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Week of 01.02.22

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# Christ Lutheran Church

A Stephen Ministry Congregation

# FOCUS

Today is the **Second Sunday after Christmas ... Liturgy is Divine Service 5, pg 213**

Scripture for today: **1 Kings 3:4-15 + Ephesians 1:3-14 + Luke 2:40-52**

\*\* **FUNERAL** – *Steve Stortz*, former principal at Christ Lutheran School, was called to his Savior's side on Sunday, December 19, 2021. Funeral service and Christian burial were held at Christ Lutheran on Tuesday, December 28, 2021. Steve faithfully served Christ Lutheran in various positions for 33 years.

*Lloyd 'Rusty' Petersen* was called to his Savior's side on Wednesday, December 29, 2021. Funeral service will be held Tuesday, January 4, 2022.

\*\* **WEDDING** – *Mellissa Begeman* and *Terry Glenn* were united in marriage before our Altar on Saturday, January 1, 2022.

\*\* **2022 OFFERING ENVELOPES** are now available in the Narthex. If you have not already picked yours up, please do so. Also, discard and recycle any remaining envelopes you may have from 2021, and use only those that are dated 2022 for the new year. If you are not able to locate your box, please ask for assistance.

## **BIBLE STUDIES AVAILABLE**

\*\* **MONDAYS** – Join **Pastor Carretto** for "**Bible Stories**". You've read the Bible's familiar stories from the time that you were a small child. This Monday night Bible Study gives you the chance to see these stories in a new light and with new depth! We'll take one story a week. Join us Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for "The Rest of the Story".

\*\* **WEDNESDAYS – THE BIBLE** - Join **Pastor Moreno** from 9:30-10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The current focus is on "Church Denominations".

\*\* **THURSDAYS** – "Equipped – The Armor of God for Everyday Struggles" Men's Bible Study. 6:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Led by **Pastor Moreno**.

\*\* **TUESDAY MORNING MEN'S BREAKFAST STUDY** takes place every other Tuesday morning, at 7:00 a.m. at First Choice Catering (1110 S. 9<sup>th</sup> Street). The next study will be Tuesday, January 4. Topic: James.

\*\* **2022 LUTHERAN BIBLE INSTITUTE – BIBLE 101** Sundays, January 9, 16 and 23 (30), from 1:30-4:30 p.m. God offers hope in His holy love letter. The Institute will be held Grace Lutheran, 416 West Park Avenue.

## **BIBLE STUDY MENU**

### **SUNDAY**

ACTS

9:15 a.m.

Fellowship Hall (Carretto)

### **MONDAY**

Bible Stories

7:00 p.m.

Fellowship Hall (Carretto)

### **WEDNESDAY**

Church Denominations

9:30 a.m.

Fellowship Hall (Moreno)

### **THURSDAY**

Men's Bible Study – "Armor of God"

6:30 a.m.

Fellowship Hall (Moreno)

### **Our Stewardship of Time**

In Worship 12/26/21 ..... 183  
 Christmas Eve ..... 904  
 Christmas Day ..... 153

### **Our Stewardship of Treasure**

Received 12/26/21 ..... \$ 39,938

*Your generosity and continued support during this time of restrictions is greatly appreciated.*

### **Hospitalized**

Known to be hospitalized this past week:  
 at FRHS – Reagan Bohn.

If you or a family member are hospitalized, please notify the Church Office.

**LIFE QUOTE:** "Friend of Jesus, no matter what painful or wonderful endings you marked in the past year, please watch for the early signs of new beginnings. Seize them as opportunities for you and God to develop together. Think about what the Bible teaches about life, appreciate God's love for you, gather up bits and pieces of experience, and put them in a file named 'lessons learned.' Then keep it handy." Jason Nelson, *Time of Grace – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life* · [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)



**STEPHEN MINISTRY**

*Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.*

Colossians 4:6

## **YOUTH FOCUS**

\*\* **CONFIRMATION** (7th & 8th grade) has begun. 7<sup>th</sup> grade meets at the school (Room 131). 8<sup>th</sup> graders gather in the Chapel.

\*\* **HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY** – meets at 9:15 a.m. every Sunday in Room 205 (Resource Room) at CLS.

\*\* **WEDNESDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP** - We are having a blast hanging out and spending time in God's Word at youth group. All are welcome, and bring a friend! Grade 7 & 8 is 6:30-7:30 p.m., and 9-12 is 7:45-9:00 every Wednesday. During Advent, we are meeting as one group immediately after the Advent service.

\*\* **QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUTH EVENTS?** - Do you have a question about a youth event, or want to start receiving text notifications about our youth ministry? Email Cori Woltmann, Director of Christian Education at [cwoltmann@clnorfolk.org](mailto:cwoltmann@clnorfolk.org), or send a text @ 507-456-5380.

# **LUTHERAN HIGH NORTHEAST**

Educating for Life + Promoting the Faith



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\*\* **MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR** - The LHNE Faculty & Staff would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. We are so thankful for the opportunity to educate the amazing students at LHNE. We pray that our students take some time to enjoy celebrating CHRIST's birth with their families! We are looking forward to a great year in 2022!

\*\* **NEW LHNE COACHES ANNOUNCED** - LHNE is excited to introduce our new coaches that were just recently hired. Mr. Ryan Kollbaum will be our Spring Golf Coach, Mr. Chad Miller will be our new LHNE/NC Girls Soccer Coach, and Ms. Bri Swan will be our new Silver Talons Dance Coach.

## PRAYER REQUESTS FOR WEEKS OF JANUARY 2, 2022

Please remember the following in prayer during the coming week. You may also want to send a card or note to those on this week's prayer list to let them know they are being thought of.

- For those undergoing cancer treatments; and for their families; including: Brian Beeks, Sonia Clark, Sandy Cover, Megan Curry, Joyce Deuel, Bruce Gardels, Gail Gubbels, Bruce Hansen, Stacy (Kesting) Hart, Lynn (Brockman) Heinold, Judy Hilkemann, Kellie (Hoffman) Reyes, Elaine Holmberg, Melvin Jensen, Miriam Krueger, Georgia Lambrecht, Margaret McCutchen, Lisa Meyer, Robert Mock, Bryan Muehlmeier, Amy Neuhalfen, Keith Neuhalfen, Katrina Peabody, Tammy Peisal, Sondra Reigle, Melvin Sanders, Leon Schulz, Jay Sila, Steve Sothan, Nicholle Soukup, Larry Walker, Velda Warneke, Karen Widhalm, April Wiley, Kathy Wolfe, Don Wolff, Colton Wright, Allan Zeitz.
- For those homebound, in care centers, nursing homes, suffering long-term illness; those who face tests, uncertainties about their health, undergoing surgery, or facing difficult times, including: Elizabeth Ambrose, Mike Brockhaus, Robert Daughton, Lucille Gesell, Jonathan Glaser, Timothy Hallberg, Nicole Hausmann, Craig Herpy, Joy Henkel, Melody Hulse, EllaMae Jensen, Lois Kapels, Steve Long, Lois Miller, Connie Mock, Hazel Pflueger, Renee Praeuner, Diane Pinger, Shelby Reeker, Michelle Reeson, Sandy Schulz, Brayden Vodehnal, James Wagner, Dominic Wolff, Jesse Wright, & a young girl, Taryn, & those undergoing tests/treatments.
- For Charlene Stortz and family in the loss of her husband, Steve Stortz.
- For Linda Petersen and family, in the loss of her husband 'Rusty'.
- Thanksgiving for a baby girl, Paisley May, born December 27, 2021 to Heather and Adam Warren; grandchild for Dr. Dan and Deanna Blomenberg.
- For Mellissa Begeman and Terry Glenn, united in marriage on Saturday before our Altar.
- We pray for all people in authority over communities and countries, all whose decisions affect the health of its inhabitants, and all who are charged to maintain justice within their borders and peace among nations.
- We pray for all who serve the Lord as they care for others – medical personnel and first responders, counselors and advisers, friends and neighbors, professionals and volunteers. For grocers, pharmacists, other retailers, and transport personnel who keep their stores open, the shelves stocked and deliver essential needs for all customers.
- That God would raise up a mighty army of believers who would guide our nation back to Christian principles.

**PRAYER REQUESTS & PASTORAL NEEDS** - If you have a prayer request or a special need that would require pastoral care, please do not hesitate to contact the Church Office (402-371-1210). We will handle needs on an individual basis.

### MEETING THIS WEEK

\*\* **PRISCILLAS** – The Priscillas LWML group will be meeting this Tuesday, January 4 at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All ladies of the congregation are invited to attend. Bible Study will be led by Pastor Moreno.

**LORD, IN THIS NEW YEAR, HELP US TO BE BETTER STEWARDS OF THE TIME THAT YOU GIVE US.**

“Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil”  
(Ephesians 5:15-16).



# January 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
No School 9:30am - Worship	10am - Staff Meeting 3pm - Finance 7pm - Bible Class 7pm - Christian Nurture	6:30pm - Stewardship	6:30pm - Handbells 6:30pm - Youth Group 7:30pm - Choir practice 7:45pm - Senior High Youth	6:30am - Men's Bible Study	12pm - Church office closes 5:30pm - Shelley 5:30pm - Worship-Comm	No Saturday Service
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
No School 9:30am - Worship-Com	10am - Staff Meeting 3pm - Finance 7pm - Bible Class	7pm - Priscillas Meeting	2:40pm - Chapel for School 6:30pm - Youth Group 7:45pm - Senior High Youth	6:30am - Men's Bible Study 9:30am - Bel-Air Worship 11am - St Joe Worship		5:30pm - Worship
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
8am - Worship 9:15am - Bible Class 9:15am - Confirmation 9:15am - Sunday School 10:30am - Worship--Com	10am - Staff Meeting 3pm - Finance 7pm - Bible Class		8:15am - Preschool Chapel 12:45pm - Preschool chapel 2:40pm - Chapel for School 6:30pm - Handbells 6:30pm - Youth Group 7pm - Church Council 7:30pm - Choir practice 7:45pm - Senior High Youth	6:30am - Men's Bible Study 9:30am - Madison House		5:30pm - Worship-Com
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
8am - Worship--Com 9:15am - Bible Class 9:15am - Confirmation 9:15am - Sunday School 10:30am - Worship	10am - Staff Meeting 3pm - Finance 7pm - Bible Class	7pm - Childcare Meeting	2:40pm - Chapel for School 6:30pm - Handbells 6:30pm - Youth Group 7:30pm - Choir practice 7:45pm - Senior High Youth	6:30am - Men's Bible Study 1pm - The Meadows 6:30pm - Youth Board		5:30pm - Worship
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
8am - Worship 9:15am - Bible Class 9:15am - Confirmation 9:15am - Sunday School 10:30am - Worship-Com	10am - Staff Meeting 3pm - Finance 7pm - Bible Class 7pm - Christian Nurture	6pm - Board of Education 6:30pm - Stewardship	2:40pm - Chapel for School 6:30pm - Handbells 6:30pm - Youth Group 7pm - Elders Meeting 7:30pm - Choir practice 7:45pm - Senior High Youth	6:30am - Men's Bible Study 1pm - Veterans Home 7pm - Trustees Meeting		5:30pm - Worship--Com
30	31	<b>Altar Guild:</b> Dorothy Wetzler-----371-2799 Janet Haase-----371-1668 Sheri Mickelson-----371-0938 Julie Garrison-----680-7928				