

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Christmas Program



*Sunday, December 18th 2016
9:30 am*

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
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Prelude.....*Youth Christmas Band*

Greeting and Announcements

Hymn..... “*Away in a Manger*” Children

Christmas Program “*Footprints to the Manger*”

Jesus Loves Me Children

Scripture Readings.....Isaiah 2:5

Combined Hymn..... “Go Tell It on the Mountain”..... **ELW#290**

*Chorus Sung by Children & Youth

Scripture Reading..... John 8:12

Combined Hymn..... “Silent Night ”.....**ELW#281**

*First verse by Children & Youth

Scripture Readings.....Luke 2:1-14

Combined Hymn.....“Joy to the World”.....**ELW #267**

*First verse by Children & Youth

The Sharing of the Peace

P: May the Peace of Christ be with you! **C: And also with you!**

Children may go to sit with their families.

Offering “Special Music “ *Youth Christmas Band*

The Prayers of the People.....

WA: let us pray. **C: Have mercy, O God.**

Holy Communion.....Great Thanksgiving..... **Page 144**

.....Lord’s Prayer..... **Page 145**

Communion Hymns..... **Lamb of God**..... **Page 146**

..... “**Walk in the Spirit**”.....

Blessing: (all children come forward and bless the congregation together)

P: May the God of hope, through Christ our peace, in the power of the Holy Spirit, + bless you now and forever.

C: Amen

Sending Hymn..... *“Mary Had a Baby”*.....

Postlude.....Tena Rackow

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall for some special Christmas Treats! A BIG thank you to all people involved in getting the Christmas program together. We had a lot of behind the scenes work going on and everyone’s contributions were greatly appreciated.

A special thank you to Kristy Patterson for heading up the program this year and to Anna Patterson for her art work on the front and back cover of the program and also to Taylor Bastian, Sue Diddens , Coralyn Hudik, Dale Gullickson, Michelle Andrews and Marybeth Brinker for their help with the program. Thank You Krista Keene for accomplishment on the hymns during the program and Billie Runkle for organizing our instrumentalists!

Parents and Children, please return costumes to hangers in the 1st-6th grade classroom before heading down for treats.

Our Performers

Sarah Geiseman	Nakoah Cornwell
Shayleigh Albright	Khayne Albright.
Lucas Fye,	Brianne Fye
Jacob Runkle	Jared Runkle,
Lukas Price	Layton Albright
Penelope Price	Ethan Fye
Hanna Brinker	Ashytn Brinker
Izzy Wienand	Madi Diddens

Youth Christmas Band

Krista Keene, Kayla Runkle, Ashtyn Brinker, Hanna Brinker, Renee Scheider, Brianna Andrews, Austin Andrews, Wayne Kurth, Ethan Fye, Mr. Milam and Mikayla Milam

Christmas Program parts are subject to change.

Worship Assistants

Pianist ~ Tena Rackow, Krista Keene

Assisting Minister ~ Sheila Keene

Communion Ushers ~ Paul and Shirley Fox

Communion Assistants ~ Marybeth Brinker, Colton Brinker

Sound System ~ Wayne Kurth, Braden Diddens

Greeters ~ Eric, Billie Jo Runkle & family, Neal and Cynthia Shumaker

Ushers~ Paul and Shirley Fox, Chris and Angie Brinker

Elevator Operator ~ Jean Engel

Prayer Requests ~

God's guidance and direction for...

- For peace in Syria, Afghanistan, Iraq, political leaders, and all refugees throughout the world.

God's protection and safety for those deployed...

- Please remember all our veterans. Give them all God's comfort in their memories of war and service to their country.

Healing and health concerns...

Bob Lyvers, Dick Johnson, Verl Price, Bruce, Beverly, Donna Euler, Katy Lartz, Kelli Huneke, Jane Parks, Dave Offerman, Scott Bonnet, Thomas Lance

We pray for those who are confined to their homes or health care centers...

Dorothy Weimer

Gladys Staderman

Steve Fahr

Laura Derr

Lois Paulsen

Fern Harnish

Ray Stamm

Carol Wybourn

Please note: If you have a prayer request and want it put in the bulletin, please write it down on the Friendship Pad or notify the office before noon on Wednesday. Prayer requests will remain for 4 weeks unless otherwise requested. Please continue to pray for those who have been removed.



God Hears and Answers Prayers



~ *Calendar of Events* ~

Thursday, December 24, 2016

Christmas Eve

Candlelight Service at 5:00pm and 7:30pm

Sunday, December 25, 2016 ***“Merry Christmas”***

9:30am Christmas Worship Service with Lessons and Carols

10:30am Fellowship

Monday December 26, 2016

Office Closed

Wednesday, December 30, 2016

Piece Corps Quilters 8:00am-11:30am

Sunday, January 1, 2017

“Happy New Year”

9:30am

Worship with Holy Communion

10:30am

Fellowship

Monday January 2, 2017

Office Closed

Worship Attendance December 11, 2016 was 54
Total Offering for December 11, 2016: \$1,792.98
Amount needed to meet budget: \$9,346.73



~ *Announcements* ~

Consider Alternative Giving this Christmas Celebrate Giving with ELCA GOOD GIFTS

Make a difference in the world as you give gifts to loved ones this Christmas. In lieu of traditional gifts, consider supporting meaningful projects of the ELCA in honor of friends and loved ones through **ELCA Good Gifts, ELCA Disaster Relief, or God's Global Barnyard**. Honor friends and loved ones with gifts that grow the church, fight hunger, and transform lives. **Check out the bulletin board outside the fellowship hall for more ideas!**

Join us for Christmas Eve Worship Services

Join us on Thursday December 24th at Good Shepherd as we celebrate **Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship** with Holy Communion at 5:00 pm and 7:30 pm. Christmas Eve worship will include special music, choir anthems, the singing of beloved Christmas hymns, children's message, brass choir, readings from the Gospel of Luke, and Pastor Miranda Klosterboer will share the evening message.

December 25th Christmas Worship

With Special Readings and Carols

Check us out on Facebook during Advent!

Do you like to doing devotions with pictures? During Advent Good Shepherd Facebook page offers picture based to the Advent readings every week. Please check our Facebook page **GSLCLenaIL** and share with your friends

Safe Child

A mandatory **SAFE CHILD** refresher course and training for youth and adults who work with children at Good Shepherd will be held on **Monday, January 9, 2017 from 6 PM to 7PM in the Fellowship Hall**. Everyone who was trained last year must attend. Please call Marybeth Brinker (815-369-2501) with any questions. The Learning Committee will meet immediately after the refresher/training course.

Sunday School

There will be no Sunday School classes today December 18, December 25, 2016, January 1, 2017. Sunday School will resume Sunday, January 8, 2017.



WANTED



- Blankets or Quilts
- Diapers: Sizes 3,4,5, and 6
- Adult Size Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Bath Size Bar of Soap
- Shampoo
- Comb



FOR WINTER TRIP TO PINE RIDGE INDIAN RESERVATION

⚡ Monetary donations will be accepted

COLLECTION ENDS December 23rd

PLEASE DROP OFF @ BRINKERS PIT STOP

520 E Lena St, Lena, IL 61048

Directly across from FS Gas Station

"Christmas is most truly Christmas when we

Celebrate it by giving the light of love

To those who need it most."

-Ruth Carter Stapleton



No One Eats Alone – 2016

Coach's Golf & Grill 621 West Lena Street Lena, IL

Holiday Dinner for residents of Lena, Winslow & McConnell

Monday, December 22nd. Serving from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

at Coach's Golf & Grill 621 West Lena Street Lena, IL 61048,

815.369.2222 No one should eat alone this holiday season. This

event is specifically intended for those either not having family,

friends nearby or having troubled times. Bring a neighbor or friend

that could otherwise not make it for lunch.



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