

THE BREAD BASKET

Morsels from Bread of Life Lutheran Church JANUARY 2017

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Lutheran Church**

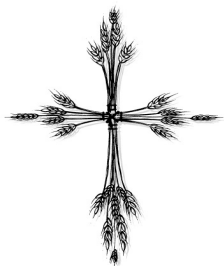
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**Sunday Worship Schedule
9:30 am Worship
with Holy Communion**



**We invite you to worship,
grow & serve with us!**



A new year...a new beginning...a fresh start...a chance to change some things. That's what January 1st signifies for a lot of people. New Year's resolutions abound in many homes, all dedicated to making something better in how one lives. I bring this up because I want to remind you (as if you really need reminding!) that one of the "perks" of being a Christian is that every day in a new beginning, a fresh start and a chance to change some things. Because of God's claim on our lives in baptism, we are reborn each day through his grace and love. We are freed from the past and its heaviness and born anew to an opportunity to reflect God's presence in our lives through what we say and what we do. It is a wondrous joy being loved by God, not because of anything we can do or accomplish, but simply because his love overpowers our humanness and restores us to a right relationship with him...believe it, because it's true!

As a community of faith you have been good and faithful stewards, compassionate and caring for one another while being committed to looking into the future. I continue to pray that Bread of Life will be what God needs it to be in this community and for its members. I am excited about the coming year and the new adventures that God will bring to us.

January also brings the time when we gather as members for the annual meeting of the congregation...please mark your calendars for the 29th of this month for the meeting to follow worship. We will be electing new council members, approving a budget (spending plan) and reviewing the year past.

Christmas Eve worship was different this year...for the first time we had two services, one at 4:00 p.m. and another at 7:00 p.m.. If attendance was a measure of its success, then it was really great. We had a combined 141 people attend...the early time enabled three things to take place: 1) Those not wanting to drive after dark didn't have too; 2) Families with small children came before bedtime; and 3) people with Christmas Eve evening family events made those without a problem. Looks like a new tradition has begun!

On Christmas day Jane and I were gifted by all of you...we received a beautiful fruit basket and a couple of gift cards and a renewed membership for the Meijer Gardens. Thanks so much for remembering us that way...it was a joy to receive the gifts!

Right now I'm looking out the window of my office here at church and it is snowing to "beat the band" (wherever that idiom came from!). Waiting for the person from West Michigan Heating to come and install a new thermostat in the worship center...always something happening with our building.

Well, time to wrap this up...may God continue to bless you and all of your loved ones...take care of yourself and keep those prayers coming! Love ya!

Pastor Paul

Bread Of Life Council Members

Below you will find a complete list of the current council members and Team Liaisons. Please feel free to contact the leaders of our congregation with ideas, offers to help and concerns. Anyone is welcome to attend Council meetings. They are typically held on the 2nd Monday of the month at 7 pm.

Pam Slagh President, Youth Liaison
Matt Lorenz Vice President, Mutual
 Ministry Liaison
Dave Stracke Secretary, Fellowship Liaison
Brad Waara Building & Grounds Liaison
Tracy Niemi Faith in Action Liaison
Lynda Cornwell Worship Team Liaison
Aaron Koerth Education Team Liaison
Cynthia Boots
Spencer Hall Youth Representative

Pastor Paul Krupinski - Mission Support
Todd Bowman - Treasury; Advisory
**Council Minutes posted on our website at
breadoflifelc.org**

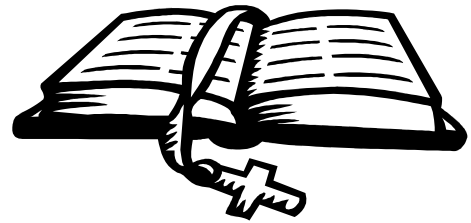
Office Hours for Pastor Paul

Tuesday 10:30—4:30, Wednesday and
Friday, flexible hours please call for an
appointment if needed. Don't be afraid to
call anytime.

In the event of an emergency,
please call (616) 635-0058
pastorpaulk@comcast.net

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Articles may be submitted to
newsletter@breadoflifelc.org or may
be placed in the green folder marked
"Newsletter" found in the church
office. Articles are due by the 3rd
Wednesday of the month.
Thank you!



Scripture Readings for JANUARY

01/01 1ST Sunday after Christmas

Isaiah 63:7-9
Psalm 148
Hebrews 2:10-18
Matthew 2:13-23

01/08 Baptism of Our Lord

Isaiah 42:1-9
Psalm 29
Acts 10:34-43
Matthew 3:13-17

01/15 2nd Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 49:1-7
Psalm 40:1-11
1 Corinthians 1:1-9
John 1:29-42

01/22 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

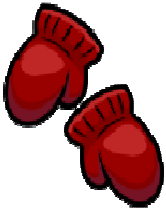
Isaiah 9:1-4
Psalm 27:1, 4-9
1 Corinthians 1:10-18
Matthew 4:12-23

01/29 4th Sunday after Epiphany

Micah 6:1-8
Psalm 15
1 Corinthians 1:18-31
Matthew 5:1-12

02/05 4th Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 58:1-9a [9b-12]
Psalm 112:1-9 [10]
1 Corinthians 2:1-12 [13-16]
Matthew 5:13-20



THE MITTEN TREE: Please use the tree for your offerings of mittens, scarves, and hats. Coats may be placed at the foot of the tree. Donations will be given to adults and children in need of winter apparel. Thank you for your handiwork and your generosity!



SAVE THE DATE!

Please plan on attending our 2017 Annual Congregational meeting on **Sunday, January 29th**, immediately following worship. Your participation is important for the election of new Council members and other items as we look ahead as a congregation to the new year. *Thank you!*

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to Don Williams, friend of Bread of Life, for preaching and leading us through worship January 8th, while Pastor Paul is out of town. Please take a moment during fellowship time to welcome and extend a personal “thank you” to him!

Happy Birthday To You!

- 01/03 Daniel Mascarenas
- 01/05 Cindy Bush
Kelli Cornwell
- 01/11 Deb Kemppainen
- 01/12 Carrie Haberman
- 01/21 Brent Bower
- 01/23 Brett Bittenbender
Raymond Holappa
- 01/24 Matt Lorenz
- 01/25 Jarod Wellman
- 01/28 David Jonson
- 02/01 Tracie Niemi
- 02/10 Alexis Godfrey
- 02/16 Brett Slagh
- 02/17 Carla Martin

Book Group News

We invite you to join us on Wednesday, January 4, 2017 at 7:00 pm at the church as we share our thoughts on our next book, *Still Life* by Louise Penny. If you like to read ahead, our next selection will be *Underground Railroad* by Colson Whitehead. If you have any questions or need a ride, please contact Pam Slagh (531-2313).

Did we miss your birthday?
Please call the church office so that we can add your name to the list.





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LOVE INC VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

(1) Life Skills Program Volunteer Training:

Join us on January 16 & 23 from 6:00 – 8:30 pm to learn about the opportunity to mentor someone who wants 2017 to be a year of positive change. With one hour a week, on Wednesday mornings or Thursday evenings, you can help make a difference in someone's life.

(2) Saturday Morning Pick Up Ministry:

Love INC is seeking 2-3 individuals who have a truck and could travel around one Saturday a month from 9am-12pm to pick up donated items. For more information on either of these opportunities, or email Volunteer@loveinthenameofchrist.org or call 616.662.3300 ext. 127.



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MENS' BREAKFAST AND KNIT/CROCHET: It will soon be the third Saturday of the month...

Take a break for delicious food, coffee and tea, and fellowship at Signatures on **Sat.**,

January 21! Men's Breakfast begins at 8:00am and meets at 10:00am.



Knit/Crochet



CHURCH COUNCIL will have its regular monthly meeting on **Mon., January 16, at 7:00 pm** (rather than the usual date of the second Monday of the month). Church Council will also have a special meeting on **Thursday, January 12, also at 7:00 pm.**

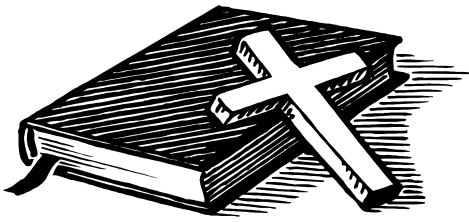


Monthly Card Making

The next card making afternoon will be **January 23rd at 1:00 pm.** No special tools, creativity or experience needed. Any questions, contact Inez Oberg or Lynda Cornwell. See you then.



MANY THANKS TO THOSE OF YOU who volunteer as worship assistants, including those who have tried a new role such as assistant minister or nursery! It is now time to look ahead to our next 4-month planner (February through May). Please see the extra insert in this morning's bulletin to learn how you can participate. For questions, ask Pam Wells or anyone else from Worship Team.



Service Schedule

January 1

Asst. Minister Matt Lorenz
 Reader Linda Mahoney
 Usher Dave Stracke
 Greeter Alma Lucas
 Acolyte Konnor Haberman
 Nursery Elaine Martin/Lily Garay
 Altar Care Carla Martin/Cynthia Boots

January 8

Asst. Minister Riley Wells
 Reader Aaron Koerth
 Usher Josh Wellman
 Greeter Dave Stracke
 Acolyte Axel Waara
 Nursery Pam Slagh/Jocelyn Haberman
 Altar Care Alice Ambrose/Cynthia Boots

January 15

Asst. Minister Cindie Nelson
 Reader Pam Wells
 Usher Aaron Koerth
 Greeter Peggy Haberman
 Acolyte Devin Niemi
 Nursery Kim DeVries/Spencer Hall
 Altar Care Inez Oberg/Marty Labadie

January 22

Asst. Minister Brad Ambrose
 Reader Shirley Fawcett
 Usher Dave Stracke
 Greeter Jaira Shuba
 Acolyte Jocelyn Haberman
 Nursery Jessie Koerth
 Altar Care Alice Ambrose/Lynda Cornwell

January 29

Asst. Minister Dave Stracke
 Reader Pam Slagh
 Usher Elaine Martin
 Greeter Dave Stracke
 Acolyte Alice Waara
 Nursery Inez Oberg & Lily Garay
 Altar Care Carla Martin/Myrtle Brunt

Teller Schedule

January 1

Paul Slagh/Elaine Martin

January 8

Pam Wells/Pam Slagh

January 15

Todd Bowman/Josh Wellman

January 22

Clark Wells/Brad Ambrose

January 29

Josh Wellman/Todd Bowman



Saturday Building Cleaning Crew

Area A: Sanctuary, Narthex, Entryway, Utility Room, Kitchen, Outside

Area B: Hallways, Bathrooms, Nursery, Admin Office

We are going with an every other week cleaning schedule. Please arrange for a replacement if you cannot make your assigned week.

January 13

Area A: Mary Waara

Area B: Wells

January 27

Area A: Hall




Area B: Brad Waara & Cynthia Boots

February 10

Area A & B Lori Kauffman, Jill Godfrey, Lindsay Cornwell, Alice Ambrose



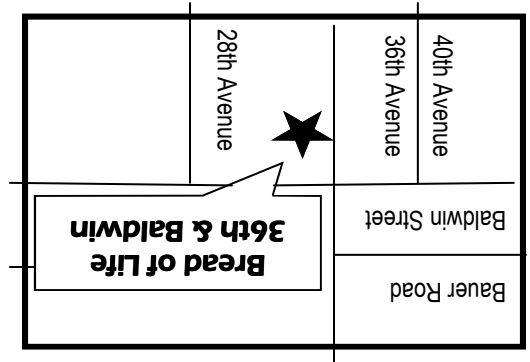
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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|--|--|---|--|-----|--|
| 1 8:45 am Adult Forum 9:30 am Worship 10:45 am Sunday School & Choir | 2 | 3 11am Bible Study with Pastor Bible Study 1-4 pm Quilting | 4 7 pm Book Group  | 5 | 6 | 7 |
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| 15 8:45 am Adult Forum 9:30 am Worship 10:45 am Sunday School & Choir | 16 7 pm Council  | 17 11 am Bible Study with Pastor Bible Study 1-4 pm Quilting | 18 Noon Newsletter articles are due! | 19 | 20 | 21 8:00 am Men's Breakfast @ Signature's 10:00 am Knit & Crochet @ Signatures |
| 22 8:45 am Adult Forum 9:30 am Worship 10:45 am Sunday School & Choir | 23 | 24 11 am bible Study with Pastor Bible Study 1-4 pm Quilting | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 29 8:45 am Adult Forum 9:30 am Worship 10:30 am Congregational Meeting | 30 | 31 11 am Bible Study with Pastor Bible Study 1-4 pm Quilting | February 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

Our Mission Statement:

**Being fed, feeding others so that all may be filled with
the love of God in Jesus Christ!**

Return Service Requested



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