



SHINER LUTHERAN

WEEKLY CONNECTIONS

Growing together in grace and service

Thursday December 3, 2020

Sunday December 6

[In-person worship](#)

[Sunday December 6 @ 10:15 am](#)

For in-person worship please be sure to properly wear your required mask, remember to socially distance, and use hand sanitizer. Communion will be served in the pews. Ushers pick up offering.



Online worship on Shiner Lutheran Church Facebook page: Sunday December 6 @ 10:15 am



“Communion in Cars” will be offered Sunday December 6th from 11:30 am until noon. Drive through the parking lot and receive communion in the safety of your vehicle.

MID-WEEK ADVENT WORSHIP SERVICES



Wednesday Advent Services

Join us for a quiet time of prayer as we gather each Wednesday in Advent at 7 pm and worship with the service Holden Evening Prayer. Come December 9, take a moment and pray thru the chaos, confusion, and concerns of 2020 as we journey towards the celebration of Christmas.



Help others this Christmas by donating to the Giving Tree project sponsored by our Hospitality Team. Take a card from the Giving Tree and purchase a gift for a needy family. Gifts are needed by December 13th.



\$ 10.00 per PLANT

Order & dedicate poinsettias using the attached form. Considering the times, we decreased our bulk order this year to fewer plants, so please order soon if you plan to take home a plant. However, there is no limit on donations & dedications that do not plan to take home a plant.

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.

UPDATES & INFORMATION



- **Communion in Cars** will be offered on Sunday December 6 following worship.
- **Mid-Week Morning Bible Study** continues Wednesday December 9 at 10 am. studying Genesis. Masks and distancing are used. A Zoom alternative is available upon request.
- **GIFT** will not meet again until January.
- **Confirmation Instruction** meets on December 9 & 16 from 6:00-6:45 pm in the Gathering Place. No meal will be served, and masks and distancing will be used.
- **Mid-Week Advent Worship** takes place Wednesday December 9, 16, & 23 at 7 pm.. The calm and quiet of Holden Evening Prayer and the lighting of candles help us prayerfully focus on the journey through Advent to Christmas.



- The **Giving Tree Project** is set up at both entrances to the sanctuary. To participate, find a gift label, purchase and donate the described gift, and return it to church by December 13th. The Hospitality Team is coordinating this project that brings needy families Christmas joy.

• Thank you to Chuck Stratman and the Boner family for handling all the arrangements for our sanctuary Christmas Trees and bringing the trees to Shiner. Thanks also to Tammy Guettner, Ronnie Bruns, and Pastor Chris for setting up the trees and hanging our angels.



- Thank you also goes to Gemayel Heinold for coordinating our Thanksgiving harvest altar on November 22 and to Kim Zaruba for helping compose the arrangement.
- Special thanks to Pastor Chris, Gemayel and many others who planned and prepared the children and youth Christmas program that was canceled due to pandemic concerns.



- *This week we celebrate and remember in prayer these **Baptism Anniversaries**: 12/6 Tammy Guettner; 12/8 JD Moeller; 12/9 Jaycee McGee, Michele Pokluda, Jordan Raabe; 12/10 Sharon Jaks, Cindy Winkenwerder; 12/11 Chase Schroeder*
- *We also celebrate a **Wedding Anniversary**: Jennifer and Joseph Rieder on 12/6*
- *This week we wish **Birthday Blessings** to: 12/7 Arlen Boedeker, James Davis, Kayla Heinold, Daniel Muehlstein; 12/8 Amanda Ulcak; 12/1 Joy Machacek, Abel Werner, Brandi Werner; 12/12 Courtney Boedeker, Michelle Winkenwerder*

Prayers continue for all those in need, particularly for those dealing with long term illness or recovery



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.

