

SHEPHERD'S VOICE

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Date: November 28th – December 18th

Upcoming events at SVLC

Thursday, November 29th

- 10:30 am Park Place Devotions
- 1:30 pm Violin lessons
- 3:00 pm Girl Scout Troop 40447

Friday, November 30th

- 1:00 pm Violin lessons

Sunday, December 2nd

- 9:00 am Holy Communion
- 10:30 am Annual Voters' Meeting
- 6:30 pm Nazareth Growth Group
- 7:00 pm Damascus Growth Group

Monday, December 3rd

- 1:00 pm Violin lessons
- 4:30 pm Girl Scout Troop 12283
- 4:30 pm Girl Scout Troop 10118
- 6:45 pm Evening Garden Club

Tuesday, December 4th

- 9:00 am Watch and Journal Study
- 2:30 pm Violin lessons

Wednesday, December 5th

- 10:00 am Women on Wednesday
- 3:15 pm Violin lessons
- 6:00 pm Soup Supper
- 7:00 pm Advent worship

Thursday, December 6th

- 9:30 am Emmaus Growth Group
- 10:30 am Park Place Devotions
- 1:30 pm Violin lessons

Friday, December 7th

- 1:00 pm Violin lessons

Sunday, December 9th

- 9:00 am Holy Communion
- 10:30 am MultiGen+ Bible Study
- 2:00 pm 90th birthday celebration

Monday, December 10th

- 1:00 pm Violin lessons
- 4:30 pm Girl Scout Troop 12283

Tuesday, December 11th

- 9:00 am Watch and Journal Study
- 2:30 pm Violin lessons
- 5:30 pm Church Council
- 6:30 pm 4H Garden Gnomes
- 7:00 pm Leadership meeting
- 8:00 pm Elders & Deaconesses mtg.

Wednesday, December 12th

- 11:30 am Fellowship lunch
- 3:15 pm Violin lessons
- 6:00 pm Soup Supper
- 7:00 pm Advent worship

Thursday, December 13th

- 10:30 am Park Place Devotions
- 1:30 pm Violin lessons
- 3:00 pm Girl Scout Troop 40447
- 6:00 pm Girl Scout Troop 20497

Friday, December 14th

- 1:00 pm Violin lessons

Sunday, December 16th

- 9:00 am Holy Communion
- 10:30 am MultiGen+ Bible Study
- 6:30 pm Nazareth Growth Group
- 7:00 pm Damascus Growth Group

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Monday, December 17th

- 1:00 pm Violin lessons
- 4:30 pm Girl Scout Troop 12283
- 4:30 pm Girl Scout Troop 10118

Tuesday, December 18th

- 9:00 am Watch and Journal Study
- 2:30 pm Violin lessons

Wednesday, December 19th

- 10:00 am Women on Wednesday
- 3:15 pm Violin lessons
- 6:00 pm Soup Supper
- 7:00 pm Advent worship



Voters Meeting

Our Annual Voters' Meeting will be held Sunday, December 2nd following our fellowship time. We will vote on our 2019 budget, as well as elect some new leadership for the next two years. Please mark your calendars and make plans to be with us!



You are invited to celebrate the 90th birthday of **Mike Kutsch!**
Sunday, December 9th
2:00-4:00 p.m.
SVLC Fellowship Hall.

"Your good wishes are the only gifts we wish to receive."

See the invitation on the bulletin board!

Staff & Lay Leaders

Pastor	Pastor Eric Bohlmann
Administrative Assistant	Lisa Boylan
Musician	Lisa Boylan
President	Bill Chambers
Secretary	Gail Millimaki
Treasurer	Debi Anderson
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Deaconesses	Donna Durbin Sandy Nash OPEN



From Char & Pr. Eric:

Eric and I will be hosting an open house on Sunday December 16th 1pm-4pm. Stop by for some Christmas treats, drinks, and fellowship. Our address is: 953 NW Anjni Circle. Our driveway will be reserved for handicap parking and there is plenty of street parking. Hope everyone can stop by!



SHALOM!

The Old Testament is full of stories of Israel living as sojourners. Egypt, desert wandering, exile, foreign occupation. This image of sojourners is a powerful biblical image in which authors take full advantage of to deepen their message. It's like the fat in broth, it deepens all the other flavors in your noodle bowl. The early church had its own exile moment when the infant church was forced to leave Jerusalem. See how Peter uses the biblical image of the sojourner/exile to deepen the significance of their faith in Jesus. Let your imagination be captivated this upcoming Advent season by the sojourner, the exile, the immigrant. How can it deepen your faith in Jesus? How can it affect the way you see yourself in Corvallis & Albany?

Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ,

To those who are elect exiles of the dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, Bithynia, according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in the sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience to Jesus Christ and for sprinkling with his blood: May grace and peace be multiplied to you.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. (1 Peter 1)

Peace,

Pastor Eric



MultiGen+ Bible Study on Sundays in the Fellowship Hall following worship. Start with 'What's in the News?' and then explore the foundations of our faith. Come and join us any time! **PLEASE NOTE: There will be no MultiGen+ study this week due to our Annual Voters' Meeting. This study will resume on December 9th and concludes on December 16th.**



Tuesdays
9:00-11:00 a.m.

Bring a journal

Watch a video

Personal exploration of
Sunday's readings

All are welcome!



Watch the
Scripture



Journal the
Scripture

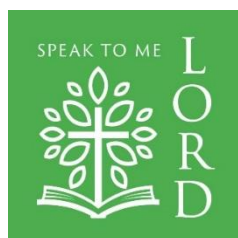
These are 'stand-alone' studies so you are welcome to join any time you find yourself with a free Tuesday morning. There is always a pot of tea for sipping!



I (Lisa) will be out of the office from December 3rd to December 14th. E-mails and phone messages will be checked by Pr. Eric and others. If you need

assistance, please contact Pr. Eric or your church friends ☺ If it's something that I can do upon my return, leave a message in the box outside my office. Thanks for your prayers for safe travel! Auf Wiedersehen!!

*Lectionary
Bible Readings
for Worship*



December 2, 2018 (We
begin Series C)

Advent 1

First Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

Psalm: Psalm 25:1-10

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Gospel: Luke 19:28-40

December 9, 2018

Advent 2

First Reading: Malachi 3:1-7b

Psalm: Psalm 66:1-12

Epistle: Philippians 1:2-11

Gospel: Luke 3:1-20

December 16, 2018

Advent 3

First Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-20

Psalm: Psalm 85

Epistle: Philippians 4:4-7

Gospel: Luke 7:18-35

December 16, 2018

Advent 4

First Reading: Micah 5:2-5a

Psalm: Psalm 80:1-7

Epistle: Hebrews 10:5-10

Gospel: Luke 1:39-56



Fellowship luncheon will
be held on at Cascade
Grill in Albany (north end
of the airport).

11:30 a.m. on Wednesday,
December 12th at. All are

welcome to join this lively group!



POINSETTIAS!! We would welcome your
(short term) contribution of a poinsettia
(any color) to help decorate the altar area
for Christmas. Please bring your plant (with
your name attached to the bottom) to the
church kitchen by Wednesday, December
19th. It will be used from Sunday, December
23rd through Sunday, December 30th. You
are welcome to retrieve it after worship on
the 30th. Thank you so much!! Any
questions, contact Katy Trautman.



Are you interested in a
part-time paid position as
a companion and light
care-giver for a 90-year-
old LCMS member? In-home duties would
include simply checking in on her, helping
with a little house cleaning, laundry, and
doing a daily wellness check. It wouldn't
involve more than 1-2 hours a day, a couple
of days/week. She lives in North Albany. If
interested, contact Marlene (daughter) for
more information by calling 469-931-2934
or emailing: luvridgebacks@hotmail.com.



WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH GROWTH GROUPS ~ EMMAUS

*Submitted by Katy
Trautman, Biblical
Equipping Team Leader*

Emmaus Growth Group meets the first and third Thursdays each month, starting at 9:30 a.m. in the church kitchen. Emmaus is a group for women which always welcomes new members at any time.

Group members have been indulging themselves in a wonderful study entitled *Living a Chocolate Life* by Deb Burma. This study helps participants to savor life, recognizing and enjoying God's promises, and basking in God's love. The group spends time sharing their own reflections of the study material . . . and having fun! Each of the *Living a Chocolate Life* lessons comes with a recipe and the group has been making these yummy treats through the study! Pastor Eric has even joined in as a creator and a taster!

The Deb Burma study will wrap up soon and new studies are being reviewed by the group. What a great time to join! Virginia Kutsch serves as the contact for Emmaus. She can answer your questions and welcomes you to join.

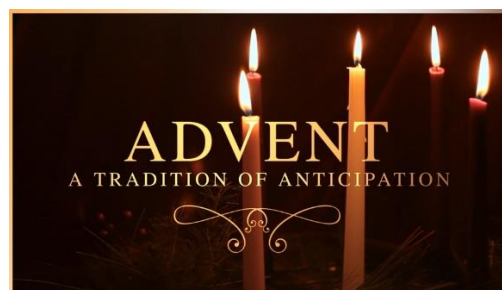


The Love INC Christmas Store is collecting new and gently used gifts for this year's event. A collection box is located at the entrance to our Fellowship Hall. See the Love INC bulletin board. The last day to bring your items to the church is December 9th!



Advent Soup Suppers
Wednesday, December 5th,
12th, and 19th at 6:00 p.m.

Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board. Soup, breads, veggies, fruit, meat or cheese. It's always an enjoyable time to spend in fellowship with one another as we enjoy a meal together. We hope to see you there!



Advent Worship

will be held at 7:00 p.m. on the first three Wednesdays in December. Come for soup supper at 6:00 p.m. and stay for worship. Bring your family and invite your friends as we anticipate the birth of our Savior!

Light of Christ Anglican Church



We invite you to join us, a group of women encouraging each other's Christian walk through prayer and sharing. We will meet on Wednesday evenings at 5:00-6:30 p.m. Plan to bring a 'sack supper' if you wish. Questions? Contact Linda Hansen at 541-929-3129 or at dayspring@casco.net.



This event features six seated servings of a featured beer, a featured cheese, and a tasty appetizer. This year we are excited to feature cheeses and beer from three creameries and two breweries who have not participated in Lutherfest before. Come and enjoy these new samples! As usual, Boulder Falls Catering prepares all of the appetizers.


Tickets can be purchased online from the [Luther House](#) web site – simply click on the Lutherfest 2019 picture. For the third year, the Lutherfest Traveling Trophy will be presented to the congregation with the most guests in attendance, so invite your friends! Consider buying a table of 8 for \$350 to enjoy the afternoon with seven of your friends! Consider buying a \$50 individual ticket as a Christmas gift for that hard-to-shop-for person in your life.



December Lay Ministry

	Sunday Dec. 2nd 9:00 a.m.	Wednesday Dec. 5th 7:00 p.m.	Sunday Dec. 9th 9:00 a.m.	Wednesday Dec. 12th 7:00 p.m.	Sunday Dec. 16th 9:00 a.m.	Wednesday Dec. 19th 7:00 p.m.	Sunday Dec. 23rd 9:00 a.m.	Christmas Eve Dec. 24th 7:00 p.m.	Sunday Dec. 30th 9:00 a.m.
Greeters	Rich & Gail Millimaki		Mary Nunery Sue Probus		Bud & Char Reger		Dennis & Debi Anderson	Rob & Donna Durbin	Pauline Holthofer Cheryl Viner
Acolyte	Norah Bohlmann	Kari Dort	Kari Dort	Kari Dort	Norah Bohlmann	Kari Dort	Kari Dort	Kari Dort	Kari Dort
Musician	Ann Capps	Ann Capps	Ann Capps	Ann Capps	Ann Capps	Lisa Boylan	Lisa Boylan	Lisa Boylan	Lisa Boylan
Cantor									
Reader	Donna Durbin		Jim Dort		Ray Hart		Alison Hintzman	Jeff Hintzman	Peter Klammer
AV Tech	Craig Bell		Ray Hart		Jeff Hintzman		Peter Klammer	Craig Bell	Marla Crane
Ushers	Fernando H. Katy Trautman Rob Durbin Donna Durbin	Fernando H. Katy T.	Fernando H. Katy Trautman Rob Durbin Donna Durbin	Jay McDougal Bill Randall	Fernando H. Katy Trautman Rob Durbin Donna Durbin	Fernando H. Katy T.	Fernando H. Katy Trautman Rob Durbin Donna Durbin	Fernando H. Katy Trautman Rob Durbin Donna Durbin	Fernando H. Katy Trautman Rob Durbin Donna Durbin
Communion Assistants	Dennis Anderson Donna Pompe		Dennis Anderson Donna Pompe		Dennis Anderson Jim Dort		Dennis Anderson Jim Dort	Dennis Anderson Jim Dort	Dennis Anderson Jim Dort
Fellowship	Donna Durbin Alison Hintzman		Virginia Kutsch and family		Karen Inman Jennifer Klammer		Jay & Tracy McDougal		Love Feast
Altar Care	Katy Trautman	Katy T.	Katy Trautman	Katy T.	Katy Trautman	Katy T.	Katy Trautman	Katy Trautman	Katy Trautman
Counters	Donna Durbin Dianne Taft		Alison Hintzman Jennifer Klammer		Brenda Brumbaugh Sandy Nash		Rob Durbin Karen Inman		

December Activities

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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30 9:00 am Holy Communion with Love Feast Brunch	31			If you happen to see any activities missing or incorrect information on the calendar, please let the church office know via phone (541-753-2816) or email so corrections can be made! Thank you!		