

# LIVING SAVIOUR LUTHERAN CHURCH



## Announcements for the Week of December 13, 2015

The Third Sunday in Advent

The Reverend Angela K. Powell, Pastor

Don Huff, Minister of Worship and Music



God's Work:  
Our Hands

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**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 Tim and Cindy Meadows to the Glory of God and in honor of their 46th 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	"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (Sandra Sample, piano)	Martin
At the Offering	"Silent Night" (Lillian Stephens, flute)	Ore
Postlude	"On Christmas Night"	Cherwien



### ADVENT CHRISTMAS CONCERT

This afternoon . . . . . 3:00 p.m.

Choirs and ringers . . . . . orchestra and organ

Reception and fellowship following



### Advent and Christmas at Living Saviour

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.

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

**G.I.F.T.**, a multi-generational, interactive, educational experience for KG—8th graders, High schoolers have a separate class but are always welcome to join GIFT. Preschoolers (ages 3 and 4 ) meet in the 2's classroom downstairs.

**Faith Forum (for adults)** will not meet this morning but will resume on Sunday, December 20 and 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 17<sup>th</sup> 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.

**PRIMETIMERS** will meet this **Wednesday, December 16, 11:30 a.m.** at Longhorn's Steakhouse, 10605 Centrum Parkway in Pineville. All members and visitors age 50 and over are invited to attend. If you are attending for the first time, please contact Dawn Gibson at 704-542-1740 or [fourleafclover@att.net](mailto:fourleafclover@att.net).

**BABY ITEMS FOR CHEROKEE:** Baby items will be collected after Christmas for the Living Waters' clothing closet. Items needed are diapers, baby wipes, books, pacifiers, teething rings, and new or gently used clothes, especially sleepwear and blankets. Thanks for your participation.

**CHALLENGE:** Gregg and Anita Mitchell have challenged us to raise \$750 towards a "Family Farm" through ELCA Good Gifts. 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.

**DINNER NIGHT OUT, THURSDAY, JANUARY 7** at Ilios Noche Restaurant. Save the date.

## CHILDREN and YOUTH CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

**Sunday, December 20 as part of our worship celebration**



**REHEARSAL: Saturday, December 19 at 10:00— approx. 11:00 a.m.**

**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.

**\*\* All are invited to bring family and friends to celebrate the Good News.\*\***

**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BOWLING IN A LUTHERAN HANDICAP LEAGUE?** This Lutheran Mixed Bowling League at Carolina Lakes in Matthews will begin on **Fri. evening, Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>** with a league meeting for all at 6:30 p.m. followed by bowling. Subsequent weeks bowling will begin at 7:00 p.m. with practice at 6:50 p.m. A sign-up sheet is posted on the kiosk. You may sign up as a team, or individual or substitute. The league will last 12 to 14 weeks — duration to be determined. Also to be determined is cost — approximately \$12 to \$13 a week. Guaranteed you will have fun with your area Lutheran friends.

**SALVATION ARMY CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY! This year the Salvation Army will be giving Christmas Stockings to 13,000+ needy children in Charlotte. Through your generosity, LSLC contributed **352** of those stockings – exceeding last year’s total of fewer than 300. Thank you to everyone who made this possible: LSLC’s very generous congregation, LSLC Pre-School, G.I.F.T., Faith Forum, LSLC youth, Thrivent Financial for funding, all those who volunteered throughout the Christmas Breakfasts and Care-A-Thon, and a special thanks to Russ and Margaret Krause for delivering all those stockings to the Salvation Army Christmas Bureau. ***Thank You! ~ Linda Frixen and Betty Reynolds, LSLC Christmas Stocking Ministry.***

**NEW MANGER SCENE:** Thank you to Larry and Janet Wagstaff for designing and building the new crèche in our front yard on Carmel Road.

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

- **Friday, December 18** — Distribute a muffin breakfast at CAM at 7:15 a.m. For information contact Cathy Lyall at [cathy.lyall@duke-energy.com](mailto:cathy.lyall@duke-energy.com).
- **Wednesday, December 30** — We will be sorting clothing at CAM. We’ll meet at church at 1:30 p.m. and carpool. This is an incredible ministry that touches many people in need. We will sort clothing from 2—4 p.m. and will be back to church by 4:30 p.m. See sign-up sheet on the kiosk. Questions? Contact: Robin LaFollette at [stitchwitch@carolina.rr.com](mailto:stitchwitch@carolina.rr.com).

**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.

**OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY** is expressed to Bruce and Sara Melosh and family on the death of Sara’s mother, Henrietta Ebener, last week. May God fill the emptiness left in their hearts by her 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:** Kathy Gaddis was hospitalized this week and Gregg Mitchell has been discharged from the hospital.

## THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Last Week's Attendance: 151

<b><u>Sunday, December 13</u></b>		<b><u>Thursday, December 17</u></b>	
GIFT	9:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	7:00 a.m.
No Faith Forum		Shepherd Ctr. Of CLT Bridge Group	10:15 a.m.
Worship	10:15 a.m.	WELCA Christmas Party @ Jenkins	7:00 p.m.
Advent—Christmas Concert & Reception	3:00—5:00 p.m.	<b><u>Friday, December 18</u></b>	
RITI Dinner Set up	5:30 p.m.	Muffin Breakfast at Crisis Ministry	7:15 a.m.
AA Women's Meeting	6:00—7:00 p.m.	Preschool Christmas Program	11:00 a.m.
<b><u>Monday, December 14</u></b>		Youth Lock-in/Advent Service	
RITI Depart	6:00 a.m.	<b><u>Saturday, December 19</u></b>	
Prayer Chain Meeting	11:00 a.m.	Children's Christmas Pageant Rehearsal	10:00 a.m.
Boy Scouts	7:00 p.m.	<b><u>Sunday, December 20</u></b>	
<b><u>Tuesday, December 15</u></b>		G.I.F.T.	9:00 a.m.
Cub Scouts Den Meeting	6:45 p.m.	Faith Forum	9:00 a.m.
<b><u>Wednesday, December 16</u></b>		Worship & Children's Christmas Pageant	10:15 a.m.
Bible Study with Pr. Angela	10:00 a.m.	RITI Set-up	Immediately following service
NO Advent Service		Alleluia Ringers & Choir	11:45 a.m.
Primetimers @ Longhorns Steakhouse	11:30 a.m.	RITI Dinner Setup	5:30 p.m.
Praying with Scripture	1:00 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	Mary Ann Eller
Head Usher	Tom Schick
Ushers	Linda Honeycutt, Ron Gordon, Brian Powell
Assisting Minister	Cindy Quinlan
Communion Servers	Chalice: Sally Ganz, Don Markusen Tray: Kenneth Leeser, Kenneth Cochran
Acolytes	Kenneth Cochran, Alex Leeser
Childcare Attendants	Carla Gearheart, Lori Kolasch, Scott Proctor
Altar Guild	Janet Mayer, Robin LaFollette, Larry and Janet Wagstaff
Carmel Place (9:15 a.m.)	Greg Funk

### Serving Next Week —December 20

**10:15:** Jeanne Davis; Tom Schick, Linda Honeycutt, Brian Powell, Ron Gordon; Alice Jenkins; Ryan Huber, Elisabeth Forster, Jeff Connor, Sherry Wooldridge; Carla Gearheart, Amanda Thom; Janet Mayer, Robin LaFollette, Larry and Janet Wagstaff

**Carmel Place (9:15)** — Ray and Glenda Kilminster

**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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