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**Mission Statement
Gathered. Renewed. Sent**


**We are:
Gathered by the Spirit.
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Sent to Serve**

January, 2025 Newsletter for Wilson Lutheran Church



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Now in that same region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.

—Luke 2:8-9

True and lasting joy

Night. A liminal time. A time when God sends messages and messengers to mortals. A time when nocturnal predators are active. A time when, while the world is asleep, greater vigilance is required of those who keep watch.

And here are these shepherds. Except for Mary and Joseph, they were the first to learn of Jesus' birth. Shepherds figure prominently in Scripture as metaphors for faithful leaders, good kings, compassionate and brave. David was a shepherd boy called into God's service. Jesus declared himself to be the Good Shepherd. But in actuality, shepherding was hard and dangerous work, and shepherds were not considered to be among the elite in society. Shepherds were an out-of-bounds people, living outside of the city, and a little suspect. Why would the news of the birth of the king be announced to them?

What about Bethlehem? The prophet Micah called Bethlehem "one of the little clans of Judah" (Micah 5:2). Even today, Bethlehem would not be counted among the world's great cities. In 1950, Christians made up 86% of the population. Now they are under 10%. Its economy is based on tourism, which has been decimated by the current conflict. Bethlehem is in the occupied West Bank, in a war zone.

To these terrified shepherds, literally sitting in the dark outside of Bethlehem, an obscure town in an occupied province of the Roman Empire, God chose to reveal the birth of the Messiah. What on earth was God thinking? Why not in Jerusalem? Why not in Herod's palace? Why not in Rome, where the emperor claimed to be *soter*, "savior"?

How does the angels' announcement of the birth of the Messiah sound to people living in obscure places, far from the centers of power, in indescribably difficult circumstances today? To those living in Gaza and Ukraine, in Sudan, in the homes of immigrants in this country who fear deportation? To starving children here and across the globe? How dare we wish them "Merry Christmas"?

"But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid, for see, I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord'" (Luke 2:10-11). Joy. Not happiness that is transient and human-made, but joy, given by God, that is deep and strong and unshakable.

Joy is a sign of the reign of God. The root word for "joy" in Greek is the same as that for "grace." "Gift" also comes from the same root, as does "thanks." All of this points to the nature of true joy. It is gift. It is grace. It is thanksgiving. Our word "eucharist," a name for Holy Communion, ties this all together in the sacrament where Jesus' body is broken for us and Jesus' blood is poured out for us. In the eucharist, Christ invades us with God's joy. We are intimately connected to the source of joy and grace in this gift.

Perhaps that is why, in the middle of the night, to terrified shepherds outside of a small town, God chose to send the angels to announce the birth of Jesus. No distraction. No interference. Just the simple, deep, profound gift of true and lasting joy. A joy that comes from God, from the essence of God, depending only on God, that no earthly power can take away.



The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton
Presiding Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America



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PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

January 2025 – Season of Epiphany

The Season of Epiphany lasts four to nine weeks, from the Feast of the Epiphany (Jan. 6) through the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday. The length of the season varies according to the date of Easter. The gospel stories of this season describe various events that manifest the divinity of Jesus. The coming of the Magi is celebrated on the Epiphany. The Baptism of our Lord is observed on the Sunday after Epiphany. The gospels for the other Sundays of the Epiphany season describe the wedding at Cana, the calling of the disciples, and various miracles and teachings of Jesus. The last Sunday after Epiphany is always devoted to the Transfiguration. Jesus' identity, as the Son of God is dramatically revealed in the Transfiguration gospel.

Sunday, January 5 – Christmas 2

- ❖ Liturgy: Evangelical Lutheran Worship
- ❖ Color: White
- ❖ Holy Communion
- ❖ Readings: Jeremiah 31:7-14; Psalm 147:12-20; Ephesians 1:3-14
- ❖ Holy Gospel: John 1:1-18: John begins his gospel with this prologue: a hymn to the Word through whom all things were created. This Word became flesh and brought grace and truth to the world.

In the festival of the Baptism of Our Lord we rejoice “in God’s blessing. We recall and celebrate our adoption as God’s children, the gift of the Holy Spirit, and the promised company of almighty God when we pass “pass through the waters . . . the rivers . . . fire.” On this day the heavens open again for this assembly and we receive the gift of God’s Beloved, Jesus, in bread and wine.” *Sundays and Seasons Year C 2025, Augsburg Fortress.*

Sunday, January 12 – Baptism of Our Lord

- ❖ Liturgy: Evangelical Lutheran Worship
- ❖ Color: White
- ❖ Holy Communion
- ❖ Readings: Isaiah 43:1-7; Psalm 29; Acts 8:14-17
- ❖ Holy Gospel: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22: The reading opens with questions about the identity of the Messiah. John the Baptist insists that he is not the Messiah; instead he points ahead to one who is coming. And whether the voice of God was heard by all or only by Jesus, God settles the matter: Jesus is God's beloved Son.

Sunday, January 19 – Epiphany 2

- ❖ Liturgy: Evangelical Lutheran Worship
- ❖ Color: Green
- ❖ Holy Communion
- ❖ Readings: Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalm 36:5-10; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11
- ❖ Holy Gospel: John 2:1-11: Turning water to wine at the wedding at Cana is described as the first of Jesus' signs. Through many such epiphanies, Jesus reveals that he bears God's creative power and joyful presence into the world.

Sunday, January 26 – Epiphany 3

- ❖ Liturgy: Evangelical Lutheran Worship
- ❖ Color: Green
- ❖ Readings: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10; Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a
- ❖ Holy Gospel: Luke 4:14-21: Near the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, he visits his hometown of Nazareth. In the words of Isaiah, he states and claims his identity, purpose, and mission.

MISSION STATEMENT

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Pastor's Office Hours: Pastor Bob may be reached at the church office, 715-772-3150, Wednesday through Friday, and Saturday morning. In the event of an emergency or hospitalization, he can be reached at 612-270-3838 (cell), or by email at PastorBob@wwt.net.

W/ELCA Meetings: The next regular WELCA meeting will be held Thursday, December 12, beginning with the bible study at 9:30 a.m. The bible study is open to all members – men and women – of the congregation and friends. Monthly WELCA meetings are held the second Thursday of each month, immediately following the bible study. All women of the church are invited to attend.

Wilson Lutheran Church

W/ELCA December 12, 2024 Meeting Minutes

There are no minutes from the December meeting due to the lack of a quorum. The next meeting will be Thursday, January 9 following the bible study.

Wilson Lutheran Church Council Meeting Highlights – December 12, 2024

- Pastor Bob gave an update on his health.
- Becky Danielson will preside over worship on the first Sunday in January. Pastor Rex will preside over communion that day.
- The estimate for replacing the front doors has been received. The council voted to approve the estimate and proceed with replacement of the doors.
- 5 new members have requested membership. New membership Sunday will be held Sunday December 15, 2024.
- Mary Brandt has provided a letter of retirement effective at the end of January 2025.
- The 2025 proposed budget was reviewed and will be presented at the annual meeting for the congregation to review.

Food Pantry Support: Thank you for your continuing support of our hunger ministry. Your contributions are making a difference. December contributions went to Spring Valley. January contributions will go to Elmwood.

We continue to hear about the increase in the number of families using food shelf programs. Plus the elimination of federal food share programs has impacted our senior citizens and those with disabilities, which means local food shelves are in even greater need of our support. Please remember our neighbors in need. Your contributions to the food pantry box in the narthex are making a real-world difference in the lives of others.

Tuesday Community Supper: St. Mary's Church will be serving the Tuesday Community Supper from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 7th in the Fellowship Hall at Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Baldwin. The menu is: Pork Loin, Stuffing, Green Beans and Dessert Bar.

The Tuesday Community Supper is served the first Tuesday of the month at Gethsemane Lutheran, 1350 Florence Street, Baldwin, Wisconsin. This is a free meal open to anyone in the community. Area churches, businesses and organizations take turns preparing and serving good nutritious food.

ACOLYTE and READER SCHEDULE

Month	Date	Acolyte	Reader
January			
	5	Aran	DeeAnn Rambo
<i>Baptism of Our Lord</i>	12	Maggie	Kathy Borton
	19	Aran	Janet Brandt
	26		Doug Faber
February			
	2	Maggie	Ginny Overland
	9		Darren Peterson
	16	Aran	Dean Rambo
	23		Jes Lamb

ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP

Month	Altar Care	Communion Assistant	Ushers	Sundays
January	Sue Timm	Peggy Timm	Help Needed	4 Sundays
February	Help Needed	Help Needed	Help Needed	4 Sundays

Please check the clipboards on the table in the narthex for months still needing your help. If you're unable to serve the entire month, perhaps you could share the Sundays with another person? Please let Pastor Bob know if you are able to help, or sign up on the sheets in the narthex.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays				Anniversaries	
Jan 5	Kayden Stahl	Jan 14	Vicki Glampe	Jan 9	Scott & Kathy Borton
Jan 6	Doug Brandt	Jan 14	Kamdyn Stahl	Jan 13	Ken & Pam Finder
Jan 9	Roxann Peterson	Jan 14	Kathy Borton		
Jan 10	Flossie Hughes	Jan 21	Chris Blegen		
Jan 13	Eric Eidem	Jan 23	Jill Menk		
Jan 13	Barb Kronholm	Jan 23	Jimmy Brandvold		

UPCOMING EVENTS – 2025

DATE	Time	EVENT
January 12	9:00 a.m.	Easton Kerr Baptism
January 18	1:30 p.m.	Steve Slotvig / Lola Scott Wedding
January 19	9:00 a.m.	Church Secretary Installation
January 26	9:00 a.m.	Faber Baptism
February	9:00 a.m.	Mary Brandt Sending and Blessing

Blood Drive: American Red Cross is holding a blood drive at Zion Lutheran Church, 221 N. Lockwood St., Woodville on Friday, January 10, 2025 from 11:00am to 5:00pm. To schedule an appointment call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767), or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter "Zion Lutheran Church" in the search box.

NEW MEMBERS

Five new members were received during November and December. From left to right, they are: Steve Slottevig, Lola Scott, Renee LaGrander, and Peggy and Dean Schramm. Welcome to the "Wilson Family".



Virtual Poinsettia Donations: Thanks to everyone who purchased virtual poinsettias this year. A total of 66 were purchased, providing \$132 for each of the five food pantries we support: Baldwin, Elmwood, Glenwood City, Spring Valley and Woodville. Your generosity will make a difference to our neighbors in need.

2024 VIRTUAL POISETTIA DONATIONS

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Lamb/Stahl Family

Chuck Lamb
Alice Bennett
Don & Frances Gunderson
Merton & Louise Lamb
Noah Lamb

Louanne Anderson

Rebecca Bright
Gary Anderson
Susan Dahm

Lauren & Gavin Marty
Mark Anderson
Pastor Dahm

Scott & Kathy Borton

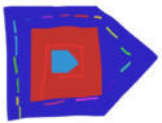
Parents & Grandparents

Rex & Janet Brandt

Carl Hunt
Ralph & Lucille Brandt
Roger Brandt

Duane & Pat Butler	Louise Pinch Richard C Butler Clarence & Helen Jacobson	
Mike & Sherry Ellefson	Lloyd Ellefson Erling Moldenhauer	Our Grandson Cam
Dave & Linda Powers	Marilyn Hoyt Dick & Judy Powers	
Dean & Linda Rambo	Our Parents & Brothers	Pastor Bob Our Friend Mary
Thompson Family	Galen Thompson Nellie Thompson	
Doug & Mary Brandt	Ralph & Lucille and Roger Brandt Frank & Fern Olsen and John Olsen Ben & Mabel Christianson Tom & Marjorie Wheeler	
David & Diane Gedatus	John & Alice Slottevig	
Jerry & Vickie Glampe	Avis & Harry Glampe Mary Overby Arlis & Bud, Todd, Julie, and Mark Timm Cam Stasiek	
Dean & Sue Timm	Junior & Elaine Timm Brian & Beverly Kirby	
Peggy Timm	Mark Timm Cam Stasiek Larry Wyss Carl & Marion Wyss	
Bob Dahm	Susan Dahm Robert F & Vera Dahm Ron Dahm Fred & Eva Warland Jeff Warland Robin Messick	
Jan Timm	Dennis "Denver" Timm Bob Larson Dorothy Larson	

	Carolyn Schmidt	
Charles & Sharon Bowell	Our Parents	Our Children
Tracy Davis		To the Glory of God
Leroy & Karen Esanbock	Ole & Inga Oare Rosena Hendrickson	
John & Ginny Overland	Our Parents	
Deb Tolvanen	Louis Tolvanen Timothy Monio	
Don & Junalee Hogenson	Dorothy & Ernest Moe Dale & Loreen Moe Donnalee Danovsky Henry & Mary Hogenson Arlene Dobbs Dorothy Hogenson	
Barb Knopps	Herb & Esther Krueger Lynn Lahti Harry & Nellie Thompson	Dana Lahti Mary Kay & Chad McVey Kari & Levi Lentz Terry Knopps & Adam Murphy Connor & Dakota McVey & Baby Boy Abby Lentz & Kora Lentz
Lola Scott	David Lorisin	
Charlie & Sue Ross	Bob & Betty Brandvold Oscar & Dorothy Brandvold	
Kerry & Jamie Wittmer, Mitchell, Lydia & Mark	Lester & Bernice Jensen John & Rochelle Painter Eugene Anderson Bob Hughes Pat Anderson	
Leslie Larson	Karen Larson Richie Larson	



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JANUARY 2025

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
		01 Office Closed for New Year's Day	02 1:30PM Coffee & Conversation	03 9:30AM Strong Bodies
06 Office Closed Mondays	07 9:30AM Strong Bodies 12:30PM Music at Valley Villas	08 1PM Monthly Birthday Celebration	09 9:30AM Foot Care Clinic	10 9:30AM Strong Bodies
13 Office Closed Mondays	14 9:30AM Strong Bodies 10AM Memory Cafe 12:45 PM Music at SV Health Care Campus	15	16 1PM Winter Dance	17 9:30AM Strong Bodies
20 Office Closed Mondays	21 9:30AM Strong Bodies	22 2PM C.R.A.F.T	23	24 9:30AM Strong Bodies
27 Office Closed Mondays	28 9:30AM Strong Bodies 10AM Memory Cafe	29 1PM Game Day	30 9:30AM Foot Care Clinic	31 9:30AM Strong Bodies

For more information, to schedule services or to RSVP, call 715-778-5800!

Revised Common Lectionary
Daily Readings – Year C
January 2025

Date	Day	Psalm	Old Testament	Epistle	Gospel
1	Wednesday	Psalm 8	Ecclesiastes 3:1-13	Revelation 21:1-6a	Matthew 25:31-46
2	Thursday		Proverbs 1:1-7	James 3:13-18	
3	Friday		Job 42:10-17		Luke 8:16-21
4	Saturday		Isaiah 6:1-5	Acts 7:44-53	
5	Sunday	Psalm 147:12-20	Jeremiah 31:7-14	Ephesians 1:3-14	John 1:1-18
6	Monday <i>Epiphany</i>	Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14	Isaiah 60:1-6	Ephesians 3:1-12	Matthew 2:1-12
7	Tuesday	Psalm 72	Daniel 2:1-19	Ephesians 4:17-5:1	
8	Wednesday	Psalm 72	Daniel 2:24-49	Ephesians 5:15-20	
9	Thursday	Psalm 72	Numbers 24:15-19		Luke 1:67-79
10	Friday	Psalm 29	Ecclesiastes 2:1-11	1 Corinthians 2:1-10	
11	Saturday	Psalm 29	Ecclesiastes 3:1-15	1 Corinthians 2:11-16	
12	Sunday <i>Baptism of Our Lord</i>	Psalm 29	Isaiah 43:1-7	Acts 8:14-17	Luke 3:15-17, 21-22
13	Monday	Psalm 106:1-12	Judges 4:1-16	Ephesians 6:10-17	
14	Tuesday	Psalm 106:1-12	Judges 5:12-21	1 John 5:13-21	
15	Wednesday	Psalm 106:1-12	Numbers 27:1-11		Luke 11:33-36
16	Thursday	Psalm 36:5-10	Jeremiah 3:1-5	Acts 8:18-24	
17	Friday	Psalm 36:5-10	Jeremiah 3:19-25	1 Corinthians 7:1-7	
18	Saturday	Psalm 36:5-10	Jeremiah 4:1-4		Luke 11:14-23
19	Sunday	Psalm 36:5-10	Isaiah 62:1-5	1 Corinthians 12:1-11	John 2:1-11
20	Monday	Psalm 145	Isaiah 54:1-8	Romans 12:9-21	
21	Tuesday	Psalm 145	Song of Solomon 4:1-8	1 Corinthians 1:3-17	
22	Wednesday	Psalm 145	Song of Solomon 4:9-5:1		Luke 5:33-39
23	Thursday	Psalm 19	Isaiah 61:1-7	Romans 7:1-6	
24	Friday	Psalm 19	Nehemiah 2:1-10	Romans 12:1-8	
25	Saturday	Psalm 19	Nehemiah 5:1-13		Luke 2:39-52
26	Sunday	Psalm 19	Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10	1 Corinthians 12:12-31a	Luke 4:14-21
27	Monday	Psalm 119:89-96	Jeremiah 36:1-10	1 Corinthians 14:1-12	
28	Tuesday	Psalm 119:89-96	Jeremiah 36:11-26	2 Corinthians 7:2-12	
29	Wednesday	Psalm 119:89-96	Jeremiah 36:27-32		Luke 4:38-44
30	Thursday	Psalm 71:1-6	2 Chronicles 34:1-7	Acts 10:44-48	
31	Friday	Psalm 71:1-6	2 Chronicles 35:20-27	Acts 19:1-10	

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
Prayer Ventures
January 2025

1 *New Year's Day* Ask God to grant us strength, wisdom and patience to accomplish new goals this year. Give thanks for God's forgiveness and for the support of others, which help us to continue when we fail, grow frustrated or are redirected in our pursuits.

2 "So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; look, new things have come into being!" (2 Corinthians 5:17). Our newness in Christ is realized in our present life and in the future, when we enter the kingdom of God. Pray for the Spirit to strengthen our faith and to help us embrace our new selves — every day.

3 Pray for the Spirit to stir our patience, understanding and respect for others when we find ourselves in conflict with our neighbors or siblings in Christ.

4 Pray for our synod bishops attending the Bishop's Academy in Puerto Rico as they study and reflect on the challenge and promise of Lutheran mission and theology in Puerto Rico and the Caribbean.

5 Give thanks to God that Jesus Christ lived among us, that we might believe in God's grace and truth and be filled with joy and relief as children of God who are set free to live as Jesus did in service to our neighbors.

6 *Epiphany* "This star, as bright as day, that will never lead astray with its message so appealing, is the word of God, revealing Christ, the way, the truth, the life" (*ELW* 301). Praise God for the gift of Jesus Christ, who reveals to us the way, truth and life of God's love, forgiveness and promises.

7 Pray for a peaceful transfer of presidential power in the United States and that the Spirit will influence and guide our leaders to serve all people with compassion, wisdom and concern for justice and unity.

8 "In [Christ] we have redemption through [Christ's] blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us" (Ephesians 1:7-8). God's boundless love and forgiveness are lavish indeed. Give thanks and praise to God!

9 Remember in prayer college, university and seminary students taking part in winter J-term classes and service learning, that their experiences will deepen their faith, expand their knowledge and reveal how their gifts and passions can be used to do God's work in the world.

10 Thank God for the ELCA's special relationship with the United Methodist Church, a full communion partner since 2009. Pray for the church, its members and its leaders, that we will respect our differences but embrace our unity in Christ so we can spread the gospel, serve our neighbor, and share leadership and resources for doing God's work in the world — together.

11 Give thanks for God's grace and the work of the Spirit, which equip us with the tools, wisdom and courage needed to face the challenges of everyday life and to bear Christ's love and hope into the world.

12 Pray that we will affirm our baptism by telling others about the triune God, by loving and serving our neighbors, by encouraging the faith of our siblings in Christ and by seeking opportunities for spiritual growth.

13 Pray for those who respond to God's call by working hand in hand with our companion churches and other organizations around the world through ELCA Global Mission. Ask God to sustain and strengthen their faith, their commitment and their diverse gifts.

14 "Who hears the song our sorrows swallow and offers hope to calm our fears? When all our words seem frail and hollow, God heeds the prayers within our tears" (*All Creation Sings* 1050). Give thanks that God hears and responds to our grief and suffering, even when our words fall short of expressing the depth of our sorrow.

15 Pray for the outdoor ministries of our church that are busy recruiting and hiring young-adult staff to share their faith and serve campers of all ages, backgrounds and abilities in summer programs.

16 *National Religious Freedom Day* Give thanks that the U.S. Constitution supports the freedom to embrace religion, to worship and to share our faith according to our personal beliefs. Pray that we will respect the religious beliefs of our neighbors and support their right to practice their faith openly, without constraints or persecution.

17 “You who know our fears and sadness, grace us with your peace and gladness; Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts” (WOV 738). Lift up your worries, troubles, insecurities and grief to God, who understands us and grants comfort, strength and endurance in every circumstance of our life.

18 *Week of Prayer for Christian Unity* Today begins a week of prayer with our siblings in Christ around the world. Give thanks that we are one in Christ and that, together, we cast a brilliant light in the world.

19 Praise God for the inexhaustible grace shown to us throughout our lives and baptismal journeys.

20 *Martin Luther King Jr. Day* Remember and give thanks for the life, teaching and advocacy of Martin Luther King Jr. for the sake of justice, inclusion and the value of all people, especially those who suffer persecution, racism, disdain or oppression. Pray that we will be inspired by our neighbors and siblings in Christ who are fearless and persistent in their advocacy and compassion for others.

21 Thank God for the gifts given to us through the Spirit, and pray that others might recognize their own unique gifts and see where they are valued and needed.

22 Pray for ELCA directors for evangelical mission, who serve as resources to synods in mission development, congregational renewal and stewardship.

23 Pray for our church’s grassroots Life of Faith initiative, meant to help us to live out our baptismal

vocation in daily life, serve our neighbors and work for justice in the diverse contexts of family, workplace, school, community and the world.

24 Pray that we will open all our senses to God’s glory, power and voice as revealed in nature — the awe-inspiring and dynamic handiwork of our Creator.

25 *Conversion of Paul* Give thanks that, for God, all things are possible, even when we do not envision the possibility of lives being changed, hearts softened or faith awakened.

26 Ask God to help us follow Christ’s example, being humble, kind, loving, merciful, attentive to our neighbors and quick to respond to their needs.

27 Remember in prayer youth, adults and families involved in service learning and mission trips throughout the year. Pray that they might share the gospel, serve their neighbors in need, participate in the work of global companions and ecumenical partners, and respond to the unique contexts and needs of communities.


28 Remember in prayer neighbors and siblings in Christ who suffer poverty, homelessness and hunger, that their hope will be sustained, their daily needs met and their human dignity respected.

29 “The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart” (Psalm 19:7-8). Give thanks for the word of God, for it is trustworthy and restores us, imparts wisdom, and stirs joy and gratitude in our hearts.

30 Pray for an end to conflicts and violence in the world, including in our own communities. Ask the Spirit to inspire and equip us to be peacemakers and bearers of hope.

31 Give thanks for Women of the ELCA (WELCA) and its ministry with women to encourage bold and active faith in Jesus Christ, promote healing and wholeness, address injustices, discover spiritual gifts, and encourage and equip leaders.

January 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29 9:00 Lessons and Carols Worship 10:00 Sunday School	30 Pastor's Sabbath	31 Pastor's Day Off	1 	2	3	4
5 9:00 Worship with Holy Communion	6 Pastor's Sabbath	7 Pastor's Day Off	8 6:00 Confirmation	9 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 WELCA 12:30 Council	10	11
12 9:00 Worship Kerr Baptism	13 Pastor's Sabbath	14 Pastor's Day Off	15 6:00 Confirmation	16	17	18 1:00 Slottevig / Scott Wedding
19 9:00 Worship with Holy Communion Newsletter Deadline	20 Pastor's Sabbath	21	22 6:00 Confirmation	23	24	25
26 9:00 Worship Faber Baptism	27 Pastor's Sabbath	28 Pastor's Day Off	29 6:00 Confirmation	30	31	Feb 1