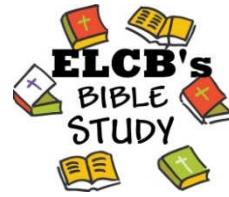


## DECEMBER 3, 2017

**LECTIONARY BIBLE STUDY** — Pastor Rick will be teaching a weekly Lectionary Bible Study on Tuesdays from 10 am-11am in the Fellowship Hall. This is for everyone no matter what your Bible background. You may bring your own Bible or one can be provided. We plan to look at the gospel lesson assigned for the upcoming Sunday. You can find the gospel lessons in the devotional book, "Christ in Evangelical Lutheran Worship hymnal. We are in year "B".



**STRETCH CD** — You are invited to join Stretch on Wednesdays at 9am in the Fellowship Hall. Supplies needed: 2 - 2 lb. weights or 2 soup cans, 1 stick – 18" wide, a broom handle, or ½" PVC pipe. Any questions, contact Vicki Seidlitz or Von Wolff.

**YOUTH MISSION TRIP**—Our trip is full! We have 20 youth and adult leaders going to Denver, Colorado in July! We will be having a meeting **TONIGHT**, December 3rd at 7pm at St. James Trinity Lutheran Church in Fall Creek for all going. We will discuss updates, transportation and fundraisers.

**GREAT CHRISTMAS IDEAS**—See the *Good Gifts* table near the front entrance to get some wonderful gift ideas.

**ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING**—Families are needed to sign up to light the Advent candles during one of the four Sunday Advent Worship Services. The sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board facing the kitchen.

**ADVENT WORSHIP SERVICES**—Starting on November 29th, there will be a weekly Advent Service at 7:00 pm on Wednesday evenings through Christmas. Please join us in worship!

**GIVING TREE**—The stewardship team has endorsed having a "Giving Tree" again this year. There will be two ways to give: the first will be to take one of the ELCA Good Gifts "ornaments", and make a donation to the ELCA Good Gifts program that provide funds for animals as we did previously for the Heifer Fund, plus additional ways to help with school books, water wells, and many other similar items. The second way to give will be to deposit mittens and hats on this tree. These will be handed out during our December food pantry weekend. The mittens should be warm and sturdy for our wet, cold winters. The tree will be up around the middle of November.

**SIMPLY GIVING® REMINDER**—Simply Giving® is an automated offering program used in our church for many years. If you are not enrolled we hope you will consider it in the New Year; for those participating – thank you. The act of making the offering each week is important, but more difficult when using Simply Giving®. But we have a convenient solution. As you come in to church pick up a bulletin and also a printed and laminated Simply Giving® card which is in a small basket on the Usher's pew. You can then use this card to physically make that offering act. -Finance/Stewardship Team

**KIDS PRAY GROUND**—Jack Rokser is heading up an effort to make a young child and family friendly area in the back of the church. This area will allow young parents to be with their children during the worship service. If you have a couch or chairs that are in good condition and would like to donate them to the church please contact Jack Rokser and he will make arrangements to pick them up. Jack Rokser can be contacted at

**PAGE TURNERS**—will be meeting at Hanger 54 restaurant for our December 11th gathering at 12:00 noon for lunch. We will be discussing "Wishin' and Hopin' " by Wally Lamb. Any questions please contact Carol Turner by e-mail at

**NEW OFFICE HOURS**—Laurel Boyer is filling in as the **Administrative Assistant at St. James Trinity Lutheran Church in Fall Creek as well as working here, She will be working at SJT on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9am to 2pm, ELCB on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9am to 2pm and Fridays will be a flex-day permitting her to be where the most work needed is. Please feel free to call her on her cellphone at 715-828-5596 if anything needs immediate attention. Emails and Messages will be checked on a daily basis.**

**FAIR TRADE NEWS**--If you haven't checked the Fair Trade cupboard recently – something new is on the shelves. We now have Organic Breakfast Blend coffee in K-Cups available for purchase. Besides this new item the following can also be found on the shelves – A variety of coffees and teas, Baking cocoa and hot cocoa mix, and candy bars. They make great stocking stuffers! -WELCA

**TURN OFF LIGHTS**—Please remember to check all the lights to make sure they are off, including the bathrooms and basement, when locking up the church. Thank you!

**LOST & FOUND**—A DVD (\$6 Man), purple cloth, pencil case, and songsheets were found in the fellowship hall. Please see pastor Rick if you are missing these items.

**ELECTRONIC HEARING DEVICES** — are available to the congregation if needed. See John Stockinger for further information.

**YOUTH CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**—Will be during the regular morning service on Dec. 17th.



## SUPPORTING WORSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP

DECEMBER 3 (HOLY COMMUNION, CHOIR)  
 Reader: Carol Boettcher  
 Comm Asst: Carol Peterson  
 Acolytes: The Ushers, Please  
 Greeters: Chris & Julie Stein  
 Ushers: Ray & Carol Peterson  
 Counters: Volunteers Needed

DECEMBER 10 (CHOIR)  
 Asst Min: Sandy Winrich  
 Comm Asst: Susan Gullig  
 Acolytes: The Ushers, Please  
 Greeters: Susan Gullig  
 Ushers: Tip & Judy Randall  
 Counters: Volunteers Needed

DECEMBER 17 (HOLY COMMUNION, X-MAS PROGRAM, CHOIR)  
 Reader: Vivian Dahl  
 Comm Asst: Susan Hunt  
 Acolytes: The Ushers, Please  
 Greeters: Susan Hunt  
 Ushers: Bob & Julie Mitchell  
 Counters: Volunteers Needed

### ATTENDANCE

November 26, 2017 65

### GENEROSITY TO GOD

November 26, 2017 Regular  
 Designated

**SUNDAY MORNING HOSPITALITY** — The sign-up sheet for hospitality is located on the bulletin board across from the kitchen. Please sign up to bring 3 dozen cookies (or breads, etc.) and serve on a given Sunday morning. Two people / Families are needed per Sunday.

**Volunteers are needed for many mornings coming up!**



## EVENTS CALENDAR

|         |          |  |
|---------|----------|--|
| Dec. 3  | 8:00 am  | Worship, Holy Comm, Choir                      |
| Dec. 5  | 10:00 am | Lectionary Bible Study                         |
| Dec. 6  | 9:00 am  | Stretch CD (Fellowship Hall)                   |
|         | 5:00 pm  | Chili Challenge: Soul Supper                   |
|         | 6:00 pm  | WNL—Youth Classes                              |
|         | --       | Confirmation: Lord's Prayer                    |
|         | --       | Change Reaction: Adult Forum                   |
|         | 7:00 pm  | Advent Worship Service                         |
| Dec. 7  | 7:15 pm  | Choir Rehearsal                                |
| Dec. 10 | 8:30 am  | Worship, Choir                                 |
| Dec. 11 | 2:00 pm  | Page Turners—Dec. Luncheon                     |
|         | 7:00 pm  | Church Council Meeting                         |
| Dec. 12 | 10:00 am | Lectionary Bible Study                         |
| Dec. 13 | 9:00 am  | Stretch CD (Fellowship Hall)                   |
|         | 5:30 pm  | WNL Soul Supper                                |
|         | 6:00 pm  | WNL—Youth Classes                              |
|         | --       | Confirmation: Holy Baptism                     |
|         | --       | Change Reaction: Adult Forum                   |
|         | 7:00 pm  | Advent Worship Service                         |
| Dec. 14 | 7:15 pm  | Choir Rehearsal                                |
| Dec. 15 | --       | Deadline for Jan. Messenger                    |
|         | 10:45 am | Pantry Pals—Unload Truck                       |
| Dec. 16 | 7:00 am  | Men's Breakfast                                |
|         | 9:00 am  | Pantry Pals Set-up                             |
|         | 10:00 am | Pantry Pals Distribution                       |
| Dec. 17 | 8:30 am  | Worship, Holy Comm, Youth X-Mas Program, Choir |
|         | 4:00 pm  | Cub Scout's Party (Bsmt)                       |
|         | 6:30 pm  | Blue Christmas Worship                         |
| Dec. 18 | 11:00 am | EMT Meeting                                    |
| Dec. 19 | 10:00 am | Lectionary Bible Study                         |
| Dec. 20 | 9:00 am  | Stretch CD (Fellowship Hall)                   |
|         | 7:00 pm  | Advent Worship Service                         |
| Dec. 21 | 7:15 pm  | Choir Rehearsal                                |
| Dec. 24 | 8:30 am  | Worship, Choir                                 |
|         | 7:00 pm  | Candlelight X-Mas Eve Svc                      |

### SAVE THE DATE:

- Sunday, December 24th, **Candlelight Christmas Eve Worship Service** is at 7:00 pm.
- Sunday, January 28th, **Annual Meeting** after worship service.

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