



# Holy Communion Lutheran Church

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's Work, Our Hands

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**December 30, 2018 – First Sunday of Christmas**

Luke 2:41-52, Psalm 148, 1 Samuel 2:18-20,26, Colossians 3:12-17



**9:00**                    **Unity Breakfast** (in the small kitchen)  
**Pastor's Forum** - Jeffcoat Fellowship Hall

**10:00 Service**      Communion Assistant – No Communion Today  
Lector – Various Readers  
Cantor – Don Silsbee & Dell Morgan  
Acolyte(s) – Gabe Kinsey  
Hospitality – Corie Watkin (Unity Breakfast)



*Shine into our hearts the light of your wisdom, O God, and open our minds to the knowledge of your word, that in all things we may think and act according to your word, that in all things we may think and act according to your good will and may live continually in the light of your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, once God, now and forever.- Amen*

*This weeks altar flowers are given "To the Glory of God"*

## Pastor's Corner

"Be not angry that you cannot make others as you wish them to be, since you cannot make yourself as you wish to be." — Thomas à Kempis, The Imitation of Christ

**WELCOME TO ALL IN THE NAME OF JESUS.** This is Christ's church. There is a place for you here. We are the church that shares a living, daring confidence in God's grace. Liberated by our faith, we embrace you as a whole person - questions, complexities and all. Join us as we do God's work in Christ's name for the life of the world. We hope you will experience God's blessings during this service of worship as we have been blessed by your presence.

**THE SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS** is a traditional worship for the Sunday closest to January 1 (Name of Jesus). The service takes its theme from the Gospel of Luke (2:10-11), focusing on the ways God comes to us in Jesus as Savior (first set of lessons), Christ (second set of lessons), and Lord (third set of lessons).

**OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY REACHES OUT** to enfold the family of **GLENN MARK DAWN** who died suddenly on Christmas night. A Celebration of Glenn's life was held here at Holy Communion yesterday (Saturday). "I am the Resurrection and the Life," says the Lord.

**OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY REACHES OUT** also for the family of **EDWARD ANTHONY ENGLAND** who passed away in the early hours of Thursday morning following a lengthy illness. A Celebration of Ed's life will be held here at Holy Communion this afternoon (Sunday) at 2:00 p.m. The congregation is encouraged to support Ed's wife Rose and her family by your presence today. Let us comfort one another in their sorrows with the consolation we ourselves have received from Christ.

**DO THE LETTERS "R-M-D" SOUND FAMILIAR?** They stand for "Required Minimum Distribution" which is a mandate of the IRS for those who have reached age 70-1/2 to withdraw from earnings in their retirement accounts. Several of our members have discovered that RMD gifts given to the church are exempt from taxes AND are tax-deductible as charitable giving. Consult your tax advisor to see if this is an option for you. And thank you for every way that you return to God that which God has first given to you!

**PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY AND BACKPACK BUDDIES** will resume packing over 60 bags for children at Woodland Heights Elementary who remain food insecure on the weekends. This ministry makes a BIG difference for children at risk for hunger – and is an effort that requires many resources of foodstuffs. We are grateful for the abundant generosity. Please stay tuned for particular items that this ministry is especially needful of. Thank you!

**RECOVERING AT HOME:** Jeff McTeer, Ken Messer, Pat Voigt

**CONTINUING PRAYER CONCERNS** (Members) Maxine Eichman, Jeannie Dawn, Readona Gallagher, Barbara Mathis, Jeff McTeer, Kenneth Messer, Pat Voigt, Keith Wintenburg; (Family/ Friends) Beth Alford, Horace Barrett, Eli Clark, Maggie Fazio, Sandra Friddle, Pastor Jill Henning, Irene Hucks, Gloria Johnson, Lucye Kaplan, Tamara Koellner, Andrea Massey, Marcelle Messer, Rob Montie, Pastor Mike Shackelford, Jim Spigner, and Jane Tessem. NOTE: Please remember to update me about any prayer concerns. Thanks!

Joyfully in Christ +  
Pastor Alan

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