

The First Sunday after Christmas
January 1, 2017

Prayer upon entering and leaving God's house: In the front of the hymnal and pages 308-309. Welcome one and all. We pray and trust that you will be enriched as you hear the Word of the Lord, our risen Savior, Jesus, and worship Him. Guests, sign our guest book (providing your complete mailing address), and come again soon. Have a great day and week in the Lord, enjoy the peace He has won, and tell someone about Him this week.

"The body and the blood of Jesus, given and shed on Calvary for the forgiveness of our sins, will be distributed and received during our worship service this morning. Since those who commune at the altar are joined together in Christ as well as together in the teachings of the congregation (Acts 2:42; 1 Cor. 11:17-30; 1 Cor. 1:10; 1 Cor. 10:16-18), Immanuel Lutheran Church observes the historical and biblical practice of Closed Communion so that no one would receive the holy sacrament to their damnation and so that they may give a proper witness to their faith. Visitors from congregations of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod are invited to commune. Others are invited to visit with the pastor concerning our Communion practices."

IN OUR PRAYERS

- Vickiann Vail Nelson Grey who is undergoing treatment for breast cancer

IN HIS SERVICE TODAY ARE THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

January Altar Guild: Dottie Michaelis and Pat Miller
Elder on Duty: John Harper

Sacrament of Holy Baptism – Brynlee Marie Vermilya, daughter of Dave & Elizabeth (nee Haag), will receive God's blessings and become His child in the waters of Holy Baptism during the 10:00 A.M. service this morning. Brynlee was born December 14, 2016 in Rochester. Brynlee's sponsors are Danielle Haag, Jenna Nienow, Katie Lund, and Steve Vermilya. We pray for God's blessings on Brynlee.

LITURGY: Divine Service 4 / Communion page 203
HYMNS: 368 – "Angels We Have Heard on High"
386 – "Now Sing We, Now Rejoice"
Distribution: 358, 376, 375
381 – "Let Our Gladness Have No End"

THIS WEEK AT SILO

Today 10:00 A.M. – Communion
offering – Local Lutheran Hour
NO Bible Study & Sunday School
Tuesday January 3 – School resumes
Wednesday 8:10 A.M. - Chapel
Friday BB – Winona @ Silo
1:00 P.M. – Church decorations come down
Saturday LWML quilting, Christmas lunch & meeting
BB – Bounce-off Tournament
Sunday (1/8) 8:15 & 10:30 A.M. -Worship
9:30 A.M. - Bible Study & Sunday School
Installation of church officers at both services
BB – Bounce-off Tournament

Looking Ahead:

January 9 – 7:00 P.M. – PTO meeting
January 12 – 7:00 P.M. – Church Council
January 15 – LFL dinner @ St. John's Lutheran (Hart), Rushford
January 15 – 8:00 P.M. – Annual Voters Meeting
Jan. 29 – February 3 – National Lutheran Schools Week

The Advent decorations in church will be taken down on Friday, January 6 at 1:00 P.M. – Any help would be appreciated!

January LWML will meet on Saturday, January 7. 9:00 Quilting, 12:00 Christmas lunch (wear red or green), 12:30 meeting. There will be mite box dedication

Please pick up your church offering envelopes from the coat room.

All newly elected congregational officers and all other congregational officers are asked to be at installation of officers on Sunday January 8. There will be installation of officers at both worship services.

With the Annual Meeting of the voters on January 15, it is extremely important that any reports for the annual report be submitted to the church office by Monday, January 9. Carol

From the Board of Trustees: The older members of the congregation are encouraged to use the handicapped parking spots in front of the church and school. You do not need a sticker to park there.

The Lutheran Hour on January 1 is sponsored in memory of Ted & Pauline Luehmann and Robert Wadewitz. The Lutheran Hour may be heard on KAGE 1380 AM at 12:30 PM on Sundays.

Thank you for all the Christmas greetings! May God bless you all in the new year. Audrey Luehmann

Support God's Gift of Life. The Lutherans for Life Banquet will be held at St. John's Lutheran Church (Hart), Rushford, on Sunday, January 15 at 12:30 P.M.. A catered meal will be served for a cost of \$10.00. Children ages 6 and under are a free will donation. Virginia Flo, the state director of Lutherans for Life will be the speaker. Please let Pastor Meilner know by Sunday, January 8 if you plan to attend.

Scrip cards - Joanne Prigge will be in the cafeteria each school morning from 7:45 to 8:15 if you want Scrip cards. If this time does not work for you, please contact Joanne, Jana Prigge, Paula Michalowski, or Emily Anderson.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE

Church attendance for Christmas Eve: 125

Church attendance for Sunday, December 25: 148

2016 Budget required contributions / week: \$12,905

PRAISE THE LORD!

Concordia University St. Paul is coming to Winona! CSP will bring a small choral group of around 12, along with David Mennicke (director) and Tom Gundermann (campus pastor).

Date: Thursday February 2nd

Time: 10am (will last approximately an hour or so)

Place: St. Martin's Lutheran Church

328 Broadway Winona, MN

Parking available in lot behind school.

All are welcome to attend.