



# **Beaver Valley** **Lutheran Church** ELCA

Our Mission Statement: To GATHER as God's family, To GROW in Grace, To GO in Faith, Love & Service

**THE TIDINGS:** A monthly Newsletter for Family & Friends of Beaver Valley **December 2021**



**Christmas Eve  
Traditional  
Candlelight  
Service in  
Sanctuary at  
5:00 p.m.**



**Christmas Eve  
Outdoor  
Worship in the  
Pavilion at  
9:00 p.m.**

## **DECEMBER NEWSLETTER**

**First Sunday Evening Worship in Pavilion-Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 5:00pm**

**Women's Advent Bible Study & Coffee – Tuesday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm**

**Thursday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:00am -**

**Church Breakfast Potluck at church (Guest Chris Matson)**

**Church Council Meeting – Thursday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm**

**Christmas Music Festival – Sunday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am**

**Children's Christmas Program – Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am**

**Christmas Eve Services – Friday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 5:00pm & 9:00pm**

**Festival of Lessons & Carols – Sunday, December 26<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am**



## Christmas Is Coming (back)

One stanza from T. S. Elliot's poem, "Little Gidding" (a poem I shared in a sermon in November) keeps working on me and I share it again:

**We shall not cease from exploration  
And the end of all our exploring  
Will be to arrive where we started  
And know the place for the first time**

The sparkle in the eye of a child on Christmas Eve—the pure and innocent delight in the surprise of a gift unwrapped, for instance—is quite like the innocent surprise we are invited during Advent to anticipate will be ours when Jesus comes again...a second Christmas that will be like the first.

We have traveled through Advent many times before. This season with its call to abstain from materialistic foolishness; with John the Baptist's wild call to "repent" and turn toward the Savior coming; with an eye for the hurt in this world that we *can* do something about. Advent is a season not unlike Lent (which helps us get ready for the Easter promise)—we are getting ready for something great to come.

These December days, I invite you to involve yourselves in the life of our congregation with expectation. Our youth will be serving. Members of all ages will be performing music. Our youngest children will lead us in a traditional Christmas program that is intended to remind all of us of that first Christmas that is coming back again! Women will gather for bible study and fellowship. Men will share in the making of a hearty Thursday breakfast (as we welcome to Beaver Valley new Church on the Street Pastor Chris Matson.) Our Senior High youth will have the chance to go to a concert and enjoy a SDSU campus ministry college student ZOOMING into the youth room to talk faith.

And then the preparing will be done and Christmas will come again. On December 24<sup>th</sup>, Christmas Eve, we will worship at **5:00 p.m.** indoors (both upstairs and down in the fellowship hall set up for the full candlelight service) and at **9:00 p.m.** out in our Pavilion (bundle up and remember to bring a flashlight, and a rug or carpet piece to stand on). At both services, we will hear the reading of the Christmas story first from the Gospel of Luke and then, with candles being lit, the poetic birth story from the Gospel of John. We will hear of angels singing in the night sky of a Savior born for all the people. My prayer is that we can hear it together and be amazed at the promise of salvation, a promise that has been ours since our baptisms, but we can hear again as if for the first time.

Waiting with you,

Pastor Greg Johnson



**BEAVER VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH**

# CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

**Friday, December 24<sup>th</sup>**



**5:00 pm** Christmas Eve Traditional  
Candlelight Service in  
Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall

**9:00 pm** Christmas Eve Outdoor  
Worship in Pavilion





# December Highlights



## December 1<sup>st</sup>, Wednesdays, 6:45 p.m. – Confirmation

*After a Thanksgiving break, we will jump back into our work on the Ten Commandments. And we will get ready to serve coffee to the congregation on the 5<sup>th</sup>, and the Confirmation Choir will practice to sing on the 12<sup>th</sup>. Busy and good times!*



## December 1<sup>st</sup>, Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m. – Adult Choir

*This group of over twenty is working hard to be ready for the December 12<sup>th</sup> Christmas Music Festival. Thanks to Shelly Berg and Gingi Hanson for their talented leadership of this choir!*

## December 2<sup>nd</sup>, Thursday, 6:30 p.m. – Education Committee Meeting

*The work of continuing to build our “One Room School House” model of Sunday School is happening due to the leadership of this committee and our new Sunday School director, Brittany Gerovac. The Education Committee will be looking ahead to a December Christmas Program for our youth. The program will be the message for the morning on Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup>.*

## December 5<sup>th</sup>, Sunday, 5:00 p.m. – “First Sunday” Evening Worship in Pavilion



*Join us for First Sunday Evening Worship out in the Pavilion on December 5<sup>th</sup>. This short, half hour service will be a devotional version of the full hour long, in-the-sanctuary worship from that morning. Find your sweaters and jackets...we are going to run with this worship service as far into the winter as we can.*

## December 7<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday, 6:30pm – Women’s Advent Bible Study & coffee

*What a nice evening this will be. First, a time to gather for a brief bible study. How do we “wait well” during the season of Advent? Then time to just enjoy each other’s company and each other’s treats! Let’s try this, a potluck of desserts shared by those who bring. Remind one another and make this a festive, tables-full night!*



## December 9<sup>th</sup>, Thursday, 7:00 a.m. – Church potluck Breakfast at church with Guest Pastor Chris Matson from Church on the Street

*Please see the full article which follows. This special breakfast is hosted by the men for all adults from the congregation (women, come if you trust our cooking!). It will be a great time for many of us to introduce ourselves to Pastor Chris Matson who will be taking over the leadership of our partner in ministry, Church on the Street.*



## December 9<sup>th</sup>, Thursday, 7:00 p.m. – Church Council Meeting

*The council will meet to conduct monthly business on this second Thursday of December. Members of Beaver Valley are always welcome to sit in on these meetings. Any business or concerns that you would like to present to the council should be made known to church council president, Kevin Petterson, at any time.*



## December 12<sup>th</sup>, Sunday, 9:30 a.m. – Christmas Music Festival

*A morning where the music and the word is the message that leads us to Christmas! Invite your neighbors!*



## December 15<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, 5:00-7:00 p.m. – Confirmation Servant Night – Church on the Street

*All of the sweatshirts and blankets that we have gathered over the past weeks will be given out on this Church on the Street ministry night. The kids will be serving hot chocolate and gifting out blankets & sweatshirts.*





# December Highlights



## **December 15<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, 7:45 p.m. – Music & Worship Committee Meeting**

*This talented group will help give shape to the many and differing worship services during the month of December. Thanks to Gingi Hanson, Ruth Tieszen, Georgia Backer and Sylvia Benson for their month-in, month-out help with worship planning.*

## **December 19<sup>th</sup>, Sunday, 9:30 a.m. – Children’s Christmas Program**

*See Sunday School article. This program will allow our children to become the Christmas promise on this morning. Thank you parents and teacher volunteers for making this program happen.*



## **December 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday – No Confirmation – Christmas Break**

## **December 24<sup>th</sup>, Friday, 5:00pm –Christmas Eve Traditional Candlelight Service in Sanctuary**

*There will be the need for help in making a festive 5:00 p.m. and another 9:00 p.m. outdoor, Pavilion worship happen. For the 5:00 p.m., both the upstairs sanctuary and the downstairs fellowship hall will be ready for the full, candlelight service. For the 9:00 p.m., we will make every effort to gather outside and stand together to worship under the stars (last year’s outdoor service was memorable and now our inspiration.). If the weather is too severe, we will worship indoors.*



## **December 24<sup>th</sup>, Friday, 9:00pm – Christmas Eve Outdoor Worship in Pavilion**

*This will be a memory! The bonfire will be lit; the Pavilion decorated; caroling song sheets readied; the gospel of Luke, chapter 2 Christmas story to be read and preached on out under the stars. Invite friends, family, and neighbors!*



## **December 25<sup>th</sup>, Saturday – Merry Christmas!!**



## **December 26<sup>th</sup>, Sunday, 9:30 a.m. – Festival of Lessons & Carols**

*Come wearing a Christmas sweater if you like and hear the Good News read and sing select verses of many carols of the season.*



## **December 27<sup>th</sup>, Monday, Annual Reports Due**

## **December 30<sup>th</sup>—Thursday—Last day of the year for Financial Contributions**

*THANK YOU all for your support of God’s work in this place! Staff will check our PO Box 128 in Brandon, for end of the year gifts.*

The Media Team is continuing to look for volunteers to be a part of the rotation, there will be multiple opportunities for training when we have an idea of schedule availability. The recording and live streaming of the Sunday services is the work that may have the most visibility, however there are other ways to contribute creative ideas to our digital ministry and welcome the conversation.

The TV in the fellowship hall was recently updated to provide a better experience for the size of the room and planning for future needs. The main reason we chose to move forward with this update was to replace the TV in the back of the sanctuary, which was no longer working. Any questions, call Corey at 605-360-9751.

Thanks, Corey Maunu, Media Director

# Beaver Valley YOUTH

## Small Wonders Preschool



### December Schedule

(Mon, Wed, Fri Group) December 22<sup>nd</sup>  
– Christmas Party

December 23<sup>rd</sup> – January 2<sup>nd</sup> – No  
School - Christmas Break

(Tues, Thurs Group)

December 22<sup>nd</sup> – Christmas Party

December 23<sup>rd</sup> – January 2<sup>nd</sup> – No  
School - Christmas Break

This month the preschoolers focused on learning F,G,H & I. We have been working hard on letter sounds and signing our letters. We have had the best time playing outside, painting and playing with Play-Doh. The preschoolers are looking forward to singing in the Christmas Program with the Sunday Schoolers.



## Sunday School

We had a short, but fun November in Sunday School! The kids are all very excited for the Christmas Program. Many students brought home reading parts so please practice if you can. I still have 3 reading parts left if we have anybody that would like a reading part. On December 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, we will be practicing for the program and making Christmas ornaments. Our program is on December 19<sup>th</sup>, so please arrive by 9am that morning so we have time to get costumes on and run through some of the parts. Parents if you would like to help the Christmas Program please let me know.

Thank you,  
*Brittany Gerovac*  
Christian Ed. Director

### Sunday School Calendar December

December 5<sup>th</sup>- Practice for the Christmas Program/Make Christmas Ornament

December 12<sup>th</sup>- Practice for the Christmas Program/Make Christmas Ornament

December 19<sup>th</sup>- **Christmas Program**

December 26<sup>th</sup>- **No Sunday School**



# Beaver Valley YOUTH

## Confirmation



Confirmation kids continue to do a great job of showing up and learning on **Wednesday nights**. Thanks to our adult guides who share their time and faith with these kids as they lead the small group conversations. We have moved past learning about baptism and now are learning about the Ten Commandments—discovering the great freedom that is ours through Christ in the Law. In addition, **this class will hit the streets of Sioux Falls on Wednesday evening,**



**December 15<sup>th</sup> with Pastor Chris Matson, Church on the Street. They will give away sweatshirts and blankets to those most in need.**

Also, on Sunday mornings when there is Sunday School, our 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders will gather at 10:45 a.m. for youth group devotions, snacks, and sometimes service within the church. Thanks to caring adults who are taking turns in making this Sunday morning youth group/servant time happen! **This group will serve the coffee hour for the congregation on Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup>.**

**Also, a new confirmation music team is coming together! They will sing on Sunday, December 12<sup>th</sup> as part of the Christmas music festival during 9:30 am worship! Rehearsal will take place immediately after class on December 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.**

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## Sr. High



The Senior High youth are invited to meet each Sunday at 10:45am in the youth Room. At least once a month there will be a guest devotion leader in the new Window in the youth room. Plans are in place for a college student from SDSU's Lutheran campus ministry to lead our group in a morning chat on December 12<sup>th</sup>.

Two major trips are options for our Senior High in the summer of 2022. Commitments need to be made soon for those wanting to attend the National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis, MN and/or a backpacking trips led by college counselors out of Christikon Bible Camp, Billings Montana. **WE NEED COMMITMENTS** before the end of the year for either of these trips! Our goal is the same as always, to work with and through the congregation to raise at least ½ of the cost of these trips. Both will cost \$975. Sign-ups are in the Youth Room.



## Men's Breakfast, December 9<sup>th</sup>—Welcome Pastor Chris Matson!



On Thursday morning, December 9<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 a.m., the men of the congregation will put on a hearty meal for all adults of the congregation! (yep, women, you can come as well if you trust our cooking!)

On this special day, we will have the privilege of welcoming newly called, Pastor Chris Matson, who is taking over the reins of our partnership ministry, Church on the Street.

Men, it's a potluck. So, rolls, egg bakes, bacon and sausages, and toasters and whatever you want to bring to the kitchen. We will serve promptly at 7:00 a.m. and then enjoy some time hearing from Pastor Chris about her new start in a familiar ministry that has grown, in part, because of our congregation's six years of financial and spiritual support.

Men, let the office know (either call 582-3504 or email [bvlcmedia@alliancecom.net](mailto:bvlcmedia@alliancecom.net)) if you are contributing to the making of the breakfast buffet.



## Women's Advent Bible Study and Coffee Fellowship—December 7<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m.

“It would be good if we could just get together for some devotion time and then a chance to just talk” someone suggested. Not a bad idea at all! So, out of that request has come my offer to lead a women's bible study and then to finish the night at tables enjoying one another's company and one another's baking. Study at 6:30 p.m./Time for sharing around 7:00 p.m., head for home when you want.

The theme for the study is a familiar Advent topic: “**How do we wait well?**” as we live knowing that Jesus will come again. Bring your bibles if you like. Bring a plate of goodies to share if you like. Decaf coffee will be on. If you want an additional beverage to go with desserts, let the office know. Pastor Greg

## Women's Retreat at Swan Lake Christian Camp - January 6-9, 2022

Women's Retreat January 6-9, 2022 (option of arriving Thursday). Join women of BVLC and friends for a weekend of fellowship!!! We welcome anyone to join us for the weekend, meals provided, bedding and towels provided. Great sleeping accommodations, choose who you'd like to room with. Bring a board or card game, book to read, knitting, crochet, quilting, scrapbooking anything you'd like to work on for the weekend. We have supper on Friday evening, brunch & supper on Saturday and brunch on Sunday. We all bring snacks to share for the weekend and have a great time just relaxing and enjoying friendship with other women. If you're interested a \$50 check made out to Swan Lake Christian Camp given to Twyla Voldseth, call with any questions!!! 595-4772





December 2021



Let me first wish everyone a wondrous Season. Thanksgiving and Christmas will soon be here. Take time with family and find the meaning for you.

Beaver Valley hosted the WELCA conference. It was very well attended and stimulated conversation with our attendees about how we meet the needs of our women. Look for a January gathering to further explore our plans to include all women and members in our journey as a congregation.

On December the 7<sup>th</sup>, there will be a celebration of Advent at the Church at 6:30 pm. There will be treats and conversation. Please consider joining us to begin the Christmas Season on a positive note. More details will follow soon.

Lastly, let me wish each of you a wonderful Thanksgiving. Celebrating our families and friends.

Blessings,

Sue

## *Thank you!*

On behalf of the Church Council and the Cemetery Committee, we want to Thank you all for keeping the church grounds mowed and trimmed this year. All of your efforts were greatly appreciated. Thank you to: **Linda Dawley, Kate Brick, Dan Feeken, Dwayne Goblirsch, Isabell Larson, Dave Schnabel, Harley Drew, Mike Schacht, Kelly & Julie Wright Family, Michael Gross, Bruce Bonander, Cody Holz, Rick Bonander, Greg Johnson, Tom Wingate, Trevor Fender, Dale Hanson, Dan Hanson, Troy & Kathy Dawley, Dan & Tricia Steen**

Dear Beaver Valley Lutheran,

Thank you for being a vital part of our mission to feed the hungry. At the Brandon Area Food Pantry, serving those less fortunate is what we are about. Your gracious donation helps us to continue reaching out to individuals and families in need in the Brandon area. Again, thank you for supporting our mission and for providing needed resources to keep our pantry shelves stocked.

Sincerely, Linda Weber, Director at Brandon Area Food Pantry

Thank you ladies for being such great hostess for the Crossroads Fall Conference. We are so thankful to all of you helping us whenever we needed anything and serving the evening meal.

It was a beautiful evening and everyone enjoyed the Splitrock Church Basement ladies.

Bishop Constanze was excellent and the silent auction was successful. We have contributed \$2,363.00 to the LSS Campaign for Hope (Center for New American). God Bless you all! Crossroads Conference Board

To BVLC, Thank you for throwing the card shower for the 2021 graduates. I appreciate all of the nice gifts. Also, thank you for helping me grow in my faith! Thank you very much for the gift of money I really appreciate it!

- Drake Swenson

Pastor Greg, It's impossible for me to express how grateful I am for the beautiful committal graveside service you had for Miles – and of course for all of us. Thank you! I never imagined the service would be so beautiful with the homily, passages from the burial service and very personal. Thank you for making the service more than a committal service. It was very meaningful for us to sing “Oh What Joy.” Thank you for leading that. We felt so at peace there in the setting – and with your words. Came away with a sense of “It Is Well With My South.” Special ending with Morgan & Mason ringing the church bell – a final Amen!

–Arla Olson, Diane Postler,  
Lori Weimer, and Kris Haines

# Church Council

## November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021

**Attendees:** David Vanden Hull, Linda Wingate, Kevin Petterson, Brittany Gerovac, Corey Maunu, David Schnabel, Kathy Reisenweber, Bruce Bonander, Pastor Greg Johnson, Sue Johannsen & Rick Bonander

**Absent:** Harlene Drew, Stacy Soldatke, Michael Gross

**Call To Order:** Kevin Petterson; **Devotions and Treats:** Rick Bonander

**Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes:**

**MMSC: Motion to Approve October Minutes was made by Greg Johnson and Seconded by Kathy Reisenweber.**

**Motion carried**

**Approval of Treasurer's Report:**

**MMSC: Motion made by Sue Johannsen to table approval the October Treasurers report until the next Council Meeting due to the absence of the Treasurer Seconded by Linda Wingate. Motion Carried.**

**Motion carried. Treasurer's Report is available for viewing in the Church Office.**

- Committees are expected to have budget submitted for review at the December meeting.
- Expenses are higher, but that is partly because of the new website expense.
- Appears that offering are down approximately 5%.
- It will be important to challenge the congregation to consider stepping up in our support of the unified budget. Stacy has decided after 5 years to retire as the Treasurer. Life has gotten busy.

**New Business:**

- Brittany presented the idea of having an old fashioned fashion show sometime in the spring. Referred to committee.

## Committee Reports:

**Cemetery Committee:**

- On November 16<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00 will be a cleanup at the South Cemetery. All encouraged to come and help.
- Thanks to all the members on the mowing crew for keeping the Church grounds and cemeteries looking beautiful again this year.

**Church in Society:**

- 3 members participated in the Saint Dysmas chapel in October.

**Education and Youth Ministry:**

- Traditional Christmas Program is scheduled for December 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Middle Schoolers, grades 5-8, will meet on Sundays for devotions and discussions.
- In January parents in youth programs will receive a Youth Program Handbook.
- Children's Choir at Sunday Services has received numerous positive comments.

**Evangelism and Outreach:**

- New member discussion for spring classes.

**Media:**

- Corey is looking for people to help with Media, new TV down stairs, TV switched out in the back of the sanctuary.

**Personnel:**

- Searching for Treasurer is ongoing. Interviews will follow.
- Working on budget for 2022.

**Property:**

- Prairie Sons came and sealed the chimney to prevent water leaking back into Church.
- Dave:
  - Checked/caulked exposed areas on the roof.
  - Fixed security lights in the South Parking lot and on the west side of the church.
  - Trimmed trees
  - Noticed that the rubberized caulk on the concrete cap on the Church is cracking. Will seek bids to re-caulk.

**Stewardship:**

- Statement of Intent Cards and Time and Talent Sheets have been coming in.
- Will need a significant volume of statement of intent cards to properly budget for 2022.
- November 21<sup>st</sup> is the final, "Why Church", Sunday to receive both the Statement of Intent Cards as well as Time and Talent Sheets.

**Worship and Music:**

- December 12<sup>th</sup> a selection of music sung at previous Christmas Cantata's will be sung by both Children's and Adult Choirs. Pastor Greg will write the narrative.

**Beaver Valley Alive:**

- No Report

**Beaver Valley Churchmen:**

- Approximately 18 men met at Harlan's garage for breakfast and devotions, the theme was Love one another. During this time both Harlan and Linda thanked the Church for supporting them over the last two and half years during Tim's cancer treatments and passing.
- December 9<sup>th</sup> @ Church. Men will sponsor a potluck breakfast and invite the Church and Community to hear Chris Matson speak. Chris is the Pastor for Church on the Street.

**Beaver Valley Women:**

- Women's group will be reorganized to meet more diverse interests. Visioning meeting will take place in January of 2022.
- Feeding South Dakota and the Brandon Food Pantry each received \$880.00. Pictures were in the Brandon Valley Journey.

**Pastor's report:**

- Mental toll of Covid-19 and the importance of being together, importance of Pastoral care.
- Looking into Stephen's Ministry or a Befriender Program. Sue will give a detailed report on the difference between each program at the December meeting.
- Our need to support Bethany Home financially, "The Shelter of the Lord Campaign" an every household campaign...each member responds directly to the Bethany Foundation by November 21. Linda Jensen will give a temple talk to the congregation on November 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Senior High 2022 two summer options:
  - Christikon back packing-Billings, MT
  - National Youth Gathering-Minneapolis, MN
- Bethany Gala held-150 people attended the event.
- Tidings articles are being requested from committees. Provide a broader prospective for the reader.

- Stewardship In-gathering is critical this year. Need for increased participation needs + increased financial goals
- Christmas worship services will be:
  - 5:00 pm traditional candle light service
  - 9:00 pm outdoor service
- Eliminating seating requirement in every other pew. Fellowship Hall will remain open to participate in Services. Signs encouraging masks will remain in place.
- A more simplified Sabbatical for 2022. Not gone but the freedom to work on “I Send You”, no budget impact, 200+ hours needed to produce 45 videos, for large groups or in-person small groups: the goal to deeply engage members and non-members in bible study/devotion/spiritual renewal beginning in the fall of 2022.

**MMSC: Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dave Schnabel and Seconded by Bruce Bonander.**

**Motion Carried.**

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## **From the Church Council President**

Hi,

I want to thank all of you for supporting your Church and its ministry this year. I do not have to tell you how different and tough this year has been.

I have enjoyed seeing people come back to services on Sunday and to the outdoor Pavilion for worship. It has been a joy to hear the choirs sing, both adult and children's. Hearing the sermons also helps me. It really gives me reason to smile, and somedays I need that.

Your church is doing well all considered, you will be learning more on that as we head into the annual meeting in January.

We are heading into a beautiful time of the year with Christmas approaching. With all the things we see in everyday life I am ready for the joy in my life Christmas brings. Beaver Valley will be here to help you have your best Christmas too.

I want to remind you that if life is getting to be a lot for you, we are here for you. It only takes a simple call to Pastor, a note in the plate, a word to a friend. You have been here for us, we will be here for you.

It's great to see you back, it will be good to see you back when you can, Thank you for supporting our church

Blessings,

Kevin Petterson



WORSHIP LEADERS - DECEMBER - 2021

	DECEMBER 5	DECEMBER 12	DECEMBER 19	DECEMBER 26
Greeters Upper:	LeRoy & Virginia Pappenfus	Rachel Fender Jill Kiefer	Robert & Beverly Maxwell	Lowell & Mary Johnson
Greeters Lower:	Bruce & Lynne Bonander	Dan & Gingi Hanson	Lanny & Sylvia Benson	Kevin & Kim Petterson
Ushers:	Dale & Krista Hanson	Marvin Burkman Kelly Kruse	Joel Flier Dan Feeken	Emily Wright Kathy Reisenweber
Lectors:	Gary Parker	Will Kruse	Tricia Steen	Harlene Drew
Children's Sermon:	Bruce Bonander	Mary Lee	Beth Flier	Brittany Gerovac
Communion Preparers:	Jeannelle Yitagesu & family <b>Evening Worship at 5:00 pm</b> – Rick Bonander & Tammy Ford	NONE	Jeannelle Yitagesu & family	NONE
Communion Servers:	Linda Wingate Nancy Johnson Michael and Heidi Schacht	NONE	Mable Wilcox Winston Loman Rick & Christy Johnson	NONE
Communion Bread:	Angie Arndt	NONE	Angie Arndt	NONE
Nursery:	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE
Media:	Dan Feeken	Corey Maunu	Lucas Maunu	David Vanden Hull
Flags:	Gary Parker	Trevor Fender	Scott Rust	Ethan Wright
Church Bells	Marvin Burkman	Marvin Burkman	Marvin Burkman	Marvin Burkman
Offering Counting:	Sue Johannsen Kevin Backer	Dan Feeken Dale Hanson	Dave Schnabel Kelly Wright	Kevin Backer Marvin Burkman

**Note: If you are unable to serve on the date assigned or need to make changes to the schedule, please notify Bonnie Nelson at 605-582-2298 or call the church office at 582-3504 or swap dates with someone assigned to the same category. Thank you.**



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# BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MEMBERS AND  
FRIENDS OF B.V. ON THEIR SPECIAL DAY!**

Christy Nelson	12/2	Greg Johnson	12/16
Elizabeth Liedholt	12/3	Kyera Nelson	12/16
Joyce Anderson	12/4	Timothy (TJ) Law	12/18
Sonja Braucht	12/4	Jadyn Ramazani	12/18
Donna Dawley	12/4	(Knudson)	
Holly Olesen	12/4	Beverly Richert	12/18
Kelly Dreyer	12/5	Beth Flier	12/19
Kaylynn Erlandson	12/5	Alex McDonald	12/19
Hendrix Halbersma	12/5	Paul Sittig	12/19
LeRoy Pappenfus	12/5	Taylor Wegner	12/20
Judith Burkman	12/7	Wesley Christensen	12/21
Briella Guischer	12/7	Sara Kiefer	12/21
Mary Hanson	12/7	Angie Surdez	12/21
Sarah Prohl	12/8	Dashel Halbersma	12/22
Robert Maxwell	12/10	Isaac Hanson	12/22
Erik Hanson	12/11	Nicole Sitzmann	12/24
Gregg Holbrook	12/11	Matt Swenson	12/24
Sue Johannsen	12/11	Miranda Waldner	12/24
Grace Prohl	12/11	Mike Erickson	12/25
Lori Erickson	12/12	Mengistu Yitagesu	12/25
Tim Hanson	12/12	Cody Erickson	12/26
William Nelson	12/12	Tammy Ford	12/27
Zachary Nelson	12/12	Kasey Johnson	12/30
Cade Bobzien	12/14	Christy Johnson	12/31
Dan Hanson	12/14	Vivian Johnson	12/31
Mazie Petrik	12/14	Devin Swanson	12/31
Tamasine Clow	12/15	Mable Wilcox	12/31

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<b>5</b> <b>Second Sunday of Advent</b> 9:30a Worship with Holy Communion 10:30a Coffee Fellowship <b>10:30a Practice for the  Christmas Program/Make  Christmas Ornament</b> <b>5:00p First Sunday Evening  Worship with Holy  Communion</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 2:30p Internship Meeting 3:30p Pastor's Text Study <b>6:30p  Women's  Advent  Bible Study  &amp; Coffee</b>	<b>8</b> 6:45p Confirmation 7:00p Adult Choir Rehearsal	<b>9</b> 7:00a Church potluck Breakfast at church – Guest Pastor Chris Matson from Church on the Street 7:00p Church Council Meeting	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 10:30a ACOA <b>Adult Choir  Rehearsal</b>
<b>12</b> <b>Third Sunday of Advent</b> 9:30a Worship <b>09:30a Christmas Music  Festival</b> 10:30a Coffee Fellowship <b>10:30a Practice for the  Christmas Program/Make  Christmas Ornament</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 3:30p Pastor's Text Study	<b>15</b> 5-7pm Confirmation <b>Servant Night -  Church on the  Street – serving hot  chocolate &amp; gifting  out blankets &amp;  sweatshirts</b>  No Adult Choir 7:45p Music/Worship Committee Meeting	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 10:30a ACOA
<b>19</b> <b>Fourth Sunday of Advent</b> 9:30a Worship with Holy Communion <b>9:30a Children's Christmas  Program</b> 10:30a Coffee Fellowship	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Preschool Christmas Party 3:30p Pastor's Text Study	<b>22</b> Preschool Christmas Party  No Confirmation (Christmas Break)  No Adult Choir (Christmas Break)	<b>23</b> No Preschool (12/23-1/2) Christmas Break 4:00-9:00p Fellowship Hall Reserved	<b>24</b> <b>Christmas  Eve Services:</b> 5pm Sanctuary 9pm Outdoors in the Pavilion	<b>25</b> 
<b>26</b> 9:30a Worship / Festival of Lessons & Carols 10:30a Coffee Fellowship No Sunday School 4:00p Worship at Bethany	<b>27</b> <b>Annual  Reports  Due</b>	<b>28</b> 3:30p Pastor's Text Study	<b>29</b> No Confirmation (Christmas Break)  No Adult Choir (Christmas Break)	<b>30</b> Last day of the year for Financial Contributions	<b>31</b>	