

# Faih Lutheran The Beacon

January/ February 2025

"As loving servants of God, fed by Word and Sacrament, we will reach out, welcome, and provide a safe haven for all."

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# Pastor's Page

#### This little light of mine...

"Come, precious diamond, light divine, and deep within our hearts now shine:

there light a flame undying!

In your one body let us be as living branches of a tree, your life our lives supplying.

Now, though daily earth's deep sadness may perplex us and distress us.

yet with heav'nly joy you bless us."

(O Morning Star, how fair and bright!--hymn text by Philipp Nicolai, st. 2; ELW #308)

The Lutheran pastor Philipp Nicolai led an eventful life during turbulent times. Twice in his life he had to flee from Spanish troops; he was often caught up in bitter theological controversies; and he survived two pandemics. He is remembered today primarily as the author of several beautiful chorales, two of which are preserved in our hymnal. "Wake, awake, for night is flying" (ELW #436), based on the parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids, is a jewel of the Advent season, while "O morning star, how fair and bright" is a treasure for Epiphany. He wrote both of these hymns in 1597, while he was serving as parish pastor in the town of Unna in Westphalia, during a time of plague. In that year, the Black Death took the lives of some 1300 citizens of Unna. Nicolai was surrounded by suffering and death, and spent much of his energy ministering to plague victims. And yet, it was during this time that he wrote two of the Church's most profound and enduring hymn texts.

"Now, though daily earth's deep sadness may perplex us and distress us..." I can certainly relate to this. We have more or less made it through our own recent pandemic, which was bad enough. I can barely imagine what it would be like having our church courtyard filled every morning with people dying of bubonic plague, which is what Nicolai dealt with on a daily basis.

Meanwhile, there are plenty of other things going on that may perplex and distress us. Wars; terror and persecutions; bitter political division; poverty; natural disasters exacerbated by climate change; economic uncertainty—it can be overwhelming. Even the day of January 6 has become invested with layers of meaning. It is no longer "only" the Epiphany of our Lord, one of the great festivals of the Church; now it is also the anniversary of one of the most unsettling days in recent American history.

Here's the thing: Nicolai was not overcome by the evils all around him. Even in the darkness, he perceives that God blesses us with heavenly joy. Through the darkness, he could see the bright Morning Star, the light of Christ "aglow with grace and mercy", a light that "warms and cheers us". That light shines in the darkness, and the darkness cannot overcome it. His words remind us to look for the light shining in the dark places—and to be that light for others. Friends, let your lights shine!

In hope, Pastor Jean

# Worship Schedule

Saturday (Outdoors June-Labor Day Weekend) 6:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am

Sunday School 9:00 am

Sunday 10:15 am
\*Holy Communion is offered at
all services

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# Mission planning retreat: Saturday, January 18, 2024, 9:00 a.m.—12 noon at Faith

All council members, committee members, and other interested persons are encouraged to attend this retreat. As Faith enters its 76<sup>th</sup> year, we will take some time to plan for the future. How is God calling us at this time to be the church and do God's work in the world? The morning will include prayer and Bible study, visioning, and goal-setting. A light breakfast and good coffee will be provided. **Please sign up in the narthex by Wednesday, January 15<sup>th</sup>.** 

**2024 Annual reports are due by Friday, January 3, 2025** from all congregational committees, ministries, and organizations. Please e-mail them to Debbie Carnall, our parish administrator, at <a href="mailto:faithlutheranerie@gmail.com">faithlutheranerie@gmail.com</a> or drop them off in the church office. Thank you!



# Annual congregational meeting, Sunday, January 26, following the 10:15 service.

All voting members should plan to attend. Business will include review of the 2024 annual reports by committees, organizations, and staff of the congregation, as well as adoption of the proposed 2025 income and expense budgets. After the meeting, all are invited to a soup and sandwich lunch in the fellowship hall. There will be a sign-up sheet in the narthex for the meal; you can also call the church office to sign up. We will also provide a Zoom link for members who are not able to attend the meeting in person.

## Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who donated gifts for SOS 4 Kidz. The gifts were taken to the children by their OCY caseworkers. For many of the children we support, the gifts we provide may be the only gifts they receive. Thank you for your contribution and helping the children we work with believe there is a Santa (or at least people who care)!!

Thank you to everyone who did Christmas shopping for children and youth from the Bethesda Children's Home! Your generosity is great appreciated.

The Social Ministry committee and SOS4Kidz delivered 77 Christmas baskets in December to families in need. Thank you!

## Shout out to all the volunteers

I want to thank all the volunteers who have helped me throughout the year. You have all made me feel welcome at the church, God bless all of you.

Debbie

## **BOOK CLUB IS BACK!**



Faith Book Club meets on the second Monday of the month at 5:30 p.m. in the church library.

All are welcome!

**January 13th**—The Frozen River by Ariel Lawhon- This is a historical fiction novel that recreates the story of Martha Ballard, a real life midwife in the late 1700's.

**February 10th—**Between Two Trailers: A Memoir by J. Dana Trent. A powerful, unforgettable memoir about a girl who escapes her life as a childhood drug dealer to earn a divinity degree from Duke University.

**March 10th—**The Girl with Seven Names: A North Korea Defector's Story by Hyeonseo Lee. This book gives insight into life under a ruthless dictator and her struggle to avoid capture and guide her family to freedom.

April 14th--Here One Moment by Liane Moriarty. A moving story of love, marriage, family, and trying to find certainty in a fragile world.

**May 12th—**The Briar Club by Kate Quinn. The haunting and powerful story of female friendships and secrets in a Washington, D.C. boarding house during the McCarthy Era.

**June 9th—**The Secrets We Keep by Kate Hewitt. A gripping emotional, suspenseful story about two very different women and the summer that they share.

# **Care Ministry Survey**

Our Outreach Committee would like to organize a Care Ministry to match church members' needs with volunteers who are willing and able to help in various ways. A Care Ministry Survey is available in the narthex. Please pick up a copy and complete the survey about various things you may be able to do to help other church members with day to day activities and in emergencies—for example, providing a meal during a time of illness or bereavement, providing a ride to an appointment, keeping someone company in the hospital waiting room, snow shoveling, etc. You can return your completed survey to the basket in the narthex, or you can e-mail your responses to Pastor Jean at <a href="mailto:faithlepastor@gmail.com">faithlepastor@gmail.com</a>. If you have questions or suggestions, please contact any member of the Outreach Committee—Char Ray, Dawn Danilov, or Pastor Jean. Thank you for responding to the survey and for your willingness to serve other Faith members in need!

# Stewardship

Thank you to everyone who made a financial commitment to the church for 2025! If you want to adjust your pledge amount, switch to online giving, or make a pledge for 2025, please contact the parish administrator Debbie Carnall at <a href="mailto:faithlutheranerie@gmail.com">faithlutheranerie@gmail.com</a> (or call the church office).

"Wings of Wonder: Pennsylvania Birds of Prey"— Monday, February 10, 6:00 p.m. at Faith A Presentation by the Tamarack Wildlife Center



Get up close and personal with some of Pennsylvania's magnificent birds of prey, including a live falcon, hawk, and owl. Learn about these magnificent birds' characteristic features, discover their adaptations and natural history, and explore their critical role in our environment. Find out what you can do to help birds of prey and the world we share. The program is suitable for K-12 and adults; all are welcome! Light refreshments will be served following the presentation. This event is being hosted by Faith's Outreach Committee.

The Tamarack Wildlife Center in Saegertown was founded in 1989. Its twin missions are to rehabilitate injured, sick, and orphaned wildlife in order to return them to the wild and to provide education for all ages promoting appreciation and understanding of wildlife.

# 2025 Giving Envelopes



The 2025 giving envelopes are now available in the Narthex. Please pick yours up, and if possible, look for your neighbors' envelopes to help with delivery.

# **Annual Reports**

# **Annual Reports Due January 3**

As we prepare for the annual congregational meeting, committee chairpersons and organization leaders are reminded that all annual reports for 2024 are due in the church office no later than **Friday**, **January 3rd**. Please submit your one page report by email to faithlutheranerie@gmail.com.

# Worship at Faith

**Epiphany of our Lord—Monday, January 6, 7:00 p.m.:** We'll celebrate Epiphany with a service of Holy Communion followed by Burning of the Greens. This year, Faith will again be hosting the Epiphany service for the Erie Lutheran Conference. Rev. Kristen Papson (Mt. Calvary and Lamb of God Lutheran Churches) will be preaching. The Burning of the Greens is a Scandinavian tradition that was introduced to Faith by Pastor David Laakso; we burn the Christmas trees in a bonfire behind the church as we sing carols. Following the service, we'll gather for fellowship and light refreshments in the social hall.

**House Blessing for Epiphany:** Epiphany is a traditional time to bless homes for the new year. Following traditions from Eastern Europe, a blessing can be inscribed with chalk at the threshold. Home blessing materials will be available in the narthex at our Epiphany service and the following weekend. Each kit contains a simple liturgy, a piece of chalk, and instructions for making the inscription.

**Baptism of our Lord—January 11-12:** The baptism of Jesus is a theophany—a manifestation of the divine presence. The triune God is revealed in the voice from heaven, Christ who is declared as the Father's beloved Son, and the Holy Spirit that descends like a dove. On this festival weekend, we also give thanks for the gift of baptism, and pray for those who were baptized at Faith in the previous calendar year.

**Presentation of our Lord—February 1-2:** This festival celebrates the occasion when the infant Jesus was presented in the Temple, forty days after his birth. The prophets Simeon and Anna see the Christ child and sing God's praises. This day is also known as Candlemas, because candles for the upcoming year were traditionally blessed on this day (because the light glowing from the candles symbolizes how Christ is revealed as the light of the world).

**Healing liturgy—Feb. 8-9:** All three worship services this weekend will include a brief liturgy of healing, including the opportunity to receive healing prayer by the laying on of hands and anointing. All are welcome to participate.

**Looking ahead:** Lent begins late this year, so the Epiphany season will be a bit longer than usual. We'll celebrate the last weekend of Epiphany with the Transfiguration of our Lord on March 1-2. Ash Wednesday falls on March 5th; we'll offer Ash Wednesday services at noon and 7:00 p.m. Easter Sunday will be April 20, 2025.



#### Hello

I just wanted to say hi to everyone and say how happy I am to be given the opportunity to be the new administrative assistant here at Faith. After retiring from a 40-year career at Erie Insurance, I was looking for a new challenge in addition to my job as an admin at my home church, Lamb of God Lutheran. I have also worked on the newsletter at Christ the Redeemer quite a few years ago. Everyone has been so kind and welcoming to me as I start this new role and I am very grateful for that. I look forward to working with you all for a long time to come!

lean Moses



### **Confirmation Corner**

Confirmation class meets Sundays at 9:00 in the choir room. Here are the scheduled topics for class sessions in January and February. (We will probably adjust this slightly to make sure we have some time for King David). If you are unable to attend class, please remember to let Pastor Jean know so that make-up assignments can be arranged if needed.

January 5—King Solomon and Kings of Judah

January 12—Exile and prophets

January 19—Prophets, continued

January 26-Wisdom books

February 4—Sermon on the mount

February 11—Calling the first disciples and other call stories.

February 18—Baptism of Jesus and wilderness temptations

February 25—Healing and feeding miracles of Jesus

We are planning another visit or two to Temple Anshe Hesed sometime this winter and spring. We will certainly attend another Friday evening Shabbat service, possibly attend a fruit Seder for TuB'Shevat, (a celebration of the beginning of the growing season in Israel and thanksgiving for trees) and possibly attend a youth chocolate Seder near Passover. We'll keep you posted!

Looking ahead to the summer: Confirmation Camp will be July 21-26, 2025 at the Lake Chautauqua Lutheran Center in Bemus Point, NY. Mark your calendars now! Registration will open later in the spring.

# Congregational Council Members

Mary Jo Szewczyk
Dave Eaglen
Jeff Warren
JJ Lee
Char Ray
Lana Fortin
Todd Eckroat
Bunny McBride
Dawn Danilov
Debbie Hackett



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## YOUR ONLINE CHURCH DIRECTORY

There are some great things about our new church directory. First and foremost, it's not static.

Members' profiles can be added or changed to include new information. And as long as you include an email in your profile you can access the directory on line and on your cell phones. You can email or call another church member from the directory simply dicking on their email address from your computer or phone number from your cell phone. Signing up for access to the directory is easy but it requires that your email address be in your profile. If you don't have an email in your profile, you can email Debbie

Carnall at faithlutheranerie@gmail.com to add it to your profile

Here are the instructions to get started:

- 1. Go to members.InstantChurchDirectory.com
- 2. Click on the blue button Create Login under First time signing in?
- 3. Enter the email address as it is listed in the family portion of the directory.
- 4. Create a password. The password must be 8 characters long and contain at least two of the following special characters: capital letters, numbers or symbols.
- 5. Retype the password to confirm it and click "Create Login."
- 6. Check your inbox for an email from service@instantchurchdirectory.com.
- 7. To complete the sign-up process, you will need to verify your email address by clicking on the link sent to you in that email.
- 8. Once you confirm your email, you may sign in at <a href="mailto:members.InstantChurchDirectory.com">members.InstantChurchDirectory.com</a>. Your email with the password you created will work on all the Instant Church Directory apps on any device.

#### Email, Text, or Calling from the directory after you sign in

Sending emails from the directory is easy. First, sign in, click on 'Families' and select the family you wish to email. Click on the email address it will open a new email using your default email program to that address. You can also send another member a personal text message from within the app. For iOS, press and hold on the phone number of the member you wish to text. This will allow you to either or call text that number. For Android devices, clicking the phone number normally will give you the option to either call or text message the number. Enjoy!



## Did you know that you can give to Faith online?

It's easy and convenient. Just go to our website (https://faithlutheranerie.com) and click on the "Donate to Faith" button. That will take you to a secure webpage <a href="Home">Home</a> | Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church (myvanco.com)</a>. Even simpler, you can just point your phone camera at the QR code to the right, and it will take you directly to the page. This page is maintained by Vanco, the same church finance company that handles our giving by automatic withdrawal. You can make a one time or recurring donation with a credit card. You will be given the option of adding 2.9% to cover the processing fees, if you so wish. You can designate your offering to the unified, capital improvement, memorial, playground, or endowment funds. Your giving remains confidential.





The Al-Anon group meets weekly on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to attend this confidential support group for family members and friends of alcoholics. For more information, please contact Terry at 814-450-4757.

Food Addicts Anonymous (FAA) is a twelve-step fellowship of men and women that are willing to recover from the disease of food addiction. Starting October 6th, Faith will be hosting an FAA meeting every Sunday from 7:00-8:00 p.m. This will be an open meeting. All are welcome to attend! For more information, contact Stephanie B at 440-669-5588 or visit <a href="https://faacanhelp.org">https://faacanhelp.org</a>.



Winter came early, to the delight of all the children at Faith Lutheran Preschool. It is beautiful to watch snow falling out the classroom windows here by the lake. For the next 2 months, we will continue our fun work with Winter/Ice/Snow activities plus a month of Friendship/Hearts/Love.

Our Preschool class enjoyed November with all things "turkey". We pretended to feed turkeys, plus made turkey crafts including a handprint turkey hat! We even made a big turkey on the wall with feathers telling the people & things we are thankful for.

December was a fast month! In between the excitement of snow & Santa, we learned from Pastor Jean about the baby Jesus. Our class stayed busy learning alphabet letters, our 5 senses, shapes, and writing numbers. A visit from Santa & Mrs. Claus after our church program was fabulous!

As autumn ended, our PreK class talked about the First Thanksgiving, Native Americans & Pilgrims. We crafted pumpkin pie slices & sparkly cornucopias. After reading <u>Stone Soup</u>, our kind families helped us with a Soup Can Collection for the Ella Cochran Food Pantry. The Preschool class/families helped us reach our goal of 50 cans to donate!

For the holiday season, the PreK class made angels & gingerbread man ornaments. We sang lots of songs about winter clothes and practiced 6 carols for our Christmas Program in the chapel. "Feliz Navidad" was our favorite! A HUGE hug & thank you to Mr. Brian Gray for accompanying us & the PS class on the piano.

Both classes look forward to upcoming activities for the New Year. We will enjoy activities with snowmen, make predictions with the Groundhog, and show friends & family how much we love them. We'll work with letters N through V, learn to read 5 words (!), and talk about all the community helpers we know. There is such a lot to learn about while having fun with our Faith Lutheran Preschool friends!

Mrs. Manafo & Mrs. Oshlick





# The following memorials were given to the Memorial Fund:

# In memory of Jane Fehl

Mary Jo Szewczyk Dan & Bunny McBride John & Karen Berry

# In memory of Ronald Hackett

Dan & Bunny McBride Jacqueline Seib Jim DeWolf

# In memory of James Smith

Jim DeWolf

# In memory of Bob Sharples

Kathy Sharples



# We offer our prayers and condolences to the family and friends of:

**William James Smith,** who died on October 25, 2024, and whose services were conducted at Wintergreen Gorge Cemetery on November 9, 2024 by Pastor Jean Kuebler.

Ronald Hackett, who died on October 26, 2024; no services were held.

**Jane Fehl,** who died on November 24, 2024, and whose services were conducted at Faith Lutheran Church on December 4, 2024 by Pastor Jean Kuebler.

## From the Console

As I write this edition of "From the Console", the snow is falling for our second snow event of the year. After nearly 5 feet of snow over the first weekend of Advent, I feel most of us are ready for spring to come already.

Preparations and rehearsals are well underway for Christmas Eve services this year, including the introduction of the FLY (Faith Lutheran Youth) Choir at the 4:00 pm Christmas Eve service. These young people are going to add to our worship at the family service, and if the commitments continue, will join with the Chancel Choir for Easter, and maybe some other festival weekends throughout the year.

It is WONDERFUL to see our young people interested in leading worship through music. My foundations in leadership at the church began in a children's choir. I hope to see this group grow, and to help them grow not only as liturgical leaders for their future, but also as musicians in general. To God be the Glory!

May God continue to bless our music ministry here at Faith, and may God bless you and your family this Christmas season.

Yours in Christ.

Brian



# Baptisms at Faith in 2024

When we celebrate the Baptism of our Lord on January 11-12, we will give thanks for the gift of baptism and will pray for these infants and young children who were baptized at Faith in 2024, as well as for their parents and their baptismal sponsors:

Rowen James Whiteley, son of Mallori (Divins) Whiteley and David Whiteley, baptized at Faith on March 3, 2024; sponsors: Garrett, Lindsey, and Vivian Divins.

**Julian Kenneth Bradley**, son of Melissa (Helminski) Bradley and Neil Bradley, baptized at Faith on March 17, 2024; sponsors: Reagan and Hannah Bradley.

Otto Arlin Torf, son of Jordan (Huff) Torf and Daniel Torf, baptized on June 9, 2024 at Faith; sponsors: Thomas, Elyse, and Lyla Baumann.

**Bennett Edward Zarger**, son of Haley (White) Zarger and Alexander Zarger, baptized at Faith on September 15, 2024; sponsors: Lauren Zarger and Adam White.

Cayden Charles Geiger, son of Corrine Geiger, baptized at Faith on October 26, 2024; sponsors: Courtney and Nick Johnson.

# Congratulations to these Faith members who have been elected to leadership positions in the congregation

Dawn Danilov, Lana Fortin, Debbie Hackett, Char Ray, and Jeff Warren to congregational council; Bunny McBride and Char Ray as voting members for 2025 Synod Assembly; JJ Lee as Erie Lutheran Conference Representative; Andrea Konkol to the Endowment Board; and Linda Davis, Lana Fortin, Karl Dolak and Alexis Peterson as auditors.

Thank you to everyone who was willing to stand for election! Newly elected folks will be installed into their offices during worship services on January 4-5. A brief council meeting will follow the 10:15 Sunday service on January 5<sup>th</sup> for the election of officers and assignment of committee liaisons for 2025. Please continue to pray for our congregational leaders.

# Faith Swag Coming In The New Year

In January we'll be taking orders for t-shirts, sweatshirts, hoodies, etc. with the Faith logo. There will be a couple of nice new colors.

Watch for the order forms and get ready to refresh your wardrobe with a little Faith pride.



# Join us at Prayer Breakfast

Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m.—9:30 a.m., now meeting at the Perkins on 4334 Buffalo Road.

Join us for good conversation and company. Everyone orders what they like from the menu.

We pray a table blessing, then after the meal, we pray for our families and friends, for our own needs, and the needs of the world.

There is no particular agenda, just Christian fellowship. Everyone is welcome.



# Yoga at Faith

Join instructor Betty Amatangelo for yoga in Fellowship Hall on Wednesdays from 1:00 to 2:00 pm. This is gentle flow suitable for all ages and levels—beginners and experts alike. The cost is just \$10 per class, payable to Betty via cash, check, or Venmo. See you on the mat!

# **Altar Flowers and Eternal Light**

January Eternal Light: open

January 5: open

January 12: open

January 19: open

January 26: open

February Eternal Light: open

February 2: open

February 9: open

February 16: open

February 23: open

If you would like to give altar flowers, please sign up in the flower book in the narthex.

# **Recyclable Plastic Flower Dishes**

The altar flowers are now delivered in a recyclable plastic dish. If you order altar flowers and have no need for the plastic dish, please return it to the church and the florist will be happy to reuse it. Just place your empty dish in the cardboard box located on the shelf behind the chancel or drop it off at the church office.



# Don't forget: Faith is now hosting glass recycling!









Those in retirement homes
Lois Jordan--Barnabas South
Laure Smith—Barnabas North
Phyllis Moore—Ball Pavilion
Marjorie Eaglen—Barnabas South
Shirley O'Neil—Ball Pavilion
Monica Concilla—Westlake Woods

Becky and Paul Anderson

Andy Leo B Barb

Shirley Bernatt
Amelia Bigley
Melissa Bradley
Jim Braley
Tom Braley
Roger Britton
Anne Brookhouser
Florence Brower

Russ C Chuck Cindy

Renée Concilla Keagan Deimling Ruth DePlatchett Maria DiGangi Martha Drohn Karen E Charles Eimers Jeffery Eldridge

Emily Al Fehl

The family of Jane Fehl

Susan Fehl George George, Jr. Steve Gula

Family of Ron Hackett

Joyce Herbon
Rudy Herbon
Jan Haines
Margy Hilts
Rita Jandt
Gary Johnston
Judy Johnson
Marty Johnson
Patricia Johnson
Kathy & Norm

Bethany Kephart Charlie Kiefer Tammi Learn Kimet Barb Klaproth David Krantz Carol Krupinski Jeanne Langdon Betty Lund Jay Lynde Chris M Janis Maas

Bob & Sue Machuga Bonnie Magee

Jonnie Magee
Jo Malta
Mandy
Nancy Martin
Judi Martina
Michelle K
Joann Mineo
Ja-ne't Moske
Sue Mohnkern
Norval Moore
Karen Myers
Christy Osborn
Keri Schmidt
Geraldine Schultz

Donna Smith Family of William "Jim" Smith

Donna Stoczynski Gaylan Unger Andy Via

Donna Reed Vickey

Peggy Vickey Scott Vickey Carrie Waldron Barb Watkins Barb Wenner Jim Wenner Bob Wenner Bob Whitney Cherri Wilder William Marilyn Wilmire

Marilyn Wilmire Christine Wyrich Lisa Zarger

And those in the military:

Michael Jackula Greg Concilla Zachary Jackula Ryan Repoff

# Please Notify the Office

A call or email to the office when you or a loved one is admitted to one of our local hospitals will ensure that we are aware of the admission and also ensure notification to the Prayer Team. If you wish to add yourself or another person to the Prayer List call or email the office to ensure the Prayer Team is notified in a timely manner. Each name is placed on the Prayer List for two months at a time. Thanks for your assistance with this.

Note: In recent months, we have had some transitions in the prayer team ministry. In December, we did a major update of the prayer list. If we have inadvertently omitted someone we should be praying for, please e-mail or call the office and let us know.

# January &

# **February**

SATURDAY	1/4	1/11	1/18	1/25	2/1	2/8	2/15	2/22
6:00 pm								
ASSISTANT	D.Klaproth	D. Bush	T. Eckroat	D. Bush	D. Klaproth	T. Eckroat	D. Bush	T. Eckroat
MINISTER/								
LECTOR								
SUNDAY 8:00 am	1/5	1/12	1/19	1/26	2/2	2/9	2/16	2/23
ASSISTANT MINISTER/	S.Repoff	B. Tackett	MJ Szewczyk	B. Tackett	·	MJ Szewczyk	B.Tackett	MJ Szewczyk
LECTOR	A. Konkol	D. Rose	A. Krahe	D.Danilov	A.Konkol	D.Rose	A.Krahe	D.Danilov
GREETER/ USHER	N.Gardner		N.Gardner		N.Gardner		N.Gardner	
SUNDAY	1/5	1/12	1/19	1/26	2/2	2/9	2/16	2/23
10:15 am								
ASSISTANT MINISTER/ LECTOR	C. Lee	R. Lee	J. Warren	B. Noonan	C. Lee	R. Lee	J. Warren	B. Noonan
LECTOR	B. McBride	C. Lee	M. Concilla	E. Toskin	J. Warren	A. Warren	L. Zarger	B. McBride
GREETER/ USHER	Zargers	B.Braley	McBrides	Zargers	B.Braley	McBrides	Zargers	B.Braley
TELLERS	Maas/Lee		Falkenberg		Maas/Lee		Falkenberg	

# ALTAR CARE - SUNDAY 8:00 AM:

ALTAK CAKE - SUNDAT 6.00 AM.						
1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	Shari Repoff					
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	Nancy Gardner					
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	Cozella Eckroat					
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	Lin Tackett					
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	Shari Repoff					

# ALTAR CARE - SUNDAY 10:15 am:

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1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	Cindy Lee Nancy Simmons
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	Lisa Zarger Nancy Simmons
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	Bev Braley Nancy Simmons
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	Bunny McBride Bev Braley
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	Bunny McBride Lisa Zarger

# Altar Care Saturday 6:00 pm:

Alexis Peterson, Anne Slupski, Geoff VonBurg



# **Attention Worship Assistants**

If you are unable to serve on your assigned worship date, please try to find a substitute before calling the office.

# January 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			OFFICE CLOSED Happy New Year!	2	3 OFFICE CLOSED	4 Baptism of our Lord 6:00pm Worship
5 Baptism of our Lord 8:00am Worship 9:00am SCS / Confirmation 9:15am Choir 10:15am Worship 7:00pm FAA	6 11:00am Bible Study 11:00am Staff Meeting 5:00pm Worship & Music 5:30 pm Social Ministry 7:00 pm Epiphany Service	7 9:00am Craft n Chat 7:30pm Al-Anon	8 8:30am Prayer Breakfast @ Perkins 1:00pm Yoga	9	OFFICE CLOSED	11 6:00pm Worship
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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