

## WEEKLY CONNECTIONS

Growing together in grace and service

December 22, 2024 @ 10:15AM



IN PERSON



OR



Shiner Lutheran Facebook Page



Christmas Eve Tuesday December 24 @ 8:00PM

Join friends, family, and guests in a special Christmas Eve service that includes a steel guitar for a Country Gospel feel. Our tradition continues with lighting candles, singing Silent Night, and celebrating our Savior's birth. Come join us!



- For the next two weeks, most church activities will be taking a break. Worship continues as scheduled: Christmas Eve at 8:00PM, Sundays at 10:15AM, and Tuesday mornings at 10:00AM at Shiner Nursing and Rehabilitation. Pastor Chris will be taking his last vacation days with his family; Pastor Paul Kirchner will lead worship on Sunday December 29.
- During the next two weeks, church staff will be in the office to complete 2024 tasks, process both offerings and special end of year donations, and plan for 2025. Call 361-594-2345 or email shinerudml@att.net if you have any concerns, questions, or need pastoral care.
- Weekly Connections will not be published on Friday December 27. Look for the next edition on Friday January 3 which will highlight the restart of all our church activities.



Chancel flowers are provided by people who sign up to donate and dedicate arrangements. In most cases, the office will order the flowers at a reduced price of \$30 per arrangement, or \$60 for both arrangements. The 2025 sign up schedule with payment envelopes can be found in the Gathering Place. Following the Sunday worship service, donors may take their arrangements home.



Our congregation encourages daily home devotions by providing two quarterly booklets, both available in regular or large print. Pick up one or both booklets at the church entrances and begin the new year by taking a few moments each day to focus on your faith and blessings.



Time to pick up your 2025 offering envelopes in the Gathering Place. Questions? Check with the office or Financial Secretary Karen Vaughan.

## **UPDATES & INFORMATION**



Sun.	Dec 22	8:30AM 10:15AM	Coffee & Donuts FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Mon.	Dec 23		
Tues.	Dec 24	10:00AM 8:00PM	SNRC Devotions Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Wed.	Dec 25	All Day	Christmas Day Office Closed Pastor Chris begins vacation days
Thur.	Dec 26		
Fri.	Dec 27		
Sat.	Dec 28		
Sun.	Dec 29	10:15AM	CHRISTMAS 1 Pastor Paul Kirchner leads worship

For the coming weeks we remember in prayer these **Baptism Anniversaries**: 12/24 Debbie Grosenbacher; 12/25 Michael Becker; 12/26 Christy Fojt; 1/2 Brian Baker



Dring the next weeks we wish **Birthday Blessings** to: 12/21 Paisly Wallace; 12/23 Bridget Boedeker; 12/26 Bree Lara, Scott Fojt, Taylor Hajek; 12/27 Holly Heinsohn; 12/29 Jennifer Voges; 12/30 Kim Brown; 12/31 Austin Remmers; 1/1 Dalton Winkenwerder; 12/3 Ashley Hauptman, Brady Schlenker, Leroy Hewig, Sage Davis; 1/4 Pattye Hagens

We also will celebrate these **Wedding Anniversaries**: 12/27 A.J. & Sharon Jaks; 12/31 Pastor Chris & Gemayel Heinold

## PRAYERS FOR OUR LOVED ONES:

## **CURRENTLY REQUESTED FOR:**



Jeff Zimmerman, John & Betty Britsch, Rachael Dobson, Joanie Honigschmidt, Cindy Winkenwerder, Dianne Finger, Kevin Petrash, Gary Valis, Barbara Hybner, Fred Chumchal, Andrew Schacherl, Pastor Rosemarie Doucette, Mike Vaughan, Edward Kloesel, Brandon Siegel, Robert Bruns, Michael Miculka, Jeanette Kocian, Eunice Mae Boedeker, Luke Abrameit, Daniel Harabis, John Zavadil, Kevin Lamza, Brooke Rabke, Arlen Boedeker, Dalton Winkenwerder, Kirk Remmers, Kyle Auxier

**PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILY OF:** Virgie Barta Chumchal, member of the congregation, who died December 16, 2024.



We are nearing the close of the year. If you are planning any special end of year giving, please try to complete it by Monday December 30 so we can process it before the end of the year. Next month we will send out the annual giving statements for 2024.



Attendance: 12/8: 91 Online plays: 461

Offering & Gifts for week ending 12/8: General Fund: \$3,275.00 Building Fund: \$3,275,00

Weekly budget needs: General Fund: \$4,398.56 Building Fund: \$2,539.10

*Electronic Giving* will be shared at the end of the month.



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

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

**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.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY 10:00AM - 2:00PM