.)	<b>19</b> Richard Birdsall (b.) Kay Gunderson (b.) Stephanie Koenig (b.)	<b>20</b> Dale Anderson (b.) Sam Gisleon (b.) Lindsey Hangartner (b.) Richard & Sandie Helgerson (w.)	<b>21</b> Joshua Moore (b.) Kellie Robbins (b.)	<b>22</b>
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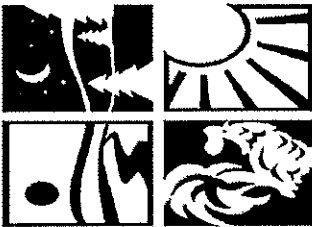
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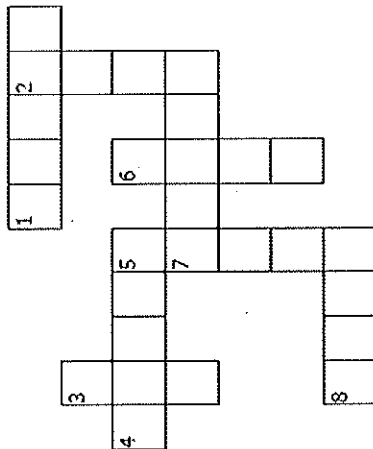
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## The Waiting Place

Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour. Matthew 25:13 (NIV)

Puzzle is based on Mark 13:35-37



### ACROSS

1. The time of day when it is dark
4. To keep an eye on; to guard
7. The person who has something such as property
8. A particular moment in the day, such as eight o'clock

### DOWN

2. A period of sixty minutes
3. A period of 24 hours
5. The place where a person or family lives
6. To have information about something; to be aware of something

TIME	DAY	OWNER	HOUSE
WATCH	KNOW	NIGHT	HOUR