

NEWSLETTER



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JANUARY 2016 A.D. – THOUGHTS FROM THE PASTOR

Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

The celebration of Christ the Lord's birth on Christmas Day is still a week away as I write these thoughts. However, the celebration of the coming of Christ the Lord to be our Savior continues into the new year as we observe the coming of the Wise Men (Magi) to visit the new born King of the Jews (Matthew 2:1-12) on January 6th. On the church calendar this day is called the Epiphany of our Lord -- 12 days after Christmas.

Unless January 6th happens to fall on a Sunday, often times this important event in the Christ Jesus' life is not observed. However, here at St. Timothy we will be observing an Epiphany Sunday on January 3, 2016. Our scripture readings for the day will be those appointed for the Epiphany of our Lord: Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:1-12; and Matthew 2:1-12.

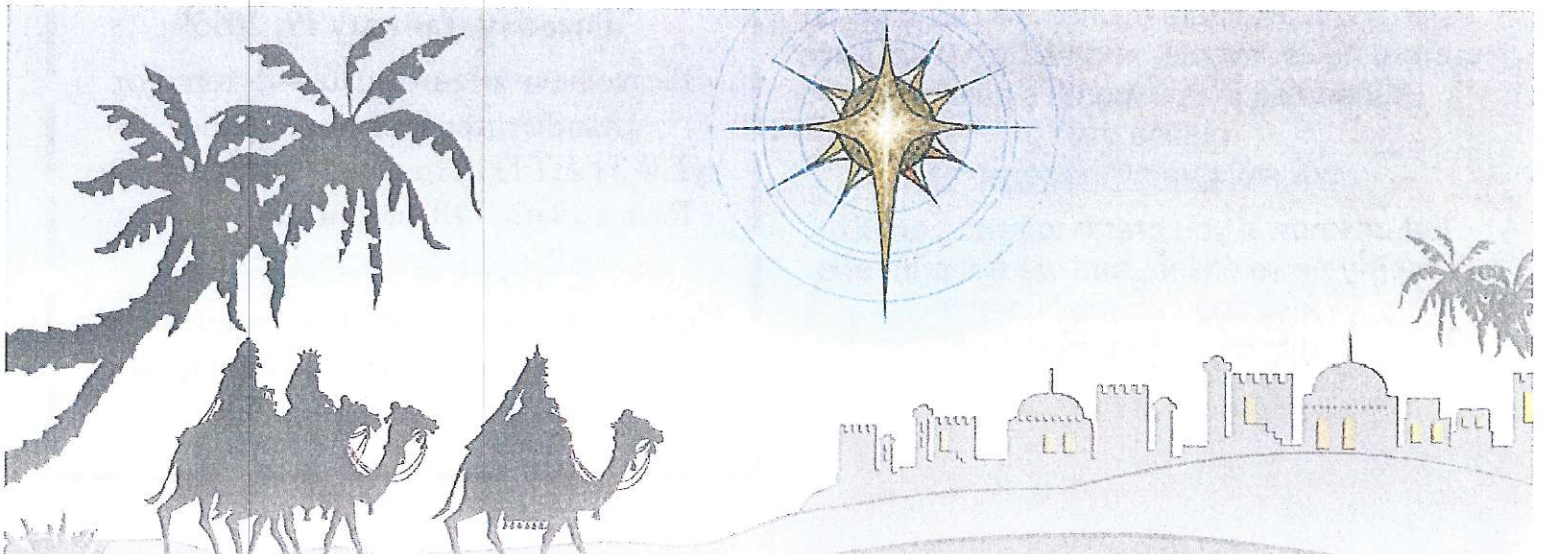
On the night of Christ the Lord's birth, an angel of God announced to the shepherds: ***"I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people"*** (Luke 2:10 ESV). I'm not sure what the shepherds understood ***"for all the people"*** to mean. But Jesus Himself lets His disciples know that ***"for all the people"*** means everybody -- Jews, Gentiles, and everyone else!

This is very clear from the instructions that the risen Savior gave after His resurrection from the dead and before He ascended into heaven. ***And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age"*** (Matthew 28:18-20 ESV).

"For all the people" means that Christ the Lord came into our world for each of us too. Christ came to save us from sin and death and open the way to heaven for us and all people. By the grace of God, we believe in Jesus Christ as our Lord and as our Savior. And now like the Wise Men of old, we worship and praise Christ for what He has done and is doing for our salvation.

May the Lord grant each of us a new year that is filled with God's forgiveness for us! And may each day of our life also be filled with God's peace that passed all understand that comes to us through Jesus Christ! May the love of the Lord Jesus always be in your heart!

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FELLOWSHIP NEWS

Please Remember in Your Prayers:

Our homebound members:

Barbara; Jan; Suzanne; Glen; Wilma;
Millie; Gertrud; Alex; Bea

Folks with Health Concerns:

Karen; Jan; Wilma; Alex; Bea; Gail;
Gabe; Glendale; Rod; Jack; Pearl; Patrick

Those with Birthdays:

January 14 -- Karen Herick
15 -- Bea Zaske
18 -- Suzanne Kiner

Those with a Wedding Anniversary:

None are listed for January.

Please inform Pastor Flath if any birthdays and wedding anniversaries have been overlooked.

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES

Listen to:
THE LUTHERAN HOUR
Sundays

6:00 a.m. – 1320 AM KXRO
6:30 a.m. – 880 AM KIXI
7:00 a.m. – 1380 AM KRKO
7:00 a.m. – 107.3 FM KAWZ
7:00 a.m. – 105.3 FM KCMS
9:30 a.m. – 1180 AM KLAY



CAMPBELL'S SOUP LABELS

Please save the UPC bar codes on Campbell products for Good Shepherd Homes. Carefully cut the labels so barcode and points are intact, for they will not accept damaged labels. Place all UPCs in the box on the counter in the Narthex.

Visit Campbell's web site for an updated list of eligible products
www.labelsforeducation.com

OUR CHURCH NEWSLETTER IS ONLINE

The St. Timothy monthly newsletter and calendar is available online! To catch up on current news, events, and see what we have scheduled in this month's calendar, please visit:

www.sainttimothy.lutheran.net

Let us know if you prefer to read your St. Timothy news online, and we will print one less copy – email us at:
stlc_office@frontier.com

February / March NEWSLETTER

Newsletter Articles and Calendar information need to be submitted by

Tuesday, January 19, 2015!

Please have all information printed or handwritten and place in the NEWSLETTER mailbox, OR hand it to Pastor Flath, OR send it via e-mail to stlc.office@frontier.net.

Please let us know if we have missed your birthday or anniversary. Thanks! 😊

LADIES GUILD NEWS

Ladies' Guild Meetings

Meetings are held every 3rd Tuesday of the month in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 1:00 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for January 19, 2016. All ladies are welcome!



*SERVE THE LORD
WITH GLADNESS*

Psalm 100:2

LWML MISSION MITES

are collected on the fourth Sunday of every month. Please bring yours on January 24th.

Donations will be collected during the church service when you come to the front for communion.

The Ladies Guild purpose is to provide the women of St. Timothy Lutheran Church the opportunity to increase their knowledge of our Savior, and to benefit from fellowship and service to the Lord.

LADIES GUILD NEWS:

Next Meeting: Our next meeting will be January 19.

Officers for the coming year: President – Naomi Normington; Vice-President – Emma Suryan; Secretary – Mary Stewart; Treasurer – Thirza Weber; Christian Growth – Sylvia Robinson.

Prayer Service here at St. Timothy for the LWML zone congregations before Lent begins (February 10) is in the planning stages.

Nations shall come
to your light,
and kings to the
brightness of your dawn.

Isaiah 60:3, NRSV



GOOD & FAITHFUL SERVANTS

~ January 2016 ~

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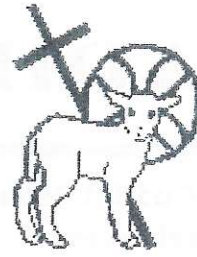
January 3 Lenn Gorsuch
Doug Spaulding
10 Charlie Stewart
Willie Whitfield
Communion – Karl Simon
17 Karl Simon-
24 Gary Eneberg
Communion – Karl Simon
31 Doug Spaulding
Carol Hauge

READERS:

January 3
10 Charlie Stewart
17 Linda Gorsuch
24
31

GREETERS:

January 3 Linda Gorsuch
10 Mary Stewart
17 Ruth Walker
24 Carol Hauge
31 Carol Huage



FLOWER CHART

~ January 2016 ~

3 –
10 –
17 –
24 –
31 –

~ February 2016 ~

7 –
14 –
21 –
28 –

Thank you to everyone who has help provide flowers during 2015 for use during our worship services.

The 2016 Flower Chart is on the "Service" Bulletin Board in the Narthex.

