

Next Week: Advent 3; Choir Sings on Sunday

Theme: *Knowing what we do about the Messiah's coming kingdom, we want it now. God's encouragement, however, is for us to be patient.*

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Our shut-ins: Peter Kohnke, Helga Mueller-Day, and Elaine Raddatz.

SCHOOL FUNDRAISER



Please join us for an evening of fellowship at Fazoli's (10833 W Greenfield Ave. in West Allis) **THIS MONDAY, December 5th**, from 4:30-7:30pm. We will receive 20% of the proceeds from the orders attributed to Living Hope. Please make sure to bring the flyer from the table in the entryway or tell the cashier **BEFORE** you place your order. You can dine-in or use the drive-thru. See you there!

DIVINE CALLS

A call has been extended to Mr. Daniel Johnson to serve as principal. He is currently at Mount Lebanon Lutheran School in Milwaukee. **There is a Voter's meeting on Sunday, December 11th**, at Noon to extend a call for a 7th grade teacher and other business.

GOOD NEWS FOR DIFFICULT DAYS - MIDWEEK ADVENT

Join us on Wednesdays to prepare our hearts for the coming of our Savior. Services will be offered at 3:30pm at both Woodlawn and Good Shepherd's and 6:30pm at Good Shepherd's only. Advent Suppers are offered at the Good Shepherd's campus between services. Sign-up now to attend or help with the meal.

December 7 - Pastor Aufdemberge at Woodlawn;
Pastor Zarling at GS

December 14 - Pastor Zarling at Woodlawn;
Pastor Kneser at GS

(note: each pastor preaches the same sermon at both campuses)

SEASONAL WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



There are many opportunities to worship in addition to regular Sunday services as we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Savior. A printed schedule is available on the table in the entryway.

ADVENT DAILY DEVOTIONS



Martin Luther College is again providing daily devotion booklets for Advent and Christmas, December 1-25. This year's series is called: *Word Made Flesh: The Historical Reality of Christmas*. Discover how the gospels of John the Elder and Luke the Historian record the details of the incarnation – God becoming man. Pick up your copy from the table in the entryway or contact the church office.

BIBLE CLASSES



Sunday mornings will have the same study at both campuses at 9:15am: *Sacraments – A Visible, Tangible Encounter with God*.

Wednesday classes will resume January 11, 2023.

A Senior Bible study is held at Good Shepherd's at 11:00am on Thursdays.

Mary Mornings is held the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month at 9:00am at Woodlawn. Our Christmas gathering will be December 17th at 9:00am in the cafeteria.

Please take a flyer on the table in the entryway for details.

WISCONSIN LUTHERAN COLLEGE

Choir Concert: The WLC Choir and Chamber Choir present their *Christmas Festival Concert* **December 3** at 7:30pm and **December 4** at 2:30pm in the Center for Arts and Performance Schwan Concert Hall. Tickets are \$12 and may be purchased at wlc.edu/boxoffice or by calling 414-443-8802.



Band Concert: The WLC Concert Band will present its *Christmas Festival Band Concert* on Friday, **December 9** at 7:30pm in the Center for Arts and Performance Schwan Concert Hall. Tickets are \$6 and may be purchased at wlc.edu/boxoffice or by calling 414.443.8802.

SCRIP / RAISE RIGHT



Thank you for your orders which came to over \$2,700! Our next order is on **Monday, December 5**. Order your Christmas SCRIP early!!! Pick up an order form from the carousel outside Pastor Kneser's office. A retailer listing is also available. Contact Mrs. Gasper at mgasper@logls.org with questions.

McDonalds gift cards are now available! We will earn 2% on their physical cards in the amounts of \$10 and \$25.

WISCONSIN LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL EVENTS

WLHS Drama Production: *The Matchmaker*—Tickets are on sale now for the WLHS fall drama production *The Matchmaker* on Saturday, **December 3**, at 7:00pm, and Sunday, **December 4**, at 1:00pm. Purchase tickets at wlhs.org/drama ahead of time for a discounted rate found only online. Tickets will also be sold at the door.

WLHS Sacred Choral Christmas Concert—WLHS choral department will present their Sacred Choral Christmas Concert, *Let Our Gladness Have No End* on Sunday, **December 11**, at 7:00pm in the auditorium. Seating is general admission with a free-will door offering. The concert will also be livestreamed at wlhs.org.

WLHS Christmas Chamber Ensembles Concert—The WLHS Christmas Chamber Ensemble Concert will be held on Thursday, **December 15**, at 6:30pm in the auditorium. Seating is general admission with a free-will door offering. The concert will also be livestreamed at wlhs.org.

A NIGHT IN BETHLEHEM



Our Living Nativity program "*A Night in Bethlehem*" is on Saturday, **December 10th** from 4:00-6:00pm in Good Shepherd's gym. We will also be inviting the greater West Allis community this year at the West Allis Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 3rd via a float and parade walkers. Sign-up and attendance sheets are on the table next to the display.

LWMS BEFRIEND A MISSION GIVING TREE

Denyce Baker, LWMS Reporter for our congregation has organized a fundraiser to collect gift cards for our WELS missionaries as part of the LWMS Befriend a Mission program. We will support the Bence, Glende and Spiegelberg families this Christmas. Please note most of the gift cards are participating retailers with the Scrip program. Remember, if you use Scrip a percentage of the profit goes to support Lamb of God School. Scrip order dates are 12/05 and 12/12. **The gift cards will be due by 12/19.** Order forms and further instructions can be found on the table with the Giving Tree.



Thank you for your generosity and join us as we reach out to our missionaries to make their Christmas very merry!

FOOD PANTRY – LOW SUPPLIES

Our food supplies are running low!! Please donate food items for our own Woodlawn Food Pantry. Donations can be placed in the donation room bins, near the member information boxes. Our next door collection will be after services Christmas weekend, **December 24 & 25**.

BELATED FLOWER THANKS

Belated thanks to the following people for providing flowers for our services during November. Our apologies for not sharing on the appropriate week.

Dave & Cheryl Oldenburg for their Anniversary on November 16th.

The Hofer family in celebration of the 16th birthdays of Eliza & Elina Hofer.



POINSETTIAS

The Flower Committee is purchasing poinsettias to decorate our sanctuary for the Christmas season. If you would like to contribute, please make checks out to Donna Keller and put in either the Flower Committee's or in Donna Keller's information box.



OFFERING ENVELOPES

Please continue using your Woodlawn offering envelopes through the end of 2022. Remember to write "Woodlawn" on your specialty envelopes (Midweek Advent, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve) because both Woodlawn and Jordan have identical envelopes for these special services and we need to keep them separate through December. Continue to write checks payable to Woodlawn through December 31, 2022.



Offerings for 2023 and beyond will be handled a little differently. You will be receiving two months of **2023** offering envelopes at a time in the mail. They will have your new number and should be used beginning **January 1st, 2023**. Checks should be made out to Living Hope Lutheran Church beginning **January 1, 2023**.

Those who give electronically will NOT receive these packets in the mail.

WOMEN'S ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT

Thank you to everyone who helped with our event and brought desserts! We had over 70 ladies join together in fellowship as we prepared our hearts for the birth of our Savior. Special thanks to Trish Peterson, Jill Parbs, Karen Cooley, and Lynn Wessel for organizing this special event.

CHRISTMAS AT THE SEMINARY

The Seminary Chorus, a 68-voice men's choir composed of students at WLS, will present its annual *Festival of Lessons and Carols* on Sunday, **December 11**, at 3:00pm and 7:00pm in the campus auditorium (11831 N. Seminary Drive in Mequon). There are no advanced ticket sales; a free-will offering is appreciated. Find more information on Facebook and at wisluthsem.org. The 3:00pm (central) service will be streamed live and recorded at <https://livestream.com/wslive/2022-christmas-concert>.



CHRISTMAS CONCERT & PARTY

The tradition continues! Please join Woodlawn member Dan Ody and the American Legion Band for a Christmas Concert & Party on Sunday, **December 18th**. The party will be held at the Oelschlaeger-Dallmann American Legion Post #434 (9327 S. Shephard Avenue in Oak Creek) beginning at 3:00pm. As always, admission and parking are free!



CHURCH CLEANING VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to each and every one of our cleaning volunteers who have stayed on the schedule to clean our church each week. Your service is greatly appreciated! We will be working on a new schedule for January – June 2023 very soon. A list of duties can be found at the top of the Cleaning Schedule posted on the bulletin board between the mailboxes. If anyone is interested in volunteering or would like to be removed from the schedule, please contact Mrs. Gasper in the church office at 414-321-2126 or email at mgasper@logls.org. A new schedule with current volunteers will be completed in mid-December.



USHERS

We are looking to make an Ushers schedule to extend into next year. The current schedule ends in January 2023. The new schedule would go through the end of July 2023. Both male and female members of Woodlawn and Jordan are encouraged to volunteer. Please contact Dan Ody at U1194212@gmail.com if you would like to be included on an usher team.

MILITARY OFFERINGS

It is time to gather items for Woodlawn members serving in the military. We would like to get this delivered in time for Christmas. We currently have two active and one reservist.

Suggested items are: hard candy, Starburst candy, fruit cups, pudding cups, granola bars, hot chocolate, toothpaste, nuts, gum, microwave mac & cheese, fruit snacks, etc. Place the gifts in the box in the entryway.

If you choose a monetary donation, please give to Bonnie Delaney or put it into her information box. She will shop, pack, and ship all packages. The deadline is Monday, **December 18**. Any questions, you can call her at 414-530-3808. Thank you!



SNOW REMOVAL HELP NEEDED!



Joe Lucchesi has stepped down as our snow removal coordinator. No one has yet stepped up to coordinate snow removal for our church and school. We do thank the two volunteers who offered to help out. The sidewalk in front and the entryways to the church and school will need to be kept clear of snow. You must be available during the day and early morning to help out. There are snow blowers available. For more details or if you have questions, please contact one of the pastors.

THIS WEEK AT WOODLAWN

Sun. Dec. 4 – Worship at 8:00am & 10:30am; Bible Hour at 9:15am (Kids' Club in Rooms 201 & 204; Bible Study (Sacraments) in the cafeteria)

Mon. Dec. 5 – SCRIP orders due by 8:00am; PBJ at 2:30pm in the cafeteria; **Fundraiser at Fazoli's 4:30-7:30pm**; Worship at Good Shepherd's at 6:30pm; Jesus Cares at 6:30pm

Tue. Dec. 6 – Pioneers at 6:00pm in Rooms 201 & 204; Handbells at 6:30pm; Church Council at 6:30pm at Woodlawn in the cafeteria; Sheepshead at 7:00pm in Room 101

Wed. Dec. 7 – Midweek Advent Services at 3:30pm (both campuses) and 6:30pm (Good Shepherd's only); Supper at Good Shepherd's 4:30pm

Thu. Dec. 8 – Senior Bible Study at Good Shepherd's at 11:00am; Public School Catechism at 5:00pm in the Luther Lounge

Fri. Dec. 9 – School Chapel at 9:00am

Sat. Dec. 10 – Living Nativity at Good Shepherd's gym 4:00-6:00pm; Worship w/Communion at 5:00pm

Sun. Dec. 11 – Worship w/Communion at 8:00am & 10:30am; Bible Hour at 9:15am (Kids' Club in Rooms 201 & 204; Bible Study (Sacraments) in the cafeteria); **Voter's meeting at Noon at Woodlawn**

Mon. Dec. 12 – SCRIP orders due by 8:00am; PBJ at 2:30pm in the cafeteria; Worship at Good Shepherd's at 6:30pm