

LIVING SAVIOUR LUTHERAN CHURCH



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Announcements for the Week of December 6, 2015

The Second Sunday in Advent
The Reverend Angela K. Powell, Pastor
Don Huff, Minister of Worship and Music



God's Work:
Our Hands

WELCOME TO WORSHIP: We are delighted you are here and have been praying for you. If this is your first time, we are honored you chose to worship with us. If you have been here before, welcome back! We invite you to leave contact info in the friendship pads, guest cards, or at the welcome center. Children are welcome in worship, or we have a nursery downstairs, where Ms. Carla provides loving care of those up to age 5. Restrooms are located in the sanctuary through the door directly opposite the entrance doors. We pray this worship will renew and prepare all to go out into God's world to love and serve.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given today by Russell and Lillian Stephens to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for their 25th wedding anniversary.

THIS MORNING'S MUSICAL OFFERINGS

Worship begins with the prelude. Please take this opportunity to speak to God and let Him speak to you.

Prelude	"Child of Love" (Cathy Lyall and Jennifer Huber)	arr. Inman
Anthem	"Prepare the Royal Highway"	Pote
Postlude	"O Bethlehem"	Cherwien

ADVENT SERVICES will be held on Wednesday mornings, **December 9** and **23** (note no service on December 16), at **11:30 a.m.** Please join us for a 30-40 minute worship and learning with the theme: *The Real Housewives of Christmas*. This light-hearted video drama looks at the female characters of Advent and Christmas and will provide a background for our scripture study and brief worship. Bring your lunch and stay for fellowship. All are welcome.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held TODAY, **Sunday, December 6th** immediately following the worship service in the sanctuary to review proposed Constitution changes (go to website to review under "recent articles").

CONGREGATIONAL CHALLENGE

Would you like to buy a family farm???



Gregg and Anita Mitchell have donated \$150 towards a "Family Farm" through ELCA Good Gifts, and are challenging Living Saviour to join them in purchasing this "Family Farm" (cost \$715). This gift reflects God's love, making a difference in people's lives and around the world. For this gift, a family would receive a cow, a couple of goats, a dozen chicks, two pigs, farming tools, seeds and agriculture training and support. This could help a family achieve a fresh start! *To contribute, please submit a check made out to LSLC, memo line — "Family Farm". Please submit by Sunday, December 20th.* Your donation will be displayed on your 2015 giving statement.

FAITH LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES THIS MORNING (9 to 10 a.m.)

G.I.F.T., a multi-generational, interactive, educational experience for KG—8th graders, will NOT be meeting this morning as they will be helping the Salvation Army Stocking group.

Faith Forum (for adults) will also not meet this morning so as to help the Salvation Army Stocking group. They will resume on Sunday, December 20, 27 to conclude “The Call.”. On Sunday, January 3, a new study will begin entitled “The Journey: Walking to the Road to Bethlehem.”

CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR ALL WOMEN OF THE CONGREGATION – DECEMBER 17:



Women of the ELCA’s annual Christmas gathering is scheduled for **Thursday, December 17th at 7 p.m.** at the home of Alice Jenkins, 9429 Briarwick Lane, Charlotte 28277. Please bring a wrapped Christmas ornament to exchange, and an appetizer or dessert (optional depending on your schedule), and an offering (in support of our sponsored child and her family for birthday, Christmas, special days). Prayer Partners can reveal themselves to each other on this evening. A fun and festive evening Please come. No RSVP needed.

A THANK YOU FROM SMITHFIELD ELEMENTARY: Please accept our sincere thanks and gratitude for your Thanksgiving support for our families. It was greatly appreciated by all, and we are very thankful for you and your congregation. Wishing you a Merry Christmas! Most sincerely, Megan McKee (Smithfield teacher).

Advent and Christmas at Living Saviour

Wednesday, December 9	Advent Service	11:30 a.m.
Sunday, December 13	Concert of Advent and Christmas Music	3:00 p.m.
Wednesday, December 16	NO Advent Service (Primetimers)	
Sunday, December 20	Children’s Christmas Pageant	10:15 a.m.
Wednesday, December 23	Advent Service	11:30 a.m.
Thursday, December 24	Family Christmas Eve Service	5:00 p.m.
	Candlelight Christmas Eve Service	10:00 p.m.
Sunday, December 27	First Sunday of Christmas	10:15 a.m.

UPCOMING WAYS TO GIVE TO CRISIS ASSISTANCE MINISTRY (CAM):

- **Wednesday, December 9** -- Come help prepare bag lunches at LSLC at 9 a.m. and deliver them to clients at CAM at noon. For more information contact: Frank DeLoache at frank.deloache@yahoo.com
- **Friday, December 18** -- Distribute a muffin breakfast at CAM. For information contact Cathy Lyall at cathy.lyall@duke-energy.com. We are currently looking for donations of individually wrapped regular size blueberry muffins. If you can help support this effort please sign up on the kiosk in the fellowship area.
- **Wednesday, December 30** — 1:30-5pm. Sort clothing at CAM. For information contact: Robin LaFollette at stitchwitch@carolina.rr.com.



SALVATION ARMY CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS -

Deadline to Return Filled Stockings—TODAY, DECEMBER 6TH

Thank you! Christmas Stocking Ministry.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BOWLING IN A LUTHERAN LEAGUE? Although definite details have not been received, please consider making plans to bowl in this Friday night league, beginning on January 8th at 7:00 p.m. at Carolina Lanes in Matthews with our Lutheran friends throughout the area. We think it will be 12 weeks long (not including Good Friday). There is a sign-up list on the kiosk. You do not need to have a formed team to sign up. Questions? Contact Wayne Thom or Trudy Haseley in the church office.

ADVENT CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Sunday, December 13 3:00 p.m.

Choirs and ringers orchestra and organ

Reception and fellowship following

HELP NEEDED FOR CHOIR CONCERT RECEPTION: We are looking for people interested in making either 3 dozen cookies/sweets, or an appetizer for the reception following the Dec. 13th choir concert. We are also in need of people setting up and cleaning up following the concert. Sign-up lists are on the kiosk.

CHILDREN and YOUTH CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Sunday, December 20 as part of our worship celebration

REHEARSAL: Saturday, December 19 at 10:00 a.m.—duration, about one hour

PARENTS: If you've not been contacted about the pageant and your child or youth (middle or high schooler) would like to participate, or if you have questions, please see Don Huff.

CONGREGATION: You are invited to bring family and friends to celebrate the Good News.

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is expressed to Joe, Robin and Andrew LaFollette and family at the death of Joe's father, Randy LaFollette, on Friday, December 4, 2015 in Charlotte, N.C. May God fill the emptiness left in their hearts by his passing, and may they remember that the Resurrection of Jesus Christ means the certain hope to eternal life for all those who die with faith in Him.

HOSPITALIZED THIS PAST WEEK: Gregg Mitchell at Novant Presbyterian Hospital (surgery December 3). Please keep him, Anita and family in your prayers.



ROOM IN THE INN, Living Saviour's winter shelter ministry, is up and running on Sunday evenings. This season, the congregation is invited to **"POP IN AND MAKE A BED"** each Sunday following the worship service. The 12 rollaway beds will be in place in the bedroom hall (upstairs of the Education Building) with all the bedding stacked on top.

Any Sunday when you have a few minutes after worship, stop by and help out! With at least 12 people, it should be pretty quick work. Thanks in advance for helping to make our church home a place of welcome for our homeless neighbors.



THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Last Week's Attendance: 132

Sunday, December 6

Second Sunday in Advent

GIFT & Faith Forum—assist with stockings 9:00 a.m.
 Worship 10:15 a.m.
 Jubilate Bells immediately following service
 Youth Lunch Out immediately following J. Bells
 AA Women's Meeting 6:00—7:00 p.m.

Monday, December 7

RITI Depart 6:00 a.m.
 Prayer Shawl Ministry 10:00 a.m.
 Boy Scouts 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 8

Cub Scouts Den Meeting 6:45 p.m.

Wednesday, December 9

Sandwich making for Crisis Assistance Ministry 9:00 a.m.
 Bible Study with Pr. Angela 10:00 a.m.
 Advent Service 11:30 a.m.
 Praying with Scripture 1:00 p.m.
 Choirs 6:00—8:30 p.m.
 Moore and Van Allen Law Community Mtg. 6:30—8:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 10

Men's Bible Study Breakfast @ Park Place 7:00 a.m.
 Shepherd Ctr. Of CLT Bridge Group 10:15 a.m.
 Lutheran Family Services 2—4 p.m.
 Cranfield Carmel Commons Holiday Program 6:30—8:30 p.m.

Friday, December 11

Saturday, December 12

Children's Choir Rehearsal TBA
 Choir Rehearsal 1:30—3:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 13

Third Sunday in Advent

G.I.F.T. 9:00 a.m.
 NO Faith Forum
 Worship 10:15 a.m.
 RITI Set-up Immediately following service
 Advent—Christmas Concert & Reception 3:00—5:00 p.m.
 RITI Dinner Setup 5:30 p.m.
 AA Women's Meeting 6:00—7:00 p.m.

Thank you for remembering to turn off your cell phone!

TODAY'S WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Greeters Terry Godwin
 Head Usher Tom Schick
 Ushers Linda Honeycutt, Ron Gordon, Brian Powell
 Assisting Minister Jim Huddle
 Communion Servers Chalice: Ashlyn Cicuzza-Beach, Dan Haseley
 Tray: Linda Frixen, Don Markusen
 Acolytes Collin Quinlan
 Childcare Attendants Carla Gearheart, Kari Proctor, Jahn-Marie Butler
 Altar Guild Janet Mayer, Robin LaFollette, Larry and Janet Wagstaff
 Carmel Place (9:15 a.m.) Cathy Lyall, Steve Vick

Serving Next Week —December 13

10:15: Mary Ann Eller; Tom Schick, Linda Honeycutt, Brian Powell, Ron Gordon; Cindy Quinlan; Laurie Markusen, Sally Ganz, Ken Leeser, Kenneth Cochran; Carla Gearheart, Lori Kolasch, Scott Proctor; Janet Mayer, Robin LaFollette, Larry and Janet Wagstaff

Carmel Place (9:15) — Greg Funk

IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY Pastor Angela can be reached on her day off or on weekends, at 704-408-9534. She will return your call as soon as possible.

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