

THE CROSS

December 3, 2023



COMFORT, COMFORT MY PEOPLE

SECOND SUNDAY
OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 3, 2023
8AM & 10AM WORSHIP

R&S MEAT SALE FUNDRAISER

PROCEEDS WILL SUPPORT THE YOUTH ATTENDING
THE 2024 ELCA YOUTH GATHERING

Order pick up
December 3
9am - 11am

*SUPPORT OUR
YOUTH*

**ORDER PICK
UP IS THIS
SUNDAY,
DECEMBER 3
9am-11am**

**LAST DAY TO
DONATE IS
THIS
SUNDAY,
DECEMBER 3**



DONATION DRIVE

BRING YOUR
DONATIONS
TO CHURCH
BY DECEMBER 3

Winter coats, hats/gloves/scarves
Children's & Adult sizes
3-in-1 Body Wash/shampoo/conditioner
Toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday December 3

8am - Worship

9am - Advent Study

9:15am - Sunday School-Meeting
Room upstairs

9:15am - Band Practice

9:15am - Bell Choir Practice

10am - Worship

11am - Band Practice

11am - Sunday School Teacher
Meeting-Youth Lounge

1pm - Recital

6pm - Youth Night-ELCA Focus

Tuesday December 5

6pm - Band Practice

Wednesday December 6

6:30pm - Advent Study

Thursday December 7

9am-3pm - Peaceful Quilters

Sunday December 10

8am - Worship

9am - Advent Study

9:15am - Band Practice

9:15am Bell Choir Practice

9:15am - Sunday School - Meeting
Room Upstairs

10am - Worship

11am - 30's-40's Women & Wine
Sunday-Meeting Room

11am - Band Practice

6pm - Youth Night

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

the Miritz family as they mourn the passing of Dr. Melvin Miritz.

Darwin Behlke for healing following triple bypass surgery.

Andrea Anderson for healing following minor surgery.

Our members facing long term health concerns: Bob Modrow, Mary Sporer, Myrna & Jim DeCamp, Shirley Alton, and Mark Wanggaard.

UPCOMING WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

December 3 - 8am

Worship Asst: Stacey Robe

Ushers: Joe Kiemen,
Grace Holm

Communion Asst: Grace Holm

December 3 - 10am

Worship Asst: Stacey Robe

Ushers: Aaron Kozlik,
Connie Gardner

Communion Asst:
Kim & Chris Mohalley

Power Point Tech:
Carol Gavigan

Sound Tech:

Andy Anderson

Livestream Tech:
Gayle Wint

December 10 - 8am

Worship Asst: Jeff Wunderle

Ushers: Joe Kiemen,
Grace Holm

Communion Asst: Grace Holm

December 10 - 10am

Worship Asst: Jeff Wunderle

Ushers: Steve Dues,
Colin McKenna

Communion Asst:
Sandy & Jim Georgeson

Power Point Tech:
Jakob Mohalley

Sound Tech:

Chuck Petrach

Livestream Tech:
Zeke Petrach

ADVENT STUDY DECEMBER 3 & 6



The 2nd session of the Advent Study is this **Sunday, December 3 at 9am** and also **Wednesday, December 6 at 6:30pm.**

BIBLE STUDY RESOURCES

Preaching Text: *Isaiah 40:1-11*

An Introduction to Isaiah:

<https://enterthebible.org/courses/isaiah>

Bible Project-Isaiah:

<https://enterthebible.org/courses/jeremiah/lessons/outline-of-jeremiah>

Professor Michael Chan's Commentary on Isaiah 40:

<https://www.workingpreacher.org/podcasts/wp-books-001-walter-brueggemann-preaching-jeremiah>

Bible Project Advent Series:

<https://bibleproject.com/explore/category/advent-series/>

SEW & SEWS IN NEED OF SHEETS

The Sew & Sews are in need of bed sheets for their quilts. They can be any size and either regular or flannel sheets. Light weight blankets will also work. You can bring your donations to the office.



30'S-40'S WOMEN & WINE SUNDAY


Join us **Sunday, December 10 after the 10am service** in the meeting room to fellowship with other women and enjoy some wine! Please bring a bottle to sample and share, and a cheese, fruit or meat to add to the charcuterie. Non-alcohol options will also be available and are welcome.

Need someone to watch the kids? Members of the youth group will be available to babysit and will be accepting donations to go towards their ELCA youth trip.

Questions? Contact Nicci D'Amour at 262-994-8824 or Gayle Wint at 574-265-4847.

SANTA TO A SENIOR

It's that time again to be a Santa to a Senior! Please read the instructions carefully. **All tags need to be signed out on the sheet on the table next to the tree.** All gifts are due back **wrapped** with the tag taped to them by December 11, **not** December 15 like the tags say.

	SANTA TO A SENIOR
RETURN THE GIFTS BY DECEMBER 11 (THE TAGS SAY DEC. 15 BUT THEY NEED TO BE BACK BY DEC. 11)	BRING JOY TO A SENIOR CITIZEN THIS HOLIDAY SEASON! <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Choose a tag(s)2. Sign out the tag on the sheet3. Go shopping4. Return the gift wrapped with the tag taped on the gift.5. Return the gifts by December 11

PRIME TIMERS CHRISTMAS CAROLING

Come caroling with the Prime Timers on **Tuesday, December 12! Meet in the church parking lot at 1pm.** Refreshments will be served after caroling at the home of the Manteyes at 4512 Thomas Street.

CHECK OUT OUR CHRISTMAS BOOK DISPLAY IN THE GATHERING AREA.
ALL THE BOOKS ARE FROM OUR LCR LIBRARY.

CHRISTMAS BOOKS

Did you know that our church library has a great selection of Christmas books for everyone? There will be a table in the gathering area displaying a sampling for you to check out.

Between services, someone will be there to help you decide on the perfect book. We urge you to check out more books in the church library!



DECEMBER 17 EVENTS

9:30am - One Service Sunday
including the Children's Christmas program



ADVENT BIBLE STUDY, 8:30AM, LOCATION TBD

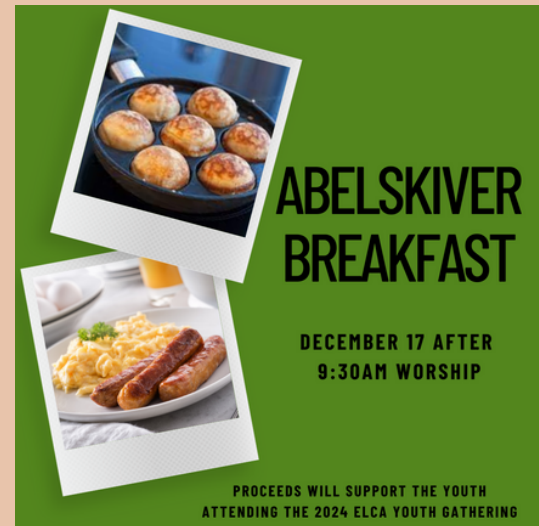
COOKIE WALK DECEMBER 17

COOKIE WALK

Calling all bakers! We are in need of cookie donations. **Cookies can be dropped off on Saturday, December 16 from 9am-11am.** Please watch for future announcements for the the time of the Cookie Walk. If you have any questions please contact the office. Proceeds go to the youth attending the 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering.

ABELSKIVER BREAKFAST

The breakfast will be after the 9:30am service and will feature abelskivers, eggs and sausage. Tickets will be available December 3 & 10 or in the church office November 27 - December 11 during office hours. Tickets in advance are \$5 for adults and kids under 18 are free. A limited amount of tickets will be available the day of for \$8. **Volunteers are needed to make abelskivers, eggs & sausage, serve and clean up. Please call the office to let us know how you can help. Proceeds go to the youth!**



COMMUNITY MEAL

Volunteers are needed to help from 1pm-4pm to cook, package, clean up & transport meals. **Donations are needed for desserts. We are also accepting monetary donations because the main course and sides will be provided by the Community Meal Fund.** Please watch for the Flocknote email to sign up or call the church office.





**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED
DECORATE LAST SUNDAY!
JOIN US SUNDAY FOR WORSHIP TO SEE
THE FINISHED PROJECT!!**

Happy Birthday!

12/1	Eric Gardner	12/6	Dylan Israel
12/1	Barb Sharpe	12/6	Melissa Mohrbacher
12/2	Jeff VanderLeest	12/7	Glenn Hansen
12/3	Ruth Johnson	12/8	Lindsay Brennan
12/3	Louis Mako	12/8	Collin Vanderhoef
12/4	Betty Bidstrup	12/11	Nicci D'Amour
12/4	John Mantey	12/13	Dan Pederson
12/5	Jan Gilbertson	12/16	MaryAnn Blickle
12/5	Rachel Petrach	12/16	John Israel
12/6	Trenton Baylor	12/16	Dawn Jacobson

Happy Anniversary!

12/3	Kim & Bill Jensen	46
12/13	DeAnn & Jason Bliss	9

SCRIP CARDS ARE AVAILABLE

Christmas will be here before you know it! Gift cards are always a great stocking stuffer or also the best gift. Scrip cards are available for purchase on Sunday mornings. We ask at this time you pay only by check and make it out to LCR Scrip. If you have any questions contact Danielle at 262-989-1999.



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EVENTS IN OUR COMMUNITY



SIGN-UP TODAY!
VOLUNTEER BELL RINGERS

DOING
THE MOST
GOOD



BELL RINGING SEASON IS COMING!

November 10 – December 23, 2023

Three ways to sign up:

Schedule online at: www.RegistertoRing.com

Email: uscracine@usc.salvationarmy.org

Phone: 262-632-3147 ext. 116

Your volunteer time helps us feed
1200 children & 50 families each week!

Night of Worship

ELCA Outreach Center

Night of Worship

Sunday, December 10, 2023

Soup Supper at 5:00pm

Worship at 6:00pm

Lord of Life Lutheran Church

5601 Washington Rd.

*Sponsored by Lord of Life and
Spirit Alive! Churches*

**PURCHASE
TICKETS
TODAY**



JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL BANQUET

Featuring a wine pull and operational buckets!

December 3 | 4 p.m.

Preservation Hall | 740 Lake Ave

\$60 PER PERSON
\$480 FOR A TABLE OF 8

SPEAKER

JOHN TATE II

VIOLENCE PREVENTION
MANAGER CITY OF RACINE

**MUSIC BY
RICKY NEIL**

Reserve your ticket today: bit.ly/2023annualbanquet
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