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# The InnerNet

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January 2021

**Hopeful-Faithful-Loving Happy New Year!**

As we end the year 2020, I remember how hopeful and excited I was to begin the year! Oh the plans we had in the works—strategic planning, Room in the Inn, Lutheroad Day Camp, Vivace, Share the Love, Easter, Germany, Christmas concert and Breakfast with Santa and so much more; all came to a screeching halt the 2nd weekend of March, as the COVID pandemic marched into our lives. Here we are, 9 weary months later, still halted in plans, opportunities to serve, and fellowship events. We have had to do the Pandemic Pivot, and learn new ways to communicate, gather, and worship. We are grateful for the technology we have in place, for those who faithfully do Outreach (in new ways), and who faithfully worship each week.

As we look back on 2020, ministry has not stopped. We have baptized Nolan Huber, Ian and Henry Schwab and Logan VanSandt. We received new members, John and Patricia Maisel; I have had conversation with several folks who have found us on-line and wanted to know more about LSLC. We have continued to do amazing work with Levine Children’s Hospital—Beads of Courage bags, Slime kits, coloring pages. We have provided pounds of food to the QH/SM food pantry; we have taken supplies and provided funds to Crisis Assistance, Roof Above, and Center of Hope. We continue to support and care for those close by and far away.

So now what? As we launch into 2021, the Pandemic is still with us, we cannot yet worship in person safely. What can we do? Plan for the day we can return, plan to hold summer camps in a safe manner, plan to continue to ministry to each other and our community. We are still the same generous people we were in 2020, and will continue to show up in 2021, sharing, providing, ministering in the name of Jesus Christ.

We are loving people, who know the love of God through Christ. We are faithful people who keep showing up as best we can, on-line, through in-kind gifts, by sharing our time. Gratefully we respond for all God has given, by giving back to our community as we proclaim that God is with us, God has not nor ever will leave us. We are hopeful people, who hold out the expectation that we will gather together again, we will one day be save from COVID, and that no matter what, our Savior and Lord loves, redeems and holds us always. Love in Christ, Pastor Angela

**LutherRoad Summer Camp:** LutherRoad summer day camp #2 is returning this June 21-25, if COVID cooperates and is decreasing or gone! The kids/grandkids/family/community members are eligible for this summer day camp program (with pre-post camp care). Fun, skits, games, snacks, crafts, activities all centered around a Christian theme. A week that was noted as “the best ever” by one camper, and another asked, “Can I come back again?” Students, finished Kindergarten to 5<sup>th</sup> grade, are welcome. Details coming soon, save the date! 24 campers will be accepted, and scholarships are available.

Announcing our Annual Congregational Meeting. This year our meeting is set for January 31 at 11:30 AM via Zoom. A Town Hall meeting to answer questions will also be held via Zoom on January 24 at 11:30 AM. You can link by camera, or dial in and listen and take by phone, no camera needed. Details and Zoom links will follow.

“Hopeful, Faithful, Loving “ stewardship materials will arrive in your inbox in early January, be on the lookout.

**THE ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SEASONS** are times in the church year when extra effort goes into preparing the sanctuary for worship: parament changes, candles, Advent Wreath, Chrismon tree decoration, wreaths on the doors, poinsettias, and streaming of worship, just to name a few. We offer a hearty word of thanks to each of person for the tremendous job they have done. Thanks to Laura Schwab, Anita Mitchell, Steve Vick, Robin and Joe LaFollette, Pastor Angela, Lorene Thom, Nancy Mersereau, and Don Huff. Special thanks to our tech team Joe LaFollette and Brian Powell who have donated extra hours so that we might stay connected in worship and through special events posted on church website youtube.

**LSLC Kids Video.**

A video of some of our young members telling about the Christmas story and also about Jesus as a youth is posted on our youtube. Go to LSLC website and access it using the link under “livestreaming of worship services.”

**LIVING SAVIOUR 2020 VIRTUAL CHOIR CONCERT.** An enjoyable and inspiring virtual concert by all of our choirs is posted on our youtube. The concert is comprised of selections from live concerts from 2014 through 2019. As an added bonus, we’ll hear the Christmas story as told by some of our youngest members. To access the concert, go to LSLC website and click on the link under “livestreaming of worship services.”

**VIRTUAL CHOIR CONCERT OFFERING.** Each year at our Christmas Concerts, an offering is received and is given to a worthy cause. Even though the concert is virtual this year, the choir would like to receive an offering to benefit Loaves and Fishes. If you would like to make a contribution, please write your check payable to LSLC, Memo: Choir Concert offering and drop it by the church or mail it to the church.

**RESULTS FOR NOVEMBER 2020**

This report is for the tenth month of the fiscal year ending January 31, 2021.



<b>General Fund</b>	
General Fund Offerings	336,906
General Fund Expenses and Transfers	332,390
General Fund Offerings Less Expenses/Transfers	4,516

**Vanguard Account**

The church has set up an account at Vanguard. If you wish to contribute mutual funds, ETFs or stocks that have an appreciated value, you can contribute these to Living Saviour’s Vanguard account. By doing so, you can avoid capital gains taxes. If you have any questions, please contact Don Hathcock or Jim Huddle.

The following is a report on the Facilities Reserve fund. The expenditure was

<b>Facilities Fund</b>	
Beginning Balance 1/31/2020	65,127
Transfers from General Fund	16,667
Contributions	5,045
Expenditures	(7,150)
Ending Balance	79,689

for an AC for the work-room.

### WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

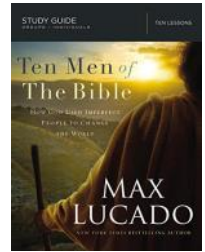
10:00 a.m., via Zoom. "Ten Men of the Bible" should be an interesting study. **Janet Mayer** ([janetmayer@bellsouth.net](mailto:janetmayer@bellsouth.net))

**The next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 13th.**

Here is the link and invitation: [pastorangela@livingsaviourlc.org](mailto:pastorangela@livingsaviourlc.org) is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81907545777?pwd=c0RVVGQ3VWd1UFIVVEhOTDc3L1hOQT09>

+1 646 558 8656 US Meeting ID: 819 0754 5777 Passcode: 641388



Thank you so much for letting us bring the bloodmobile out for a blood drive Sunday! With your help we were able to collect 6 units! Since each unit can save up to 3 lives, that's 18 lives we'll be able to touch with these donations! Your donors from yesterday will be eligible to give again on Valentine's Day. Can we go ahead and set up a drive for Sunday 2/14 or after? Thanks again for helping us in our lifesaving mission, we could not do it without the help of sponsors like you! Merry Christmas to all!!

Sincerely,

**Mary Gore O+**

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### Team Schedule for Praying for Possibilities!

12/27-01/03 Lillian Stephens and Nancy Mersereau

01/03-01/10 Marty Jenkins and Rufus Gregory

01/10-01/17 Sherry Woodridge and Bruce Melosh

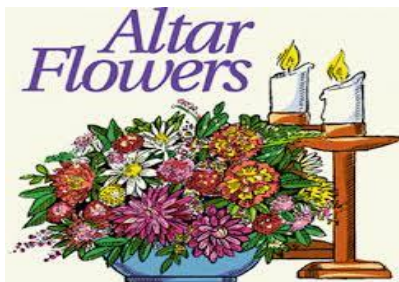
01/17-01/24 Cathy Lyall and Laura Michael

01/24-01/31 CD and Don Huff

You can pray in person, or together by phone. Let us know if we can help by providing a new prayer booklet.

### ALTAR FLOWERS

Thanks to the following, who are signed up to donate altar flowers to the glory of God to beautify the Sanctuary for our Sunday worship:



**January 3**—Pat Snodgrass, To the Glory of God, and in honor of Pastor Angela, Brian Powell, Don Huff, Nancy Mersereau, Steve Vick and Ruth Mayes.

**January 10**— Don Huff, To the Glory of God in honor of our tech team: Brian Powell and Joe LaFollette


**January 17**—Open

**January 24**—Open

**January 31**—Open

**Altar Flowers for 2021!** If you would like to donate flowers (in memory or in honor of loved ones) on Sundays remaining in January, or any Sunday in 2021, let us know in the office (704-542-3626) and we will note it on the new Altar Flower chart. The cost is \$50.00; make checks payable to LSLC with "Altar Flowers" on the memo line. Your check may be mailed to the church or you can bring it by when someone is in the office.

# JANUARY 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 New Year's Day Church office closed	2
3 10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Live Streamed	4	5 2:00 p.m. Lectionary Study Group (Zoom)	6	7	8 10:00 a.m. Caring and Sharing (Zoom)	9
10 10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Live 11:45 a.m. Zoom Holy Communion only Streamed 4:00 p.m. Council Meeting	11	12 2:00 p.m. Lectionary Study Group (Zoom)	13 10:00 a.m. "Ten Men of the Bible" Study via Zoom	14	15	16
17 10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Live Streamed	18 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Church office closed	19 2:00 p.m. Lectionary Study Group (Zoom)	20 10:00 a.m. "Ten Men of the Bible" Study via Zoom	21	22	23
24 10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Live Streamed 11:45 a.m. Zoom Holy Communion only 11:30 a.m. Town Hall Meeting (Zoom)	25	26 2:00 p.m. Lectionary Study Group (Zoom)	27 10:00 a.m. "Ten Men of the Bible" Study via Zoom	28	29	30
31 10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Live Streamed 11:30 a.m. Congregational Meeting (Zoom)						
<b><u>January Birthdays</u></b>			<b><u>January Anniversaries</u></b>			
01/03 Maureen Lange 01/05 Kathy Biggs, Alexandra Leeser 01/06 Greg Krause 01/07 Don Pearce, Rhys Plunkett, Penelope Zeis 01/10 Dan Sundberg 01/13 Preston Hawley 01/15 John Sahr 01/17 Sarah Plunkett 01/18 Jennifer Lange, Betty Reynolds 01/21 Nancy Mersereau, Janet Wagstaff 01/24 Emily Malinowski, Townsend Noonkester 01/25 Jeanne Davis 01/26 Ken Leeser 01/27 Jeanette Schick 01/29 Steve Axtman 01/30 Jennifer Huber, Brian Powell			01/01 Pastor Angela and Brian Powell (38 years) 01/17 Betty and Carl Reynolds (51 years) 01/25 Art and Maureen Lange (52 years)			
					<b>Your Offerings:</b> You may mail your offering to the church or make an on-line donation. We are continuing to pay salaries, maintain the building, and care for our neighbors. Whether we meet in person or via electronic means, God graciously provides, and asks us to generously share with others in loving response.	
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