

# St. Paul's Messenger

A monthly newsletter for friends and family

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St. Paul's Lutheran Church 321 N. Park Avenue, Medford, WI 54451

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## Attendance

December 4	87
December 11	91
December 18	109
December 24 (3:00 p.m.)	149
December 24 (6:00 p.m.)	64
December 25	32

*Thank you to Connie Riggle  
for sponsoring the  
January newsletter.*

## A Message from Pastor Nancy

By the end of 2022, St. Paul's will have recorded 9 baptisms for the year. While that is not a spectacular number, it is significant. In several conversations with Hildegard Kuse, we agreed that the responsibility for supporting the newly baptized extends to the whole community of faith. Yes, it mainly resides with the parents and sponsors, but the congregation answers "We Do" when asked during the baptismal liturgy, "People of God, do you promise to support and pray for them in their new life in Christ?"

Prayers are always welcome. Not only can we pray for the newly baptized, we can pray for the Sunday School and Confirmation leaders. We can pray for guidance in our connection to the young people in the congregation as well as the young children in our immediate families. For the past few months, the confirmation youth have been helping with communion, ushering, and presenting skits. How wonderful to witness such faith-building participation!

I want to share one other way in which the congregation supports the newly baptized. In mid-December I mailed a large envelope to each family that had a baptism in 2022. The envelope contained: a Christmas board book titled "God With Us"; a letter from me; a Christmas card with a personal note written by either Tina Machon or Cathy Retzer. Young families are busy. Church strategists tell us that inviting them to some sort of gathering doesn't work because of conflicting schedules. So perhaps receiving a book for them to read to their children is one way we can support the newly baptized.

What better way to begin the new year than to pray for each of the newly baptized? Here are their names: Stella, Kaylor, Henry, Raeyah, Colt, Amelia, Quinn, Lennon, and Coil.

Thank you for your partnership in ministry! Happy New Year!

Pastor Nancy Amacher

## A Message from Council President Val Bach

Greetings Everyone,

As I'm writing my message for this month's newsletter, I am looking out my window at the beautiful snow resting on the trees and pretty much covering my outdoor Christmas decorations. God paints us such amazing, postcard-like pictures. Nothing less than impressive; no matter how you look at it.

Along with snowfalls of this magnitude come some challenges...treacherous walking and driving conditions; clearing our sidewalks, driveways and roads; downed power lines; broken tree branches; etc. While sometimes we can't see the beauty of a heavy snowfall because of these challenges, there is always a blessing or two that comes along with it.

With the New Year approaching, many of us make resolutions for moving forward with desired changes or find ourselves reflecting on this past year. It's good to evaluate our past, present and future situation; things change and with those changes come the need to adjust.

St. Paul's and Our Saviour's churches are in the process of doing just that. Reflecting on our past, present and future. Our joint Councils are diligently working through the Synod's recommendations and guidelines for forming a joint parish where each would continue to have our own churches, worship services and finances but with a shared pastor.

We will be voting on the joint parish agreement at a congregational meeting on January 22. I ask that you prayerfully consider the advantages of a joint parish. The old saying "there is power in numbers" most certainly holds true. Consider how much stronger our ministry in our community could be; the excitement of meeting new parishioners during joint events; having optional services to attend; and so many other potential opportunities for growth.

Again, please reach out to any Council member with any concerns you might have. We want and need your input.

God's Work, Our Hands.

## **Important Dates to Note – St. Paul's and Our Saviour's Joint Ministry Updates**

St. Paul's will hold an informational meeting with the congregation following worship services on **Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup>**, to address any questions or concerns the congregation may have with entering into a joint parish agreement with Our Saviour's of Holway.

We will also have a joint meeting of the two councils on **Wednesday, January 18<sup>th</sup>** at 6:15 p.m. at Our Saviour's to finalize the joint ministry parish agreement. Any members that wish to attend are welcome to do so.

On **January 22, 2023**, we will hold a special congregational meeting to vote on the following resolution including the contents of the finalized joint ministry parish agreement:

***"Whereas there is strength in numbers and whereas there is a shortage of ordained pastors; thereby, be it resolved that St. Paul's and Our Saviour's enter into a joint ministry parish agreement as presented to the congregations this day 1/22/2023.***

Please mark your calendars with these important dates as we look at the potential future of growing God's ministry within our community.

## St. Paul's "Great Flood" – An Unwelcomed Christmas Gift

Christmas morning at St. Paul's was met with an unwanted present. As choir members arrived at church early Christmas day to practice, they were met with a broken water pipe that had flooded the Welcome Hall and two of the three offices as well as the platform by the bathrooms. We also found the main carpeted gathering area in the basement, two of the three Sunday School rooms and the storage closets were also flooded.

With only an hour before worship, we quickly got to work vacuuming up the water to make a path for worshippers to enter in the side door to the right of the altar. Worship went on as usual with Pastor Nancy conducting services minus her robe since that was also wet.

There are several people who deserve a huge thank you. They worked steady for 4-5 hours moving furniture and other wet items, vacuuming up water, coordinating calls and meeting up with Master Clean and Cypher Electric; basically, doing whatever was needed to combat the issue at hand. A big shout out to Sally and Tim Lemke; Pastor Nancy; my husband, Dave Bach; my step-daughter and her boyfriend, Makala Bach and Eli Ruplinger; and my sons-in-law, Matthew Harder and Brock Kalmon. Brock worked diligently to evaluate the repairs needed, removed the cracked coil section while capping off the water source so the water could be turned back on and made sure the boiler system was functional for all zones except the affected area. Certainly, this was not how we thought we'd be spending Christmas day; thank you for all that you did for St. Paul's and for your time spent away from your families.

The new heating coil and parts required for the plumbing repairs are on order and will be installed once they arrive and further research is in progress to determine what caused the coil to break and what needs to be done to prevent this from happening again.

Cypher Electric inspected the electrical panel and confirmed there was no serious damage; but there are several lights that will need to be replaced.

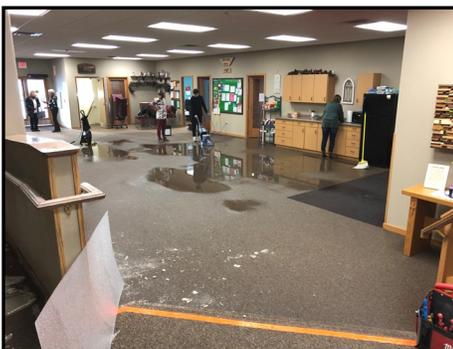
Master Clean came in with commercial grade equipment to remove all remaining water and dry out the church. There is damage to ceiling tiles, insulation that needs to be replaced, drywall to be replaced, spancrete that may be damaged, etc. A full summary of their findings and recommendations will be provided to St. Paul's.

An insurance claim has been filed with Church Mutual; a claims adjuster will be contacting the church office to arrange an appointment to walk through the building. We have \$1,000 deductible; but we believe the plumbing repairs will not be covered by insurance as typically only the damage is covered (not the cause of the damage). This is yet to be confirmed.

Any donations to help cover costs not covered by insurance are certainly welcome. Please be sure to designate the donation to "Water Damage" so it is recorded properly.

God's Work—Our Hands.

Val Bach—President



## Comfort Quilts

'Tis the season of love and giving, not buying TVs, cars, and houses. How about a Comfort Quilt for those in need that will be wrapped in warmth and love?

Our small Comfort Quilt group has been busy this past month, just like Santa's elves. Instead of toys, we were making quilts with God's guidance.

Comfort Quilts delivered quilts to the Medford Aspirus Nursing Home, the Medford Aspirus surgery department, the Taylor House shelter, and five quilts to a family the church sponsored during the Bountiful ThanksGiving mission project. Next year will be busier as the need is always there.

A special "THANK YOU" to Kim Gasek, Sue Draeger and Chell Anderson who continually make quilts throughout the year. We would also like to thank those who have supplied us with fabrics, yarn and monetary donations.

Please call 715-965-8312 if you have questions regard our quilting mission.

Cheerfully submitted,  
Chris Konieczny



## Needles for Needs Quilting Group

We have completed 67 regular size Homeless veteran quilts, and several larger indoor quilts for homeless vets that have now gotten into apartments. We are going to finish up a few more of those and then wait for additional direction from Every Third Saturday. In the meantime, we are going to switch gears and go back to making more Lutheran World Relief quilts until we figure out what is needed from our group this year.

We could still use donations of full size and larger cotton & cotton/poly blend flat sheets if you come across any at estate sales or thrift store shopping.

We are so grateful for all your support and donations this past year - we appreciate you!!

If you'd like to join us for a couple hours or come for the day, we still meet every Tuesday from 9:00-2:00.

Thank you all!  
God's Work, Our Hands  
Tonya Albers



## Bountiful ThanksGiving

Our community outreach program, Bountiful ThanksGIVING, was very successful again this year. Together we were able to help four families, thirteen children, with needs. Those needs included many winter items, snowpants, jackets, boots, as well as other clothing and shoes. The families were identified by a team at the Stetsonville and Medford Elementary Schools, and delivered by this team. We were also able to grant their wish of snowpants, jackets and boots to be provided by the school to children without, which allows them to participate in outdoor activities. Due to generous donations, we were able to purchase approximately ten pairs of boots, ten jackets, and ten snowpants.

Together we are making a difference! I am very thankful for all who picked tags and purchased needed item, donated cash, donated homemade quilts, gas cards, as well as hygiene items and gently used items for the schools. Nancy Jones, Lynette Pernsteiner, Kathy Schumacher, and Kari Rappe were also extremely helpful!! I couldn't have done it without all their help. Thank you!

Sally Lemke



## Sunday School

The Sunday School children worked very hard on our Christmas program which was performed on December 18th. We first started out by taking pictures of the children dressed up and acting out the Christmas story. These pictures were then used to project onto the screen during the program to help tell Jesus' story. Then for our program each child read verses from the Bible that told the Christmas story. Five songs were also incorporated into the program for the congregation to hear. Hopefully you were able to enjoy watching the program. We hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and best wishes in the New Year.

Sunday school will resume January 8th.

Sunday School Coordinators,  
Kathy Hackbarth and Heidi Haynes



## Confirmation

The confirmation class will spend the next 10 weeks studying the New Testament. The 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be working on completing the final requirements for confirmation by identifying their favorite bible verse, and scheduling a pre-confirmation interview. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents will be asked to assist with the confirmation process. This information will be shared with the families at a later date.

We hope you have found the confirmation skits informative and meaningful. Look for continued involvement in the church service by our youth through skits, ushering, and helping with communion.

Thank you for all of your assistance and support.

Faithfully submitted by  
Leon and Kim Gasek

## St. Paul's Ladies Lunch Bunch

St. Paul's Ladies Lunch Bunch will gather on Wednesday, January 18.

**Location:** Old School Saloon  
217 South Main,  
Medford, WI

**Time:** 11:15 a.m.

All are welcome to enjoy fun and fellowship.

For more information,  
contact Chris Finkler  
at 715-748-6848.

*(Limited menu)*



## CHOIR NEWS

Choir rehearsal will be on:

Sunday, January 9 at 8:00 a.m.

Sunday, January 30 at 8:00 a.m.

We will be singing during both services.

**New Singers are welcomed.**

## WEDNESDAY WORSHIP

Join us for Wednesday Worship, **January 25**, 6pm,  
in the Welcome Hall.

The theme will be "Epiphany." What does it mean  
and why do we celebrate?



## Winter Theological Gathering

You are invited to join others from the synod on **Monday, January 23**, at the Winter Theological Gathering at Luther Park, Chetek. We will learn from and worship with our Ho-Chunk neighbors from Black River Falls. The gathering is from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Here are a few more bits of info about this gathering. We will learn the history of the First Nation people, including the Doctrine of Discovery, the Removal, and Boarding Schools. There will be stories from our Ho-Chunk neighbors. Some of the time will be given to Talking Circles and the Blanket Exercise.

Guest speakers include: Larry Little George and Barbara Blackdeer Mackenzie, members of the Ho-Chunk Nation, and Paul Rykken, historian and teacher from Black River Falls. Please contact Pastor Nancy (715-223-5316) if you are interested in attending and would like to carpool.

### A Meditation Moment

Courtesy of the Kuse Farm Museum and  
Nature Preserve webpage

<http://www.kusemuseum-naturepreserve.org>

#### Walnut Family

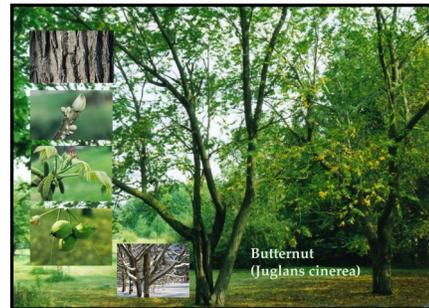
#### Butternut "White Walnut" "Oilnut" (*Juglans cinerea*)

"Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Luke 12:32-34

What do we treasure? Native plants that provide beauty, food, and variety are a treasure.

The Butternut Tree has oval fruit in fall. Squirrels and people compete for it. Squirrels bury this treasure in the ground and hope to find it later and eat it.

It often takes many years before a tree bears nuts. The compound leaves have a long midrib with several leaflets on each side. These trees produce juglone and the leaves should be kept separate from those used for garden compost. Some plants do not grow well near the tree because of this chemical.



Butternut trees have been dying in the United States because of a fungus called butternut canker. Researchers are taking nuts from healthy trees and planting them in areas not affected by the disease. In this way they hope to save this North American treasure tree.

Examine the bark and look at the branching pattern. If a dead tree has been cut down you can count the rings in the stump to determine how old the tree was. Wood from this kind of tree is also highly prized for furniture and carving. Compare the buds of a Butternut Tree with those of a Black Walnut. Butternut buds form more of a peak than those of the rounded Black Walnut.

What does each of us treasure? We have a treasure in heaven. Jesus has come to give us this treasure. We are to also care for the treasures with which we have been entrusted on this earth. We are to care for the trees that God has created.

Dear Lord, Help us to preserve and protect trees – our national heritage and treasure. Help us to also know that we have a treasure in heaven. In your name we pray, Amen.

© Dr. Hildegard Kuse and Dr. Loretta Kuse

### Help Needed

The church financial audit will be performed in January. If you would be interested in assisting with the year-end audit of the church financial records and are able to use Excel and Word, please contact Lynette Pernsteiner or the church office.



### Newsletter Sponsorship

Become a sponsor of our monthly newsletter. The cost of sponsorship is \$45. Check the signup board in the welcome hall or contact the office.

## THANK YOU to:

Lynette Pernsteiner and Cathy Retzer for decorating our sanctuary and Welcome Hall for the Christmas season

Val Higgins, Becky Petersen, and Sara Nuernberger for helping with the Wednesday Advent services

The Sunday School children and teachers for a wonderful Christmas program

The confirmation class and their parents for helping with the Sunday services

The choir for their special music this Christmas season

Gail Heurung for being the song leader throughout the year

Ross Hackbarth and Cathy Retzer for their help with the AV during the services throughout the year

Dick Zielke for fixing the child's step stool in the women's bathroom

Todd Metz & Randy Haynes for changing the lights in the narthex

All of our snow shovelers who have kept our sidewalks clear of snow and ice

Val & Dave Bach, their extended family, and others who helped remove water from the Welcome Hall after the flood on Christmas Day

Brock Kalmon for helping with the plumbing on Christmas Day

Sally & Tim Lemke who helped answer and direct calls related to the flood on Christmas day

Sally Lemke for her work with the Bountiful ThanksGiving and the Mobile Food Pantry

The Church Council for all of their dedication and hard work this year



We are always looking for volunteers to help with various events and activities of the church. Please give thought to how you can help serve your church family and community. Opportunities of service:



Please contact the church office if you are able to help.

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Prepare communion elements  
Communion Assistant  
Liturgist  
Technology Advancer  
Usher  
Musician  
Sunday School Teacher  
Confirmation Mentor  
Snow Shoveling  
Sponsor Fellowship Time  
Food Pantry Volunteer

## THANK YOU from Pastor Nancy!

Thank you to everyone  
for the cards and good wishes at Christmas.

Your generosity is very much appreciated.



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## TREASURER'S REPORT

	2022		2021		YTD % of Change
	November	YTD	November	YTD	
General Giving	10,643	111,546	7,492	124,555	-10.4%
Mortgage Giving	2,034	23,856	2,170	28,150	-15.3%
<b>Total Giving</b>	<b>12,676</b>	<b>135,402</b>	<b>9,662</b>	<b>152,705</b>	<b>-11.3%</b>
General Expenses	8,113	83,973	3,112	113,314	-25.9%
Mortgage Expense	2,782	30,602	2,782	30,602	0.0%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$10,895</b>	<b>114,575</b>	<b>5,893.53</b>	<b>143,916</b>	<b>-20.4%</b>
<b>Net Surplus (Deficit)</b>	<b>\$1,781</b>	<b>\$20,827</b>	<b>3,768.58</b>	<b>\$8,789</b>	
Designated Giving	18,119	58,567	3,880	60,813	-3.7%
Designated Expenses	14,972	47,868	3,472	56,006	-14.5%
Net Designated Income	3,147	10,699	408	4,808	
Net Combined Income (Deficit)	\$4,928	\$31,526	\$4,177	\$13,596	

Bank Accounts - As of:	11/30/22	YTD Change	Comments
<u>General Checking</u>	\$106,329	\$28,349	\$70,490
<u>Designated Funds in Checking</u>			
Building Maintenance	5,073	\$2,786	2,287
Comfort Quilts	745	(\$47)	492
Designated Memorials	2,878	\$660	2,218
Fair Trade Sales	523	(\$113)	635
Mortgage Fund	0	(\$4,272)	4,049
Thrivent Choice	11,279	\$2,426	8,853
Mobile Food Pantry	4,489	\$1,001	2,806
Sunday School	1,552	\$42	1,510
Youth Group	11,013	\$733	9,946
<b>Total Funds in Checking</b>	<b>\$143,882</b>	<b>\$31,565</b>	<b>\$103,286</b>
<u>Other Accounts</u>			
Events/Fund Raiser Acct	3,319	287	3,032
Needles for Needs Acct	3,766	1,261	2,109
Scrip Acct	6,968	(4,420)	5,283
Taylor County Giving Tree	0	0	0
<b>Total Other Accounts</b>	<b>\$14,052</b>	<b>-\$2,872</b>	<b>\$10,424</b>
<b>Total - All Accounts</b>	<b>\$157,934</b>	<b>\$28,693</b>	<b>\$113,709</b>
PPP Loan Balance	\$0	\$0	\$0 Loan forgiven 3/15/21
Mortgage Balance	\$156,461	-\$59,098	\$220,552

**December Church Council Minutes**

Due to the lateness of the December Council meeting, the minutes from the meeting were not available for publishing at the time of the newsletter printing. The December minutes will be published in the February 2023 newsletter. A copy of the minutes will be available on the bulletin board in the Welcome Hall.

### St. Paul's Giving Options

**Mail your check to** St. Paul's Lutheran Church,  
321 N. Park Ave., Medford, WI 54451

**Simply Giving** contributions are deducted from your checking or savings account.

**Giving via St. Paul's Website**

**E-Giving** Download the app "GivePlus Church"



SCRIP cards make great gifts for weddings, graduations, or other special occasions. A portion of each gift card purchase enables St. Paul's to do ministry. Check with the SCRIP counter on Sunday morning or call the office and someone will help you.

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2023

Jan. 1 Chris Carter  
Gavin Lybert  
Jan. 2 Tim Lemke  
Brandon Meier  
Jan. 4 Dave Konieczny  
Jan. 5 Dawn Doberstein  
Dawson Rappe  
Jan. 6 Tanner Cahoon  
Jan. 7 Tonya Albers  
Emma Halopka  
Gary Jensen  
Jan. 9 Lily Emmerich  
Jeremiah Lubahn  
Donald Nelson  
Brett Schafer  
Makenna Tlusty  
Jan. 10 Lindsay Kahn  
Liam Nernberger  
Reilly Nutting  
Austin Weis  
Jan. 13 Laureen Peterson  
Jan. 14 Tim Emmerich  
Braydon Stelzel  
Richelle Woller  
Jan. 15 Ronda Emmerich  
Jena Faber  
Jeff Harder  
Jennifer Steen

Jan. 16 Jean Brockhaus  
Clint Doriot  
Darrell Higgins  
Marguerite Jochimsen  
Kelly Weiler  
Jan. 17 Betty Block  
Jackson Brunner  
Camren Frahmman  
Lynn Glamann  
Richard Halopka  
Emmett Machon  
Quinn Nicks  
Jan. 18 William Harris  
Randy Sackmann  
Mark Willner  
Jan. 19 Kristen Emmerich  
Pat Hovi  
Clem Johnson  
Rachel Nelson  
Jan. 20 Mitch Brehm  
Makayla Hartl  
Jan. 21 Richard Frahmman  
Jennifer Hoefs  
Jaxson Sackmann  
Jan. 22 Emma Dombroski  
Bailey Klabunde  
Gale Raasch  
Jan. 23 Niala Hebda  
Sydney Peterson

Jan. 25 Matthew Gebert  
Jacob Knippel  
Jan. 26 Jason Cederholm  
Kathleen Harris  
Brett Hutchinson  
William Weiland  
Jan. 27 Larry Johnson  
Jan. 29 Matthew Brunner  
Paul Carlson  
Jonathan Kapfhamer  
Samuel Lubahn  
Jan. 30 Tana Rappe  
Cash Thums  
Jan. 31 Jannell Carlson  
Cassandra Nicks

### Anniversaries

Jan. 1 Shelley & Brad Hutchinson  
Tina & Dan Cederholm  
Jan. 2 Trisha & Travis Schreiner  
Jan. 4 Michelle & Steve Danen  
Jan. 11 Sue & Kenneth Rodman  
Jan. 19 Loris & Gerald Fox  
Jan. 26 Lindsay & Matt Ried  
Jan. 30 Kathleen & Robert Harris



### POINSETTIA SPONSORS

**Thank you to all of the families and individuals who sponsored the beautiful poinsettias that graced our sanctuary this Christmas season.**

Dave & Val Bach	In memory of Ken Bach and Jack Zuleger
Tina Dassow	In honor of family
Dawn Harder	In memory of Jim Kasper, Gene Harder, and Ginny Harder
Sue King	In memory of Rev. Don King
Clem & Pat Johnson	In honor of family
Tim & Sally Lemke	In memory of family
Jerry Ann & Gary Maldonis	In honor of our 35 <sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary (December 30 <sup>th</sup> )
Lynette Pernsteiner	In honor of family
Becky Petersen	In memory of Lovey
Connie & Mick Riggle	In memory of Glen & Ethel Brunstad, and Irv & Ruth Riggle
Bob & Sandy Schreiner	In memory of the Schreiner & Lewin families
Jason & Joan Steliga	In memory of family
Ernie Woods	In memory of Jennette Woods
Janille Zirngible	In memory of LaVonne & Bill

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## Mission Statement:

Saved and strengthened by Christ, we proclaim God's love through worship, education, and service to our congregation, community, and the world.

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Sunday Service:	9:00 a.m.
Sunday School:	9:00 a.m.
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Please read the prayer list in the weekly service. If there is someone that needs to be added or removed from the prayer list, please contact the church office at 715-748-4909 or send an email to: [stpaulslutheranmedford@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulslutheranmedford@gmail.com)

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## January 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> 9:00 Worship / Communion	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 4:00 p.m. Confirmation	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 6:00 p.m. AA Meeting	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> 8:00 a.m. Choir rehearsal / performance 9:00 Worship / Communion / Baptism 9:00 a.m. Sunday School	<b>9</b> 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts	<b>10</b> 9:00 a.m. Needles for Needs Work Day	<b>11</b> 4:00 p.m. Confirmation 6:00 Church Council	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 6:00 p.m. AA Meeting	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> 9:00 Worship / Communion 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 6:00 p.m. Troop committee meeting	<b>16</b> 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts 6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts	<b>17</b> 9:00 a.m. Needles for Needs Work Day	<b>18</b> 11:15 a.m. Ladies Lunch Bunch 4:00 p.m. Confirmation	<b>19</b> 1:00-5:00 p.m. Mobile Food Pantry	<b>20</b> 6:00 p.m. AA Meeting	<b>21</b> 2:00 p.m. Brecke/Born Wedding
<b>22</b> 9:00 Worship / Communion 9:00 a.m. Sunday School <b>Congregational meeting after worship</b>	<b>23</b> Newsletter Deadline 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts	<b>24</b> 9:00 a.m. Needles for Needs Work Day	<b>25</b> 4:00 p.m. Confirmation 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Worship	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 6:00 p.m. AA Meeting	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> 8:00 a.m. Choir rehearsal / performance 9:00 Worship / Communion 9:00 a.m. Sunday School	<b>30</b> 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts	<b>31</b> 9:00 a.m. Needles for Needs Work Day	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;"> <p><b>January 8 - informational meeting with congregation</b></p> <p><b>January 18 - joint council meeting at Our Saviour's</b></p> <p><b>January 22 - congregational meeting to vote</b></p> </div>			

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