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The Lord's Day – December 31, 2017

8:45 a.m. – Coffee & fellowship time in small gym
9:30 a.m. – Sunday School & Small Group Studies; classes for all ages

MORNING WORSHIP
10:45 a.m.

Prelude:
Special Music: 2 & 3 year olds
Choir Opener: "For Unto Us a Child Is Born"
Welcome & Prayer: Pastor Grotzke
Congregational Carol: "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing" #199
Special Music: "It's About the Cross" Maurer Trio
Announcements
Special Music: Jonathan Larson
Choir: "Sing Joy!"
Special Music: "Carol of the Bells" Joshua Maendel
Special Music: Ogren family
Congregational Carol: "How Great Our Joy" #218
Special Music: Katie Gunderson
Offertory: Loretta Wulf & Heather Larson
Special Music: Scott Kirkvold & Strings
Special Music: Kathy Schack
Congregational Carol: "The Birthday of a King" #224
Special Music: Abe & Grace Imdieke
Message: Pastor Grotzke
Congregational Carol: "Ring the Bells" #208
Closing Prayer: Tim Miller

***WE WISH FOR EACH OF YOU A HAPPY AND
BLESSSED 2018!***

There will be no evening service today.

THIS WEEK:

Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. – Bridal shower for Heather Collins, fiancée of Caleb Anderson, in the fireside room. All ladies are invited.

Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. – Midweek service: Adult Bible Studies; Youth Group, AWANA (3 yrs. old – 6th grade)

Friday, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. – Lake Region Christian School Foundation fund-raiser at Heritage Church, 13242 Berrywood Drive in Baxter

LRCS NEWS:

School resumes on Tuesday, January 2nd.

NEXT SUNDAY:

-The Lord's Table in the evening service

-There will be a brief business meeting in the evening service to elect three deaconesses to replace those whose terms end today. The names that will be on the ballot are Christina McMahan, Joyce Wold and Sharon Larson. That item was inadvertently left off the ballot on December 3rd.

LOOKING AHEAD:

January 8 – Monday evening Ladies Bible Study begins

January 9, 10:00 a.m. – Ruth Circle in the fireside room

January 12-13 – Deacons annual meeting in the fireside room

January 13, 7:30 a.m. – Men/Boys' breakfast and Bible study at Burger King

January 18 – Senior Lunch

January 23 – Ladies Cabin Fever in the fireside room

2018 DIRECTORY INFORMATION:

Please turn in your 2018 directory information sheets to Betty Wolhart by next Sunday, January 7th. There are more at the Welcome Center if you need one. You don't need to be a member to have your information listed. We warmly welcome it. Thank you to those who have already responded.

HELP NEEDED:

We need someone to volunteer to clean the nursery once a week. If you have any questions as to what is involved, see Christina McMahan or Keith Anderson.

FINANCIAL NOTE:

Today, December 31st, is the last day for your financial contributions to be recorded for 2017.

DECEMBER GREETERS:

East: Scott & Bobbie Blake Middle: Dave & Penny Bottorff
West: Linda Wolvert & Sheila Eberline Far West: Shelly Whited

CHURCH FAMILY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

Happy birthday to Elva Schack and Forrest McMahan on January 2nd; Jack Krekelberg on the 3rd; Amanda Peterson on the 4th; Lincoln Thomas on the 5th; Mandy Braaten on the 6th.

NURSERY SCHEDULE – for children up to age 3:

Sunday, December 31 – a.m. Bob & Peggy Anderson & Ellie Shafer

Wednesday, January 3 – Julie and Jennifer Kovacik

Sunday, January 7 – a.m. Keith & Rachael, Liz & Isabel Anderson

p.m. Nate and Darla Grotzke

Wednesday, January 10 – Julie and Jennifer Kovacik

Last Week's Offerings & Statistics:

Offerings:

General	\$8,293.52	Budget amount needed weekly:	\$8,486.77
Missions	40.00	Budget giving YTD:	\$172,030.85
Dave Abernathy	20.00	Budget needs YTD:	\$144,275.09
Eric Franks	20.00		
Youth Education	25.00		

Attendance: Christmas Eve service – 355 Nursery - 10

THE WORK OF CHRISTMAS

*When the song of the angels is stilled,
 When the star in the sky is gone,
 When the kings and princes have returned home,
 When the shepherds are back with their flock,
 THEN . . . the work of Christmas begins:
 To find the lost,
 To heal the broken,
 To feed the hungry,
 To release the prisoner,
 To rebuild the nations,
 To bring peace among brothers,
 To make music in the heart.*

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