

ANNOUNCEMENTS | DECEMBER 15, 2024

We are called, gathered and blessed to be a community and instrument of grace for all sheep of the Good Shepherd.

Attendance Last Sunday

8:30 AM – 72

10:45 AM – 68

Online – 24

Sunday School – 22

The Altar flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God, and are given by Susan and Max Epling in celebration of their 61st wedding anniversary. To help with this ministry, sign up using a form in the Administration Hallway, the cost is \$40.

Thank you to Linda & Vic Rowell for providing the donuts/snacks for Fellowship this morning.

If you would like to help with this ministry, sign up using a form in the Administration Hallway. The cost is \$30.

VISITORS and GUESTS

Please join us in Fellowship Hall following each service for coffee and refreshments.

EMPTY NESTERS DINNER AND THEATRE EVENT TODAY

If you have signed up to join us this afternoon for the Empty Nester's Event, "A Tuna Christmas" (Presented by Cherokee Theatre Company) from 2:30 – 4:30 pm (arrive early for best seats). Dinner will follow the show at Local on North at 5:00 pm. See your Dec. 3rd email for parking details and more.

A few more ways to get involved at Good Shepherd this month:

- Continue to return your Stewardship Intent Forms
- Invite someone to Christmas Services
- Donate clothing for The Drake Closet
- Recycle
- Pray for the Call Committee
- More details in the Sheep Buzz. You can find the most recent edition under "Sheep Buzz Newsletters" under our "Home tab" at gslutheran.org.

FINAL ADVENT WORSHIP SERVICE

Join us on Dec. 18th for our last mid-week Advent Worship Service. The text will be on Mathew 2:1-12; "Hearing the Story". We will be making Magi for our craft one hour before each service. Service times are Noon and 7:30 PM. Dessert will be provided at the evening service.

A BIG THANK YOU

Thank you to the Youth and Family Ministry Committee for putting together today's Cookie Walk and all of the craft activities today and throughout the weeks of Advent during our mid-week services. We also want to thank this committee for working with our staff on putting today's worship service together to share the story of Christmas in a unique way that involves all God's children young and old.

This Week

Sun	12/15	8:30 10:45 AM	Worship Services Dress Up in Nativity Garb
		9:45 AM	3rd Annual Cookie Walk Nativity Craft
		2:30 PM	Empty Nester Christmas Play & Dinner
Tues	12/17	7:00 PM	Ladies Night Out Tuscany
		7:00 PM	Chancel Choir Sanctuary
Wed	12/18	10:00 AM	Word on Wednesday Mtg. Room
		11:00 AM	Wednesday Lunch and Learn Pastor's Office
		11:00 AM & 6:30 PM	Advent Craft ("Magi) Dessert in Evening
		Noon 7:30 PM	Advent Wednesday Worship
		1:00 PM	Staff Mtg.
		6:30 PM	Bells of Good Shepherd Sanctuary
Thurs	12/19	11:00 AM	Thurs. Bible Study Christmas Luncheon
		7:00 PM	Praise Team Rehearsal Sanctuary
Sun	12/22	8:30 10:45 AM	Worship Services
		12:00 PM	Youth & Family Committee Mtg

Sunday School | **VARIED SCHEDULE OF CLASSES FOR REMAINING OF YEAR | 9:45 AM**

All **youth classes** join us for the Mary, Joseph, Jesus craft in Fellowship Hall.

Faith Stories: Rm 117: Book study on "Life Together" by Dietrich Bonhoeffer. No class on Dec. 15th. We will continue to meet until we finish our study. Join us today for the craft in Fellowship Hall.

Coffee and Conversation: Rm 118: "Hope in the Lord" series. join us for the craft in Fellowship Hall.

Men in Mission: Rm 116: Various topics and discussions just for men. We will continue to meet Dec. 15 & 22nd.

Bible Studies This Week

Wednesday Lunch and Learn: 11:00 AM in Pastor's Office "The Weary World Rejoices", by Lifeway Women

Word on Wednesday 10:00 AM Meeting Room. Both in-person and Teams options are available. We will use the study book for Advent "Shadow and Light: A Journey into Advent" by Tsh Oxenreider. Please contact the church office for Teams link.

Thursday Bible Study: 11 AM in Fellowship Hall. Join us with a dish to share for our Christmas luncheon.