

WEEKLY CONNECTIONS

Growing together in grace and service

SUNDAY December 10, 2023 10:15 am WORSHIP IN PERSON



<u>and</u>

Advent Worship Mid-Week Worship

Wednesdays December 13, & 20 at 7:15 PM we will have special midweek Holden Evening Prayer Advent Services, lighting candles as we pray. Join us! OR



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Special activities Sunday December 10 through Saturday December 16:





Men's Fellowship meets Monday December 11 at 6:00 PM at the Jaks' residence. All guys are invited!





Church Council meets Tuesday December 12 at 6:00 PM. This will be the final meeting for Kristin Neal and Brian Pokluda as they will be leaving council. We thank them for serving!



GIFT meets on Wednesday December 13 with a meal at 5:30 followed by class at 6 PM.

During the coming weeks, in addition to lesson times, students will be practicing

for the GIFT Christmas program on Sunday morning December 17.







JOY, Just Older Youth, will gather on Friday December 15 beginning at 11:30 AM for fellowship and a homemade meal. Bring a friend and join us!



Practice for the GIFT Christmas Program will be Saturday December 16 from 9:30-11:30 AM. All participants are asked to join together for the practice.

The program will be presented on Sunday December 17.





Gift tags are available on both trees at church entrances.
Gifts are due back Dec. 17.
Help those in need!



There are still a few poinsettia plants that can be donated & dedicated.

Sign up today.



2024 Offering Envelopes are set out in the Gathering Place, ready for pick up. Get yours today!



We need to connect with any youth Grades 2-8 that are planning to go to Church Camp June 30-July 5 next summer. Contact pastor or the church office ASAP. Group registration will be sent in by Dec. 15.

SCHEDULE for this week:

UPDATES & INFORMATION

SUNDAY December 10—Looking at the Lessons @ 9:00 AM; Advent 2 Worship @ 10:15 AM; 4-H @ 6 PM

MONDAY December 11—Men's Fellowship (aka Blessed Buzzards) @ 6:00 PM at the Jaks' place

TUESDAY December 12—SNRC Devotions @ 10:00 AM; Church Council @ 6:00 PM; Boy Scouts @ 5:30

WEDNESDAY December 13—Bible Study @ 10:00 AM; Brief Communion @ 1:30 PM; GIFT Meal @ 5:30 PM; GIFT Class @ 6:00 PM; Advent Worship @ 7:15 PM

FRIDAY December 15—JOY (Just Older Youth) Meal @ 11:30 AM

SATURDAY December 16—Christmas Program Practice @ 9:30-11:30 AM

SUNDAY December 17—Christmas Program Practice @ 8:00 AM (w/ breakfast); Christmas Program @ 10:15 AM; Christmas Hayride (weather permitting) @ 5:30 PM



This week we remember in prayer these **Baptism Anniversaries**: 12/10 Cindy Winkenwerder, Sharon Jaks; 12/11 Chase Schroeder; 12/13 Dean Winkenwerder, Wyatt Winkenwerder, Lee Ann Otto; 12/16 Adelynn Siegel

This week we wish **Birthday Blessings** to: 12/11 Joy Machacek; 12/12 Courtney Boedeker, Michelle Winkenwerder; 12/13 Kirk Remmers, Tanner Pietsch; 12/14 Christy Fojt; 12/15 Brian Baker; 12/16 Shana Ulcak

Prayers of Concern for members and friends of the congregation include prayers for:

Those who are ill: Dorothy Vancura, Hope Hogue, Kirk Remmers, James Krause, Blake Durant, Doris Pustka, Susan Ward, Deborah Koerth, Daniel Berger, Diane Schroeder, Darryl Kalich, Karen Stolarkski, Roman Wenske, Paul Long, Loninet Collins, Mariam Clark, Eric Cleckler, Fred Janszen, Charity Kneifel, Kyle Auxier, Virgie Barta Chumchal



Those in eldercare residences: Jeanette Kocian, Johnnie Valis, Oney Hagens, Buddy Remmers, Dorothy Vancura, Joyce Kneifel, Verline Esse, Lorene Nollkamper, Iva Harbers, Billy Jay Hendricks, Jack Volkmann

Those deployed: Chase Schroeder

The family of: Laddie Janik, Gail Remmer's father, who passed away November 30, 2023.



GENERAL FUND for Oct. 2023

Beginning Balance: \$41,950.76 Receipts on Budget: \$35,508.42 Expenses on Budget: (\$ - 18,396.44) Balance as of October 31: \$59,062.74



Receipts for Bldg Fund for Oct.: \$53,078.52

Monthly Payment: (\$ -11,002.78)

Building Payment Balance for month: \$ 42,075.74 **Bldg Fund Money Market Reserves**: \$ 201,695.97

Building Fund: \$2,026.67



Attendance in worship 11/26: 93 Online views: 90 Offering for week ending 11/26 General Fund: \$ 2,029.00 Building Fund: \$ 1,000.00

Weekly budget needs: General Fund: \$4,260.59 Building Fund: \$2,539.10



IN PERSON: Bring to worship or drop off at church office.

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

Electronic Giving for November: General Fund: \$2,537.48

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

ELECTRONIC GIVING: Go to our website www.shinerlutheran.org and click on

Connect/Give to get a direct link to our electronic giving platform.