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Announcements for the Week of January 21, 2018

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

The Reverend Angela K. Powell, Pastor • Don Huff, Minister of Worship and Music
Josh Wullenweber, Seminary Field Ed. Student

WELCOME TO WORSHIP: We are delighted you are here and have been praying for you. If this is your first visit, we are honored you chose to worship with us. If you are returning, welcome back! We invite you to leave contact information on the guest cards inside the friendship pads, or at the welcome center. All are welcome at Holy Communion, and instructions regarding our meal are in our worship folder. Children are welcome in worship, and we seek to find ways to include them, such as our Children's time and our "pray-ground," where those under 4 have a place where they can see and hear, yet be quietly active with quiet toys and books. We have a nursery downstairs, where Ms. Carla provides loving care for those up to age 5 who need a different environment; as well as quiet bags, books, and children's bulletins near the entry way for older children. Restrooms are located in the sanctuary through the door directly opposite the entryway. We pray this worship will renew and prepare you to go out into God's world to love and serve.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY are given to the glory of God by Bruce Melosh, in memory of the anonymous donor whose kidney keeps me alive today.

WORSHIP SERVICES are: 8:30 a.m. Non-Traditional Worship and 10:30 a.m. Traditional worship.

NEW MEMBERS ARE BEING RECEIVED TODAY. Reverend Linda Hatcher, retired, is coming to us from Christ Lutheran Church in Kulpsville, PA; George and Kathy Shabla and their adult daughter, Samantha, are transferring from Immanuel Lutheran Church in Erie, PA. Please welcome and greet our newest members today.

TOWN HALL MEETING TODAY: To allow everyone time to participate and ask questions, the information is being presented twice: after the 8:30 and 10:30 services. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss in detail important items occurring at Living Saviour: Budget proposal for 2018; Living Saviour Gift Policy; and Council Nominees. This is your opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback on these items so that our annual congregation meeting can be kept to a manageable length. Bios of church council nominees will be available.

JOY CHOIR rehearses today at 10:15 following GIFT. Rehearsal also on February 4. Sing for 8:30 Worship on Feb. 11.

G.I.F.T. (multi-generation/age, interactive educational experience for all ages), Russell Hinson, leader, meets at 9:30 a.m. downstairs in the Activity Room. All ages are welcome!

Middle School (Confirmation) Class (grades 6-8) Ryan Huber, leader, meets in the Education Wing. **High School Conversation Class** (grades 9-12) Beth Hawley and Chuck Malinowski, leaders, meets in the Education Wing.

Faith Forums: Class for adults meets in the Education Wing - Marty Jenkins, leader.

ANNUAL MEETING: The Annual Meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. next Sunday (1/28) between the two worship services, in the Sanctuary. Please make every effort to attend this short, constitutionally-mandated meeting where we will: approve the 2018 budget; approve new Council members; and provide the 2017 Annual Report to the congregation.

CONFIRMATION TEACHING TIME WITH PASTOR ANGELA AND JOSH: Sunday January 28, 3-4:30 p.m. here at church, come and learn about Holy Baptism. All confirmation/middle school kids invited, you don't have to be in confirmation to attend, just interested. RSVP to Pastor Angela so I'll have enough supplies. Parent/interested adults invited to stay, but not required.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY will meet tomorrow (Monday) at 10:00 a.m. in the conference room.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY will meet on January 24, 10:00 a.m. We will continue our study of "Together by Grace." After that Pastor Angela will lead the group in a study of "By Heart" conversations with Martin Luther's Small Catechism. Please call the church office to order your book. The cost is \$13.00. All are welcome to join us.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY meets on Thursday, January 25, 7:00 a.m. in conference room. All men invited!

SHARING AND CARING GROUP will meet on Friday, January 26, 10:00 a.m. in the Prayer Room. All who are interested in knowing more about caregiving are welcome to join us for open conversation, as we support one another. If you have questions, contact Betty Reynolds at coachbettyr@gmail.com.

NO SUPER SUNDAY ON FEBRUARY 4. Super Sunday will resume on March 4, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. We will have a chili cook-off. Details will follow.

SECRET PRAYER SISTERS: January is the month for women of the congregation to sign up for Secret Prayer Sisters! Plan to participate in this year-long secret activity of notes, small gifts and prayers for another woman. Perfect for young moms, middle aged empty nesters and Prime Timers! In other words, fun for all ages! See kiosk for information and to fill out a card (deadline - January 28!)

A HERD OF ELEPHANTS: A faithful team has cut, sewn and stuffed over 50 elephant animals to be donated to Lutheran Services Carolinas for children going into foster care. This little gift truly makes a difference in these children's lives knowing that someone they haven't even met cares enough to make these for them. Thanks to Mackenzie Miller, Sandy Larsen, Jeanette Schick, Cathy Lyall, Maureen Lange, Laura and Mike Michael, Julie Brennan, Alice Jenkins and Caren Ballantine. If you would like to be part of this special ministry, contact **Caren Ballantine** carenballantine@hotmail.com.



ROOM IN THE INN, Living Saviour's winter shelter ministry is on Sunday evenings. The congregation is invited to **"POP IN AND MAKE A BED"** each Sunday, following the 10:30 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. Only sheets and pillowcases get made up on each bed. The 3 blankets should be folded and placed at the foot. Any Sunday when you have a few minutes after worship, stop by and help out!

THE NC SYNOD IS OFFERING A LEADERSHIP SCHOOL, which provides lay people, pastors, and other rostered leaders the chance to learn together. The Leadership School is offering **Faith and Finances** as its Spring 2018 Course on Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 pm, February 1 – March 22, 2018. Classes will be taught live at Christ Lutheran, Charlotte and available beginning February 8 to be live-streamed at a variety of locations. **This class is free and open to all.** The course will be co-taught by Pastor Andrew Miller, St. Luke, Taylorsville and Fred Park. If you would like to join Pastor Angela in this class, she is planning to attend, and is excited to learn more about Faith and Finances for FREE! If you'd rather not attend on Thursdays, she is open to the idea of streaming at Living Saviour on another day/time. Pastor Angela is asked to do 40 hours of continuing education each year, she would love to have you join her in this adventure in learning! Let her know of your interest!

MUSIC MINISTRY! CHANCEL CHOIR rehearsals are Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. New members always welcome! ALLELUIA HANDBELL RINGERS rehearsals also on Wednesdays at 6:00. 2-3 new ringers are on our wish list, but please speak to Don Huff before attending rehearsal! JUBILATE YOUTH HANDBELL RINGERS— Rehearsals on announced Sundays, following 10:30 worship. Contact person is Glenda Kilminster, director. JOY CHILDREN'S CHOIR will practice on announced Sundays at 10:15, following GIFT. INSTRUMENTALISTS are always welcome at 8:30 and 11:00 worship.

2017 GIVING STATEMENTS were emailed this week. Statements for those without email addresses are in your church mailboxes. If you have questions about your Giving Statements, please contact Jim Huddle at jrhuddle@carolina.rr.com.

FIRST RESPONDERS APPRECIATION BREAKFAST will be Saturday February 17 from 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. Please join us as we show thanks to those who serve and protect us on a daily basis. There will be a signup sheet on the kiosk for members to indicate their attendance. If you would like to assist with this project, please contact Wayne Thom at waynethomnc@aol.com.

SPRING CRAFT FAIR. Living Saviour will be hosting our 2nd spring craft fair on Saturday, March 17 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Please plan to attend and find your Easter items. If you would like to be a vendor or if you would like to assist with the fair, please contact Wayne Thom at Waynethomnc@aol.com.

HOSPITALIZED THIS PAST WEEK: Bill Carver at CMC Main. Please keep him in your prayers.

This Week's Activities

Sunday, January 21

Town Hall Meeting following both services of worship today
 New Members Received today
 Non-Traditional Worship 8:30 a.m.
 G.I.F.T. 9:30 a.m.
 Joy Children's Choir 10:15 a.m.
 Traditional Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Room In The Inn 5:00 p.m.

Monday, January 22

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

Tuesday, January 23

Cub Scouts 6:45 p.m.

Wednesday, January 24

Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
 Alleluia Ringers 6:00 p.m.
 Chancel Choir Practice 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 25

Men's Bible Study 7:00 a.m.
 Bridge Group 10:00 a.m.

Friday, January 26

Sharing and Caring Group 10:00 a.m.

Saturday, January 27

Sunday, January 28

Non-Traditional Worship 8:30 a.m.
 G.I.F.T. 9:30 a.m.
 Annual Meeting of the Congregation 10:00 a.m.
 Traditional Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
 Confirmation Teaching Time 3:00-4:30 p.m.
 Room In The Inn 5:00 p.m.
 AA Women's Group 6:00 p.m.

Thank you for remembering to silence your cell phone!

Today's Worship Assistants

	8:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Greeter	Sharon Godfrey , Jan Sundberg	Fred and Rita Potthoff
Ushers		Jim Crawford, Brandon Ward, Terry Godwin, Don Pearce
Digital Team	Rich Ballantine	Brian Powell
Assisting Minister	Lorene Thom	Steve Vick
Communion Servers		Chalice: Kari Proctor, John Williams Tray: Joy Forster, Eric Forster
Acolyte		Collin Quinlan
Child Care Attendants	Carla Gearheart, Kathy DeLoache	Carla Gearheart, Karen Kaufeld
Altar Guild	Alice Jenkins, Cathy Lyall, Jean Dunne	
Carmel Place (9:30 a.m.)	Chuck Malinowski	

Serving Next Week — January 28, 2018

8:30 Service: Sharon Godfrey, Jan Sundberg; Josh Wullenweber; Carla Gearheart, Pat Snodgrass

Carmel Place (9:30): Cathy Lyall, Steve Vick

10:30 Service: John and Pam Williams; Jim Crawford, Brandon Ward, Terry Godwin, Don Pearce; Ray Kilminster; Tom Schick, Cindy Quinlan, Amanda Thom, Janet Mayer; Bailey Biggs; Carla Gearheart, Jennifer Lange; Alice Jenkins, Cathy Lyall, Jean Dunne

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.

Please visit our website for live streaming of our worship services.

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Last Week's Attendance: 160