

Bethany Lutheran Church

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“We are a family of believers....”



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January Newsletter 2019

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January Worship

Sun. Jan. 6 th	10:30 AM
Sun. Jan. 13 th	8:00 & 10:30 AM
Sunday School	9:15 AM
Sun. Jan. 20 th	8:00 & 10:30 AM
Sunday School	9:15 AM
Sun. Jan. 27 th	9:15 AM
No Sunday School	

Annual Meeting

Sun. Jan. 27th
10:30 AM

Office Hours

Monday – Thursday
10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

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Advent & Christmas Highlights



Senior Social

Senior Social will be Thursday, Jan. 17th at noon in Litzer Hall. Watch for the sign-up sheet in the narthex.



No power? No problem!

From the Food Bank

The urgent need for January is protein products. This would mostly be meat and cheese products. Examples: tuna, canned chicken, spam, ravioli with meat, cheese crackers, jerky sticks. Thank you!

Food Bank Winter Campaign – We are still continuing to collect winter hats, scarves, and gloves through February. Knit, crochet, or buy. So far, we've happily collected 93 articles. The clients are happy and grateful! But we have a couple thousand clients a month, so we can continue to use more. Please put in the food bank basket or give to Cathy Keyes. Thank you!

ELCA Good Gifts

Thank you to all who chose to give ELCA Good Gifts! The following gifts were ordered:

- 2 - water filters
- 2 - pigs
- 1 - goat
- 7 - sets of farming tools
- 5 - chicks
- 5 - sets of school supplies
- 4 - roosters
- 4 - hives of honeybees
- 1 - food for a refugee family

Calendar of Events

Bethany Connect Packing

Sun. Jan. 6th, 11:30, Rm 8-9

Finance/Budget Meeting

Mon. Jan. 7th, 4:30 PM, Office

Endowment Meeting

Tues. Jan. 8th, 6:30 PM, Litzer Hall

Council Meeting

Tues. Jan. 8th, 7:00 PM, Litzer Hall

Bethany Quilters

Thurs. Jan 10th, 9:00 AM, Litzer Hall

Youth Group

Wed. Jan. 9th & 23rd, 5:30 PM, Litzer Hall

Budget Q&A

Sun. Jan 13th & 20th, 9:15 AM, Sanctuary

Senior Social

Thurs. Jan. 17th, 12:00 PM, Litzer Hall

Yahweh Yarners

Sun. Jan. 20th, 9:15 AM, Library

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Mon. Jan. 21st, OFFICE CLOSED

Bishop's Convocation

Tues.-Wed. Jan 22-23rd, Seabeck

Annual Meeting

Sun. Jan. 27th, 10:30 AM, Sanctuary

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting will be Sun. Jan. 27th at 10:30 AM, following ONE SERVICE at 9:15 AM. Elections will be held and there will be a vote to approve the 2019 budget. **Reminder:** according to our constitution, "Voting members are confirmed members. Such confirmed members, during the current or preceding calendar year, shall have communed in this congregation and shall have made a contribution of record to this congregation." If you have any questions about your membership standing, please contact the office.

General Fund Standing

	October	
	Anticipated	Actual
Beginning Balance		(\$5,774.16)
Receipts	19278	21078.93
Disbursements	19881	19427.51
Ending Balance		(\$4,122.74)
	November	
	Anticipated	Actual
Beginning Balance		(\$4,122.74)
Receipts	17092	17889.09
Disbursements	18300	18505.54
Ending Balance		(\$4,739.19)
	December	
	Anticipated	Actual
Beginning Balance		(\$4,739.19)
Receipts	\$19,277.00	\$21,254.88
Disbursements	\$19,830.00	\$16,745.92
Ending Balance		(\$230.23)

Council Members 2018-19

Nori Cash
(President)

Nancy Woodward
(Vice-President)

Wendy Smitherman
(Secretary)

Paulette Van Cleve
(Treasurer)

Lisa Olson

Deb Noble-Perry

Frank Putnam

Pastor Janeen Smith

From the Finance Committee

The budget is being presented to Council at their January meeting and will be available by Thursday, Jan. 10th. The budget will be emailed with the bulletin announcements on that day. There will be two Budget Q&A meetings before the Annual Meeting: Sunday, Jan. 13th, and Sunday, Jan. 20th, between services at 9:15 AM.

We Pray For ...

- Doug Holt (Shelley Marion's dad)
- Linda Pempeck - recovering from hip surgery
- Ken Thompson, Obert Estby and Leanne Wells – continuing health problems
- Elijah Green – preparing for brain surgery
- Karen Andrascik and Sandy Cooper – recovering from knee surgeries

Thank You from the Lunch Ladies

We would like to thank all those who donated to the 2018 Blessing Bag Project in support of the Food Bank. Your donations are much appreciated. Oftentimes, women's hygiene needs are forgotten essential items. A little birdie told us that razors would be appreciated, too!!! When purchasing food for the Food Bank, pick up a package of razors, too! Again, you bless others and in the process, you are blessed! See you all at the January Senior Social.... maybe the lights will stay on!!!