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Worship Hours

Worship 10:00 AM


Sunday school 10:00 AM.

**Communion the second
Sunday of every month.**

December 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 10:00 Lakeview Communion 5:30 Supper for Budget Meeting 6:00 Budget Meeting (HH)	3 4:00 Confirmation 5:30 Mission Bd 6:00 Worship Bd 7:00 Choir	4 11:30 MRCI (FS/HH) 1:00 TOPS (Ch)	5  5:00-7:00 PM Cookie Walk, Bake & Craft Sale	6
7 10:00 Worship with Blake Potthoff Sunday school 2:00 Community Carol Sing-Along (Red Rock)	8 5:30 Hospital Foundation	9 6:00 Facilities Bd	10 4:00 Confirmation 5:30 Diaconate Bd 5:45 CE Bd 7:00 Choir	11 11:30 MRCI (FS/HH) 1:00 TOPS (Ch) 5:30 Hospitality Bd	12	13
14 Election Sunday 8:30 All-Church Breakfast 10:00 Worship Christmas Play Communion Sunday school	15 9:00 Council agenda items due	16 10:00 Goldfinch Communion	17 4:00 Confirmation 5:30 Free Community Meal 5:45 Church Council meeting 7:00 Choir	18 9:30 Bible study 11:30 MRCI (FS/HH) 1:00 TOPS (Ch)	19 9:00 Annual Reports due	20 HH Reserved for afternoon
21 First Day of Winter 10:00 Worship Sunday school/ party!	22	23	24 Christmas Eve 5:30 Candle-light Christmas Eve Worship	25 Christmas Day 	26	27
Church Office Closed						
28 10:00 Worship NO Sunday school Blessing Box collection	29	30	31 New Year's Eve 4:00 NO Confirmation			
Church Office Closed						

January 2026

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				1 New Year's Day  Church Office Closed	2	3
4 10:00 Worship Communion Sunday school	5	6 Epiphany 10:00 Lakeview Communion	7 4:00 Confirmation 5:30 Mission Bd 6:00 Worship Bd 7:00 Choir	8 11:30 MRCI (FS/HH) 1:00 TOPS (Ch) 5:30 Hospitality Bd	9	10
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**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL UCC
FAIRMONT, MN
CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES FOR 11-19-2025**

Members Present: Kay Campe, Amanda Forstrom, Christina Hainy, Cindy Huset, Larry Lasch and Jon Neitzel. **Members Absent:** Carol Barrick, Cynthia Celandier, Catherine Johnson, Sue Kruse, and Abby Shoen. **Ex-officio Members Present:** Pastor Cory. **Ex-officio Members Absent:** Dara Bliesmer, Asst. Treasurer. **Guest:** Cory Hainy.

The Council met in Heritage Hall at 5:45 PM. Moderator Kay Campe called the meeting to order, and Pastor Cory led in prayer.

Guest Cory Hainy gave us the Personnel's committee's recommendations on the new family/medical leave law. A motion was M/S/C to make Dara Bliesmer the paid leave administrator for the church. (Amanda Forstrom/Jon Neitzel) A motion was M/S/C for the church to pay 0.22% for the Minnesota Paid Leave Law. (Amanda Forstrom/Jon Neitzel) A motion to approve the council minutes from the meeting on 10-15-2025, was M/S/C. (Amanda Forstrom/Larry Lasch)

Treasurer's Report At the end of October, 78% of budget has been received. A motion to receive the treasurer's report was M/S/C. (Larry Lasch/Amanda Forstrom)

Pastor's Report: Pastor Cory summarized his many activities for the month. The "Prowling the Plaza" Halloween activities were well attended, and our popcorn was a hit. As part of Ecumenical Partners, he has been helping to plan a Christmas carol sing-along on Dec. 7 at the Red Rock.

BOARD REPORTS:

Christian Education: No representative. The children's Christmas play will be on December 14. Confirmation students are advent candle lighters for the season.

Hospitality: Jon Neitzel reported everything is going well.

Facilities: Larry Lasch said they had a working meeting and pointed out the large picture that Jon and Pastor Cory hung in the Fireside Room.

Diaconate: No representative. They have been working on the membership roll.

Mission: Amanda Forstrom noted that the Kids Against Hunger pack will be February 7, 2026. A church team will pack from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM.

Worship: Cindy Huset said that poinsettias will be delivered on December 4. Kay has purchased 2 artificial Christmas trees and 2 artificial wreaths with lights for them with remotes. Donations will be taken to help with the cost.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Personnel: Cory Hainy reported at the beginning of the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: Plans for the Glows Soup Supper fundraiser were discussed. The council approved 4-H using the church for occasional Federation and university meetings if the facility is available at their requested time.

NEW BUSINESS: DATES: Budget meeting-Dec 2-5:30 pizza, 6:00 meeting.
Election Sunday-Dec 14
Christmas play-Dec 14
Annual Board Reports due-Dec 19
Annual Meeting & Potluck-Jan 25

Respectfully submitted, Christina Hainy, Church Clerk

The Reverend's Ruminations - December 2025

Advent (the four Sundays leading to the celebration of Christmas) is a time of new beginnings. But as the weather gets colder and the days get shorter, you may find yourself saying, "It's December-- the end of the year — not a new beginning!?! We've put away the patio furniture, brought in some extra loads of firewood, and are ready to settle down under a blanket with a good book and hibernate until at least April." And you wouldn't be wrong... year-end reports are due to many boards, organizations, and businesses. It doesn't feel like a new beginning; it feels like we're near the end!?!

But the First Sunday of Advent has just arrived (this year on November 30th even before the calendar changed), signifying a "new beginning" in the life of the church — the beginning of a new liturgical season and a new church year. You may have plenty to do before January 1st arrives and begins a new calendar year, but in the Christian church we're already on our way!

This year (Year A in the three-year lectionary calendar cycle that helps guide us through the church seasons) I plan to return to the gospel lessons as the source for my sermons, after spending the last three years preaching from the Old Testament lessons — and before that, three years examining the epistles. Many of the prescribed gospel readings from the Revised Common Lectionary should be familiar to you, but each time we approach them it is a chance (and occasionally a challenge) to "hear them again for the first time" — meaning that the Bible is truly a living document that intersects our lives differently each time we open it. Major world events, community struggles, or the everyday occurrences of our own lives can all change not only our outlook on life, but the ways in which we hear God's "still small voice" or even the "sound of sheer silence," to borrow two different translations of 1 Kings 19:12.

During December, most of January, and all of February we'll be looking at passages from the Gospel of Matthew. As the first book in the New Testament, Matthew (thought to be the former tax collector turned disciple) tells the story of Jesus in a way that both connects to the Old Testament and reaches beyond it into the New. Of particular importance as we move from Advent toward Christmas, and on into the new year, Matthew emphasizes Jesus as the promised Messiah of the Jewish people, and portrays him as the greatest prophet, teaching the new law and calling people to be faithful to God.

As winter's chill settles in and snow potentially enters our collective awareness, I encourage you to take time away from the busyness of your December to read ahead (or re-read with time for contemplation) from both the Old Testament prophecies and the Gospel accounts of this Advent season:

First Sunday (Nov. 30)	Isaiah 2:1–5	Matthew 24:36–44
Second Sunday (Dec. 7)	Isaiah 11:1–10	Matthew 3:1–12
Third Sunday (Dec. 14)	Isaiah 35:1–10	Matthew 11:2–11
Fourth Sunday (Dec. 21)	Isaiah 7:10–16	Matthew 1:18–25

New beginnings will again be on all our minds as January all-too-quickly approaches, but those don't all need to take the form of the ubiquitous New Year's "get-in-shape" resolutions that seem required conversation everywhere you turn. New beginnings can come in many shapes and sizes, so I encourage you to not only think of them in terms of physical self-improvement, but also mental and emotional new beginnings. Are there thought processes that you'd like to change, or relationships that you'd like to initiate or improve? Are there books or classes that you've put off starting? Maybe a new year (whether liturgical or calendar) can be your inspiration to make them a reality!

2026 is just around the corner, and I look forward to its many opportunities for us to continue serving our great God together in the community and world. Alleluia, and Happy New (Church) Year!

Yours in Christ,

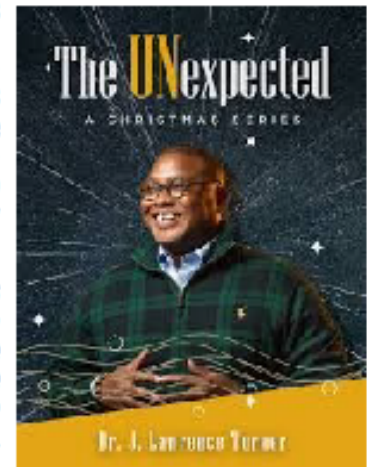
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Expectation is a huge part of our existence throughout December, as the church season of Advent helps us prepare for Christmas and all that it means to our faith. Whether child or adult, we may feel frustrated that Christmas seems to take so long to arrive. But Christmas is about more than presents and cookies and family gatherings (nice as all those are). We need a season of preparation to help us understand the significance of the Messiah! Take some time this month to learn about the unexpected gift through a four-session series led by Dr. J. Lawrence Turner, *The Unexpected*. Here a brief synopsis:

God Gives His best gifts to us in unexpected ways. The Christmas season is a reminder of the gift that God gives to us through his son Jesus. The prophet Micah gives Israel hope while they are under the threat of violence and oppression, sharing God's promise that from the insignificant and inconsequential town of Bethlehem will come the world's greatest blessing, who is Christ the Lord. When the Messiah, the Lord Jesus, comes, his greatness will span the entire world. The unexpected is what God does best!



Our kids can be just as stressed out as we are as their school year nears a pause for the holidays and they have to add in extra rehearsals for school music concerts, a church Christmas program, excitement for travel or family gatherings, and filling out that all-important gift wish-list. Why not help them [re]discover the real "reason for the season" — Jesus — with the help of some familiar friends known as *The Creators*? *The Creators Christmas Special* is a single 22-minute episode, but they're bound to enjoy it and maybe look up other adventures from this crew on **rightnow MEDIA** during the Christmas break. Don't worry, there is lots of wholesome content available and free of charge!

The Creators tells the story of a group of friends who join forces to create films that are "meaningful, virtuous, and good." In this episode, the creators embark on a journey to find the true meaning of Christmas which is found in the life of Jesus Christ. Enjoy this light-hearted children's series that will make your kids laugh and leave them with important truths to consider.

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~ *Pastor Cory*

MEMORIALS

Date	Memory/Honor of	Designation	From
12-Oct	Memory of Julie Kasten	Starfish	Les Heinrich
12-Oct	Memory of Melva Lou Tonne		DuWayne Jaskulke
12-Oct	Memory of Melva Lou Tonne		Michael & Becky Tonne
12-Oct	Memory of Ginny Riedesel		Bonnie Johnson
19-Oct	Memory of Ginny Riedesel		Cynthia Celander
19-Oct	Memory of Ginny Riedesel	Starfish	Marilyn Forstrom
19-Oct	Memory of Ginny Riedesel	Starfish	Joyce Jorgenson
19-Oct	Memory of Ginny Riedesel		Jane Kotewa
19-Oct	Memory of Ginny Riedesel		Sherry & John Larson
19-Oct	Memory of Ginny Riedesel		Joy & Lorin Pollock
19-Oct	Memory of Ginny Riedesel		Margo Weaver
19-Oct	Memory of Ginny Riedesel		Charles & Susan Riedesel
19-Oct	Memory of Ginny Riedesel		Julie Elliott
19-Oct	Memory of Melva Lou Tonne		Julie Elliott
19-Oct	Honor of Julie & Art Elliott's Anniversary		Margo Weaver
26-Oct	Honor of Dean & Donna Grotte Anniversary		Margo Weaver
2-Nov	Memory of Woody Woodward		Dolores Gronewald
2-Nov	Honor of Wanda Johnson	Blanket Sunday	Joy & Lorin Pollock
2-Nov	Honor of Draper's Anniversary		Margo Weaver
2-Nov	Memory of Allison Zoeller		Conrad & Lorie Zoeller



If you would like to provide treats and coffee after a church service, please sign up in the binder on the back table of the sanctuary. Please ask a hospitality board member (Terri Luetgers, Rebecca Lunz, Sherry Larson, Donna Grotte, Jon Neitzel or Tara Thedens) if you have any questions.

Hy-Vee & Fareway Report as of Report as of 16 November 2025

During the last 4 weeks, \$14,661.08 (7.33%) worth of Hy-Vee slips were received. After 49 weeks, Hy-Vee is at \$197,182.37 (98.59%) toward the 18th goal which is \$200,000 and maybe reached around the end of November 2025.

During the same time, \$2,237.96 (1.49%) worth of Fareway slips were received. After 136 weeks, Fareway is at \$146,021.8 (97.35%) toward our 5th \$150,000 goal. It will take another 4 to 8 weeks to reach the 5th \$150,000 goal.

Any Fairmont Fareway and Hy-Vee food store register slip or deliver pages can be used. Hy-Vee slips from Fast & Fresh (Gas), Caribou Coffee, Food Service, and Pharmacy can be used toward the goal. Thanks to all who are turning in their slips at church, mailing them to me or bring them to my house.

Reported by; Jim Bock



Let's Get to Know Our Church Family...

Question #15: What was your most memorable vacation or road trip?

Everett Hanning	Going west with our 3 kids to Black Hills, Crazy Horse, Utah, Salt Lake, different parks, Yellowstone, Devil's Rock, Old Faithful
Zach Ashland	Huntsville, Alabama
Dolores Gronewald	China & Near East
Sandi Smith	When I went to Mississippi & Louisiana to help rebuild after Katrina
Tim Campe	Nashville
Marcia Musser	Alaskan cruise 2018
Cheryl Ashland	Fred's Mountain with Greg and Zachary with snowball fight with Zachary at the summit on July 1st.
Cynthia Celander	When Robbin, Cathy & kids and I took Marabelle and Roger to Alaska for their 25th anniversary.
Kay Campe	Camping - Detroit to Niagara Falls to Philadelphia
Ellen Germain	All our vacations have been memorable. Our rule is it is not a trip unless you make a u-turn somewhere!
Carol Barrick	My family took 3 weeks and the 7 of us drove in a 1957 Buick pulling a camper that slept 6. My older sister or I had to take turns sleeping in the backseat of the Buick ALONE. Yellowstone, Glacier, World's Fair in Seattle, Oregon, California, Utah, Black Hills & home. 1959
Lela Hanning	Vacation in Arizona during winters
Margo Weaver	WW II veterans trip to Normandy beach and to a prisoner of war camp where my uncle was kept captive and later executed - also visiting the office where Anne Frank was hidden from the German Nazis as a teenage Jewish girl.
Randy Musser	Alaskan Cruise 2018
Pastor Cory	college spring break mountain biking in Moab, Utah with my best friend
BonnieSue Bennett	Camping trip with my Dad & sister through the Dakotas & Montana to Glacier National Park the summer before we moved away from our farm home to the Twin Cities
Jim Bock	I celebrated my fifth birthday while on a family vacation in Florida. We cried because my parents would not give me my little red wagon and fill it with sand and pull it home from Florida. Another vacation we took with my grandfather and uncle to Pikes Peak and I scolded some ladies for smoking.
Christina Hainy	Family vacation to Walt Disney World in 2010 when our kids were ages 6, 9 & 12. They asked when we could go back before we even left Florida!

**It's been fun learning more about our members this year!
Let's make 2026 a great year for our church family!**

MERRY CHRISTMAS



ELECTION SUNDAY is Sunday, December 14th
before worship in the sanctuary. We will be voting on officers and board
members for 2026. Come at 8:30 AM for breakfast in Heritage Hall.
The children's Christmas play, *Mice in the Manger*, written by Remi Shoen
will be performed that day as well!

ANNUAL REPORTS & ANNUAL MEETING:

Please submit annual reports to the church office by **December 19 or earlier if possible.** (Financial reports can be submitted ASAP in January.)

There is no separate newsletter for January. The Annual Report will be mailed instead to all members. Extra copies will be available in the office if you need one.

The Annual Meeting & Potluck will be on Sunday, January 25th in Heritage Hall
after worship.

December Partners in Ministry:

Diaconate: Sue Kruse

Usher: Germain

Readers:

7th: OPEN

14th: OPEN

21st: OPEN

24th: OPEN

28th: Ellen Germain

January Partners in Ministry:

Diaconate: Sue Kruse

Usher: Adams

Readers:

4th: Catherine Johnson

11th: Blakely Weber

18th: Amanda Forstrom

25th: Margo Weaver

CE NEWS:



Dec 14: Christmas Play: *Mice in the Manger*, written by Remi Shoen
 Dec 21: Christmas party during Sunday school
 Dec 28: NO Sunday school

MISSION MINUTE:

December Blessing Box: The Christmas Fund From the UCC website: “For more than 100 years, the Pension Boards-United Church of Christ (PBUCC) has been able to provide financial assistance to UCC pastors, church workers and their families thanks to congregations and individuals contributing to the fund... These monies are applied toward pension supplementation, health aid, emergency and monthly supplementation as well as various Christmas gifts.”

January Blessing Box: Kids Against Hunger The organization’s mission statement: “Kids Against Hunger is a non-profit humanitarian organization with a mission to provide fully nutritious food to impoverished children and families around the world...and around the corner. The goal of the organization is for the meals to provide a stable nutritional base from which recipient families can move their families from starvation or food insecurity to self-sufficiency.” Each one-cup serving provides one day’s complete nutrition. The annual food pack event in Martin County will take place on Saturday, February 7, 2026 at the Fairmont Armory. Our church is once again signed up to participate in this fun and fulfilling event. We will have opportunities to sign up for the team in early January 2026, so keep your eyes peeled if you’d like to participate in person.



Truman 3rd graders are collecting pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Pop tabs are great, but we can also use tabs off of soup cans, fruit lids, and adult beverages. We will be collecting until the end of March. The students have a pail in the back of the church to drop off any contributions. Last year our church contributed to the 158 pounds we delivered to Rochester!



Thank you, Lorie Zoeller, Dolores Gronewald, Marilyn Forstrom, Margo Weaver, and Kathy Jorgensen, for assembling the November newsletter!
-Christina

December Treats:

7th: OPEN (as of printing newsletter)
14th: OPEN (as of printing newsletter)
21st: Jon Neitzel (Hospitality Bd)
28th: Ellen Germain



January Treats:

4th: OPEN (as of printing newsletter)
11th: OPEN (as of printing newsletter)
18st: Terri Luetgers (Hospitality Bd)
25th: Annual Meeting/Potluck

YOU'RE INVITED TO THE

**COOKIE WALK,
BAKE & CRAFT SALE**

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
(OR UNTIL COOKIES ARE GONE!)

COOKIES ARE \$15/LB.

**FRIDAY
DECEMBER 5TH, 2025**

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Jon's serving up another:

**ALL-CHURCH
Breakfast**

**Election Sunday
Sunday, December 14th
8:30 - 9:30 AM
Heritage Hall**

Come and EAT!

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Community Carols Sing-Along

Everything from "Away in the Manger"
to "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer"

Sunday, December 7th at 2:00pm

Red Rock Center for the Arts

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Budget Meeting

Tuesday, December 2nd

5:30 PM Supper

6:00 Meeting

Heritage Hall

Promo Video:

Please send 10 second video clips of
church events to Abby Shoen,
abby.shoen43@gmail.com. Abby is
graciously planning to compile them
into a promotional video for our church!

December's

Free Community meal is on
Wednesday, December 17th.

(A change from the normal
last Wednesday of the
month!!)

Rural Action & Discussion
will be serving the food.
Menu to be decided.

January's

Free Community meal is on
Wednesday, January 28th.

Be watching the website,
fairmontucc.org,
and the church bulletins
for more details!



Cynthia Celander made this caramel crunch cake for the recent Progressive Dinner. The recipe can be found in [Feeding Our Flock](#). Enjoy!

Caramel Crunch Cake

By Cynthia Celander

Cake ingredients:

1 1/4 C. cake flour
1 1/2 C. sugar
6 egg yolks
1/4 C. water
1 T. lemon juice
1 tsp. vanilla
8 egg whites
1 tsp. cream of tartar
1 tsp. salt

“Crunch” topping ingredients:

1 1/2 C. sugar
1/4 C. coffee
1/4 C. white corn syrup
1 T. baking soda

Whipped cream ingredients:

2 C. heavy cream
2 T. –4 T. powdered sugar
2 tsp. vanilla

Cake instructions: Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Have ready a 10-inch angel food cake pan. Do not grease. Sift flour into a large mixing bowl and add 3/4 cup of the sugar. Add egg yolks, water, lemon juice, and vanilla; beat until smooth. In a separate bowl, beat the egg whites, cream of tartar, and salt until a fine foam is formed. Gradually beat in remaining sugar. Continue beating until meringue is firm and stands in stiff peaks. Fold flour mixture into egg whites. Do not stir. Gently spoon batter into pan. Cut through batter to take out air bubbles. Bake 50 to 55 minutes. Cool cake upside down.

“Crunch” topping instructions: Combine sugar, coffee, and corn syrup in a heavy saucepan. Bring to a boil and cook to 310 degrees (hard-crack stage) on a candy thermometer. Remove from heat and add baking soda. Stir vigorously until mixture thickens and pulls away from the side of the pan. Do not destroy foam. Pour quickly into an ungreased baking pan. Do not spread. Cool and crack out of pan. Place between 2 sheets of waxed paper and crush with a rolling pin.

Whipped cream instructions: Whip cream, sugar, and vanilla until stiff. (Tip: The cake frosts easier if you make 1 1/2 batches of the whipped cream.)

Remove cake from pan. Slice horizontally into 4 layers. Frost cake with whipped cream. Sprinkle topping between layers and on top of the cake.

This recipe makes a lovely, delicious cake for a light dessert.

December

January

Birthdays:

Dec 1 Skyler Weber
 Dec 2 Antonio Johnson
 Betty Jones
 Dec 3 Julie Thate
 Dec 6 Mackenzie Brummond
 Dec 7 Cynthia Celander
 Dec 10 Jenna McAlister
 Dec 11 Jonathon Meschke
 Dec 14 Jan Shaffer
 Kay Campe
 Christina Hainy
 Dec 15 Jacob Shoen
 Braden Grefe
 Tabitha Wayman
 Dec 17 Kim Shaffer
 Tim Huset
 Dec 20 Craig Nelson
 Trenton Jorgensen
 Dec 21 Izzy Cruz
 Dec 23 Caroline Olson
 Dec 24 Astrid Stich
 Dec 25 Gretchen Jorgensen
 Dec 26 Rev. Cory Germain
 Emma Hueper
 Dec 28 Cathy Celander
 Dec 29 Eric B. Johnson
 Dec 30 Destiny Massey
 Ellen Germain
 Tim Jones

Jan 1 Gina Jorgensen
 Jan 2 Matt Goerndt
 Jan 3 Ella Ziemer
 Curt Bicknase
 Jan 4 Mariah Garlick
 Jan 5 Kevin Kotewa
 Jan 6 Jim Draper
 James Norman
 Jan 7 Sherry Voyles
 Jan 10 Kristen Simpson
 Les Heinrich
 Jan 11 Illa Byers
 Jan 13 Larry Vogel
 Jan 14 Robert Thate
 Taylor Aukes
 Jan 15 Wade Rosen
 Jan 16 Amber Brummond
 Jan 19 John Norman
 Jan 24 David Cone
 Val Johnson
 Wendy Ziemer
 Jan 25 Bill Bittman
 Jan 27 Molly Meyer
 Nathan Christensen
 Aspen Jorgensen
 Nora Jorgensen
 Jan 28 Avery Madison Guritz
 Jan 29 Jerene Zwaschka
 Jan 30 Diane Neusch
 Susan Houghton
 Jeff Scholl

Anniversaries:

Dec 4	Don & Shelby Marks	43 yrs
Dec 7	John & Donna Holstine	62 yrs
Dec 9	Brian & Julie Thate	25 yrs
Dec 23	Robert & Diane Neusch	59 yrs
Dec 30	Lance & Jenny Willard	30 yrs



If your birthday or anniversary is not listed or is incorrect, please notify the church office.