



THE CROSS

December 10, 2023

RETURN FROM EXILE AND REBUILDING THE TEMPLE

THIRD SUNDAY
OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 10, 2023
8AM & 10AM WORSHIP



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

**GIFTS ARE
DUE BACK
DECEMBER 11**

**PLEASE WRAP
THE GIFTS
AND ATTACH
THE TAG**



**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE
WHO WILL BRING JOY TO A
SENIOR CITIZEN THIS
HOLIDAY SEASON!**

UPCOMING EVENTS

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 - Women & Wine Sunday-
Meeting Room

6pm - Youth Night

Tuesday December 12

8am-11am - Sew & Sews

1pm - Prime Timers Christmas
Caroling

6:30pm - Worship Committee
Meeting

Wednesday December 13

6:30pm - Advent Study

Saturday December 16

9am-11am - Cookie Walk Drop Off

9:30am - Band Practice

Sunday December 17

8:30am - Advent Study

8:30am - Band Practice

9am - Sunday School-Meeting
Room upstairs

9:30am - Worship

10:30am - Abelskiver Breakfast &
Cookie Walk

10:30am - Band Practice

1pm-4pm - Community Meal Prep
& Packaging

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Barb Vallone and her family as they mourn the passing of her husband Chuck.

Darwin Behlke for healing following triple bypass surgery.

Andrea Anderson for healing following minor surgery.

Jill Schwartz who continues to face health concerns.

Deb, Marcella & Steve all facing health concerns.

UPCOMING WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

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:
Danielle Smith, Lori Wernicke

Power Point Tech:

Jakob Mohalley

Sound Tech:

Chuck Petrach

Livestream Tech:

Zeke Petrach

December 17 - 9:30am

Worship Asst:

Leah Krueger/The Youth

Ushers: Valerie Nance,
Joyce Christopherson

Communion Asst:

Gayle & Jon Wint

Power Point Tech:

Maddie Baumgardt

Sound Tech:

Chuck Petrach

Livestream Tech:

Jakob Mohalley

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

ADVENT STUDY DECEMBER 10 & 13



The 3rd session of the Advent Study is this **Sunday, December 10 at 9am** and also **Wednesday, December 13 at 6:30pm.**

BIBLE STUDY RESOURCES

Preaching Text: *Ezra 1:1-4; 3:1-4, 10-13*

An introduction to Ezra:

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

Bible Project-Ezra: **Bible Project-Isaiah:**

<https://bibleproject.com/explore/video/ezra-nehemiah/>

Professor Rachel Wren's Commentary on Ezra:

<https://www.workingpreacher.org/commentaries/narrative-lectionary/rebuilding-the-temple-2/commentary-on-ezra-11-4-31-4-10-13-2>

Bible Project Advent Series:

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

A BIG THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO GENEROUSLY DONATED COATS, HATS, GLOVES AND PERSONAL HYGIENE ITEMS TO WENDY'S DONATION DRIVE FOR LIFE NAVIGATORS!

STOCKING STUFFER!

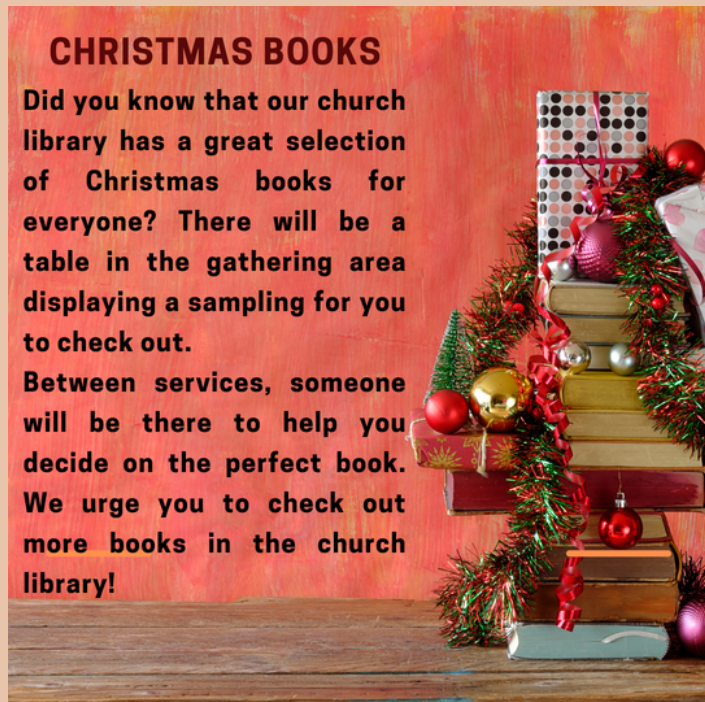
If you are looking for a great stocking stuffer, look no further! Help yourself to one(or two or three) of the LCR cookbooks written by women from LCR. You can find them on the coffee bar in the Gathering Area.



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 Mantey's at 4512 Thomas Street.

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



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 church office.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR OUR EVENTS ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

Abelskiver Breakfast - We need volunteers to help make the breakfast, set up and clean up. Please contact the church office if you are interested.

Community Meal - We need volunteers to help make and package the meals. Volunteers are needed from 1pm-4pm. Please sign up in the Flocknote email you received or call the church office.

DECEMBER 17 EVENTS

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



ADVENT BIBLE STUDY, 8:30AM, LOCATION TBD

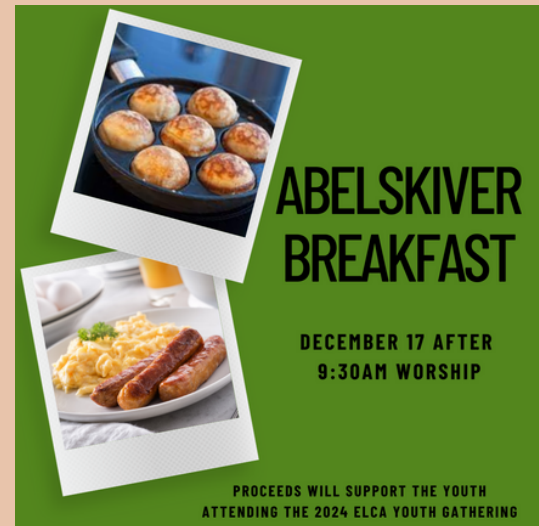
COOKIE WALK DECEMBER 17

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.

2024 OFFERING ENVELOPES

2024 offering envelopes are now available in the Gathering Area. Not everyone receives offering envelopes **BUT** that doesn't mean your contributions are not recorded. If an individual gives once a year, once a month, or gives on-line, then envelopes are not necessary or cost effective. If you do not receive envelopes and give by check, your name on your check will be sufficient to record your offering. If you give cash, please place it in a regular envelope with your name on it. There are offering envelopes available in the pews. All "active members" have their offering recorded and will receive statements of their giving. If you are not sure if you are an "active member" or you did not receive envelopes and feel you should have, please contact Cheryl in the church office.

Happy Birthday!

12/8	Lindsay Brennan	12/17	Charlotte Nelson
12/8	Collin Vanderhoef	12/17	Lisa Sell
12/11	Nicci D'Amour	12/18	Kris Fritz
12/13	Dan Pederson	12/19	Carl Erickson
12/16	MaryAnn Blickle	12/20	Tony Baumgardt
12/16	John Israel	12/23	Pat Klein
12/16	Dawn Jacobson	12/23	Morgan Rosemann
12/17	Neil Honsberger		

Happy Anniversary!

12/13

DeAnn & Jason Bliss

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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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