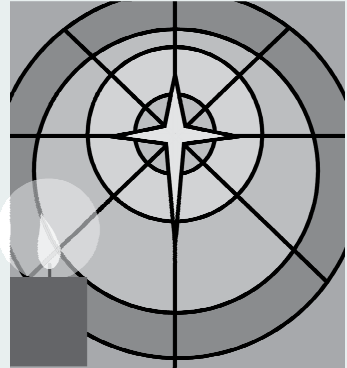




Trinity & St. Paul Lutheran
 "We preach Christ and Him crucified."

December 2, 2018
 1st Sunday in Advent



FIRST SUNDAY
 OF
Advent

CESNA/MARISSA CHRISTMAS MISSION

Church Emergency Services of New Athens and the Marissa Food Bank support families in our area with emergency needs. We have donation boxes for CESNA. Decorate them as you like and everyday put in a donation. We will turn them in during the Sunday School Christmas Program December 23 at the 10:30 worship. Also during Advent we will be collecting food items for the Marissa Food Bank. Needed items are: instant potatoes, cereal, bisquick, tune, hamburger helper, macaroni & cheese, and canned vegetables. Put them in the back of church.

CHRISTMAS IN HAWAII DECEMBER 19

This year our joint congregational Christmas party will be in Hawaii (well actually in St. Paul's basement). We'll have Hawaiian decorations, food and leis for everyone. Join us for a taste of what Christmas is like in our 50th state. Join us following the Midweek Advent Worship.

CHOIR PRACTICE WEDNESDAY 6 PM

WEDNESDAY ADVENT WORSHIP 7 PM, DEC. 5

This year we will hear the "forgotten epistles" of Christmas. These lessons are read every Christmas but seldom preached upon.

Dec. 5, 7 PM St. Paul, New Athens
 Titus 2:11-15 God's Grace Appears

Dec. 12, 7 PM Trinity, Darmstadt
 Titus 3:4-8 God's Grace Received

Dec. 19, 7 PM St. Paul, New Athens
 Hebrews 1:1-12 Jesus is God
 Christmas Party Following

CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP

Favorite hymns, the Word of God, classic art work, comes together as we celebrate the birth of our Savior & the Savior of the world. Dec. 24, 5 PM at Trinity Darmstadt, 7 PM at St. Paul, New Athens.

Ushers at St. Paul
 Dec. 2 Tim & Rachael
 Buehler
 Dec. 9 Carla Schaeffer &
 Debbie Reeves

Altar Guild
 Dec. Carla Schaeffer &
 Theresa Curry
 Jan. Lela & Harvey
 Koester

*But put on the Lord Jesus
 Christ, and make no pro-
 vision for the flesh, to
 gratify its desires.*

Romans 13

COMMUNION

The Lord's Supper is the true body and blood of Jesus Christ to eat and drink. Through it God strengthens faith by granting forgiveness of sins. Before receiving Communion, however, even our own members are first instructed as to the meaning of the Sacrament. If you would like to receive instruction to partake of the Lord's Supper with our church family please contact Pastor.

CHRIST OUR SAVIOR

FFA Fundraiser—beef sticks & summer sausage contact Lia Luebke at enroll@coslhs.org by Tuesday, Dec. 4. Toy & Food Drive. Donate non-perishables food items or new toys at the High School or the Waterloo Dollar General.



AROUND TOWN

Dec. 8, Cooke Walk, 9—Noon, Trinity Lutheran Millstadt.

SPAGHETTI SUPPER REPORT

This year on the day of the supper we made \$2568.50. That's about \$30 more than we made the last two years. Thanks to all who helped.

THE YEAR OF THE EPISTLE BEGINS NOW

Fully 2/3 of the New Testament are epistles, that is 'letters' written to various churches and people. This year we will preach on the epistle lessons of the day.

GLORIA BEISEGEL 90TH BIRTHDAY

Gloria Beisegel invites members of both congregations to an open house at the Bullpen, Dec. 8, 2—4 PM to celebrate her 90th birthday.

SPECIAL SUNDAY SCHOOL EVENTS

Dec. 16 the Sunday School will be decorating presents to give to the needy children in the community as well as having their own "Happy Birthday Jesus Party." Then Dec. 23 during the 10:30 worship they will present "An Hawaiian Christmas—Letter by Letter." There is always a special joy when you celebrate Christmas with the children.

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