



December 2024



Wait, It's Christmas Again?



Thanksgiving has come and gone, so I guess it's on to Christmas full steam ahead. People are more right than I used to give them credit for. I can remember different people cautioning me, "If you think time is moving fast now, just wait. It will feel like it's moving at warp speed." That kind of the way I'm sensing 2024, it's moving at warp speed.

To me, [and maybe you as well] it's sad to see people jump right from Thanksgiving & the end of the church year immediately into Christmas. Some radio stations have gone all Christmas music all the time already. Even Christian radio is guilty of skipping Advent. Z88.3 from Orlando, which I listen to online while at my desk, is set to switch their over-the-air feed to all Christmas on the day after Thanksgiving. The good news for me is they have streaming options available year-round. I can stream the Christmas music they are playing over the air, or I can stream non-Christmas favorites. Can you guess which stream I'm listening to right now? I also wonder, has Advent disappeared? It sure seems like it has, right? The good news is no, it hasn't. Advent still serves a purpose in the life of the church. It is a preparatory season. It gets us ready in mind, body, & soul to celebrate Christmas & Jesus' birth, while at the same time reminding us, He will return. In our Lutheran worship, there are many wonderful hymns that aid our preparations in Advent. I want to share some of these wonderful words with you. Read them, look them up in the hymnal, sing them if you want to, and reflect on them this Advent.

*Savior of the nations, come, Virgin's Son, make here your home
Marvel now, O heav'n and earth, that the Lord chose such a birth*

*Not by human flesh and blood, By the Spirit of our God
Was the Word of God made flesh—Woman's offspring, pure and fresh
[LSB 332 "Savior Of The Nations, Come"]*

We must begin Advent with a humble, heartfelt invitation to the Christ child. Come, make this humble earth your home. It is not by the will or decision of man that the Word of God was made flesh. He was conceived of the Holy Spirit. Yet he was still the offspring of a woman, just as you and I are.

*Come, Thou long expected Jesus, Born to set Thy people free;
From our fears an sins release us; Let us find our rest in Thee.
Israel's strength and consolation, Hope of all the earth Thou art
Dear desire of ev'ry nations, Joy of ev'ry longing heart*

*Born Thy people to deliver; Born a child and yet a king!
Born to reign in us forever, Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.*

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*By Thine own eternal Spirit Rule in all our hearts alone;
By Thine all-sufficient merit Raise us to Thy glorious throne.
[LSB 338 "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"]*

The Messiah was certainly long promised to the Israelites. It may have seemed to them like He would never come. But he did come to set people free, to reign in us forever, give the world hope. The irony of the Messiah is he was born as a simple, humble child yet he was also born a king who rules an eternal kingdom

*Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates! Behold the King of Glory waits.
The King of Kings is drawing near; The Savior of the world is here.
Life and salvation he doth bring; Therefore rejoice and gladly sing.
To God the Father raise Your joyful songs of praise. [LSB 341 "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates]*

The Psalmist writes: *"Lift up your heads, O You gates, be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of Glory may come in."* May the King of Glory enter your heart as you prepare to celebrate His birth once again, as well as keep a watchful eye for His return.

In Christ

Pastor Sundbom



Christ, the Book of Life: On the Comfort of Divine Election

By Robert Wurst

The books are opened then to all,
A record truly telling
What each has done, both great and small,
When he on earth was dwelling,
And every heart be clearly seen,
And all be known as they have been
In thoughts and words and actions.
(LSB 508, st. 3)

When the Day of Judgment comes, the Lord will gather the living and the dead before Him. On that day, both the prophet Daniel and the evangelist St. John record that books will be opened (see Dan. 7 and Rev. 20). Everyone will be judged according to what they have done. The holy apostle Paul explains, "For we must all

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appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil" (2 Cor 5:10).

So, what exactly are these books of judgement? Perhaps we picture something akin to Santa's list of naughty and nice people. Perhaps the book is filled with every misdeed and unseen sin. We may think of it as a Book of Doom! It is a terrifying thought that all our sins and misdeeds are permanently recorded and will be exposed.

That terror is a result of the Law's condemnation of sinners. The Law of God always accuses us. We know and believe that the Lord sees and knows all we think, speak and do. We know what we have striven to hide and conceal from others. We don't even want to confess our sins to our pastor lest we be embarrassed.

What's a poor miserable sinner to do? What comfort is there for those who believe in the Lord's promises and yet continually find sin in themselves?

Thank God, that comfort can be found right there in Scripture, too. St. John records in his vision of the Last Things that another book will also be opened on that day. That book has a name: the Book of Life. What will the Book of Life say on the Last Day?

This may surprise you. The Book of Life will have none of your sins written in it. There is nothing found in the Book of Life but good news. Why is that? Because the Book of Life is Jesus.

What comfort this is for the Christian! The book listing all our thoughts, words and deeds is a real book — but it will not have the final say. The Book of Life, in which our names are written, reveals our salvation and glory in Christ our Lord.

Why do we say that the Book of Life is Jesus? The Lutheran Confessions give us this beautiful answer and consolation. The Formula of Concord explicitly names Jesus as the Book of Life in the article about divine Election:

- "But the Word of God leads us to Christ, who is the Book of Life."
- "The eternal election of God, as it has been revealed in God's Word, which presents to us Christ as the Book of Life, which He opens and reveals to us by the preaching of the holy Gospel ..."
- "The counsel, purpose, and ordination of God in Christ Jesus, who is the true Book of Life, is revealed to us through the Word."
- "But they should hear Christ, who is the Book of Life and of God's eternal election of all of God's children to eternal life: He testifies to all men without distinction that it is God's will that all men should come to Him who labor and are heavy laden with sin, in order that He may give them rest and save them, Matt. 11:28."[\[1\]](#)

Why is Jesus the Book of Life? It is His salvation that brings us out of troubled waters of shame and guilt. It is His blood that atones for our sins. It is His death which is the death for our sins. It is His resurrection from the

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dead that promises that we, too, will rise. His righteousness saves us. The Book of Life says to us, "Behold, I have engraved you on the palms of My hands" (Isaiah 49:16).

On the Last Day, the Son of Man will gather all the nations before Himself. He will then separate them to His right and to His left as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. Note that this separation, based on faith, takes place before the judgment. Those on His right, the sheep, are praised for their good works. "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me" (Matt. 25:40). Those on His left, the goats, are condemned to eternal punishment and hell because they had no good works. That is, they had no faith in Christ and His atonement and thus have no works to be commended.

What consolation this is for the Christian! All your works are seen in the light of Christ. The Christian's works are good because they flow from faith in Christ. Faith leads us to lead a life filled with good works. The good works are evidence that the Gospel is believed and trusted. All who believe, who labor in the Gospel, are written in the Book of Life (Phil. 4:3).

This is not a new teaching. Moses references the Book of Life (though not by name). He pleads with God to blot him out of God's book if He is not willing to forgive the Israelites (Exod. 32:22, 32). Psalm 56 references the book in which God records the prayers (tears) of His saints (Psalm 56:8). The holy prophet Daniel also references the Book filled with the names of those who are delivered (Dan. 12:1).

We live confidently knowing that our names are written in the Book of Life. We do not fear the judgment of the Last Day. We gladly go to confession to receive the absolution. Being absolved, our sins are washed away. The blood of Christ cancels the record of debt that stood against us (Col. 2:14). Receive the Lord's Body and Blood often and so avail yourself of the gifts granted to you in your Baptism.

Rejoice that your name is written in heaven. Rejoice that your sins are forgiven and that you are engraved in the Book of Life.

My Savior paid the debt I owe
And for my sin was smitten;
Within the Book of Life I know
My name has now been written.
I will not doubt for I am free,
And Satan cannot threaten me;
There is no condemnation!
(LSB 508, st. 5)

[i] These selections are taken from FC Ep XI 6, 12 and FC SD XI 13, 25, 66, 70, and 89.

Cover image: Christ in Majesty with the Virgin and St. John the Evangelist, Italian master, c. 1310–20.



December Life Quotes

December 1 “Do you ever doubt the love of God? Perhaps you are just ‘looking for love in all the wrong places,’ if you’ll pardon the expression. Don’t look to your own feelings and emotions which can change with the wind, but look to Bethlehem and the manger. See God’s love in this that His only begotten Son was sent to be humbled and to die for you. Understand that at Christmas ‘God so loved the world that He gave ...’” *Daily Devotion, Redeemer Lutheran Church, Sister Lakes, Michigan – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

December 8 “If heaven had been our home, would we have wanted to enter a world of grief and pain, of evil and death? Yet enter it Jesus did to give us His home to be ours forever. So, He loved us in undeserved grace. And so will we sing in the heavenly Jerusalem a refrain like that of our choirs: Hail, thou ever blessed morn, Hail redemption’s happy dawn, Sing through all Jerusalem: ‘Christ is born in Bethlehem.’ Alleluia.” *Richard Gurgel, President, Martin Luther College, New Ulm, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

December 15 “Who is going to be king? Christ or Herod? Christ or I? Every day we make dozens of decisions which either acknowledge Christ’s lordship or which assert our own. The star of the Magi reminds the Christian that he has a gracious King to whom he can, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, submit his will and live. By His word Christ desires to reign in our hearts through faith!” *Rev. Darren Green, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

December 22 “Merry Christmas! And may the certainty of God’s love for you in Jesus Christ give you strength, comfort, and confidence this day to face whatever comes tomorrow. For, nothing can overpower the persevering power and blessing of Christmas.” *Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz, Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

December 29 “We long to hear those words from the master, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant! Come! Share your master’s happiness!’ Someday you will hear them as He welcomes you into eternal dwellings. But for now, there is much to do for Jesus. So, as you go to live for Him, let those words echo in your mind and spur you on to be faithful and fruitful servants in His kingdom.” *Rev. Peter Sulzle, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Announcements



Christmas Eve Services

Please join us for our Christmas Eve Services which will be held at **3:30pm** and **7:30pm**. The Celebration Choir will be singing at the beginning of the 3:30 pm service. Hope to see you there!!

St. Paul's Celebration Choir

We would like to invite and welcome the congregation to join us on Christmas Eve to sing in the Celebration Choir! We will perform a song at the beginning of the 3:30 pm service as we await the coming of Christ. All ages are welcome, no music experience required! Rehearsals will be held shortly after the service on Sundays for 20-25 minutes in the classroom next to the kitchen. Our first rehearsal will be Sunday December 1st. Any questions please see Matt Chaffe. Happy singing!



Giving Tree

The Giving Tree is up and items are being collected for Project Hope and Sub Zero Mission. Items will be collected through the weekend of January 4 & 5, 2025. The following are the items that each organization is requesting.

PROJECT HOPE

Items needed:

- Creamer
- Coffee - Regular or Decaf
- Bottled Water
- Granola Bars
- Lunch Size Chips
- Toilet Paper
- Napkins
- Paper Towels
- 10-12 oz. Coffee Cups
- Plastic Spoons, Knives and Forks
- NEW Men's T-Shirts – All Sizes
- NEW Towels – All Sizes

Gift Cards can also be given from:

- Giant Eagle
- Home Depot
- Sam's Club
- Walmart
- Sheetz
- Subway
- Local Pizza/Restaurants
- McDonald's



SUB ZERO MISSION

CLEAN, GENTLY USED or NEW ITEMS (for men and women)

- Winter Coats
- Socks (NEW only)
- Gloves
- Winter Boots
- Hats
- Sleeping Bags
- Scarves

Adopt-a-Family

Welcome back to the 2024 Adopt A Family. We will be adopting 4-5 family's from University Hospital Pediatric Unit and 2 Adults from Painesville Project Hope Facility.



- Donation items will be on the board located in the front hall leading into the sanctuary of the church or in the back of the sanctuary starting the weekend of Nov 29th.
- All shopped items are due back to the church by Dec 8th. Make sure they are unwrapped but have a label for who the gift is for.
- If you would like to donate any wrapping paper, gift bags or boxes, tape or tags - please leave those near the donation board as well.

Gifts will be wrapped and distributed to the families on Dec 15th. Thank you again for helping those in need!

Christmas Caring Cards



St. Paul's received an invitation to participate in the "Christmas Caring Card Campaign" for the staff of University/Lake Health Hospitals. The goal of the campaign is to collect homemade Christmas cards for the 500+ staff members to wish them a Merry Christmas and to share a word of thanks. The last couple years we contributed about 50 cards so if you have an interest in creating a few cards, here are a few guide-lines...

- Make a generic card wishing Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
- Cards should apply to all staff; for example, nothing directed specifically to a doctor or nurse.
- Be creative!

If you would like to make cards, please get them to the church by Wednesday 12/4. Look for the designated box or put them in the Cardina family mailbox. If you have any questions, please contact Erin Cardina at e.l.cardina@gmail.com.

2025 Offering Envelopes Are Here

The new offering envelopes are here and are on the table in the front vestibule. Please do not start to use them until after January 2025. If we have missed you or if you have never received envelopes before and would like to start, please let Billie Lelle or Pastor know and we will set you up with a box.



Christmas Card are Here!!!



Christmas cards are out and are located next to the Friendship Circle table. All cards are 75¢ a piece. Please use the envelopes provided for your payment. Place the envelope in the offering plate during church service. Proceeds will be used for Outreach events throughout the year.



Don't forget to support the other greeting cards available.

There are Birthday, Anniversary, Get Well, Sympathy, Blank Inside and many others to purchasing for friends or family members who are having a special event or need encouragement These card are also 75¢ a piece.



For the Hearing Impaired...

A new Telex SoundMate personal listening system is now available. If you have difficulty hearing or understanding the service or sermon, ask one of the ushers to provide you with an easy-to-use portable receiver to help overcome background noise and poor building acoustics that can make listening difficult.

Zion Food Bank

For December, Zion Food Pantry is requesting monetary donations to purchase hams. Please make checks payable to: Zion Lutheran Church and mark in the memo line that it is for the "December Food Pantry". For those in need, the Food Bank is open on the last two Tuesdays of the month from 5:30-7:00pm. (November 19 & 26).



Plastic Bottles Needed!

The 11th grade class at iSTEM school is building a greenhouse and they are in need of sturdy plastic bottles, like those that soda comes in. 2-Liter bottles are most needed, but other sizes are also welcome. This project will allow students to engage in hands-on learning experiences related to science, agriculture, and crop production. If you have empty plastic bottles, please replace the caps and bring them to the church by December 8. If you have any questions, please see Ellie or Erin Cardina or email e.l.cardina@gmail.com.





November Meeting Notes

1. Pastor's Report. (Pastor)
 - a. 1 Baptism in October; 2 shut-in visits; 13 contacts
 - b. Upcoming worship opportunities: Thanksgiving Eve and Christmas Eve
 - c. Possibility of Advent Bible study, to bring up at semi-annual meeting
2. President's Report. (Dennis Concooby)
 - a. Incident at Riverview. Discussion
 - b. Open item: Bylaws document to be formalized and sent to district office for filing.
 - c. Personal Listening system installed. 4 devices are available. Used recently and it worked well.
 - d. Working on finding an appropriate camera.
 - e. Safety and security meetings continue.
 - f. Electric usage increased significantly over the last year. Several steps taken to reduce usage.
3. Vice President's Report. (Eric Drake)
 - a. Safety and Security committee – Zion in Painesville agreed to allow St. Paul's to use their facilities in the event St. Paul's building is unusable due to catastrophe.
 - b. Plow person called about contract for this winter.
4. Treasurer's Report. (Russ Walton)
 - a. Russ provided financials for September via email.
 - b. Cash is higher than last year, as are the accounts payable. We have received a life insurance proceeds \$10,000 + and this is in the special account.
 - c. Compared to the previous year, offerings were up \$1,974 and total income was down \$1,626, while expenses were up \$35.
5. Education Report. (Jenn Drake)
 - a. Sunday average attendance: 8:30 Bible Class - 7.5; Children's Sunday School - 6.3, 10:45 Bible Class – 8.
 - b. Women's Wednesday Bible Study met once with an attendance of 5.
6. Preschool Report. (Starshine Graziadei)
 - a. Looking for backup for payroll
 - b. BrightWheel – the parents love the ability to pay by credit card via the app. The board is looking for ways to offset the cost.
 - c. Outdoor classroom is being used frequently.
7. Elder's Report. (Dale Kerver)
 - a. Christmas Eve worship services announced: 3:30pm and 7:30pm

NOVEMBER MEETING NOTES continued

8. Stewardship Report. (Diane Wayner)
 - a. Giving tree is up. Items to be distributed in early January.
 - b. Time and Talent sheets to be distributed Nov. 16-17; the congregation will be encouraged to complete and return them the same day to improve participation.
9. Financial Secretary's Report. (Terry Wakelee – no report)
 - a. No issues or updates to report.
10. Outreach Report. (Ken Chaffe)
 - a. Website enhancements pending. Discussed increase in cost of website hosting.
 - b. Trunk-or-treat went well with over 100 kids attending. There was more participation by preschool families this year – both attending and volunteering.
 - c. Revised the letter that is sent to visitors; working with Peggy to make this an official church communication.
 - d. Outreach committee's next meeting will be Nov. 14.
11. Building & Grounds Report. (Craig McConnell)
 - a. Set up a second monitor for Peggy to allow her to better monitor security cameras
 - b. Recommend adjusting the camera angle.
 - c. LED lights are being installed to improve energy efficiency.
12. Contribution Secretary's Report. (Billie Lelle – provided report)
 - a. Holding steady.

Old Business

1. Alarm system phone list issues. No issues reported this month.
2. Parsonage fence repairs pending. Bid from Glen to fix and extend fence. Awaiting response.

New Business

1. Prepare agenda for annual meeting.
 - a. Select lay representative for district convention at St. John Dublin, June 22-24.
 - b. Amy would like permission to replace the coat racks and shelves with cubbies in the hallways. Council would like additional information, and Star will reach out for that.
 - c. At the semi-annual meeting, Karen would like a report presented to the church regarding the trend of the preschool.
2. Craig made a motion to approve the snow plowing contract with Morley Mowers for this winter for the same amount as last year. Star 2nd. Motion Failed. Additional investigation is needed to determine previous rates and look to negotiate a lower contract. **(This will be added to old business next month.)**
3. Aaron Lindrose presented an item to council related to the estate of Ed Kujala. Ed's home was signed over to St. Paul's in his will with the directive to sell and distribute funds to various church organizations.
 - a. Star made a motion to sell the property, motion 2nd by Eric. Passed unanimously.

Next meeting: Wednesday, December 4, 2024 @ 6:30pm



From the Preschool

Preschool Christmas Program

It's that time of year again! The children are full of excitement. Christmas is a time of joy and celebration and the preschool would like to invite you to our Christmas Program. The children are working hard to learn their lines and the songs. If you are able, please join us on **Thursday, December 19th at 9:00 am**. The program will be about 30 minutes.



All of the staff at St. Paul's Preschool wish you a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year!



December Birthdays

Charles Atwell	Dec 13
Kathy Emrich	Dec 20
Jacob Chaffe	Dec 21
Russ Walton	Dec 24



December Anniversaries

Laura Harris and Jay Harris	33 years on Dec 7
Lauren and Bernie Michalak	12 years on Dec 7
Matthew and Madeline West	10 years on Dec 28



Altar Flowers

Is there a date or event you would like to celebrate or a special someone you would like to honor or remember. Donating altar flowers is a great way to do that! All you have to do is sign up next to the appropriate weekend on the altar chart, add the occasion or person and who the flowers are from. Be sure to print clearly. The Altar Flower Chart is posted on the double doors at the back of the sanctuary. Altar flowers are \$40.00. The cash or check can be placed in an envelope labeled "Altar Flowers" with the date of the weekend and placed in the collection plate.



Those Who Serve: December 2024

ELDERS:

6:00 P Saturday Aaron Lindrose
9:30 A Sunday Rich Szoradi

COUNTERS:

Jenn Drake, Ken Chaffe,
Connie Concoby

LECTORS:

11-30-24	6:00 P	Saturday	Pastor Sundbom
12-01-24	9:30 A	Sunday	Eric West
12-07-24	6:00 P	Saturday	Dale Kerver
12-08-24	9:30 A	Sunday	Dennis Concoby
12-14-24	6:00 P	Saturday	Dave Murphy
12-15-24	9:30 A	Sunday	Craig McConnell
12-21-24	6:00 P	Saturday	Pastor Sundbom
12-22-24	9:30 A	Sunday	Jack Lelle
12-24-24	3:30 P	Christmas Eve	TBD
12-24-24	5:30 A	Christmas Eve	TBD
12-28-24	6:00 P	Saturday	Dale Kerver
12-29-24	9:30 A	Sunday	Ken Chaffe



Scripture Readings for December

Nov 30/Dec 1

Jeremiah 33:14-16
1 Thessalonians 3:9-13
Luke 21:25-36

Dec 8/7

Malachi 3:1-7
Philippians 1:2-11
Luke 3:1-14

Dec 14/15

Zephaniah 3:14-20
Philippians 4:4-7
Luke 7:18-28

Dec 21/22

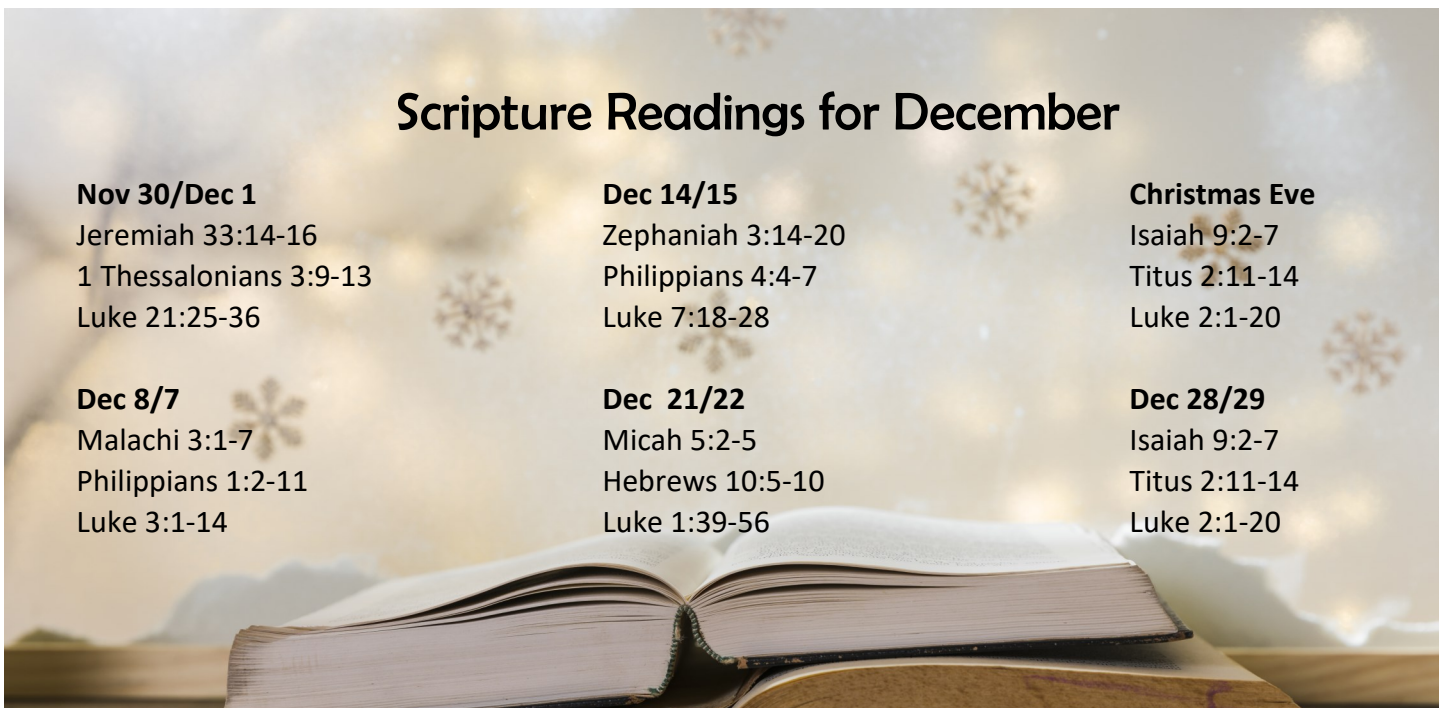
Micah 5:2-5
Hebrews 10:5-10
Luke 1:39-56

Christmas Eve

Isaiah 9:2-7
Titus 2:11-14
Luke 2:1-20

Dec 28/29

Isaiah 9:2-7
Titus 2:11-14
Luke 2:1-20



December Word Search

A	D	V	E	N	T	B	L	I	Z	Z	A	R	D
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SLEDDING
SCARF
ADVENT
WISEMEN
ICE SKATING
TREE
JESUS
GLOVES
HOT CIDER
COAT

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Worship Services

Saturday 6:00 pm
Sunday 9:30 am

Sunday Bible Study

Adult 8:30am & 10:45 am
Children 10:45 am

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Also Supporting



December 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
1 Advent Begins	2 Preschool—Pre-K Class Resumes Cyber Monday	3 Preschool—3's & 4's Classes Resumes Preschool Chapel	4 6:30 pm Council Meeting	5 6:00 pm Preschool Staff and Board Dinner National Volunteer Day	6 St. Nicholas Day	7  Pearl Harbor Remembrance	
8  2nd Sunday in Advent 2:00 pm Free Christmas Craft & Cookies	9	10 9:30 am Circuit Meeting	11	12 6:30 pm Outreach Meeting	13	14	
15 3rd Sunday in Advent	16	17 National Maple Syrup Day Wright Brothers Day	18	19 9:30 am Preschool Christmas Program and Class Parties	December Newsletter Articles and Announcements Due	21  	
22  4th Sunday in Advent	23 No Preschool—Christmas Break	24  3:30 pm & 7:30 pm No Preschool—Christmas Break	25  Church Office Closed No Preschool—Christmas Break	26 Church Office Closed No Preschool—Christmas Break	27 No Preschool—Christmas Break	28	
29	30 No Preschool—Christmas Break	31  No Preschool—Christmas Break	 COMMUNION SERVICE			WORSHIP SCHEDULE Saturdays - 6:00pm Sundays - 9:30am Sunday School - 10:45am Adult Bible Study—8:30am & 10:45am	Office Hours Monday-Friday 9:00am-12:00pm
						Bulletin Announcements Due Wednesdays	