WELS

# Next Week: Epiphany 2

**Theme:** It is in the Word that we hear the call of God that has in it the secret power of God to give what he commands. He commands: Believe! and the Word creates faith. He says, Follow me! and the Word creates the desire and the ability to follow him. That he should consider it glorious to call sinners, is that not an amazing thing? That he should attach such power to his Word that we answer the call, is that not a wonder that lasts an eternity for each of us?

#### **CHURCH UN-DECORATING**

We will be taking down the Christmas decorations after the 10:30am service **THIS Sunday.** Please let one of the pastors know if you are willing to help out.

#### LADIES AID

Ladies Aid will meet on Thursday, **January 14**<sup>th</sup>. All ladies of the congregation are invited! We will start with a Bible study at 12:30pm followed by a business meeting at 1:00pm. See you there!

## **USHER CHANGES – LAST CHANCE!**

The head ushers are working on the ushering schedule for 2021. If you would like to be part of an ushering team, contact one of the head ushers – Scott Warras (414-801-5787), Dan Odya (414-475-6288), or Ross Whiting (414-326-0083). Current ushers should also contact them if you need to change your status / time. <u>There is a need for a new Team Captain for Saturday evening worship. Contact Dan or Ross if you are interested.</u>

## **NEW BIBLE CLASS – PHILIPPIANS**

It's often called "Paul's Letter of Joy." More than a dozen times, Paul uses "joy" or "rejoice" in just four chapters, despite the fact that he was writing from prison to Christians who had been persecuted. Join us to be filled with this same joy in Christ. Classes are held online at 7:30pm on Wednesday; in person on Thursday at 10:00am in Room 204; and in person on Sunday at 9:15am (starting January 10<sup>th</sup>) in the cafeteria. Remember to sign-up for classes online!

## THANK YOU MISS BLIEVERNICHT

Miss Lynette Blievernicht served as our teacher from 1983-2020. In summer of 2020, she retired after 43 years in the WELS teaching ministry. We would like to show our appreciation for her service to our Lord and our congregation. We will have a box for notes and cards in the entryway. Write a note of thanks or share a memory with her. You can also include gift cards or certificates. We will present them to her at the 10:30 service on **Sunday, January 17th.** 

## 2021 FLOWER CHART

... is up on the bulletin board in the hallway between the mailboxes! Anyone wishing to donate flowers for the sanctuary is encouraged to sign up. Use this in memory of a loved one, to celebrate an anniversary or birthday, or for no special reason at all. PLEASE NOTE: You are responsible for purchasing <u>and removing</u> your flowers! We are currently without anyone in charge of or on the Flower Committee. If anyone would like to be in charge of the Flower Committee, please contact one of the pastors.

Committee members are usually responsible for one month at a time (if we have more than one volunteer!). We purchase the flowers per members request at any store (Pick 'N Save, Piggly Wiggly, or a flower shop). We bring them to church on Friday or Saturday and place them on the altar stands. The stands and vases are located in the vestibule. The receipt is then placed in the member's box who sponsored flowers for that week and they give the payment/reimbursement to you. Please contact one of the pastors if you are interested in helping out.

## <u>SCRIP</u>

Thank you for your orders which came to \$1,450! Our next order will be on **Monday**, **January 18.** An updated order form and a retailer list are in the carousel outside Pastor Kneser's office. Contact Mrs. Gasper at <u>mgasper@logls.org</u> with questions.

My family and I received an extraordinarily nice Christmas card in our box. We are very humbled by this generous gift and we thank all of our Christian friends for thinking of us this past Christmas season. - Blessings, The Hofer Family

## MARY MORNINGS - A NEW WOMENS' BIBLE STUDY

We believe the New Year is the best time to start something new! Lynn Wessel and Jes Woller have decided to start a womens'

Bible study. It is open to women who are members of Woodlawn, friends & family of our members, as well as nearby sister WELS congregations.

We plan to meet Saturday mornings twice a month from 9:00-10:30am <u>beginning January 16th</u>. We are planning to offer both in-person & Zoom formats so you can attend in the way you are most comfortable.

This is a wonderful opportunity for you to take a moment to sit at Jesus's feet and 'choose that which is needful' (Luke 10:38-42). It will also give us a chance to connect and be together - something SO healthy and needed for us women!!

We have chosen the newer NPH Bible study *Full Accessories of God - The Spirit's Makeover for Women* by DeLyn Wagenknecht (NPH order# OL-1201801 \$14.99). You can choose to invest in your own copy of this study or join us without the book. If you plan to buy a copy, reach out to Lynn or Jes as we would qualify for a small discount if we purchase 10 or more books! If the cost is a concern, please reach out to us. Plan to grab a cup of coffee/tea and join us!! Looking forward to spending time with you at Jesus' feet!!

Contact Lynn (wessell0802@gmail.com or cell 414-315-1897) or Jes (jeswoller@gmail.com or cell 414-303-8128) with questions.

#### THANKS FROM LWMS!

*From Denyce Baker:* As the LWMS Reporter for Woodlawn I would like to extend a big thank you to all in the congregation who were able to participate and contribute to the Befriend A Mission Giving Tree for Christmas 2020. Because of your generosity, a grand total of \$1,250 was raised and distributed among the three missionaries.

#### **BLOOD DRIVE**

The next blood drive at Woodlawn for Versiti / Blood Center of Wisconsin will be held on Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, from 2:30-6:30pm. Please sign-up online at <u>Versiti.org</u>. You will need to create an account to sign-up online! Go to Schedule an Appointment and search for Woodlawn. Our Sponsorship number is: spon003213 or you can search by range or dates or zip code. Appointment are encouraged, but walk-ins are welcome. Refreshments will be provided. Help save a life by donating!

**<u>REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS</u>** – Pray for our country, our leaders, and all those in authority that they rule wisely and well for the good of all.

#### THIS WEEK AT WOODLAWN

<u>Sun. Jan. 10</u>– Worship w/Communion at 8:00 and 10:30am; Bible Hour at 9:15am (Bible Class (*Philippians*) in Room 101; Sunday School in Rooms 203 & 204; Teen Bible Class in the Luther Lounge); **Take Down** Christmas Decorations 11:45

Mon. Jan. 11 – Worship w/Communion at 6:30pm

- Tue. Jan. 12 Pastors' Conference at Woodlawn
- <u>Wed. Jan. 13</u> Pastors' Conference at Woodlawn; Public School Catechism at 4:45pm in the Luther Lounge; Online Bible Class (*Philippians*) at 7:30pm
- Thu. Jan. 14 Bible Class (*Philippians*) at 10:00am in Room 204; Ladies Aid at 12:30pm in Room 101; Worship Team rehearsal in church at 6:30pm
- Fri. Jan. 15 School Chapel at 9:00am
- Sat. Jan. 16 Mary Mornings at 9:00am; Worship at 5:00pm
- Sun. Jan. 17 Worship at 8:00am; Bible Hour at 9:15am (Bible Class (*Philippians*) in Room 101; Sunday School in Rooms 203 & 204; Teen Bible Class in the Luther Lounge); Contemporary Service at 10:30am
- Mon. Jan. 18 SCRIP orders due by 8:00am; Worship at 6:30pm

If you plan on attending **Communion devotions, weekend or special worship services, and Bible Classes,** we ask <u>everyone please sign up</u> for the service or class you will be attending. Our limit will be approximately **55** people per service. (The new sign-up will be posted on Monday). The simplest way is to go online using this link: <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0848AFAD2CA6F85-communion</u>. Or click on the link on the church web page (woodlawnlutheran.org). For those without internet access you can call, text or email one of the pastors to be put on the list. The Monday service is the least attended, so perhaps consider attending that if you are worried about too many in the service.