



SHINER  
LUTHERAN

# WEEKLY CONNECTIONS

*Growing together in grace and service*

Thursday December 31, 2020

Sunday January 3

[In-person worship Sunday January 3 @ 10:15 am](#)

For in-person worship please be sure to properly wear your required mask, remember to socially distance, and use hand sanitizer. There will be no communion this week. Ushers will pick up the offering.



Join online Epiphany worship:  
Shiner Lutheran Church Facebook page:  
Sunday January 3 @ 10:15 am





This month Communion in Cars will take place on Sunday January 10th from 11:30 am to noon. Come commune in the safety of your cars!



Cross Trails Ministry is planning to open up camps this summer with modifications and precautions in place. Pastor Chris is planning to go to Camp Chrysalis with the confirmands July 18-23. Other age groups can sign up to go that week also. Please let the office know as soon as possible if you would like your child to go to camp. We ask the parents to pay \$150 and we try to raise the rest of the funds needed. Please call or email the office ASAP if you are interested in registering your child for camp.

### Pizza Fundraiser Returns



We again are taking Little Caesar's Pizza Kit orders. We have extended the ordering period thru **January 24th** to raise funds for campers. This time order selection is somewhat limited. Pizza kits & cookie dough will arrive the second week of February. Help us send our youth to camp!



Our church website has a bright new look and is once again up and running. The website now matches our areas of ministry and includes more specific visitor information such as maps, contact information, and weekly activities. Also on the website are links to the monthly calendar, giving, and Facebook. We continue to refine the content and navigation of our site, but invite everyone to take a look and explore this tool for outreach and information.

[www.shinerlutheran.org](http://www.shinerlutheran.org)

## UPDATES & INFORMATION

- **Wednesday Morning Bible Study** resumes meeting on January 6th at 10 am to continue the study of Genesis. Anyone interested can join the group in person or via Zoom.
- **Hospitality Planning Team** meets Wednesday January 6th at 11 am.
- The **Annual Report** is being compiled and all 2020 reports are due in the office.
- **Confirmation Class** will meet on Wednesday January 6th at 6 pm.
- Thank you to everyone who donated **poinsettias** for Christmas. A list of donations will be published in the next print newsletter. A few plants still need to be picked up.
- Flowers this week are given by Mike & Karen Vaughan in honor of their wedding anniversary.
- The 2021 sign up to donate and dedicate altar flowers is now available.

**NEW 2021  
Offering Envelopes**  
are in the Gathering Place ready  
to be picked up.



2021 offering envelopes have a new look. Now you may write one check and designate amounts that go to various funds by completing the check list on the front of the envelope. One envelope is used for all funds.



*This week we celebrate and remember in prayer these **Baptism Anniversaries:** 1/3 Joy Machacek; 1/5 Virginia Helweg*

*We also celebrate a **Wedding Anniversary:** 1/6 Rudy & Rae Nell Janik*

*This week we wish **Birthday Blessings** to: 1/3 Sage Davis, 1/3 Virginia Helweg, Leroy Hewig, Brady Schlenker; 1/4 Pattye Hagens; 1/7 Virgie Barta Chumchal,, Carol Harris; 1/8 Daniel L. Harabis, Eric Winkenwerder; 1/9 Austin Schroeder*

**Prayers** continue for all those in need, particularly for those dealing with long term illness or recovery. This week we add Bill Koening to our prayers for his knee surgery Monday January 4.

Prayers of sympathy go the family of Mike Decker who passed away recently. He was Brian Pokluda's friend.

Prayers of sympathy are also expressed to the family of Rev. Dr. C. Peter Setzer, Diane Schroeder's brother, who passed away on December 30, 2020.



**IN PERSON:** Bring your offering to church and give during worship or drop it by the office or the large envelope by the entrance or office. .

**BY MAIL:** Send to the church at P.O.Box 26, Shiner.

**TEXT:** Text an amount to 1-844-697-3838 and pay by credit or debit card.

**APP:** Download GIVE PLUS Church App from App Store or Google Play.

Find our church (United Dr. Martin Luther Church) and set up your donation.

**ONLINE:** Go to our electronic giving service (VANCO) and set up a direct draft from your bank or credit card, which allows one time or recurrent giving to all our funds. This is recorded just like in-person contributions towards your giving statement and is managed by you. A direct link button to set this up is attached digitally.

