

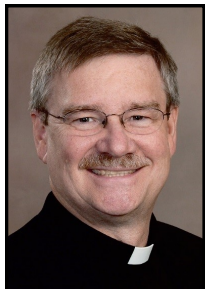


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What are you waiting for?

Dear Friends in Christ,

Advent is the time the Church sets aside to get ready to celebrate Christmas. The word “Advent” comes from the Latin for “arrival” or “coming.” What is it that we are getting ready to come? When Christmas comes, we will celebrate especially that God’s Son came into this world as a baby boy to save all people. But Advent is about more than that. Christ has come already and accomplished our salvation, and Christ still comes to us in His Holy Word and the Sacrament of His body and blood. These, too, are the focuses of Advent, but there is really no waiting for these “comings” since Jesus remains among us always until the end of the age.

The “end of the ages” when Jesus returns in glory to judge the living and the dead is another focus of Advent. We are waiting for that to happen as we prepare to celebrate Christmas. Christ’s work of salvation will not have accomplished its goal until the dead are raised to life again and God’s people will live forever in glorious bodies like His. As we struggle along in this sinful and dying world, we long for that day when we will be set free from all that causes us to suffer.

Charles Wesley’s hymn, “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus” (LSB 338), brings together the Advent themes of Christ’s coming in human flesh, which we celebrate at Christmas, with His ongoing comings among to strengthen and encourage us as we are pilgrims in this world seeking a permanent home in the world to come.

*Come, Thou long-expected Jesus,
Born to set Thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us;
Let us find our rest in Thee.
Israel’s strength and consolation,
Hope of all the earth Thou art,
Dear desire of ev’ry nation,
Joy of ev’ry longing heart.*

*Born Thy people to deliver;
Born a child and yet a king!
Born to reign in us forever,
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.
By Thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By Thine all-sufficient merit
Raise us to Thy glorious throne.*

What are we waiting for? More than just Christmas. We are waiting for the “long-expected Jesus” to “raise us to [His] glorious throne. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!** (Revelation 22:20)

In Christ,
Pastor Bertram



If the weather is questionable, or if for some other reason you are wondering whether church services will be held or not, please check our website's Home page at www.splfairmont.org or call the CHURCH OFFICE (507-238-9491) before leaving home and listen to the entire first message on the answering machine (do not press "4").

If services are cancelled, an announcement will be made in place of the standard message WHENEVER POSSIBLE. If you do not hear a message cancelling services, then they will go on as scheduled.

Gala Committee Sends Their Thanks

"I GIVE THANKS IN EVERY REMEMBRANCE OF YOU." (Philippians 1:3) Thank you to all that helped make our fourth annual Gala Event a success. Many thanks to Dylan Kallemeyn, Tyler Garrison, and Jeff Eversman (Dusty) for doing such a fantastic job as auctioneer, MC, and entertainment. They brought smiles and laughter throughout the evening! We enjoyed the creative table favors made by grades 2-8 of SPLS with the help of the Art teacher, Mrs. Kim Koppen. Their work enhanced the Western style of the Gala. We thank everyone who bought tickets, bid on items in the silent and live auctions, donated items to be included in the auctions, and made cash donations. We appreciate those volunteers who were willing to help wherever they saw a need. Finally, thank you to the committee members who spent many hours planning and organizing the event, Our theme, *Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart*, is an expression of our gratitude to God for all He has done for us.



Annual Gala

DEADLINE

JANUARY
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DEADLINE

Sunday, December 22

Email pmeinert@splfairmont.org

Worship Services & Bible Studies:

Worship Services:

Saturdays at 5:30 p.m. & Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

Adult Bible Class, Sunday School, Youth Bible Class & Youth Family Bible Studies, etc.
Sundays at 10:15 a.m.



Other Worship Opportunities:

Sundays, 9:00 am

Worship Service Livestream
(or watch on demand any time on our website)

Sundays, 10:00 am

Worship Service broadcast on KSUM

Saturdays, 12:00 noon

Worship Service on
local cable access channel 12

This Month's Faithful Servants

You may also view the volunteer schedules on our website at www.spfairmont.org

Altar Guild

Dec. 7-8 Deb Eversman, Lori Chirpich
 Dec. 14-15 Joan Luedtke, Amy Anders, Russ Luedtke
 Dec. 21-22 Jan Bremer, Kathy Eyerly, Barb Matthees, Sandy Kopeschka
 Adylen Laven, Alexis Sundeen (Christmas Eve and Day)
 Dec. 28-29 DeAnn Eversman, Julie Wolf, Nikki Bremer, Peg Elbert
 Adylen Laven, Alexis Sundeen (New Year's Eve and Day)

Ushers

YEAR-ROUND Saturdays, 5:30 p.m.—Dan Maday, Lee Stewart
DECEMBER Sundays, 9 a.m.—Bruce Peymann, Merle Boesch. Doug Closs, Chuck Schaefer, Chuck Schrader, Don Wohlrahe, Jeff Zarling, Rob True, Larry Behrens, Justin Jobe, Ben Rosol, Dale Ruschy, Matt Singleton, Ryan Singleton, Jacob Singleton.

If you would be interested in serving as an usher, please call Head Usher Dylan Kallemeyn, 507-236-6223.

Worship Service Assistants

Sun., Dec. 1, 9:00 a.m. Brad Appel, Jamie Tordsen
 Wed., Dec. 4, 6:30 p.m. (Advent Midweek) Dave Kumm
 Sat., Dec. 7, 5:30 p.m. Chuck Northwick, Matthew Northwick
 Sun., Dec. 8, 9:00 a.m. Larry Behrens
 Wed., Dec. 11, 6:30 p.m. (Advent Midweek) Rob True
 Sat., Dec. 14, 5:30 p.m. Jon Eversman, Jeff Eversman
 Sun., Dec. 15, 9:00 a.m. Justin Jobe
 Wed., Dec. 18, 6:30 p.m. (Advent Midweek) Richard Behrens, Joe Kallemeyn
 Sat., Dec. 21, 5:30 p.m. Dylan Kallemeyn, Jim Utermarck
 Sun., Dec 22, 9:00 a.m. Merle Boesch
 Tues., Dec. 24, 6:30 p.m. (Christmas Eve) Jamie Tordsen
 Wed., Dec. 25, 9:00 a.m. (Christmas Day) Dave Kumm, Chuck Northwick
 Sat., Dec. 28, 5:30 p.m. Jim Harley, Matt Northwick
 Sun., Dec. 29 9:00 a.m. Larry Behrens
 Tues., Dec. 31, 6:30 p.m. Josh Laven, Rob True

Acolytes

Ethan Odegaard, Tyson McKean, Kellan Day

Sunday Greeters

Dec. 1 Stan & Sharon Block, Dawn Waterbury
 Dec. 8 Rod & Peggy Elbert, Deb Bertram
 Dec. 15 Russ & Joan Luedtke, Lori Chirpich
 Dec. 22 Jim & Sara Utermarck, Marv Goebel
 Dec. 29 Larry & Kris Behrens, Pat Hall

Fun Bags

Refill bags anytime during the week after Sunday listed below

1st Sunday/Mo Sarah Becker
 2nd Sunday/Mo April Tordsen
 3rd Sunday/Mo Chris Engelby
 4th Sunday/Mo Angela Preuss
 5th Sunday/Mo Joan Abel (school yr.); Ruth Engelby (summer)

Attendance Cards/Pencils

Refill cards & sharpen pencils at least monthly (or as needed)

Deb Eversman, Diane Schaefer, Amy Anders
 (Ruth Engelby and Richard Schultz, Subs)

Council of Deacons

Meetings are the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Below is a listing of the Council of Deacons. If you have a concern, you may contact any one of the following:

POSITION

Name (Years) Phone

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SECRETARY

Richard Eyerly (1) 507-238-1802

BUDGET & FINANCE

Corey Simpson (2) 605-480-1982

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Doug Closs (3) 507-456-1917

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Merle Boesch (1) 507-236-4641

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Larry Krenz (3) 507-236-5616

EVANGELISM

Rod Elbert (3) 320-894-6882

PARISH MINISTRIES

Dan Driscoll (2) 507-525-4490

SCHOOL

Matt Singleton (1) 507-848-0324

STEWARDSHIP

Jeff Eversman (2) 507-236-9140

TRUSTEES

Mike Schroeder (3) 515-341-1167

WORSHIP ASSISTANCE

Jamie Tordsen (2) 507-230-0186

Congregational Assembly

PRESIDENT

Chuck Northwick 507-236-0257

SECRETARY

Pam Carlson 507-236-5347

TREASURER

Brad Appel 507-236-8455



SPL Gear Store

The SPL Gear Store has been updated and includes many designs. Now's a great time to make sure to get your Falcon gear ordered!

There are toddler through adult sizes of t-shirts and sweatshirts in a variety of colors and designs, as well as hats, mugs, tumblers, tote bags, and backpacks available.

All of these items would make great gifts, too!

tvivmn.chipply.com/spl/



Lutheran Laymen's League

The LLL will meet Saturday, December 7th, 9:00 a.m., at The Ranch Restaurant. All members and those interested in the work of the LLL are welcome to attend. See you there!



SPL School Basketball Schedules

DECEMBER

- 12-2** Home (SPL Truman) vs. Worthington CS—4:30 p.m. A girls, 5:30 p.m. A boys.
- 12-2 Away vs. Imm. Courtland—4:15 p.m. B girls, 5:15 p.m. B boys
- 12-5** Home (SPL Truman) vs Imm. Courtland—4:00 p.m. A girls, 5:00 A boys
- 12-9** Home (SPL Fairmont) vs. Imm. Lakefield—4:00 p.m. B girls, 5:00 B boys
- 12-12** Home (SPL Fairmont) vs. Mt. Olive—4:30 p.m. B boys, 5:30 p.m. A boys
- 12-13/14 Away SJV B Team Boys/Girls Tournament
- 12-16** Home vs. Imm. Lakefield—4:15 p.m. A girls. A boys
- 12-17 Away vs. SJV—4:00 p.m. B girls, 5:00 p.m. B boys
- 12-19** Home (SPL Fmt.) vs. SPL Truman—4:00 p.m. B girls, 5:00 p.m. B boys

JANUARY

- 1-6** Home (SPL Fmt.) vs. Gen. Class. Acad.—4:30 p.m. B girls, 5:30 p.m. B boys
- 1/7 Away vs. SPL Truman—4:00 p.m. B girls, 5:00 p.m. B boys
- 1-9** Home (SPL Fmt.) vs. Imm. Courtland—4:15 p.m. B girls, 5:15 p.m. B boys
- 1-10** Home (SPL Fmt.) vs. Fmt. Public—4:30 p.m. A girls, 5:30 p.m. A boys
- 1-13** Home (SPL Fmt.) vs. SJV—4:00 p.m. B girls, 5:00 p.m. B boys
- 1-13 Away vs Imm. Courtland—4:15 p.m. A girls, 5:15 p.m. A boys
- 1-14** Home (SPL Truman) vs. SPL St. James—6:00 p.m. A girls, 7:00 p.m. A boys
- 1-16 Away vs. Mt. Olive—5:30 p.m. A girls
- 1-17/18 Away SPL Truman A Boys/A Girls Tournament
- 1/23 Away vs. Imm. Lakefield—4:00 p.m. B girls, B boys, A girls, A boys
- 1/24 Away vs. Worth. Chr.—4:30 p.m. A girls and boys
- 1/28** Home (SPL Truman) vs. Imm. Mankato—6:15 p.m. A girls, 7:15 p.m. A boys
- 1/28 Away vs. Trinity Janesville—4:30 p.m. B girls, 5:30 p.m. B boys
- 1-30** Home (SPL Truman) vs. Trinity Janesville—6:00 p.m. A girls, 7:00 p.m. A boys
- 1/31-2/1 Away vs. Imm. Lakefield A Boys/A Girls Tournament

FEBRUARY

- 2/3** Home (SPL fmt.) vs. Gen. Class. Acad.—4:30 p.m. B girls, 5:30 p.m. B boys
- 2/4 Away vs. SPL St. James—6:00 p.m. A girls, 7:00 p.m. A boys
- 2/6** Home (SPL Fmt.) vs. Trinity Janesville—4:30 p.m. B girls, 5:30 p.m. B boys
- 2/7-8** Home SPL Fairmont B Boys/B Girls Tournament
- 2/11 Away vs. Trinity Janesville—6:00 p.m. A girls, 7:00 p.m. A boys
- 2/13 Away vs. Imm. Mankato—6:00 p.m. A girls, 7:00 p.m. A boys
- 2/14-15 Away Imm. Courtland A Boys/A Girls Tournament
- 2/21-23 Away Roch. Luth. A Boys/A Girls Tournament????

“Repenting of “Yours” and “Mine”

Retailers have had their Christmas displays up since before Reformation Sunday. The kids have made their list and checked it twice, or three times or more. It won't be long before the tree will start shedding its needles, the stockings emptied, the gifts unwrapped, toys broken, and the too small or out of style clothes returned. Before we know it, annual celebration of Christmas will be over.

But for the children of God, we know that the gift of Christmas doesn't ever end. Week in and week out, the Lord continues to shower His gifts on us. Every time the Lord gathers us to His house, and we are led to kneel at His table, the gift of forgiveness is repeatedly granted to us. It is nothing we deserve. It comes to us freely!

The fourth stanza of the stewardship hymn, “Forgive Us Lord for Shallow Thankfulness” (LSB 788) highlights both this gift and our response.

*Teach us, O Lord, true thankfulness divine,
That gives as Christ gave, never counting cost*

To learn thankfulness is necessary. The parents of young children are well-versed in the fact that they must teach their children thankfulness. It does not come naturally. The spiritual genetics inherited from our parents allow us to think that the world revolves around us. When we receive something, there is an inward desire to think that we in some way deserve it.

But there is no way that we deserve anything, we get from our Lord. We need that ongoing lesson from God Himself. Thankfulness toward God is worked in us by the Holy Spirit. God's Word works this thanksgiving in us. We need this weekly reminder that Jesus didn't consider “equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself” for us, to the point of death on a cross (Phil. 2:6). He didn't bat an eye. He paid the price! Our life of stewardship is one of daily and weekly thanksgiving inspired by the Lord Himself.

*That knows no barrier of “yours” and “mine”
Assured that only what's withheld is lost.*

Because Jesus gave us everything and more, there can be no ownership. The child at Christmas is quick to claim that the newly gifted toy is “mine!” But as Psalm 24:1 asserts, “The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein.” There isn't anything in creation that is ours. When we cling to and claim ownership of anything in creation, we are losing out on the continual gifts with which the Lord desires to shower upon us. Closed hands cannot receive anything new. We cling to the old and dead and miss the new thing that the Lord desires to do in and for us.

We are led to repent of the “yours” and “mine” and remove the lie that we have any ownership. In this we have the promise that God will continue to give to us. Not just at Christmas, but every Sunday at the altar in the Lord's house.

~LCMS Stewardship Ministry
lcms.org/stewardship

Mark Your Calendar

Dates/times subject to change

Circles

Clara Circle

Dec. 11, 11:30 a.m.
Bean Town Grill

Eve Circle

Dec. 9, 7:00 p.m.
Fellowship Room

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LWML

Dec. 5, 6:00 p.m.
Church Basement

*Each woman of the LCMS
is a part of the LWML*

**Lutheran Women's
Missionary League,**
as the official women's auxiliary
of the LCMS, encourages
and equips women to live out
their Christian lives in active
mission ministries and to
support global missions.

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Lutheran Laymen's League

Saturday, December 7

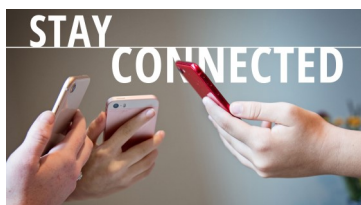
9:00 a.m.

The Ranch Restaurant



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Register on our website's Home page to be included any mass messages sent out to our members. (There is no need to sign up again if you have already registered.)



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Pastoral Care at Mayo, Rochester

Those hospitalized or receiving medical care at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN are now being cared for by the pastoral staff of Trinity Lutheran Church of Rochester. Members in need of pastoral care, please contact Pastor Nate Schwartz at 816-806-6797 or chaplain@trinitylutheranchurch.org. The pastoral staff at Trinity is honored to assist you in caring for Christ's sheep.

There is also a list of LCMS pastors near other Minnesota hospitals that are willing to provide pastoral care, available by going to Minnesota South's website at www.mnsdistrict.org, then select News & Events—Publications—E-News.



MLHS News

Office Hours:

7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. ~ Monday through Friday
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This is Most Certainly Brew Gourmet Coffee is available at MLHS or in the SPL church office. For more information, call MLHS.

Get a Handel on Christmas!

Saturday, December 14 7:00 p.m.

A Concert Performed by Elementary Band and High School Band and Choir in the MLHS Gymnasium

~Under the direction of Mr. Phil Schult

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- St. Paul's Culinary Classics (Red) Cookbook — Sale Price \$10!
- Financial Peace University Book with 1-Year Online Membership — \$80 — SALE!
- SPL School Cookbook — \$10
- ESV Pew Bible — \$17
- Lutheran Service Book, Pew Edition (Hymnal) — \$30
- Luther's Small Catechism — \$20
- John Sagissor Limited Edition Print of Church — \$20
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School Fundraisers

COCA-COLA GIVE PROGRAM — This fundraiser opens up new funding opportunities to help the learning environment for our students. The best part? Donations don't come out of your own pocket. When you make Coca-Cola purchases, you simply enter the product codes here: <https://us.coca-cola.com/give/schools/> and then search by zip code, and scan or enter product codes from participating Coca-Cola products. Each product code scanned or entered on their website has a unique donation value. To learn more, go to <https://us.coca-cola.com/give/>. Thank you!

RAISERIGHT FUNDRAISING: Raise money for St. Paul Lutheran School (or a specific family in our school) just by purchasing gas, groceries, and other items with these gift cards. You receive the full value of what you paid plus you earn an immediate rebate percentage of what you spent — typically between 3-15%, depending on the retailer. Use the proceeds to supplement the school budget, or families can receive credit toward tuition and other school expenses. Go to [RaiseRight.com](https://www.raiserright.com) and use our enrollment code **24271B1C5147L** to get started. Questions? Contact Joan Abel, jabel@splfairmont.org or 507-236-9521.

HY-VEE & FAREWAY RECEIPTS: Save your Fairmont Hy-Vee and Fareway receipts — turn in to the collection bins located in the upstairs school corridor and church basement. For each \$200,000 in receipts collected from their store, they donate \$1,000 to St. Paul Lutheran School. Receipts must be from Fairmont stores only; remember to thank the stores for this program when you shop!

SUBWAY CARDS: If you purchase Subway cards, 2% of your purchase can go to SPLS. If you already have a card or when you purchase one, add our school's code (3TQF) to your card at www.subway.com or call 1-800-564-1343. Subway cards can be purchased at any Subway and are redeemed at full purchase price when you eat at Subway.

OTHER PROGRAMS: Scan Box Tops for Education receipts; save Tyson "Project A+" labels; and Pizza Ranch "wagon" symbols. We also collect used, workable cell phones.

WE ALSO APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT of our other school fundraisers, such as the Tour of Tables/Cakewalk and Basket Fundraiser.

THE SCHOOL ALSO collects aluminum pop tabs to help support the Ronald McDonald House in the Twin Cities. Families receiving care at any Twin Cities area hospital are eligible to stay there, provided their children are being treated for cancer or have other life-threatening illnesses and the family resides 45 miles or greater from the Twin Cities. Yearly, more than 600 families stay there.



God's Blessings on Your Birthday!

Matthew Stusse & Melissa	Dec 4
Verlyn & Kay Sandersfeld	Dec 16
Joshua & Elizabeth Harris.....	Dec 18
Curtis & Terie Larson	Dec 20
Steph McFarland & Jason.....	Dec 22
Matthew Hardt & Mary	Dec 22
Matthew & Katherine Osborn.....	Dec 30
Jason & Cassandra Holtz	Dec 30
Tracy & Rochelle Bremer	Dec 31



Erin Johnson	Dec 2	Cadleigh Jobe	Dec 17
Zayne Day.....	Dec 2	Kyle Steuber	Dec 17
Odette Fast.....	Dec 3	Lisa Irwin	Dec 17
Jamie Winter	Dec 3	Jerome Bulfer	Dec 18
Julie Wolf	Dec 4	Deb Eversman	Dec 18
Brian Wille.....	Dec 4	Adylen Laven	Dec 18
Brett Williams.....	Dec 5	Hudson McKean.....	Dec 18
Paisley Driscoll	Dec 5	Natalie Taylor	Dec 18
Cecilia Roderick.....	Dec 6	Isaac Taplin	Dec 18
Debra DeBoer	Dec 6	Mary Schmitt.....	Dec 19
Hans Hinrichsen.....	Dec 7	Delaney Irwin	Dec 20
Benjamin Zaring	Dec 7	Bruce Peymann.....	Dec 20
Dorothy Malo.....	Dec 7	Tanner Thiesse.....	Dec 21
Jeff Laue	Dec 8	Jonathan Soucek	Dec 21
Susan Hackett	Dec 8	Lori Mueller	Dec 21
Debra Bulfer	Dec 8	Avery Sundeen	Dec 22
Tyler Schleining	Dec 9	Lucille Steiner	Dec 22
Ardis Schleining	Dec 9	Cadon Clow	Dec 23
James Cone.....	Dec 9	Rick Schaefer	Dec 23
Ethan Hurn.....	Dec 9	Pamela Carlson.....	Dec 24
Nicholas Moeller.....	Dec 10	Virgil Berkland.....	Dec 24
Bob Bloomgren.....	Dec 10	Karla Marley.....	Dec 24
Deloris Lutz	Dec 10	Hayden Bultman.....	Dec 24
Joshua Mueller	Dec 10	John Fritchman	Dec 24
Renee Benschoter.....	Dec 11	Carol Nowicki	Dec 25
Sarah Krause	Dec 11	Rose Rosenberg	Dec 26
Tyler Jensen	Dec 12	Donald Brammeier.....	Dec 26
Gayla Miller.....	Dec 13	Joe Amy	Dec 26
Ramona Cody	Dec 13	Alexander Bertram.....	Dec 26
Emily Engelby	Dec 13	Jesse O'Sell.....	Dec 27
Ashley Engelby.....	Dec 13	Angela Preuss	Dec 27
Carter Halverson	Dec 14	Joe Stauffer.....	Dec 27
Abby Roderick.....	Dec 14	Susan Olson.....	Dec 28
Jodi Hackett	Dec 14	Todd Steuber	Dec 29
Freya Preuss.....	Dec 14	Amy Anders	Dec 29
Martin Krause	Dec 15	Thad Leiding	Dec 30
Eric Langhofer	Dec 15	Elaine Hurn	Dec 30
Dawn Waterbury.....	Dec 16	Kevin Schleining	Dec 30
Kirk Morris	Dec 17	Sutton Timm.....	Dec 31

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

DECEMBER 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><i>1st Sunday of Advent</i> 9:00am-Worship Service 10:00am-Worship Service on KSUM 10:15am-SS, ABC, YBC, YFBS 5:00pm-Youth Group Supper</p>	<p>2 8:25am-School Chapel Pastors' Day Off</p>	<p>3 8:25am-School Chapel</p>	<p>4 8:25am-School Chapel 3:30pm-Weekday Catechism 5:15pm-School Board, FR 5:30pm-Bells 6:30 pm-Advent Service After Svc-Truistees, ChB After Svc-Choir</p>	<p>5 8:25am-School Chapel 9:00am-Messenger DL</p>	<p>6 8:25am-School Chapel 3:30pm-Goldfinch Comm.</p>	<p>7 9:00am-LLL, Ranch 10:00am-Decorate Church 12:00pm-Worship Svc on Local Cable Access Ch 12 5:30pm-Worship Service</p>
<p>8 <i>2nd Sunday of Advent</i> 9:00am-Worship Service 10:00am-Worship Service on KSUM 10:15am-SS, ABC, YBC, YFBS 2:00pm-LWML Christmas Tea</p>	<p>9 8:25am-School Chapel Pastors' Day Off 7:00pm-Eve Circle, FR</p>	<p>10 8:25am-School Chapel 6:30pm-Stewardship, FR</p>	<p>11 8:25am-School Chapel 11:30am-Clara Circle, Bean Town 3:30pm-Weekday Catechism 5:30pm-Bells 6:30pm-Advent Service After Svc-Choir</p>	<p>12 8:25am-School Chapel 9:00am-Messenger DL 10:00am-Pastors' Meeting</p>	<p>13 8:25am-School Chapel 2:00pm-Ingleside</p>	<p>14 12:00pm-Worship Svc on Local Cable Access Ch 12 5:30pm-Worship Service 7:00pm-Christmas Concert MLHS</p>
<p>15 <i>3rd Sunday of Advent</i> 9:00am-Worship Service 10:00am-Worship Service on KSUM 10:15am-SS, ABC, YBC, YFBS</p>	<p>16 8:25am-School Chapel Pastors' Day Off</p>	<p>17 8:25am-School Chapel 10:00am-Goldfinch Memory Care</p>	<p>18 8:25am-School Chapel 3:30pm-Weekday Catechism 5:00pm-Deacons, FR 5:30pm-Bells 6:30pm-SPL Christmas Program After Svc-Choir</p>	<p>19 8:25am-School Chapel 9:00am-Messenger DL</p>	<p>20 8:25am-School Chapel</p>	<p>21 12:00pm-Worship Svc on Local Cable Access Ch 12 5:30pm-Worship Service</p>
<p>22 <i>4th Sunday of Advent</i> 9:00am-Worship Service 10:00am-Worship Service on KSUM 10:15am-SS, ABC, YBC, YFBS Newsletter Deadline</p>	<p>23 SPLS No School Pastors' Day Off</p>	<p>24 Christmas Eve SPLS No School 6:30pm-Christmas Eve Service</p>	<p>25 Christmas Day Church Office Closed SPLS No School 9:00am-Christmas Day Service</p>	<p>26 SPLS No School 9:00am-Messenger DL</p>	<p>27 SPLS No School 3:00pm-LMHCC</p>	<p>28 12:00pm-Worship Svc on Local Cable Access Ch 12 5:30pm-Worship Service</p>
<p>29 <i>First Sunday after Christmas</i> 9:00am-Worship Service 10:00am-Worship Service on KSUM 10:15am-SS, ABC, YBC, YFBS 6:30pm-HS Youth, FR</p>	<p>30 SPLS No School Pastors' Day Off</p>	<p>31 New Year's Eve SPLS No School 6:30pm-New Year's Eve Service</p>				<p>KEY: ChB = Church Basement FR = Fellowship Room ABC = Adult Bible Class YBC = Youth Bible Class YFBS = Young Family Bible Study SS = Sunday School AC = Adult Catechumenate DL = Deadline</p>

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Behold, I will
again do
wonderful
things with this
people, with
wonder upon
wonder.

Isaiah 29:-14

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December Worship Schedule

Regular Worship Services

Saturdays at 5:30 p.m. (Dec. 7, 14, 21, 28)
Sundays at 9:00 a.m. (Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29)

Advent Services

Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.
December 4
December 11
December 18 (School Christmas Program)

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Tuesday, December 24th at 6:30 p.m.

Christmas Day Service

Wednesday, December 25 at 9:00 a.m.

New Year's Eve

Tuesday, December 31 at 6:30 p.m.



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