



CHRIST THE SERVANT LUTHERAN

DECEMBER 2022

Birthdays

12/9 Gabriel Olson, 7
12/11 Sharon Boelman
12/14 Don Knee
12/17 Marilyn Woolard
12/19 Shirley Theil
12/23 Don Burke
12/24 Pastor Cindy
12/25 Marilyn Nickols
12/28 Jeff Petersen
12/29 Rich Olson

Anniversaries

12/28 Roger & Dee Bailey

Pastoral Acts

Confirmation/Affirmation of Baptism
Delilah Broders, Oct. 30, 2022

Baptism and First Communion
Janie Weich, Oct. 30, 2022

Commissioning of Eucharistic and Assisting
Ministers, Oct. 30, 2022

Reception of New Members, Nov. 13, 2022
Ann Adams, Donna Leicy,
Roger and Dolores Bailey

Change of Address

Jerry Hayes, 500 South 18th St. #212, Norfolk

Local Benevolence

\$308.16 to Mercy Meals

Card of Thanks

God's blessings to all of you! Just a note saying thanks for the prayers. Also thanks to CTS Meal Love Team for bringing food from the potluck to our house. That was very thoughtful. Thanks again. *Mary Ann and Don Knee*

I want to thank all the members who came to my 90th birthday open house last month. I especially want to thank Doris Hoffart, Shirley Theil and Nell Finkral for all the help they gave to my son Jeff and his wife Sue. It was a fun afternoon and very much appreciated.

Marilyn Woolard

Thanks to everyone who generously "Clanked the Cans." We received \$114.47. We kept \$20 for expenses to buy batting for senior quilts. We sent 22 quilts to Lutheran World Relief in Minneapolis. The money goes to pay NTCC students who are learning truck driving who drive them there. We give two quilts to the Rescue Mission and two to the Orphan Grain Train. If you wish some good fellowship, join us in making quilts on the first Thursday of each month.

Calendar of Events

Sundays: Sunday school at 9, worship at 10

Mondays: Bible study at 7 (Facebook)

Wednesdays: meal at 6, Advent worship at 7

12/1 9am PieceMakers quilting

12/2 6:30 Girl Scouts

12/11 Christmas program during worship;
potluck following

12/15 2pm Card Club

12/15 6pm MOPS

12/15 6:30 Council meeting

12/16 6:30 Girl Scouts

12/20 6:30 Grief Share

12/24 7pm Christmas Eve candlelight service

12/25 10am Worship (no Sunday school)

12/26 Church office closed

12/26--Jan. 1 Pastor Cindy on vacation

Jan. 1 10am Worship (no Sunday school)

Jan. 2 Church office closed

From the Pastor – December 2022

It is hard to believe that we are thinking, planning, beginning the Advent/Christmas season. A time of expectation, a time of hope, a time of joy. We are entering one of the most tradition filled season's in our culture, not just our church. We begin to remember the past and pray for the future. Come along on this journey we will take and grow in His love.



These skates hold the memories for me from the past, they were my mom's. And yet, when I was just a wee one, mom and dad bought me a set of skates and on Christmas morning, took us skating on the way to farmor's and farfar's house. Oh, I spent the morning mostly on my buns, but always with my dad picking me up and helping me try again.

Isn't that the image of God we want, the Father who will pick us up when we fall. Will hold us when we are wounded and will love us no matter what. On that first Christmas morning, God broke into the broken world and sent His love in the form of a babe. A babe who would change the world. A babe who would embrace His people and love them and then give His life, that we may live eternally.

I pray this season, to be a time of remembering, a time of renewal, a time of hope for each of you. Ron and I wish you each a blessed Christmas season and pray for you to know His presence within your heart. Shalom, Pastor Cindy

CTS Council Meeting Minutes

October 20, 2022

Council meeting was held at the parsonage with all members present. Council members toured to see work that has been done to the kitchen and to look at work that needs to be done. Concrete in the garage and room directly underneath in the basement. Pastor will hold an open house in the spring for the congregation. Jared opened the meeting with prayer.

Tara made a motion to approve September’s meeting minutes, Greg seconded. Council approved motion.

Financial report: Greg reported \$47,000 in general checking. Last month's biggest expense was the organ repair.

Pastor’s report: concrete work is waiting on a date from the contractor.

Policies on weddings and events need to be reviewed i.e., members, non-members. Who will be at the church from the congregation, use of sound system, opening of church.

The council discussed budget line items. Greg to prepare final draft to present to the congregation.

Next council meeting on November 17. Congregational meeting on November 20 after servic.

Linda Shaffer closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Sheppard

		Nov 2, 22	
	Designated Giving Checking Acct		
	DG Church Emergency Fund	8,619.35	
	DG Good Samaritan Fund	1,678.42	
	DG Memorials	7,489.91	
	DG Missions/Growth	3,715.71	
	DG Special Projects (Kitchen)	17,676.41	
	DG Tanzania Travel	9,088.20	
	DG Worship Fund	2,323.47	
	DG Youth Checking Account	3,520.49	
	Interest-Designated Checking	5.45	
	Total Designated Giving Checking Acct	54,117.41	
	General Checking	46,900.01	

“Warmth, Peace and Pajamas”



We do not need to go any further than our own city limits to find children in need.

The Salvation Army this Christmas season, along with their usual “Toy and Food Drive” is again collecting pajamas for their program called “Warmth, Peace and Pajamas”. The goal is to put a new pair of warm pajamas on every child in Norfolk who may otherwise go to bed, COLD.

Help us to warm the hearts and bodies of these precious children.

Please consider making either a monetary donation or buying a new pair of pajamas so that all of Norfolk’s children can sleep in warmth this winter season.

Checks made payable to: The Norfolk Salvation Army Pajama Project can be dropped off or mailed to the Salvation Army, 610 W Norfolk Ave, Norfolk, NE 68701.

New Pajamas can be dropped off at the following locations:

- **Salvation Army** 610 W Norfolk Ave
- **Anytime Fitness** at 2118 Market Lane
- **106KIX (KQKX), LiteRock 97.5 (KEXL), News Talk WJAG 780 AM and 105.9 FM all located** at 309 Braasch Ave

Deadline for money or pajamas is Thursday, December 15, 2022.

All sizes are in great need. In addition, socks, mittens, hats, and scarves.

Thank you very much,

The Salvation Army

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