

Worship Lifeline

Congregational News

POINSETTIAS FOR ADVENT

We are continuing the tradition of decorating our altar with poinsettias during Advent. If you would like to dedicate a poinsettia in memory or honor of a loved one, **please complete the form on the last page of this newsletter (the form is also attached to Lisette's email)** and submit via email to Kelly Kraus at kkrausblitz@gmail.com. The cost per poinsettia is \$12. Make checks payable to All Saints Lutheran Church and note "poinsettias" in the memo line. Send payment in your usual offering mode.

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### \*\*\*CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE\*\*\*

The Call Committee has completed the congregation description and community characteristics modules of our Ministry Site Profile. Work continues on the remaining modules of the profile.

The Rev. Karen Boda is our Synod liaison, and committee members are Tom Wagner (Chair), Maddy Faass (Secretary), Martha Wooden, Barb Litke, Mary Yale, and Blandon Johnson. Herb McCaulla is the Council liaison.

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ADVENT WEDNESDAY VIA ZOOM

Dec 16 at 7pm: Holden Evening Prayer with discussion and singing of Advent hymns: "People, Look East"

Zoom link: [Wednesday Evening Worship/Bible Study](#)

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### \*\*\*DRIVE-BY FOOD DRIVE SCHEDULE\*\*\*

10am at the church – drive by to drop off donations:  
Dec 19 Christmas "basket" food and gifts for Rainbow House girls

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CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP AT 7pm

Worship in person or via Zoom at 7pm with candlelight, hymns, and Communion. We will not have a 10:45pm service this year.

Readings for Dec 20

2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16

The Lord's promise to David

Luke 1:46b-55

You, Lord, have lifted up the lowly. (Lk. 1:52)

Romans 16:25-27

The mystery of God revealed in Jesus Christ

Luke 1:26-38

The angel appears to Mary

Ministry This Week

Sunday, Dec 13, Advent 3

10:00 AM—S ASLC Hybrid Worship
8:00 PM—F AA

Monday, Dec 14

6:00 PM—F Cub Scouts Pack
7:30 PM—Virtual Meeting OA

Tuesday, Dec 15

9:00 AM—F Sandwich MeetUp*
10:15 AM—Z Christian Conversations
7:00 PM—F Wyld Roots Yoga & Wellness
7:45 PM—GR or LL NA

Wednesday, Dec 16

6:15 PM—F Wyld Roots Yoga & Wellness
6:30 PM—LL Word of Faith
7:00 PM—Z Holden Prayer Advent Service
8:00 PM—F AA

Thursday, Dec 17

6:00 PM—LL Cub Scouts Den
7:00 PM—F Wyld Roots Yoga & Wellness
7:45 PM—GR or LL NA

Friday, Dec 18

9:00 AM Cleaning Services

Saturday, Dec 19

9:00 AM—F Wyld Roots Yoga & Wellness
9:00 AM—Virtual Meeting OA

Sunday, Dec 20, Advent 4

10:00 AM—S/Zoom ASLC Worship
8:00 PM—F AA

Z=Zoom; F=Fellowship; OC=Out of Church; OO=Outer Office
GR=Gray Room; LL=Lower Level; CL1=Lower Level Open Room 1;
CL2=Lower Level Open Room 2; N=Narthex; S=Sanctuary; UR=Upper Room; A=Away from All Saints

* Calendar Note: The Sandwich MeetUp limits participation to 4 individuals at this time. Sandwiches are shared with Rock of Ages in their ongoing shepherding with homeless/street people.

In Scripture Today

Third Sunday in Advent

Each week of Advent, as our society gets more consumed by solstice celebrations, it gets increasingly difficult for Christians to wait for Christ as the light who shines with justice into our world. We come to the table for strength to focus on justice and mercy.

John 1:6-8, 19-28

As the northern hemisphere darkens day by day, the Gospel of John points to Christ as the light. Whenever God comes—in the past in the history of Israel and the incarnation of Jesus, in the present in the word and sacrament of each Sunday, and in the future at the end of all things—we join John the Baptist to make a straight path for the Lord.

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

Because Christians have seen Jesus Christ as the one who embodies the Spirit of God and so transforms the world, this joyous poem is chosen to accompany John's testimony. Jesus brings good news, release, comfort, justice, the covenant, righteousness. And so the poet speaks of the joy of the wedding and the springtime. Last week the Isaiah reading placed us in the wilderness and likened us to dying grass; today we are a forest of oak trees, a sprouting garden.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

The baptized assembly has been given the Spirit, which too often is quenched. Paul calls us to live blamelessly according to the will of God. In our weekly intercessions, we attempt Paul's call to pray without ceasing.

Russ' Reminders

Anniversaries

DECEMBER

31 Charlene Adams

Birthdays

DECEMBER

16 Raymond (Ray) Klages
18 Cindy Murphy
29 Anna Elizabeth Crutchfield
30 Richard (Rick) Robinson
31 Susan Lystad

JANUARY

18 Blandon L. Johnson
20 Morgan Zupan
21 Sharon Marion
25 Julie Boyer
28 Lorraine Herring
29 Barbara Litke

Worship Assistants

Dec 13 (in-person/Zoom)

Altar Guild/Comm Assist: Joann Rosselle
Lector/ Worship Assist: Amy Cauble
Ushers: John Holdrich
Greeter: Jack & Lisette Branscomb
Sound Board: Roger Boyer
Zoom Host: Kelly Kraus
Counters: Tom & Angie Sanderlin

Dec 20 (in-person/Zoom)

Altar Guild/Comm Assist: Susan Holbrook
Lector/ Worship Assist: Barb Litke
Ushers: Herb McCaulla
Greeter: Mary Kay Kates & Martha Wooden
Sound Board: Al Kates
Zoom Host: Kelly Kraus
Counters: Tom & Angie Sanderlin

Dec 24 Christmas Eve (7pm in-person/ Zoom)

Altar Guild/Comm Assist: Joann Rosselle
Lector/ Worship Assist: Joanne Swanson
Ushers: Bruce Kraus
Greeter: Jack & Lisette Branscomb
Sound Board: Roger Boyer
Zoom Host: Kelly Kraus
Children's Sermon: Pastor Ruth Hamilton

Dec 27 (in-person/Zoom)

Altar Guild/Comm Assist: Lisette Branscomb
Lector/ Worship Assist: Kelly Kraus
Ushers: Lisette Branscomb
Greeter: John & Joyce Holdrich
Sound Board: Al Kates
Zoom Host: Kelly Kraus
Counters: Tom & Angie Sanderlin

Jan 3

Altar Guild/Comm Assist: Joann Roselle
Lector/ Worship Assist: Miriam McCann
Ushers: Mary Kay Kates
Greeter: Rica Kelly & Melody McCaulla
Sound Board: Al Kates
Zoom Host: Kelly Kraus
Counters: Tom & Lorraine Herring

Jan 10

Altar Guild/Comm Assist: Susan Holbrook
Lector/ Worship Assist: Lisa Mitchell
Ushers: Herb McCaulla
Greeter: Lisette & Jack Branscomb
Sound Board: Roger Boyer
Zoom Host: Kelly Kraus
Counters: Tom & Lorraine Herring

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# POINSETTIA ORDER FORM

\_\_\_\_\_  
My name

I would like to purchase \_\_\_ poinsettia(s) at \$12 each.

- Checks should be made payable to All Saints Lutheran Church (note Poinsettias in memo line). Include your payment via your usual method of offering.
- Return the completed form to Kelly Kraus at [kkrausblitz@gmail.com](mailto:kkrausblitz@gmail.com).

Please dedicate my poinsettia(s) as follows:

*(Include as much information as needed to clarify the relationship to you/your family.)*

**In Memory of:**

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