

CLC NEWS: Pastor George Dumann, First Lutheran, Faulkton SD has been called by Salem Lutheran, Eagle Lake MN.

CHURCH COUNCIL meets next Sunday at 11:15 a.m.

FAMILY FUN DAY: We will be going ice skating at Tenney Park next Sunday at 3:00 p.m. with a supper to follow at church.

SALT& LIGHT III: Our third evangelism workshop will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 8th. Pizza supper from 6:00-6:30 with the workshop from 6:30-8:00. The four topics are:

- I. Explore the right times and places for religious discussions
- II. Give examples of ways to start religious discussions
- III. Using social media to witness about Jesus
- IV. Preparing your "elevator" speech

Please sign the sheet in the entry-way if you are coming and what you can bring for the supper.

CHRISTMAS CHRISTIAN MUSIC FESTIVAL on January 5th @3pm. Carrying on the tradition of Luther Memorial and Faith, Messiah Lutheran Church invites you and your congregation's members for a festival and time of fellowship around the blessings of Christian music. The Messiah activity committee is planning for a light supper afterwards. As has been done in the past, a dish or desert to pass would be welcome, but not necessary.

IN YOUR MAILBOX: January Calendar and Newsletter

NEW ENVELOPES: Everyone should have a new box of envelopes for the new year in your mailboxes.

NEW YEAR'S EVE COMMUNION: Tuesday night at 7:00 p.m. Let us close out the old year and welcome the new in a God-pleasing way by singing our praises of thanks to our Savior for past blessings and by receiving from Him the assurance of sins forgiven through the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

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Pre-service Preparation: Ps. 121

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Lutheran Hymnal, p. 5

Opening Hymn:	341
Before Sermon:	273
Offering Hymn:	89 (1, 4-5)
After Prayers:	265
Closing Hymn:	97

Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 63:7-9 This Old Testament reading accentuates the kindness of the Lord which was seen many times by the people of old. This same kindness we see in the sending of Jesus and His incarnation. Distressed when He sees the distress of His people, the Lord Himself becomes our Savior and Redeemer.

7 I will mention the lovingkindnesses of the Lord And the praises of the Lord, According to all that the Lord has bestowed on us, And the great goodness toward the house of Israel, Which He has bestowed on them



according to His mercies, According to the multitude of His lovingkindnesses. 8 For He said, "Surely they are My people, Children who will not lie." So He became their Savior. 9 In all their affliction He was afflicted, And the Angel of His Presence saved them; In His love and in His pity He redeemed them; And He bore them and carried them All the days of old.

Galatians 4:4-7 The Apostle Paul reminds us that because God sent His Son, both Jew and Gentile have been miraculously redeemed. The believer in Christ is a son and heir in God's family.

4 But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, 5 to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. 6 And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!" 7 Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

The Sermon: read/listen to sermons at www.middletonlutheran.org

Sermon Text: **Matthew 2:13-18**

WHO IS GOING TO BE KING?

I: Herod moves to RETAIN his throne.

II: God moves to ESTABLISH His Son's Throne.

III: Who is KING of my heart and life?

13 Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, "Arise, take the young Child and His mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I bring you word; for Herod will seek the young Child to destroy Him." 14 When he arose, he took the young Child and His mother by night and departed for Egypt, 15 and was there until the death of Herod, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying, "Out of Egypt I called My Son." 16 Then Herod, when he saw that he was deceived by the wise men, was exceedingly angry; and he sent forth and put to death all the male children who were in Bethlehem and in all its districts, from two years old and under,

according to the time which he had determined from the wise men. 17 Then was fulfilled what was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet, saying: 18 "A voice was heard in Ramah, Lamentation, weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children, Refusing to be comforted, Because they are no more."

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PEACE THRU CHRIST LUTHERAN WELCOMES YOU! We thank our God for your being here worshipping our Savior-King today. We pray that Jesus as King, rules in your hearts with His powerful Word. Come again. You are warmly invited to our New Year's Eve worship service this Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. Please sign our guest register before you leave.

This Week:

Today 9:00 a.m. S.S.: Peter
Delivered from Prison

Bible Class: Hebrews 12
11:15 a.m. Sunday School
Teacher's Meeting

Monday Fellowship Hall Painting

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. New Year's
Eve Communion Service/Hymn
Sing

Next Sunday:

9:00 a.m. S.S./Bible Class
10:00 a.m. Family Worship/
Communion

11:20 a.m. Church Council
3:00 p.m. Congregation Skate
outing—Tenney Park

FELLOWSHIP HALL PAINTING:

A member has volunteered
to paint the fellowship hall

tomorrow Dec. 30th. If you are
interested in helping, please
sign the sheet in the entry-way.

IN SERVICE TO OUR LORD:

Cleaners this week:

Church Gbedey/Lentz

School: Dreyer/Dumke

Counters today: Ruth Bernthal
& Pam Schulz

LAST WEEK:

Worship 30 B.C. -- S.S. --
Christmas Eve 75
Christmas Day 43

OFFERINGS 12/22, 24, 25
for Unified Budget: \$2,822
\$30 Mission Development Fund
(MDF)
\$30 ILC Academic Center