



WEEKEND MESSENGER

FIRST WEEKEND OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 2ND & 3RD, 2017

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS



FRESH CHANCEL FLOWERS today are given to the glory of God by Rae & Ray Kendrick.

ADVENT DEVOTIONALS

for all ages are by the mailbox hallway. Advent begins this weekend.



Choose the one the best fits your Advent meditation practices.



EVERYONE'S INVITED TO GO

CHRISTMAS CAROLING to CTK homebound members this Sunday, December 3rd, 2-4 PM. Please bring cookies to enjoy with hot cocoa afterwards.

CHURCH OFFICE hours will be flexible through this Thursday, December 7th. Wendy will only be in Monday - Wednesday mornings but will be in all day Friday.



SCS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PRACTICE will be during Sunday Church School this weekend plus next Saturday, December 9th, from noon until 3 PM with lunch for participants. See Katie Bach or the calendar for details.

SCS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

SLEEPOVER AT THE STABLE* will be at 9:45 AM next Sunday, December 10th. Don't miss this fun telling of Christ's birth with a menagerie of characters. (Some of whom are familiar CTK members!) *by Douglas J Eboch, Meriwether Publishing Ltd., Contemporary Drama Service



CANTATA REHEARSALS for *O Night Divine* are at 7 PM on Wednesdays December 6th & 13th, with performances at both services Sunday, December 17th.

See Kevin Basom if you'd like to sing.

TAKE A BOOK LEAVE A BOOK shelves are by the Giving Center. Donate a book you enjoyed reading and have already shared with friends! If you find a book there you'd like to read, take it. Books can be returned to the shelf, kept, or even given away; you might not get your book back. Unwanted books go to the recycling bin or the Twinsburg Library. See Shirley Duffy or Mary Ellen Robinette for details.



NEED HP INK cartridges, both black & color, model 61? Contact the office.

ADOPT-A-FAMILY TREE still has a few ornaments left! Pick an ornament, sign up by your ornament number, purchase & wrap the gift, return it with the ornament to CTK by Sunday, December 17th.



GIFT CARDS for the office from the Adopt-A-Family tree may be given directly to a staff member with the ornament by December

17th. **There's no need for gift wrapping.**

RED OR WHITE POINSETTIAS for Christmas may be ordered. Sign up on the bulletin board by Sunday, December 17th, and specify any commemorations and whether or not you'll take your plant home.



RECEPTION TREATS are requested for after the 7 PM December 20th Blue Christmas worship service. Please sign up if you can share something.

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP HELPERS for 7 PM & 9 PM Christmas Eve and 10 AM Christmas Day may sign up now. Readers, communion assistants, coffee makers, and nursery volunteers are needed.



HAVEN OF REST helpers are needed Saturday, December 30th. Sign up on the bulletin board if you can help set up, serve, & clean up supper in Akron that evening. See Sue Simmons for details.



SALLY MORRIS IS IN ANNIE as Miss Hannigan in Beachwood. See the community bulletin board or the December Messenger for performance dates & times.

THANKS TO OUR DECORATORS for their hard work making the building look beautiful for Advent and Christmas!

YOUTH LOCK-IN is in January to plan for the February Youth Worship Service. All 7th - 12th graders may sign up now. Invite your friends!

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- 12/3 Jon Drenski, Tina Heath, Linda Mondry, Dottie Wheeler
- 12/4 Aiden Ripley
- 12/6 Tom Royon
- 12/7 Lynn Pereksta
- 12/9 Aaron Smith, Kevin Smith



WEDDING ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK

- 12/4 Bill & Joan Marcy

GIVING CENTER COLLECTIONS-See display & collection policy on Giving Center.

- Car Wash Towels - NYG Team - Ongoing
- Inkjet Cartridges - CTK Youth - Ongoing
- Misc. Household - Lutheran Outreach - Ongoing
- Cash - Salvation Army Bed & Bread - Ongoing
- Aluminum Cans - CTK General Fund - Ongoing
- Toiletries - Battered Women - Ongoing
- Food for TEAC - Ongoing



5:30 PM SATURDAY WORSHIP

Worship Assistant - Dave Denes
Usher - Ron Miller
Acolyte - Lydia Schiopota
Sound Booth - Charlotte Miller

8:30 AM SUNDAY

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Lector, Communion - Mike Coss
Lay Prayer Leader - Mike Coss
Greeters- John McBride, D Urban
Ushers - Jean & Mike Coss
Acolyte - Volunteer needed
Altar Care - Kristin Bedford
Punch Maker - Kate Hartland

11:00 AM SUNDAY TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Lector - Linda Mondry
Communion -
John Humrichouser
Lay Prayer Leader - Diane Procop
Greeter - Volunteer needed
Ushers - Chris Driver,
Chuck Goodnight
Acolyte - Grace Lue
Altar Care - Sue Simmons
Coffee Clean-up - Office Staff

WELCOME VISITORS!

Please sign the guest register on the stand outside the sanctuary.



IMPORTANT CTK MESSAGES should be left with Pastor Matthew Groenke on ext. #109, or press 5 if it is an emergency. Messages left for the office are not answered on the weekend.

CTK NOVEMBER FINANCES

	Operating Expenses	Income Deposits
Week 1	2,228	6,211
Week 2	4,336	3,622
Week 3	5,770	4,104
Week 4	8,867	1,722
Month to date	21,201	16,569

Amt needed for Nov. (5,542)
YTD deficit on Oct 31 (10,325)
Electronic sign fund total 10,330

Complete financial information is posted on the kiosk. Ministries are asked to curb spending.



Don't miss it! 9:45 AM Sunday, December 10th, in the sanctuary

50 Reformation Quotes

13 - "The Reformation was fundamentally a struggle for the backing of secular governments. Without their support, no religious dissidents could last for long. With it, the old church was at their mercy." —Alec Ryrie, author, *Protestants*

To commemorate the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation, CTK is reprinting these 50 Reformation quotes as published in Living Lutheran.



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Saturday worship: 5:30pm except 12/23

Sun. cont. worship: 8:30am except 12/24 & 31

Sun. trad. worship: 11:00am except 12/24 & 31

Communion at all worship services

Sunday School: 9:45am. except 12/24, 12/31

Ministers of our church: ALL our members!

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Sarah Bon, Substitute Attendant

SHINING THE LIGHT OF JESUS!

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& WE'RE ON FACEBOOK!

TO SEE OUR CALENDAR ONLINE:

http://ctktwinsburg.com/?page_id=72



REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Bold font indicates members

*indicates new this week

Please print requests on the sheet on the lectern outside the sanctuary.

Sympathy for the families of:

*Desire Mays

Tom Markle

Sophia Marsicano

Maggie Hershey; Craig Taylor

Karen Chambers; Rich Zoellner

For Healing:

*Lee Baker

*Chris Kichka

*Pam Garrud

*Alice

*Tina Reiger

*Amelia Penza

Louise Gribble

Mary Fine

Karly Huml

Randy

Linda Bendler

Jim H.

Rich Moro

Michelle Leonhardt

Marge Yanok

Marian

Luke Schiopota, *David's* nephew

Miriam Tearney, *Mark's* mother

Anita Spaeth

Adriana Belt, *M. E. Robinette's* great niece

Larry Jaskiel

Long Term Needs:

Dr. Bob Schneider

Becky Nedelka, *Cheryl Stumpf's* daughter

John Famagelto, *C. Stumpf's* son-in-law

Anthony Nedelka, *C. Stumpf's* grandson

Ted Herberth

Ruth Gauer

Tom Royon

Linda Ringer, *Katie Bach's* mother

Ann Balcerzak

Zoe Shore-Kirchens,

Dawn Smith, *Denise Hall's* sister

Jim Bortak, *Bob's* brother

Dorothy Barnes

John W. Smith, *L. Alexander's* brother

Emily & her family

Cherrie

Michael Hall, *Denise's* husband

Bethany Meissner, **Patti Jabre's** daughter-in-law

Charles Henderson

All victims of gun violence

Families dealing with addictions

Louis Fiorilli, *Cheryl Stumpf's* father

Stacy Reyes

Steve George, **J. Gibbons'** brother-in-law

Wendy Reagan, *Louise Susnik's* cousin

Jim Retseck, *Cheryl Moellering's* dad

Tim Taylor, **Sally Morris'** nephew

*Special prayers for Denise Hall; our

"adopted" family of Natasha, Nadia,

Zanetta, Jonia, Janess, Delillah, Xaria, &

Joseph;

Expectant mothers: Laurel Michalek;

Jenn Mitch; Sarah Pituch; Sarah Incorvaia;

Cara Jablonski

Prayers for those in nursing homes:

Mrs. Palmeri; Barb Keyser

Evelyn Kalen, **Pat Wilhelms'** mother

Martha Hoover, *Cindy Meyer's* mother

Prayers for those seeking employment:

Gary Erbe

Prayers for guidance for our nation &

leaders: safety for first responders and

for all serving in our military, including:

Danielle & Chris Smith, Nicholas & Katie

Novotney, Bob Campbell, Eric Krantz, Ann

Schenck, Bryan Andrews, Justin Herman

National Guard & ROTC: Brie Costa, Kevin

Smith, Aaron Smith

*Congregational Prayer for Ctk families:

John, Wendy, & Laura Gibbons

Chuck & Michael Goodnight

Luella Goodnight

*Ministries of the ELCA:

Pastor Brad Ross & Lutheran Church of the

Covenant, Maple Heights



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
December 3rd	December 4th	December 5th	December 6th
8:30am Contemporary Worship 9:45am Sunday Church School; Christmas program practice 11am Traditional Worship <i>Both worship services include Holy Communion</i> 1pm - 4pm G.S. Troops 91007, 90691, 39691 - Fellowship Hall 2-4pm Christmas Caroling to homebound members First Sunday of Advent	9am Offering counters - Room 103 11am Staff meeting	9:30am LAFF Planning 10am Women's Bible Study 10am Pastors' Text Study - Rejoice Lutheran 7pm Finance - Room 103	12pm Faith Wednesday - Fellowship Hall 7pm <i>O Night Divine</i> cantata rehearsal - sanctuary 7pm Outreach - Room 103
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> Limited office hours for Wendy. Please call ahead if you need to see her. </div>			
Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
December 7th	December 8th	December 9th	December 10th
7pm Senior Choir - Choir Room	<i>No events scheduled.</i>	12pm-3pm Christmas pageant readers practice 1pm-3pm All Christmas pageant participants practice 1pm Pizza lunch for pageant participants 4:45pm LAFF carpools to dinner & theater 5:30pm Worship with Holy Communion	8:30am Contemporary Worship 9:45am SCS Christmas program in the Sanctuary 11am Traditional Worship <i>Both worship services include Holy Communion</i> 5pm Confirmation Class

