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## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WORSHIP RESOURCES

#### Lectionary Images for Dec. 20.

<https://www.bsicks.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/Dec-27-Lectionary-Images.pdf>

**THIS WEEK IN SUNDAY SCHOOL** This week in Sunday School we are gifting! We will be making 100 winter kits for the homeless and also care packages for our seminary students. What a treat to be able to give!

**THURSDAY EVENING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** will be meeting via Zoom for January and February. We will resume Thursday, January 7 at 7 pm. Our new study will be [God's Relentless Love: A Study of Hosea](#) by Sharla Fritz. If interested in joining, please contact Lisa Gruhn (see [church directory](#)).

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** Thursday Morning Women's Bible study took a break in December and will resume via Zoom in January. On January 7, we will take a look at the Twelve Days of Christmas and Epiphany. Epiphany is commemorated on January 6. We will learn what Christian Symbolism is found in the song, "The Twelve Days of Christmas" and what epiphany or revelation is found in both the visit of the Magi and the Baptism of Jesus.

On January 14, we will begin using a newly published book "God's Relentless Love: a study of Hosea" written by Sharla Fritz. You can read reviews and order on Amazon [here](#). If you would like to join us, you are welcome to order your book on your own. If you would like to go in on a group order, please email Eden at [lwmleden@gmail.com](mailto:lwmleden@gmail.com) by the end of December and she will include you.

**FACE MASKS REQUIRED** In light of the rising number of COVID cases and the [Governor's Executive order](#)

(20-52) requiring face-masks and other coverings while in public regardless of social distancing, the Board of Elders (with support from the pastors) voted on and approved the requirement that face masks or other face coverings must be worn during the entirety of in-person worship services and Bible study at BSLC until the Governor's Executive order is lifted.

## WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

**MITE BOX** Two LWML Advent Wreath Mite Boxes that graced the narthex in December received over \$850 in checks and bills – and a full quart zip lock-style bag of coins yet to be counted! We thank you for faithfully and joyfully providing for the work of the LWML this month and in the year ahead. Thanks again to Christy McCombs and Alison Willey for providing the creative Advent wreaths. The next mission grant for our district to pay is for the Food & Clothing Co-op at Concordia Seminary, Fort Wayne. Click [here](#) for the poster, prayer, and photos.

**RESTART ADOPT-A-YOUTH FOSTER HOUSE** If you shop after-Christmas sales, our January focus/mission collection will be for the seven Olathe high school students in the ReStart Adopt-A-Youth Foster House. We will receive items or monetary donations to purchase items to make Valentine's Day for these 18-20 year-old students a little more special, such as: Target, Walmart, and QuickTrip gift cards, restaurant gift cards (McDonalds and Chik-fil-A are popular choices), hot chocolate packets, gloves, socks, microwave popcorn, chips, snacks, candy. (Currently only one has food allergies to dairy, eggs, wheat.) The January LWML Zoom meeting will be held Monday, January 18 at 6:30 p.m.

## CALENDAR:

### Sunday, December 27

8:00am - Worship w/ Comm. & live streamed  
9:00am – Education Hour live and streamed  
10:15am – Communion Service – front parking lot  
11:00am – Worship w/ Communion  
2:00pm – Music Prep. & recording until 5:00pm

### Monday, December 28

Preschool Christmas Break thru Jan. 5

### Tuesday, December 29

9:30am – Organist Practice

### Wednesday, December 30

7:00am – Men's Bible Study  
9:30am – Organist practice

### Thursday, December 31

6:00pm –New Year's Eve Service

### Friday, January 1 New year's day

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**

### Saturday, Jan. 2

8:30am – Altar Guild Prep until 9:30am

### Sunday, Jan. 3

8:00am – Worship w/ Comm. & live streamed  
9:00am – Educ. Hour in person & Live Streamed  
10:15am – Communion Service – front parking lot  
11:00am – Worship w/ Communion  
2:00pm – Music Prep & recording until 5:00pm

## Birthdays:

Dec. 28	Marty Brown, Katherine McAllister
Dec. 31	Emily Downard, Isabella Martinez
Jan. 1	Gloria Peterson
January 2	Leonard Hanson
	Roberta Schempp
	Hayden Goeglein

## Anniversaries:

Dec. 27	Brad & Cindy Cornell
	Bob & Suzanne Marshall
Dec. 28	Eddie & Julie Flores
Dec. 30	Doug & Kelli Lassman
Dec. 31	Steve & Marilyn Bremer
Jan. 2	Mark & Sara Zarnstorff

### Our Worship 12/20/20

Attendance	343
Offerings	\$18,470.00
Sunday School	\$69.40
Trusting Hearts	\$18,838.00

***Offerings do not include any Electronic Contributions.***



## Stewardship Corner

Over two thousand years ago, the world received its greatest gift. That is when God gave His Son to be born in a manger to fulfill the plan for our salvation. God's gift was planned centuries before it was given. God didn't give His leftovers. What is the greatest, best gift He could give? Himself! And so He did in the Person of His Son, Jesus. He gave His Son Who gave His life. What gift could be more appropriate? Christ is exactly what we need!

### **GOD'S LOVE FOR US IN JESUS STIMULATES OUR LOVE FOR HIM AND OTHERS.**

"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another" (John 13:34-35).