

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

December 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** Jim Rue, Ken Rabideau (Helen Ladwig's Brother in Law), Jerome Bell, Beth Wright ( Kate Hook's sister) Nick O'Connell, Paul Kerscher (Amy Thompson's Dad), Donald Strube (Pete's Dad), Steve Mueller, Joyce Fargo, Alycen McKinney, Harold "Chick" Gullickson (Brother of Mary Krantz), Cara Mavis, Amy Hall, Rollie & Joan Schraepfer ( Rita Schraepfer-Derke's Brother & Sister in Law), Todd Collins, Norm Hefty, Lincoln Kuhn, Brooklynn Kreul, Mary Jane Ellis (friend of Bonny Kellogg), Connie Peterson, Bonnie Bender, Ginger Quaderer (Diane Mueller's cousin), Delores Bryant, Makenzee Smith, Shirley Thompson, Brock Howe, Jeannie U'Ren, Ruth Ann Nemet, Mike Olson, Irene Bruflat, Grace Aavang, Carol Johnson.

**Our partner congregation** IGLESIA EVANGÉLICA LUTERANA DIVINO SALVADOR (Divine Savior Lutheran Church) in Cataño, P.R

*Our Thoughts and Prayers are with Virgil Haag and his family at the passing of Virgil's brother Norbert on Thanksgiving Day.*

## YOUTH

**SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:15 - 11 am** (3 years old - 8th grade) - Join us for Bible stories, music, games, and snacks. We begin weekly in the chapel. Next Service Day is December 18th at 10:15 am.

**CHRISTMAS PROGRAM - Dec 18th, 9:00 am**

Join our Sunday School youth as they present "**Not Sold in Stores**". We will discover all the awesome things about Christmas that we can't buy. (A little hint: four of God's greatest gifts to us: Peace, Joy, Giving, and Love.)

**7th & 8th GRADE CONFIRMATION**- Our 7th & 8th graders meet each Wednesday, (7 - 8:30 pm).

Christmas Party on Dec 14th. No Confirmation on Dec 21st & 28th for Christmas.

**YOUTH SUMMER TRIP MEETING 2023 - Dec 7th, 6:30 pm** - High school youth and their parents are invited to join us for a brief discussion to figure out plans for a youth trip next summer in 2023. Where should we go? Help us decide. We need your input and ideas.

**FUSE NIGHT** - 9th - 12th graders are welcome to join our high school group on Sunday evening, **December 11 at 7 pm**. Frosting Christmas cookies and games after the chili supper.

## **PARENTS NIGHT OUT/GAMES & CRAFTS AT ELC -**

**Dec 9th, 4:45 pm -8:30 pm at ELC:** Our experienced high school youth will be offering a night of Holiday fun, games, crafts, and treats for youth ages 3 years through 5th grade at ELC. Great opportunity to get some time to shop or have time without the kids peaking around for their gifts. Caring for your children at ELC, will help our passion to help an organization, Urban Reach-STL. They serve children in a very poor neighborhood in St Louis.

HOLIDAY PARENT'S NIGHT OUT/  
GAMES AT ELC - DEC 9th



**Donation:** \$10 per child and \$5 for additional children (family rate). **Everyone is welcome. Bring a friend. Sign up with the link or QR code.** <https://forms.gle/d8xHwtwtMBzLCoCi8>

**CHRISTMAS CD'S** - Time to get ready for Christmas with two Christmas CD's that were created by The Cambridge Road Ensemble (Paul & Ruth Heinecke). Thank you to Paul & Ruth for donating their CD's to the youth. Each CD sells for \$5.00 each. (Lots of music for \$10) Great stocking stuffer idea! CD's will be available after worship in December. Another opportunity to support our youth!

**BAKE SALE:** Our ELC youth will be hosting a Bake Sale on December 18th, after worship. Come and pick up some Christmas goodies to share! If you are interested in baking some goodies for our bake sale, please contact Brenda. We appreciate your support of our youth.

**CRAFTS BY NICK** - Nick's Crafts will be available for purchase and during the Farmer's indoor Market in December. There are many decorative items or gifts for Christmas. Thank you to Nick for donating to our youth opportunities.

## **THERE'S STILL TIME TO TAKE HOME A PIECE OF ELC HISTORY!**

In the Narthex are old hymnals that are free for the taking: our previous green ones, the red ones before THAT, and Sunday School songbooks. In the library are more green hymnals that are labelled with the names of those they were given in memory of. Take as many as you wish. They will be available through New Year's Day.

**ELC COFFEE TIME Wednesdays at 10am in Fellowship Hall.** A great time to connect with our church family

**ELC SEWING DAYS** - Thursdays at 9am in Fellowship Hall.

**MEN'S BREAKFAST/BIBLE STUDY** 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays at 6:30 am on Zoom. Contact Pastor John for the link.

## ***A Community Christmas Celebration***

**Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>**

5:00 p.m. Concert and Carol Sing

6:00 p.m. Chili Supper

A benefit for Neighbors Helping Neighbors of Mt. Horeb Free will offering.



**SARAH CIRCLE** will meet for an Advent evening visit at the home of hostess **Chris Coffin on Monday December 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm**. We will be deciding where to send our mission money that night. Bring an appetizer/snack to share and don't be afraid to stop by later if 6:30 doesn't work for you. You can contact Connie Curran ([curranconnie@hotmail.com](mailto:curranconnie@hotmail.com)) with any inquiries concerning Sarah Circle."

**BABY CAP/EYEGLASS CASE MAKERS** December is a busy month so Baby Cap/Eyeglass Case makers will only meet **Tuesday, Dec. 6, 9:30-11** in the Faith Room. Please drop off completed caps and cases in the Faith Room basket by then so a year-end delivery can be made to Unity Point Meriter. Contact [ruthheinecke@gmail.com](mailto:ruthheinecke@gmail.com) if you'd like completed items picked up.



**HOURS**  
**MONDAY-THURSDAY 9AM - NOON and 1PM-4PM**  
**FRIDAYS 9AM-NOON**

**OFFERING ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX**  
**PLEASE PICK THEM UP AT YOUR EARLIEST CONVENIENCE**

<b>THANKYOU FOR ASSISTING WORSHIP</b>		
	<i><b>This Week December 3<sup>rd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup></b></i>	<i><b>Next Week December 10<sup>th</sup> &amp; 11<sup>th</sup></b></i>
<b>READERS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ann Baumgartner</li> <li>• Ben Brothers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bonny Kellogg</li> <li>• Diane Bartz</li> </ul>
<b>ACOLYTES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sam Grundahl</li> <li>• Connor Heiting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mara Parks</li> <li>• Vanessa Rameker</li> </ul>
<b>USHERS</b>	<b>Team 2</b> Mary & Wayne Knudson	<b>Team 3</b> Dennis Lokken Irv Steinhauer
<b>NURSERY</b>	Open but <b>Not Staffed</b> -Located across from the library	
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>	Jean Bower. Mary Lokken, Teresa Schult, Diane Twiton	
<b>COUNCIL DUTIES</b>	December – Shannon Hadac	



# Holiday Worship Schedule

<b>CHRISTMAS EVE</b> December 24 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>5:00 PM</b> <b>8:00 PM</b>
<b>CHRISTMAS DAY</b> December 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>10:00 AM</b>
<b>NEW YEAR'S EVE</b> December 31 <sup>st</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>No Service</b>
<b>NEW YEAR'S DAY</b> January 1st	<b>10:00 AM</b>

## HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

<b>FRIDAY</b> December 23 <sup>RD</sup>	<b>CLOSED</b>
<b>MONDAY</b> December 26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>CLOSED</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b> December 27 <sup>th</sup>	<b>CLOSED</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> December 28 <sup>th</sup>	<b>9am-12pm - 1pm 4pm</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b> December 29 <sup>th</sup>	<b>9am-12pm - 1pm 4pm</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b> December 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>9am-Noon</b>

# CHRISTMAS MEMORIALS

## Poinsettia Hunger Fund Gifts

ELC will be receiving memorial and honoring donations through **Sunday, December 18**. After purchasing poinsettias to adorn the altar, the remainder of the donations will go to the ELCA World Hunger Appeal. Memorials will be published in the Christmas bulletins.

POINSETTIAS



Please fill in the form and leave it in the church office, in the offering plate, or mail it to ELC with your monetary donations. Make checks payable to ELC.

This gift is \_\_\_\_\_ in memory **OR** \_\_\_\_\_ in honor of:  
(Please check one of the above blanks)

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Given by \_\_\_\_\_

Envelope # \_\_\_\_\_

Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM ON OR BEFORE SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18.**