

First Sunday of Advent

Leader: Today, on the first week of Advent we remember the hope we have in Christ. The prophets of Israel spoke of the coming of Christ, our Savior, the king in the line of David, who would rule the world wisely and bless all nations.

All: *As followers of Jesus Christ, we wait with hope for His return. As we light this candle, we are reminded to be alert and to let the light of Christ shine through us.*

Leader: Heavenly Father, we thank you for the hope you give us. Help us prepare our hearts for our Lord's coming as we watch for the light of Christ to grow bright in the world. Amen.

Awana – Marshmallow Night – Earn marshmallows for each section completed.

LBA meeting is scheduled for tomorrow night at 7:00 pm.

Sing-a-Long Ministry – join Dick & Laurie Kulhawik on Tuesday, December 19, at 1:30 pm at Sunset Manor. It should be a great time of singing Christmas songs with the residents.



Mark your calendar for these special dates:

- **Dec. 19** Christmas Party
- **Jan. 7** Winter Jam
- **Jan. 19-21** Camp Geneva Retreat - 7th & 8th graders
- **Feb. 23-25** Winter Blast-Grace Adventures 9th-12th graders
- **Feb. 11** Spaghetti lunch following the morning service.
Fundraiser for our South Dakota trip in June.



Christmas Eve Morning Service will start at 10:15 am on December 24, with breakfast starting at 10:00 am. If you would like to participate in this service (song, instrumental, reading etc.), please let the church office know as soon as possible.

Christmas Eve Evening Service will start at 5:00 PM on the 24th.

Prayer Concerns

- Lynn (Rich Anderson's sister-in-law) undergoing chemo treatments
- Rick & Marie Little – they brought home their adopted child from Haiti. Keep them in prayer as they adjust to becoming a family.
- Julie Stehouwer – she is home from the hospital but still needs prayer for her health issues



There are still a few angel ornaments left on the tree. If you purchase a gift card, please do not place it under the tree, but give the card to Mary Kroodsma or one of our deacons. If you take an angel ornament off the tree and for some reason you are unable to purchase the item, please put the ornament back on the tree ASAP. **The deadline for all gifts to be returned is December 17.**

Ministry Schedule

| | Today | Next Week |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Toddler Nursery | Elizabeth Freed Makayla Parm | Jerry Jacobs Isabelle Culver |
| Children's Worship Pre-K & K | CeeCee/Tammy Ezabella Stearns | CeeCee/Tammy Joey Parm |
| Children's Worship Grades 1 – 6 | Becky DeBlaey Marsha Young | Carrie Cousino Rhonda Young |
| B.E.R.T. Team | Mitch & Greg Team | Ryan/Ashley Team |

Greeter Today: Mary Kroodsma

26th Week of Fiscal Year June 2017 – May 2018

| | Last Week | Year to date |
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| General Offering | 6,222.00 | 108,449.06 |
| General Fund Budget | 4,855.00 | 121,375.00 |
| General Fund Difference | 1,367.00 | (12,925.94) |
| Mission Offering | 60.00 | 5,054.50 |

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