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Weekly News and Events
The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Epiphany
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

December 3, 2017
First Sunday of Advent



Each year, Americans spend over \$300 billion on Christmas shopping. Imagine what would happen if we could redirect that spending toward the things that really matter, like putting an end to hunger. With ELCA Good Gifts, you can do just that. Choose from more than 50 charitable gifts to give in honor of loved ones - from farm animals to water wells. Pick up a catalog by the ELCA Good Gifts Christmas Tree or visit www.ELCA.org/goodgifts.



Next Sunday will be the last Sunday we will be collecting Christmas gifts for Nora, VA. Needs are:

new toys and games, socks and underwear. Can you imagine a 5 year old child getting excited over new underwear? In Dickenson County they do!

A table is waiting in the fellowship hall for your gifts. I will be taking all our gifts to Nora on December 5th. Thank you so very much!

Kathleen Tucker

Ladies Night Out - Christmas Edition is

Thursday, December 14 at 6:30pm at River Birch Lodge. Join us for dinner and don't forget to bring a pair of Christmas socks filled with goodies to exchange. Sign up in the narthex or contact Emily Phillips with questions.



THIS WEEK AT EPIPHANY		
Office Hours: M-F		
8:30 am-12:30 pm, 1:30 pm-5:00 pm		
December 3-10, 2017		
Sun	<i>1st Sunday of Advent</i>	
	Encounter:Faith Together	8:45 am
	Christmas Pageant	
	Worship	10:00 am
	Advent Wreath Workshop	After Worship
	FLYP WFU Love Feast	3:00 pm
Mon	Staff Lunch	12:30 pm
	Staff Meeting	2:00 pm
	FTCC Class (CR)	12:50-2:00 pm
	Handbells	6:00 pm
	Parish Life Committee	7:00 pm
Tues	Bible Study	11:00 am
	FTCC Class (CR)	5:50-8:00 pm
	LSM Dinner Out	6:15 pm
Wed	EECC Chapel	10:00 am
	Communion & Healing Service	Noon
	Senior Advent Luncheon	12:30 pm
	Advent Supper	6:15 pm
	Evening Prayer	7:00 pm
	Choir	7:30 pm
Thur	Girl Scouts (FH & Kitchen)	6:00 pm
Sun	<i>2nd Sunday of Advent</i>	
	Encounter:Faith	8:45 am
	Worship	10:00 am



Join us after worship today for family Advent wreath making!



As of 11/30/17, 90 pledges have been received totaling \$370,669. At this point last year, we had 109 pledges for a total of \$406,312. If you have not completed your commitment card, please mail in this week to the church office or put it in the offering plate on Sunday.

LET US PRAY FOR...

Leaders of church & state, especially

Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, ELCA President Trump
Bishop Timothy Smith, NC Synod Governor Cooper
Pastor Doug Kearney Mayor Joines
Our Call Committee

Our sister congregation and our missionary in Mexico

The people of Mupini Parish, Namibia and Pr. David Brondos

Active duty military personnel, especially

Jay Collette Randal Middleton
Travis Gerdes Duncan Miller
Tim Hawkins David Schultz

Family & friends of the congregation in need, especially

Rev. Partee Boliek Ray & Norma Henry Robert & Mary Peak
Louis Bryant Ralph Herbison Nancy Richbourg
Reece Burdette Larry Hostetter Jane Ritchie
Doug Callahan Richard Jensen Nora Schweitzer
Ken Cannon Mike Lucas Rick Sells
Becki Carlisle Becky Marion Alice Seppell
Robert Fick Naomi Meckley Mike Slezak
Derrick Gilmore Janet Miller Deborah Truell
Eric Grush Allison Morris Dave Vander Lugt
Jeff Grush Trey Morris Terry Wessinger
Stephanie Hansen Andy Motz Nicole Williams
Kelly Hauser Marcella Murphy Linda Wood
Wayne Henderson

Members in need, especially

Sharen Bond Jim Lippard Gretchen Pfitzner
Mary Lynn Chapman Andy McMurray Wanda Rabb
Patti Deal Martha Oldland Nancy Stenberg
Bill Flichman Susan Pester

Homebound and Assisted Living Members

Bonnie Bryant Joyce Kohfeldt Virginia Schmitz
Dottie Bush Marge Leister Verdell Thomas
Barbara Coley Cole Lippard Martee Umberger
William Garris Helen Preston Robert Walker

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to

Karl Florian and his family at the death of his brother-in-law,
Joseph Graham.

The family and friends of Dick Bledsoe at his death.

Jennie Hinshaw and her family at the death of her sister-in-law,
Priscilla Mauney.

Warren Sparrow and his family at the death of his daughter,
Dora.

GIFT OF THE MONTH ITEMS FOR DECEMBER

CRISIS CONTROL MINISTRY - Saltine crackers; sugar, flour, baking items

SAMARITAN MINISTRIES - Bib aprons, dish cloths, men's warm winter gloves, socks, toboggans

RONALD McDONALD HOUSE - Single serve meals, snacks, fresh fruit, and breakfast items; milk, creamer; sugar; paper towels; disposable hot and cold cups; preemie clothes and diapers.

TRINITY GLEN & TRINITY ELMS - Fingernail files, nail polish, note cards

IBRAHAM FOOD PANTRY - Shampoo, laundry soap, dish soap (all available at Dollar Tree)

EECC - WalMart 5 oz. cups (case) for \$246 (3,000 cups)



Isaiah 40:1-11
Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13
2 Peter 3:8-15a
Mark 1:1-8

11/26/17 ATTENDANCE

Attendance 139
Visitors 6

Clinton Moyer will present a 2-week study on David and Bathsheba, beginning December 10th at 8:45am.



If you have not already given us your college student's address, please do so right away. We will be sending care packages to them for exams.