

Evangelical Lutheran Church of Durham

"The church on the hill, lighting the way to God's love"

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2024



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING



DECEMBER 8, 2024

There will be a congregational meeting immediately after the worship service on December 8th, 2024 . The main agenda item will be approval of the 2025 budget.

Following the meeting WELCA is hosting a covered dish Christmas Lunch. Please be sure to attend and bring a dish for lunch or dessert. Your participation in the meeting is very important and we would love your company at the lunch!



SAVE YOUR STAMPS

POST A CHRISTMAS CARD IN THE NARTHEX FOR ALL TO SEE!

Small Notecards are also available in the Narthex if you ever wish to send or post a note to someone!



COUNTERS WANTED!

Sign up in the Narthex To help the counters in 2025!!



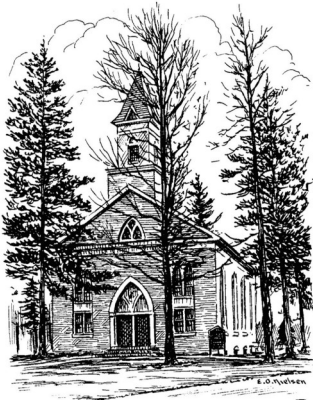
Choir will rehearse Wednesday mornings at 10 a.m. on Dec. 4 and 18 for Advent and Christmas, in addition to Sunday morning rehearsals at 9:30 a.m. Anyone who loves to sing is invited to join us! Carolyn



Joan Mammana



Evangelical Lutheran Church of Durham has been so blessed by the membership of Joan Mammana! Joan was born on August 7th and was confirmed in ELC of Durham at the age of 12. Her ancestors before her attended Durham and her heart was always here through the years. To Joan, God feels like peace, faith and hope for the future. She finds joy in her faith, singing in the choir and her grandchildren. She says JOY =Jesus+Others+Yourself. Joan also loves cats, travel, reading biographies and studying genealogy. Joan is the coordinator of our Church Prayer List and holds us all in her prayers as well as world peace and good health for her friends and family. Her favorite hymn is "What a friend we have in Jesus". I hope you all know what a friend we have in Joan.



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Wednesday:

10:00 AM-2:00 PM

Thursday

10:00 AM -1:00 PM

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610-346-8500

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Monday: 1:00-3:00PM

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Pastor's Message:

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

Normally my December Newsletter article focuses on the birth of Jesus, but this year I want to come at it from a different angle - I want to look at the story of the Magi whose arrival in Bethlehem we celebrate on January 6th; the Festival of the Epiphany of Our Lord. This story is found only in Matthew 2:1-12. While we think we know this story, we make several assumptions about the story which may not be factual, so lets just take a moment to read it more carefully.

First, notice in verse 1 the visitors from the east are not kings but wise men. The Greek word could also be translated as seers, astrologers, or magi {Zoroastrian Priests}. Second, note that we are not told how many of them there were, just that there was more than one. Traditionally we have claimed three of them, and we have given each one a home and a name (Melchior came from Persia, Caspar from India, and Balthazar from Arabia). It is most likely that we have landed on three as the number due to the number of gifts: gold, frankincense and myrrh, figuring one gift for each Magi. Third, we usually show the wise men presenting their gifts to the baby in the manger with cows and donkeys still around. However, the text in verse 11 uses the word house, a very different description. Finally, we tend to display the wise men at the manger giving the appearance that they were there that first night (maybe just missing the shepherd on the road). Yet most scholars believe that they were not there the first night rather some months later, maybe as much as two years. This assumes that the star does not appear until Christ was born and that same great light that drew the shepherds was that same star. Also, the brutal response of Herod to have all children 2 years old and under killed, was predicated on the Magi disclosing when they first saw that star. Now while Herod might have well padded the date to be sure, it most certainly was months after the birth that they finally arrived, not Christmas night. Having cleared the "traditional trappings" from this story does not however, in any way diminish its significance.

So what gifts do the Magi bring to us this Christmas?

First, they bring us the reminder to see the star and to use it as a guiding light in our lives. These were obviously people of faith in that they seemed to understand the world to be a creation of God who continues still to care for us and uses it to give us guidance.

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If we understand Jesus to be the "Light of the world", then we, like the Magi, need to keep our eyes focused on the star and use him as a guiding light in our lives. It is important to remember that the journey the wise men took was a long and challenging one but by keeping their eye on the star they were directed to the place they needed to be.

Second, let us unpack the three treasurers they brought as gifts to the Christ Child.

Gold - was the item of most value and because of its great expense, it was normally associated with those in power. It was the gift appropriate to give to a King. When we sing Handel's Messiah we sing: "He is king of king and lord of lords". But this is not just a stewardship gift (although we ought to be honoring Christ the King with our monetary gifts fit for a king) but it also reminds us that as our sovereign ruler we need to view the world through his eyes and allow it to determine how we rule in this world.

Frankincense - this was the gift given to Christ the High Priest. We understand that Jesus functions as the only intermediary we will ever need between us and God. It is Jesus who sealed this relationship with his obedient death on the cross - shedding his blood to pay for our sin debt. As our High Priest, the gift of frankincense reminds us of the importance of being in a state of worship of God, not just on Sundays but every day. Worship isn't just what we do on Sunday morning, but how we lift up our praise and prayers to God every day; whether it be morning and evening prayers or simply saying grace at mealtime.

Myrrh may be the least known and understood. Myrrh was the gift given to honor the third element of Jesus' identity. He was not only the King and High Priest; he also was a prophet. A prophet is not a fortune teller, but a forth-teller. He is one who speaks the truth to the condition of our world and calls us to repent and turn to God. Just like the prophets of the Old Testament, Jesus the prophet was not received by all as a welcome proclaimer of truth, and like the prophets he was killed for it. Hence the Myrrh - an ointment used in preparation of a body for burial. For us, the gift of myrrh reminds us of the call of prophecy which we continue to carry with us as disciples of Christ. We are to speak out against corruption and sin; not just as a political statement, but as a reminder of the condition of sin which continues to plague our world.

As we prepare for this year's Christmas celebration I would encourage you to be the magi of our day: to keep focused on the star as your guiding light in all your life's decisions. To honor Christ the King, not just with gifts to family and friends, but to those who are in need. To honor Christ the High Priest with daily devotions and weekly worship attendance. And lastly, to honor Jesus the prophet with a willingness to be a voice of renewal and reform in our world.

Your servant in Christ.

Pastor Jim Heckman





PRAYER LIST

For Healing of those in our Congregation:

David Antoni; George Kreitz; Paul McGinn; Cheryl Mesko; Bethany Michl; Ed Xander; Joanne and Bobby Ziegenfuss.

For Healing of Friends and Family:

Frank Allebach; Phyllis Allebach; Bob Benouere; Paula Benouere; Jason Bigley; Stephen Bizon; Clay Butler; Doris Calverley; Deb Carmichael; Jane Carr; Peggy Coleman; Stephanie Courtney; David Davis; Nancy Edelen; Leon Errico; Nora Fallon; Fred Foerster;

Gabriella Froehlich; Barbara Foster; Debbie Gardner; Candie Gimbar; Baree Lee Goodman; Jason Gourley; Rev. Bradley Gow; Penni Griffith; Andrew Hales; Penny Houck; Bill Hunt; Lois James & family; Martine King; Tim Koplín; Mary Lily; Rev. David Lisner; Jim McAnally; Charleigh McCade; Letitia McCrea; Connor McDevitt; Patrick McNaulty; Nancy Morris; Sue Odor; Cindy Oswald; Lucia Otero; Jim Pavlica; Jennifer Phelps; Lisa Ridge; Connie Rugen; Tammy Sassman; Paul Sauter; Douglas Schlegel; Bart Shaw; Laurel Sheetz; Donna Storm; Russ Trauger; Joe V.; Kelly Walsh; Jacqueline Ward; Dean Erika Wesch; Henry Wong; Wayne Yeisley; Barbara Yob.

For those who are Homebound:

James Altemose; Cleo Eck; Frank Mammana; Jayne Miller; and Silas Rodenbach.

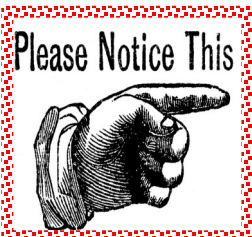
For families and friends grieving the loss of: Norma Fox and Kenneth Hager

If you want to add or remove someone from the prayer list, please contact Joan Mammana either by phone (610-258-5717 or 610-417-6553) or by email at: joanmammana@icloud.com

Virginia Hager would like to extend a warm Thank You to the congregation for all of the thoughts and prayers extended to her and her family after the loss of her husband, Kenneth Hager. She greatly appreciates all of the donations made in his name and the support she received from the church family during such a difficult time. Virginia would also like to note that her address will be changing. Please check in with her or Kat for her new address.

December 2024 Worship Assistants

DECEMBER				
Altar Guild		Mark Harwick, Linda Sauter and Suzanne Mauer		
Counting Team		Ken Anderson and Jack Pyne		
Date	Greeter	Acolyte	Lector	Head Usher
12/1		Lilly O'Brian	Josephine Williams	Mark Harwick
12/8			Becky Praster	Mark Harwick
12/15		Leo G	Bea vonWatzdorf	Mark Harwick
12/22		Lilly O'Brian	Kris Simmons	Mark Harwick
12/24			David Sauter	
12/29	Kathryn & Oaklee W		Kathryn Wagner	



Do you crave a little more from worship on Sundays?

Want to get involved in our church family?

Being a worship assistant is a small way to make a big difference!

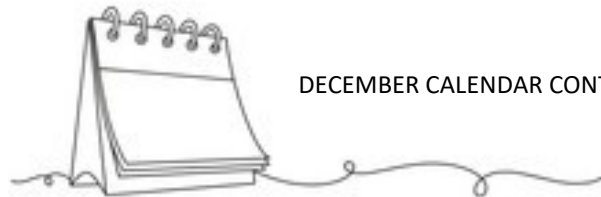
Weekly positions available: Greeters, Acolytes, Lectors, Ushers and Counters!

Secure your spot TODAY!



1/2 December Events

Sunday, December 1 First Sunday of Advent Blessing of the Altar Guild	9:15 AM 9:30AM 10:00 AM 5:00 PM	Adult Sunday school in the library. Choir Rehearsal Communion Worship Advent Vespers ULS Philadelphia PA
Monday, December 2	1:00 PM- 3:00 PM	Admin Office Hours
Wednesday, December 4	10:00AM 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal Office Hours
Thursday, December 5	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM 12:00 PM 1:00 - 3:00 PM	Office Hours Chat & Chew with Pr. Jim Adult Bible Study @ Hlavaty's
Friday, December 6	5:00PM- 8:00PM	Parent's Night Out Care-A-Lot Fundraiser
Saturday December 7	6:00 PM	Living Nativity Rehearsal Trinity Pleasant Valley
Sunday, December 8 Second Sunday of Advent	9:15 AM 9:30 AM 10:00 AM After Worship 5:00PM-7:00 PM	Adult Sunday school in the library. Choir Rehearsal Communion Worship Congregational meeting followed by covered dish Confirmation Class @ St. Luke's Ferndale
Monday, December 9	1:00 PM- 3:00 PM	Admin Office Hours
Tuesday, December 10	7:00PM	Monthly Council Meeting
Wednesday, December 11	10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Office Hours
Thursday, December 12	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM 12:00 PM 1:00 - 3:00 PM	Office Hours Chat & Chew with Pr. Jim Adult Bible Study @ Hlavaty's
Saturday, December 14	5:00 PM and 7:00 PM	Live Nativity at Trinity Pleasant Valley
Sunday, December 15 Third Sunday of Advent	9:15 AM 9:30 AM 10:00 AM After worship	Adult Sunday school in the library Choir Rehearsal Communion Worship Caroling and Poinsettia delivery to home-bound



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December Events Cont'd



Monday, December 16	1:00 PM- 3:00 PM	Admin Office Hours
Tuesday, December 17	1:00 PM	Christian Education Meeting @ Church Office
Wednesday, December 18	10:00AM 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal Office Hours
Thursday, December 19	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM 12:00 PM 1:00 - 3:00 PM 6:30PM- 8:00 PM	Office hours Chat & Chew with Pr. Jim Adult Bible Study @ Hlavaty's Teen/Youth Night St. Luke Ferndale
Friday, December 20	9:00 AM	Decorating the Church
Sunday, December 22 Fourth Sunday of Advent	9:15 AM 9:30 AM 10:00 AM 11:30-1:00 PM	Adult Sunday School in Library Choir Rehearsal Communion Worship Messy Church
Monday, December 23	1:00 PM- 3:00 PM	Admin Office Hours
Tuesday, December 24 Nativity of our Lord	7:00 PM	Communion Worship
Wednesday, December 25	MERRY CHRISTMAS	No Office Hours
Thursday, December 26	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Admin Office Hours
Sunday, December 29 First Sunday of Christmas	9:15 AM 10:00 AM	Adult Sunday school in the library Communion Worship
Monday, December 30	1:00 PM- 3:00 PM	Admin Office Hours

SAVE THE DATE

2025

January 25th **Communion Education Class:** PALM program and we will meet at St. Luke's, Ferndale on Saturday, January 25 from 9:00 to noon. This class is open to anyone who has not yet received any communion instructions regardless if they currently receive communion or not. If you have someone who wishes to attend, please let the pastor or the office know by the end of the year. There is no cost for this class. Parents are invited and encouraged to attend with their child although this is not required.

Upper Bucks Conference Annual Assembly March 9, 2025 2-4pm

Iron Pigs Game April 27, 2025 1-3pm

CONFIRMATION and YOUTH RETREAT!!! Cross Roads Camp and Retreat

Friday Jan 3-Sunday Jan 5, 2025

Open to all youth Confirmation age and up! Friends are welcome!

Cost for Confirmands: \$50 Cost for friends: \$130





The Adult Bible study meets from 1-3 o'clock on **Thursdays** at the home of Kathy and Joe Hlavaty. We are studying the book of Luke, and invite you to join us.
Helen Dungan

Adult Sunday School

We are trying something new. We will be reviewing and discussing Sunday's Bible readings. We thought this would be a way to help us get more from the pastor's sermons. We meet at 9:15 for 30 minutes in the church library. If you get to church early, please join us.
Helen Dungan

CARE-A-LOT PRESCHOOL

The Care-A-Lot students are hard at work practicing fine motor skills under the helpful eyes of our wonderful teachers and assistants. We have a Parent's Night Out fundraiser being hosted to benefit the pre-school. Parents who sign up will pay a small fee to drop their little ones off for dinner and a movie while they go get some Christmas shopping done



**NEXT CHRISTIAN ED
MEETING TUESDAY
DEC 17th 1PM**

COMMUNION+CONFIRMATION

Our youth Christian education classes continue to run smoothly as a joint effort across all PALM churches. Each month a different church will host the students from each church as a group and the Pastors take turns leading the lessons. This is a great example of how our participation in PALM helps our children and our pastors! The next first holy communion class will be held at St. Luke in Ferndale on Jan 25th from 9-12. The confirmation retreat is also approaching in early Jan and is open to any confirmation age children and friends!

**PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING THE
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE**
We would love to have you!



MESSY CHURCH

Our Messy Church events here at ELC of Durham continue to run successfully. I am not measuring the success by the amount of attendees but the feeling of warmth and congregational family gathering that is abundant at these events. While it is sometimes a lot of work to put these programs together, God continues to show me that they help bring to light the value of sharing fellowship. The way the games and crafts connect to the bible verses and the discussion of growth and building each other up in our faiths are some of my favorite parts of Messy Church! Our next Messy Church event will be hosted after Sunday Service on Dec 22.



Helen Dungan

Food banks: Thanks to all who contributed to our window sill collections this month, and to Miriam Anderson for donating a food basket in honor of her and Ken's anniversary and Ken's birthday. Both food banks are still in need of personal care items, cleaning supplies, and diapers. However, all donations are welcome.

When you come to worship, please, bring something to share. You can also sign up to donate a food basket in memory or honor of a loved one.

Outreach envelope: Our Outreach envelopes for December will support AHUB (Advocates for the Homeless in Upper Bucks) as they work to provide Code Blue shelter to the homeless during bad weather .

Christmas gifts: Lynn Gaun requests the names of anyone you know in our community who can use some help this Christmas. She traditionally gets gift cards to Giant and Walmart, so parents in particular can shop for what they need. Please give your requests to Lynn by December 9th. She also can use help delivering these gifts (traditionally the cards are attached to a fruit basket).



Caroling: After church on Sunday December 15th, we will take poinsettias to our homebound members; and sing some carols with them. A light lunch will be provided before we go. Please join us, especially those who have good voices! WELCA is providing the poinsettias.



WELCA met Friday Oct. 28th to clean and organize the kitchen. A huge thanks to all who helped: Kathy Hlavaty, Lynn Gaun and Becky Praster who cleaned out and organized the cupboards, Jo-

anne Antoni who scrubbed the stove top and Bonnie Pyne and I who washed dishes and were gofers. Kathy took all the soup jars home to run through the dishwasher; and she and Becky took discards – some to the trash and some to the thrift store. We will host a congregational Christmas covered dish after church on Sunday December 8th. WELCA will provide rolls, beverages and paper products, we ask you to bring a covered dish or dessert to share. This will be the kick off to our Christmas celebrations.

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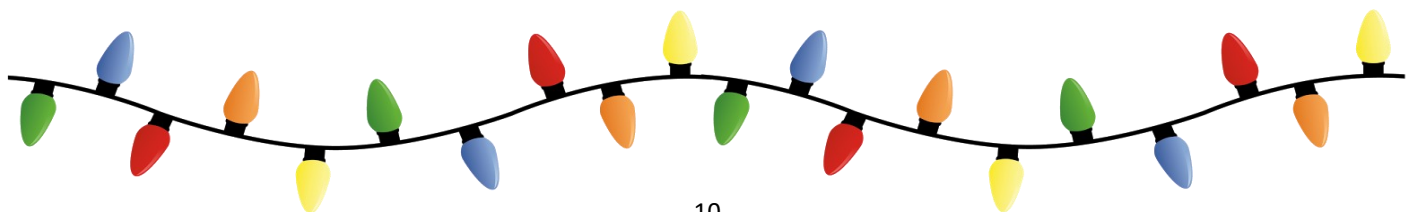
Helen Dungan

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December	BIRTHDAYS	ANNIVERSARIES	BAPTISMS
2	Clayton Leichliter		
4			Rowan Froehlich
6			Brian Ashmore Sr.
8		Dianna & Peter Streletz (33)	
9			Lois Altemose
11			Alex Crouse
14	Victoria Phillipps, Benjamin Williams		Lee Ann Kressman
19	Bob Starling		Ken Anderson
20	Val McGinn	Kathy & Joe Hlavaty (50)	
23	Scott Gaun, Clayton Helfrich, Porter Genthner	Cheryl & Wayne Mesko (47)	
25	JESUS!		
29	Leo Grzelkowski	Jayne & Jim Miller (55)	Matthew Mueller
30	George Kreitz	Laura & Dave Helfrich (17)	





Evangelical Durham introduces new Online giving options.



We have partnered with Vanco to add the ability to make contributions or donations online. The feature is currently in "beta testing" Beta testing means that it is fully up and running, and we are taking it through its paces before the formal rollout at the end of the year.

This feature will be available to anyone with internet access, and can be accessed from our web site, or by downloading the "Vanco Faith" application from your phone's app store.

This new tool has the following advantages:

For you:

- No longer need to use envelopes, all the most used giving categories are also available online.
- Can set up automatic giving on a schedule with weekly, monthly, quarterly or annual frequency options for convenience, and revise or cancel the schedule and amount when ever you need.
- All online contributions are automatically included on your giving statements.
- Uses the same secure / proven technology that we have already been using for Simply Giving for the past 20+ years. If you already use Simply Giving, you can choose to switch to Vanco Faith, or stay with Simply Giving, whichever you prefer.

For the Church:

- Reduced burden on offering counters for processing envelopes and deposits after each service.
- Reduced overhead for the Financial Secretary, since all online contribution are automatically deposited to the church account, and posted directly to your statement in our church's software.
- Reduced opportunity for reconciliation error in processing contributions.
- Make it easier for non-member contributors to make donations, for memorials, etc.

We still need Android phone users to help with Beta testing. If you would like to participate in the Beta test, Reach out to Ken Anderson at councilsecretary@durhamluthran.org or 610-346-4391 for more information.

A guide with full information on how to access and use the will be available with the January Newsletter.

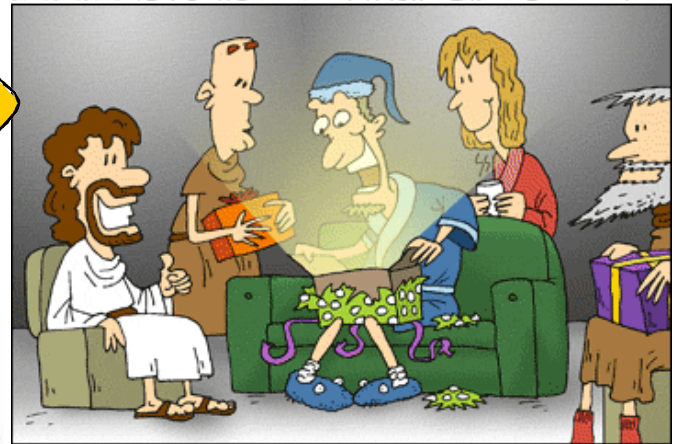
Ken Anderson



Durham Nockamixon Elementary School is looking for gift card donations for families in need this Christmas season.

Please see Scott Gaun for more information

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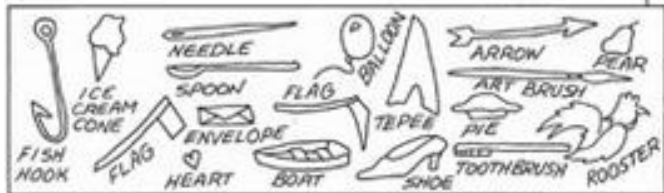
Thanks to Andrew S.
ETERNAL LIFE, MY FAVORITE ... THANKS JESUS!

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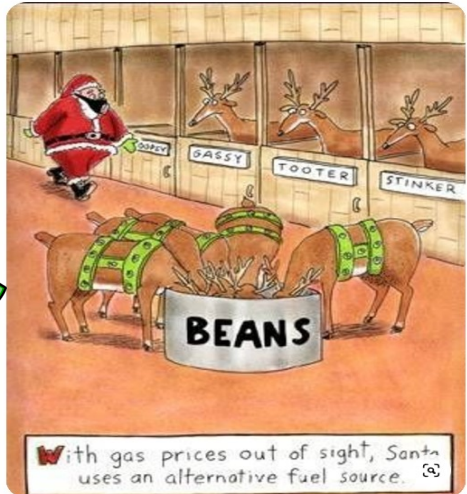


What a cute baby!

Do you see the star?



Find the hidden pictures above in the puzzle.
Jesus was born in a stable. (Read the story in Luke 2)



With gas prices out of sight, Santa uses an alternative fuel source.

A CHRISTMAS PUZZLE

Can you work out this Bible verse by the code?

A	B	C	J	K	L	N	O	P	X
D	E	F	M			Q	R	S	Y
G	H	I				T	U	V	Z

סח כננ, נפסש רז נאחל נ אה נ טה
 <<< ססחר. ססאם סמא סט >>> ענה
 , אססכנש : ססננ <נאש רז סט
 סח, כשר אחרז סח. סטאסמל
 סלנפס סח, ססחרנכ רנזרפאס
 סלנפס טע. פ: סחנפנ



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I THINK YOUR LIGHTS MIGHT BE TOO BRIGHT THIS YEAR



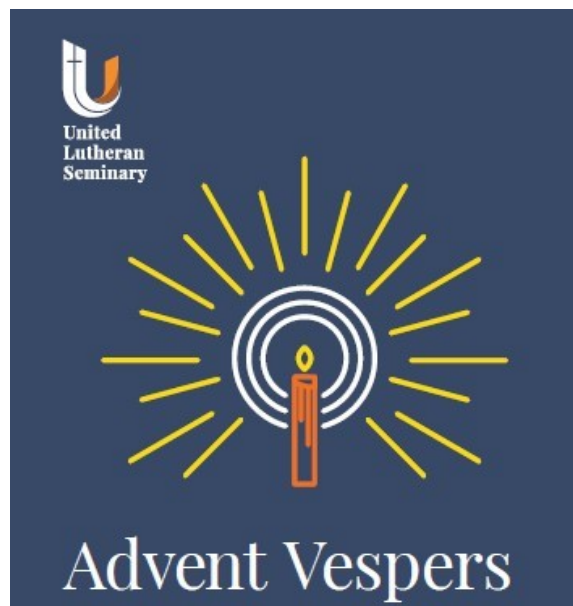
Advent Vespers at ULS

All are welcome to for the special annual Advent Vespers worship service.

Sunday, December 1, 2024

5:00 PM – Advent Vespers Worship

Schaeffer-Ashmead Memorial Chapel
 United Lutheran Seminary
 7301 Germantown Avenue
 Philadelphia, PA 19119



CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

It is time to order Poinsettias to decorate our chancel for Christmas. Order forms will be on the table in the narthex. Orders will be taken until December 15th. You can place your check and completed order form in Victoria Phillipps' mailbox located in the back of the church.

Make checks payable to Evangelical Lutheran Church of Durham. Please make sure to include: your name, phone number and **in honor of** or **in memory of** in the space provided .

The flowers will be in the church on the 24th and can be taken home after Christmas Eve service.

Quantity	Plant Description	Price	Total	In Honor/In Memory of
	Red Poinsettia	\$8.00		
	White Poinsettia	\$8.00		
	Grand Total			

Name: _____ Phone # _____

2024 Palisades Area Lutheran Ministries Reverse Advent Calendar

Let's help fill the shelves of the local food banks again this holiday season.

This year we have created a category of need for each week of giving.

Another new alternative this year is to donate \$25 gift cards (Giant, Wal-Mart, Target) in lieu of shopping. Gift cards are given directly to families in need to obtain essential household items that are not stocked in the pantry. A \$25 gift per week is appreciated, but please choose the level of giving that is best suited to your budget. You can also mix and match food boxes and gift cards.

Please fill your bags/boxes and bring them to your church by the end of the year. We will deliver all donations in January and will have a celebration dinner at St. Lukes Ferndale on 2/23/25 at 5 pm.

Please No Glass or Breakable Bottles/Containers

Week 1: For the Little Ones

Disposable Diapers	Baby Formula	Grape & Apple Juice	Baby Shampoo	Jello & Pudding Packs	Individual Snack Crackers
AND/OR	AND/OR	AND/OR	AND/OR	AND/OR	AND/OR
Baby Wipes	Infant Cereal	Juice Boxes	Baby Powder	Gatorade	Peanut Butter

Week 2: For Dinner

Canned Meats (Chicken, Ham, Beef)	Pasta Sauce	Coffee & Tea Bags	Canned Fish (Tuna & Salmon)	Canned Vegetables	Cake, Dessert & Brownie Mixes
AND/OR	AND/OR	AND/OR	AND/OR	AND/OR	AND/OR
Chunky Soups	Pasta	Cereal/Oatmeal	Rice/Noodles	Canned Fruit	Packaged Cookies

Week 3: For the Kitchen

Paper Towels	Salt & Pepper	Spices (Onion, Garlic, Parsley, etc.)	Liquid Hand Soap	Disinfectant Wipes	Ketchup & Mustard
AND/OR	AND/OR	AND/OR	AND/OR	AND/OR	AND/OR
Napkins	Sugar	Olive/Veg. Oil	Dish Detergent	Hand Sanitizer	BBQ Sauce

Week 4: Personal Care

Shampoo	Laundry Detergent	Toilet Paper	Toothbrush & Toothpaste	Shaving Cream/ Men's Deodorant	Band-Aids
AND/OR	AND/OR	AND/OR	AND/OR	AND/OR	AND/OR
Conditioner	Bar Soap	Tissues	Mouth Wash	Women's Deodorant	Feminine Products

Parent's Night Out

FRIDAY DEC. 6, 2024 5-8PM

ENJOY A NIGHT OUT ON THE TOWN
WHILE THE KIDS HAVE DINNER AND
A MOVIE HERE AT
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
OF DURHAM

FRIDAY DECEMBER 6, 2024

DROP OFF AND PICK UP BETWEEN
THE HOURS OF 5PM-8PM

AGES 0-13 (POTTY TRAINED PREFERRED)

\$15/CHILD

+\$10/ADDITIONAL SIBLINGS

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT CARE-A-LOT

Food

A light meal and snacks will
be provided. Chicken Mac
and Cheese or Ziti,

Applesauce,

Popcorn and cookies.

Please let us know of
any allergies

Movie will start at 5:30pm

Showing: The Star

Volunteer Help: Val McGinn

Kris Simmons

Kathryn Wagner

Pastor Jim Heckman



IMPORTANT INFO REGARDING LIVING NATIVITY

1. We still need actors - Mary, Joseph, an Inn Keeper, 1-2 Adult Shepherds, 1- Wiseman, and a host of angels
2. Sign up sheet is posted in the narthex for providing baked goods. Baked goods can be delivered to the church anytime on Friday or Saturday before the performance.
3. The choir will be rehearsing Thursday 11/21, and 12/5 at 8:00 PM at Trinity.
4. Costume fitting will be Saturday Nov. 30 from 10-am -12 pm
5. Rehearsal for all actors and choir members will be Saturday Dec7 at 6:00pm. Please be sure to dress to be outside.

Betsy Nilsen

A **Trinity Pleasant Valley** *Living* NATIVITY

Join us for an exciting Christmas experience celebrating the birth of Jesus with actors, music, and live animals

Saturday, December 14th
Performances at 5:00pm and 7:00pm

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
2170 Route 212, Coopersburg, PA 18036

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PALM

Palisades Area Lutheran Ministries

<p>Trinity Lutheran Church of Pleasant Valley 2170 Route 212 Coopersburg, PA 18036</p> <p>Services: 9am Sunday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Dec 7 Living Nativity Rehearsal for Actors * Dec 14th 5:00 PM and 7:00 PM Living Nativity 	<p>Evangelical Lutheran Church of Durham 821 Durham Rd Durham, PA 18039</p> <p>Services: 10am Sunday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Dec 6th 5-8PM Parent's Night Out Care-a-lot fundraiser * Dec 8th After service Congregational meeting and lunch * Dec 15th after Service Caroling and Flowers * Dec 22 11:30am after service MESSY CHURCH 	<p>Christ Lutheran Church of Pipersville 353 E Dark Hollow Rd Pipersville, PA 18947</p> <p>Services: 9:30am Sunday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Thursdays Morning Prayer Livestream on Facebook at 8:30am followed by Bible Study via Zoom at 9am * Dec 1 after 9:30 Worship Thanksgiving all over meal * Dec 22 9:30am Family Christmas Pageant and Children's chimes 	<p>St. Luke Lutheran Church of Ferndale 470 Church Hill Rd Kintnersville, PA 18930</p> <p>Services: 10am Sunday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Dec 2-3 Wreath Making * Dec 15th 9am Sunday School, 2-5pm Kids Christmas party * Dec 19th 6:30-8pm Teen/Youth Group 	<p>St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Riegelsville 305 Delaware Rd Riegelsville, PA 18077</p> <p>Services: 10:15am Sunday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Dec 14th Wreaths Across America 	<p>Upper Tincum Lutheran Church 188 Upper Tincum Church Rd. Upper Black Eddy, PA 18972</p> <p>Services: 10AM Sunday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Dec 14th 11-1pm Wreaths Across America
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The PALM mission is to promote collaborative ministry and to share the Good News of God's love.



MESSY CHURCH

Sunday December 22
11:30AM-1:00 PM



Christmas Worship




LIFE IS MESSY, CHURCH CAN BE TOO!

Coffee, Light Lunch, Sweets
Games, Crafts and Fellowship

Evangelical Lutheran Church of Durham
821 Durham Rd
Durham, PA 18039

ALL ARE WELCOME AND WE HOPE YOU JOIN US!



This is a FREE EVENT!! Fun for all ages. We hope to provide an enjoyable opportunity for families to experience Church and the love of God in a new way!

Contact Kat for more info or to sign up to bring a dish,
evangel@durhamlutheran.org

Stay Tuned
Date May Change
LOOKING FOR TEENS
WHO WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Join Us!!

3rd THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH
630 TO 8 PM



TOGETHER
Imagine what we can do!

A place to offer YOUR skills to the community!

St. Luke's Lutheran Church
470 Church Hill Rd.
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