

## ST. JOHNS MINISTRY NEWSLETTER

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I thank God that we serve a restorative God. Nothing is truly lost to him. He has the power to restore, heal, preserve, and reverse fortunes. Do you feel like these last couple of years have been lost to us in some ways?

Well I don't know exactly what the future looks like but I do trust in the promises of God. He will never leave us or forsake us and I trust in his ability to restore. In Joel chapter 2 he promises the people of Israel that he will restore the years that the locusts have eaten. That his people will eat, be satisfied, and never again be put to shame (Joel 2:25-27 NRSV). While those words may not have been written to us, God never changes. He is using these tough times to refine us, bring about change, and bless us. Locusts devour and destroy. If you feel like something in your life has been destroyed, delayed, harmed, or lost then you can go to him and ask for it back. He can restore, he can save, he knows how to do that.

My prayer for 2022 is that it is a year of restoration for all that have been harmed by this pandemic. I hope that you will join me in that prayer. Restoration after tough times is a common message in the Bible. In Jeremiah 30:17 it speaks of restoration of health and a healing of wounds. What a great God we serve. He has the power for all that and more.

Happy New Year!

-Jeremy

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**Epiphany**, also called **Feast of the Epiphany**, **Theophany**, or **Three Kings' Day**, (from Greek *epiphaneia*, "manifestation"), Christian holiday commemorating the first manifestation of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, represented by the Magi, and the manifestation of his divinity, as it occurred at his baptism in the Jordan River and at his first miracle, at Cana in Galilee. Epiphany is one of the three principal and oldest festival days of the Christian church (the other are Easter and Christmas). Roman Catholics, Lutherans, Anglicans, and other Western churches observe the feast on January 6, while

some Eastern Orthodox churches celebrate Epiphany on January 19, since their Christmas Eve falls on January 6.

In the West the evening preceding Epiphany is called Twelfth Night. The time between December 25 and January 6 is known as the Twelve Days of Christmas. Epiphany is celebrated with special pastries in many countries, and children often receive small gifts in their shoes in honor of the Magi's gifts to the infant Jesus. The holiday also has a number of traditions involving water as a reflection of Jesus' baptism, including the blessing of houses with holy water.

## FARMERSBURG

### CHURCH COUNCIL

**Pres:** Zach Radloff (22)  
**V. Pres:** Brad Hoth (21)  
**Sec:** Tammy Muller (23)  
**Treas:** Lindelle Scherf (22)  
**Council Members:** Jeff Klinge (21)  
Tracey Phillips (22) Loretta Weipert (23)

### CHURCH SECRETARY:

Kelly Shaw

### FINANCIAL SECRETARIES:

Kelly Shaw & Brenda Hoth

### OUTSIDE JANITOR:

Loren Scherf

### INSIDE JANITOR:

Mary Beth Tielbar

### WELCA:

**Pres:** Shirley Marmann  
**V. Pres:** Velma Kuehl  
**Sec:** Nancy Moon  
**Treas:** Becky Fuelling  
**Mission Action:** Bev Moon,  
Nancy Moon, Marlene Glawe

### MEN'S GROUP:

**Pres:** Jason Klinge  
**V. Pres:** Brad Hoth  
**Sec/Treas:** Don Bossard

### ALTAR GUILD:

**Directress:** Cheryl Bossard  
**Sec:** Loretta Weipert  
**Treas:** Velma Kuehl

### ST. JOHNS MINISTRY YOUTH

**Pres:** Logan Engelhardt  
**V. Pres:** Braden Landt  
**Sec:** Ashley Shaw  
**Treas:** Ethan Goltz

### ST. JOHN MINISTRY TEAM

**Chairperson:** Tammy Muller (21)  
**Secretary:** Vicki Baade (21)  
**Members:** Theresa Rodas (22)  
Janelle Smith (22)  
Luke Steege (23)  
Jason Klinge (23)

### NEWSLETTER EDITORS;

Cheryl Bossard & Tammy Muller

Church Website:

<http://www.stjohn-farmersburg.org>

Remember to like St. John Facebook Page.

## FARMERSBURG NEWS

# HAPPY NEW YEAR 2022!



There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex for Scripture Readers. **The sheet is blank.** Please prayerfully consider signing up to read the lessons.

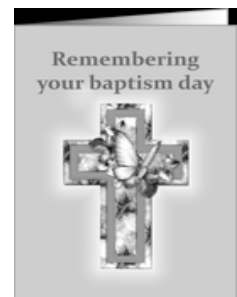
St. John Lutheran Church, Farmersburg will hold its annual meeting on Sunday, February 6 following the 10:30 am worship service.



January 7th  
Jerry & Dorothy Jennings

### Known January Baptisms

4 - Dallas Tielbar  
18 - Diane Kluth  
27 - Hudson Robert Radloff



### CHURCH YEARBOOKS

If you want a different month or any changes please contact Tammy Muller or Cheryl Bossard before January 23rd.

Did you know?

January is a winter month in the Northern Hemisphere and a summer month in the Southern Hemisphere. January is the only month of the year that always has a "twin" - a month that both begins and ends on the same day of the week as it does. In a common year, this is October, and in a leap year, July.

# FARMERSBURG NEWS



Enjoyed the Christmas Program.  
Great job Sunday School students,  
Teachers, Helpers & Choir.  
Pictured:  
Angels: Scarlett Scherf,  
Annabelle Palmersheim  
Shepherds: Rylan Hoth, Liam Scherf,  
& Dominic Schoulte  
Mary: Emma Phillips  
Elizabeth: Lucy Kessler  
Angel Gabriel: Brayden Hoth  
Leader: Adrianna Schoulte  
Narrator: Kaylee Hoth  
Organist: Ryan Moon  
Teachers: Loretta Weipert, Lindelle  
Scherf, Kelly Shaw, Deb Tidwell  
Helpers: Emily Palmersheim,  
Ashley Shaw & Autumn Shaw

Thanks to all who helped with the  
program and to Shirley Marmann for  
Providing the script from 1981.

## **Thank You to all for sharing flowers!**

Thank you to Ethel Lenth & Nancy Moon for the beautiful  
arrangements for our worship services for November & December.

Thank you to those who created the harvest display,  
Thank You for the Poinsettias.

### **Red Poinsettias**

In memory of Brad Lenth & Loved Ones given by Ethel Lenth

In memory of Verdine Glawe & Loved Ones given by  
Marlene Glawe

In memory of Larry, Dale and Isabel Kurth given by Julie Kurth  
& family

In memory of Don Marmann & Loved Ones given by  
Shirley Marmann

In memory of Brad Wikner & Loved Ones given by  
Clark & Kris Wikner & family

In memory of Loved Ones given by Lendall Schievelbein & family

In memory of Iva Klinkenberg given by Lee Klinkenberg & family

In memory of Mary Tielbar, Cheryl Howard & Loved Ones  
given by Nick & Samantha Kirby & family and  
Ken & Heather Crogan & family

In memory of Lafonda Scherf & Loved Ones given by  
Bill Scherf Jr.

In memory of Rev. Richard H. and Frieda C. Steege  
given by the Steege family

In memory of Loved Ones given by Jerry, Dorothy, & Jill Jennings

### **White Poinsettias**

In memory of Loved Ones given by Kenny and Velma Kuehl  
and Shirley Marmann.

**The wreaths on the church doors** are in memory of  
Sonya Stagman and Loved Ones given by Rod Stagman and  
In memory of John & Dorothy Bossard, Arlyn & MaryAnn Gray



January 1 Emily Peterson  
Heith Kessler  
Samantha (Howard) Kirby  
6 Jeff Klinge  
7 Katie (Feldmann) Vaske  
8 Chad Hoth  
11 Hudson Robert Radloff  
13 Tammy Muller  
14 Scott Henkes  
15 Lisa (Tielbar) Geick  
Tracey Phillips  
16 Diana Miller  
22 Valerie Kurth  
Scarlett Joy Scherf  
25 Cody Radloff  
Tait Wilker  
27 Brenda Hoth  
Makenzie Corlett  
28 Maycale Trumblee  
30 Jason Klinge  
Andy Suhr  
31 Brian Glawe  
Bruce Glawe  
Kathy (Kutzbach) Wagner

# FARMERSBURG NEWS

## 2022 USHERS

January 2, January 9 & January 16  
 Captain Bill Scherf III      Verdean Schlake  
 Don Bossard                      Randy Wiedenman

January 23 & January 30  
 Captain Brad Hoth              Lyn Tielbar  
 Jim Lenth                          Ben Schlake



## JANUARY 2022 ACOLYTES

2 Kaylee Hoth  
 9 Adrianna Schoulte  
 16 Brayden Hoth  
 23 Olivia Kirby  
 30 Landon Goltz

## GREETERS 2022

January 2022      2 Brad & Brenda Hoth  
                           9 Shirley Marmann & Tracey Phillips  
                           16 Clark & Kris Wikner  
                           23 Marlene Glawe & Bill Scherf Jr.  
                           30 Don & Cheryl Bossard

Sunshine Committee  
 Cheryl & Don Bossard

## ALTAR GUILD

January 2022  
 Marlene Glawe  
 Loretta Weipert  
 Meeting: January 8th 9:00 am

# *With Heartfelt Sympathy*

Our Sympathy to the family and friends of Dorothy Weyant who passed away Monday, November 29, 2021. Dorothy is the mother of Diana (Dennis) Henning.



## Women <sup>of the</sup> **ELCA**

### *January 2022 WECLA NEWS*

10,11 & 12 Do-Days 9:00 am-3:00 pm  
 19 7:00 pm Meeting of all officers and group leaders to plan 2022—2023 yearbook in the

Resource Room.

This includes Shirley Marmann, Nancy Moon, Becky Fuelling, Brianna Hoth, Brenda Hoth, Gloria Tayek, Julie Kurth, Tammy Muller and Cheryl Bossard.

### Highlights

WELCA meeting December 1, 2021 at noon

Quilt Auctions- EWALU- Trip Around the World quilt brought \$440, Take Me Out to the Ballgame brought \$110, and to Sugar Creek a pink pinstripe/ burgundy brought \$70

15 layette kits were put together this year

Donations were made to the Clayton County Food Shelf, the SOTH crisis fund, and also to start a fund to repair the downstairs piano

We also made donations to lay minister Jeremy, the secretary, inside and outside custodians

Do Days will be January 10, 11, 12 2022 from 9 AM to 3 PM also Feb 8, 9, 10 from 9 AM to 3 PM everyone is welcome to help put quilts together

World Day of Prayer will be held at Luana on March 4th 2022

Lenten suppers were discussed

The offering was sent to LSI

After our meeting we had our Christmas party with the Luana ladies invited

Our next meeting will be in March



## St. John Farmersburg Council Minutes December 8, 2021

Present at meeting: Brad Hoth, Tracey Phillips, Tammy Muller, Zachary Radloff, Jeff Klinge, Loretta Weipert and Jeremy Wolfe. Absent: Lindelle Scherf

Meeting called to order by President Radloff at 6:36 PM. Opening devotions from James 1:17.

Brad moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Tracey. Motion carried. Motion to approve the minutes of November 2021 meeting made by Brad, seconded by Tracey. Motion Carried. Tammy moved to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Brad. Motion carried.

**Lay Minister Report:** Jeremy shared updates on how his schooling is going.

### **Ongoing Business:**

Due to the rising number of COVID cases in the county and the cold & flu season, restrictions & practices will remain in effect.

Council reviewed the updated parsonage lease. Tammy moved to approve the new lease agreement, seconded by Tracey. Motion carried. Council will present to renter in January and agreement will take effect March 1.

### **New Business:**

We have been having feedback issues with the portable microphone. Motion made by Tammy, seconded by Loretta to purchase a Blue-tooth microphone & receiver. Motion carried.

Jeff moved to have the Christmas Eve offering designated for the Shepherd of the Hills Crisis Fund. Seconded by Brad. Motion carried.

The speakers in basement have not been put back up since painting the basement. Property committee needs to set aside time to work on.

A few members of the congregation have requested keys to the church. We need to compile a list of who has keys for insurance purposes.

Tracey volunteered to take the donations for the Food Shelf to St. Olaf each month.

Brad and Jeff terms on council are ending. Nominating Committee (Brad Hoth, Jeff Klinge, Linda Schoulte, John Klinge, and Heather Crogan) needs to meet.

Budget Committee (Zach, Brad, Tammy, Lindelle and John Klinge) will meet on January 5 at 6 pm.

Annual Reports are due January 12.

**Ministry Team-** met November 18 to discuss Lenten worship schedule, pastoral salary, and joint ministry items such as a pictorial directory and continued support for Jeremy.

Proposed Lenten schedule is Supper at 5:30, Worship at 6:30. Freewill donations will be accepted for the meals. When there is a meal, the service will also be held in the church basement; other services will be held upstairs in the church.

Ash Wednesday/communion March 2 at Luana (no meal)

March 9 at Farmersburg

March 16 at Luana

March 23 at Farmersburg

March 30 at Luana

April 6 at Farmersburg

Maundy Thursday/communion April 14 at Farmersburg (no meal)

Good Friday April 15 at Luana (no meal)

Easter April 17

Sunrise service/communion at 7:00 at Luana – breakfast to follow

Worship/communion 9:00 at Farmersburg

Jeff moved to approve the Lenten schedule; seconded by Brad. Motion carried.



### **Committee Reports:**

**Parish Ed** - Christmas program will be December 19.

**Worship** – committee is working on communion worship service to make it flow better

**Youth**- having an informal meeting to work on details for Youth Gathering on December 15.

**Women**- WELCA meeting & Christmas party was December 1

No reports from Evangelism, Property, Stewardship, Men's, and Memorial committees.

Council signed Christmas cards to send to the shut-ins. Jeremy will hand deliver local ones, others will be mailed.

Motion to adjourn by Brad at 7:40 pm. Seconded by Loretta. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by  
Tammy Muller, secretary

# FARMERSBURG NEWS

## October, 2021 – Treasurer's Report

**Income:**

430.00  
1335.00  
1325.00  
1375.00

**Harvest Meal : 3,654.00**

**Missions:**

NE Iowa Synod: 265.00  
SOTH: 215.00  
Food Shelf: 100.00  
St. Pt. Home: 60.00  
LSI: 45.00  
EWALU: 35.00

**Staff Compensation:**

Pastor: 1169.33 + 415.69 mileage  
Secretary: 200 – GC Kwik Star & Casey's  
Inside Cust.: 209.22  
Outside Cust.: 120.05  
Organists: 138.52

**Expenses:**

Black Hills (gas): 39.29  
Alliant (elec): 266.68  
NEIT: 80.68  
Gage Exterminating:  
City of Farmersburg: 212.56 (4<sup>th</sup> quarter)  
United States Treasury 782.96 (3<sup>rd</sup> quarter federal SS & Med)  
Fisk farm & Home 99.38

Total Income: 8119.00  
Total Expenses: 4454.36

General Checking Balance –Oct. 1, 2021 4361.09  
Oct. 31, 2021 8025.73

Lindelle Scherf, Treasurer

## November, 2021 – Treasurer's Report

**Income:**

685.00  
460.00  
2072.00  
335.00  
1709.00

**Missions:**

NE Iowa Synod: 265.00  
SOTH: 215.00  
CC Food Shelf: 100.00  
St. Pt. Home: 60.00  
LSI: 45.00  
EWALU : 35.00

**Staff Compensation:**


Pastor: - 1169.33 + 274.96 mileage  
Portico:  
Secretary: 200.00 (KS & Casey's GC – 100 ea.)  
Inside Cust.: 209.22  
Outside Cust: 120.05  
Organists: 166.23

**Expenses:**

Black Hills (gas): 47.64  
Alliant (elec): 201.42  
NEIT: 80.68  
Gage Exterminating:  
1517 Media 182.61 (CIOH, calendars & renewel)  
Fisk Farm & Home 71.08  
Kurt's Plmbg & Htg 72.76 (water heater)  
Church Mutual 199.50 (work comp)  
Quillin's 253.26 (bal from harvest meal)  
Sports World 31.65 (comm. Glasses laser eng.)

Total Income: 5261.00  
Total Expenses: 4000.39  
General Checking Balance – Nov.1, 2021: 8,025.73  
Nov. 30, 2021: 9,286.34

Lindell Scherf, Treasurer

	<b>WORSHIP ATTENDANCE</b>	
	<b>November</b>	
	7	59
	14	24
	21	32
	24	72
28	23	

# FARMERSBURG NEWS

## ANNUAL REPORTS DUE

THANK YOU to everyone who has cooperated each year in getting these reports ready for the Annual meeting. The following is a list of committees and groups that were active this past year and from whom we would like to receive a report. Any other committee or group that would like to submit a report and inform us of 2021 happenings, please feel free to turn in a written report. All reports can be emailed to the church office ([stjohn87@neitel.net](mailto:stjohn87@neitel.net)) or given to Kelly Shaw.

### DEADLINE FOR THE REPORTS IS JANUARY 12, 2022

Pastor's Report	Jeremy Wolfe
President's Report	Zach Radloff
Treasurer's Report	Lindelle Scherf
Auditing Committee	Brenda Hoth/Cheryl Bossard/Dorothy Jennings
Nominating Committee	Brad Hoth/Jeff Klinge/ Linda Schoulte/John Klinge/Heather Crogan
Budget Committee	Lindelle Scherf/Zach Radloff/Brad Hoth/ Tammy Muller/john Klinge
Stewardship Committee	Jeff Klinge/Tammy Muller
Evangelism Committee/Caring Spirits	Lindelle Scherf
Worship Committee	Tammy Muller
Property Committee	Brad Hoth/Jeff Klinge
Memorial Committee	Tracey Phillips/Heather Crogan/ Loretta Weipert
Parish Education Committee	Loretta Weipert
Video Tape Ministry	Ryan Moon
Women of the ELCA	Shirley Marmann/Becky Fuelling
Men of St. John	Jason Klinge/Don Bossard
Youth	Logan Engelhardt/Ethan Goltz
Altar Guild	Cheryl Bossard/Velma Kuehl
Fascher Scholarship Fund	Tammy Muller/Lindelle Scherf
Probert Scholarship Committee	Tammy Muller/Lindelle Scherf
Schoenfeldt Scholarship	Tammy Muller/Lindelle Scherf
Banner Committee	Marlene Glawe
Strawberry Point Lutheran Home	Deb Tidwell & Jeff Klinge/Bill & Michelle Scherf
EWALU Ambassadors	Shirley Marmann/Ethel Lenth
Interchurch Council	Nancy Moon/Marlene Glawe/Becky Fuelling
Prayer Shawl Project	Marlene Glawe
Shepherd of the Hills	Heather Crogan
Clayton County Food Shelf	Utonia Ruff

#### Chapter 9 Bylaws

B9.01 All committees and organizations handling funds within the congregation shall include as a part of their annual report to the congregation a financial report in writing which shall be included in the congregation's written annual report.

## LUANA

### CHURCH SECRETARY & FINANCIAL TREAS.:

Karla Schrader

### CHURCH COUNCIL:

**President:** Jim Meyer (23)

**V. Pres:** Duaine Davis (23)

**Sec:** Sonya Anderson (21)

**Cur. Treas:** Mary Schroeder(22)

**Bene. Treas:** Cindy Landt (21)

**Financial Counters:** Council

### COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Doug Schlein (21),

Janelle Smith (22),

Ervin Bugenhagen (22) &

Doug Schrader (23)

### CUSTODIAN:

Cindy Landt

### WELCA:

**Pres:** Betty Handke (20)

**V. Pres:** Anna Schroeder (20)

**Sec:** Marj Schrader

**Treas:** Linda Davis

**Mission Action:** Carol Goettler

### ALTAR GUILD:

**Pres:** Sherri Johnson (23)

**Sec:** Darci Engelhardt (23)

#### Banners/Linens/Candles:

Mary Schroeder (21)

Lisa Meyer (22)

#### Special Services/Flowers:

Betty Handke (21)

Diane Kraus (22)

#### Bapt./Comm.:

Sherri Johnson

Darci Engelhardt

#### Seasonal Banners:

Altar Guild

### ST. JOHNS MINISTRY YOUTH:

**Pres:** Logan Engelhardt

**V. Pres:** Braden Landt

**Sec:** Ashley Shaw

**Treas:** Ethan Goltz

### ST. JOHN MINISTRY TEAM

**Chairperson:** Tammy Muller(21)

**Secretary:** Vicki Baade (21)

**Members:** Theresa Rodas (22)

Janelle Smith (22)

Luke Steege (23)

Jason Klinge (23)

St. John's Luana website

[www.stjohn-luana.org](http://www.stjohn-luana.org)

## LUANA NEWS

St. John Luana Annual Meeting is January 23rd following worship services. **Please note change of date.**

The new council will meet following the annual meeting.



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Important Notice!

Notice to St John members from Luana: Prayerfully consider volunteering to run for a three year term to our church council at the **annual meeting on Jan.23.**

Just notify anyone from the nominating committee (Loren Lenth, Linda Davis, Luke Steege or Duaine Palas). Thank you.

### JANUARY VOLUNTEERS:

*Greeters & Ushers:* Jim & Lisa Meyer

*Read Lessons & Prayers:*

Jan. 2	- Loren Lenth
Jan. 9	- Janelle Smith
Jan. 16	- Karla Schrader
Jan. 23	- Keith Johnson
Jan. 30	- Mary Schroeder

*Acolyte:*

Jan. 2	- Cayl Anderson
Jan. 9	- Emme Wikner
Jan. 16	- Josh Schierholz
Jan. 23	- Dayne Anderson
Jan. 30	- Tyce Wikner

*Communion Servers:* Jan. - to be determined

*Altar Guild:* Darci Engelhardt

*Flowers:* Mary Schroeder



HAPPY Anniversary!

### JANUARY

1 - Duaine & Linda Davis

31 - Dwain & Jean Wolter

### KNOWN JANUARY BAPTISMS



10 - Megan Johnson

10 - Kimberly Kraus

13 - Paul Miller

13 - Kyle Tilson

15 - Burke Schrader

28 - Lisa Meyer

29 - Carol Goettler

31 - Adam Smith



## LUANA NEWS



### WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

	Att.	Comm
Nov. 14	Not Counted	
Nov. 21	28	28
Nov. 28	33	
Dec. 5	33	<u>33</u>
Dec. 14	<u>25</u>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>61</b>
<b>AVERAGE</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>

## ST. JOHN LUTHERAN LUANA

Council Minutes

### Sunday, December 12th, 2021

**PRESENT:** Lay Pastor Jeremy Wolfe, Duaine Davis, Mary Schroeder, Doug Schlein, Cindy Landt, Karla Schrader, Doug Schrader, Ervin Bugenhagen.

**ABSENT:** Jim Meyer

Meeting called to order by Vice-President Duaine Davis at 7:51.

**Devotions:** Led by Pastor Jeremy Wolfe led devotions.

**Secretary's Report:**

The Secretary's report was read. Motion by Doug Schader and second by Erv Bugenhagen to accept report. Motion Carried

**Treasurers & Financial Report:** Reviewed by all Council present.  
Doug Schlein made a motion to accept, and Cindy Landt seconded this, motion carried.

**Old Business:** Reviewed Jeremy's List

**New Business:** Discussed moving the Annual Meeting back one week due to the way Jan. 1 falls on the calendar. It doesn't allow many days for Committees to get their books done and audited. Kevin Jones the new Bishop would come to worship with us also that day. Motion by Janelle to have the Annual Meeting on January 23<sup>rd</sup> one week later. Second by Doug Schlein.

Jeremy discussed the advantages of having a Blue Tooth Mic. Motion by Doug Schrader and Second by Janelle Smith to purchase one.

Discussed and set the 2022 Budget.

Next Meeting: January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 am by Erv Bugenhagen and seconded by Doug Schrader.  
Motion carried.

The Lord's Prayer was led by everyone upon closing of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Karla Schrader, Recording Secretary

# LUANA NEWS

*Submitted by Karla Schrader*

## NOVEMBER REPORT

### **EXPENSES**

Black Hills Utilities –Nat. Gas	43.59
Alliant - Electricity	185.03
Karla Schrader –Secretary	330.91
Cindy Landt – Custodian	307.83
NEITEL	118.58
Jeremy Wolfe	1,169.33
Jeremy Wolfe – Oct mileage	281.63
IRS	292.43
Plunketts – Pest control	55.64
Farm & Home – cust.	39.40
Silver Birch – worship supplies	25.66
CCLI- copyright licensing	142.00
Levsen – organ tuning	250.00
Greenlawn – fall spraying	<u>406.77</u>
	3,648.80

### **INCOME**

Nov. 7	1,003.00
Nov. 14	642.00
Nov. 21	772.00
Nov. 28	<u>1,057.00</u>
	3,474.00
Bal. Oct. 31, 2021	9,408.83
Income	<u>3,474.00</u>
	12,882.83
Less Expenses	<u>3,648.80</u>
Bal. No. 30, 2021	9,234.03

### **SPECIAL FUNDS**

Ruby Breitsprecher CD	5,229.74
St John Scholarship Fund CD	40,076.87
Willard & Anne Kamin CD	4,240.61

### **FURNACE/RENT/REPAIR FUND**

Bal. 10-29-21	\$ 40,780.70
Rent	500.00
Interest	<u>7.37</u>
Bal. Nov. 30, 21	\$ 41,288.07

### **CURRENT FUND**

	<b>Envelopes</b>	<b>Plate</b>	<b>Total</b>
Nov. 7	1,000.00	3.00	1003.00
Nov. 14	642.00		642.00
Nov. 21	772.00		772.00
Nov. 28	<u>1,052.00</u>	<u>5.00</u>	<u>1,057.00</u>
	3,466.00	8.00	3,474.00

### **BENEVOLENCE REPORT**

#### **INCOME**

Nov. 7	Offering	120.00
	Xmas 4 Kids	150.00
Nov. 14	Offering	10.00
	Food Shelf	55.00
Nov. 21	Offering	60.00
	Food Shelf	10.00
Nov. 28	Offering	45.00
	Food Shelf	40.00
	Xmas 4 Kids	<u>100.00</u>
		590.00

#### **EXPENSES**

Food Shelf	\$ 105.00
SOTH	130.00
Xmas 4 Kids	250.00
NEIA Synod	<u>105.00</u>
	590.00

# LUANA NEWS

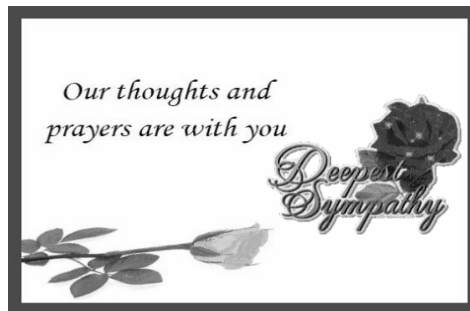
## Poinsettias:

Bob & Betty Handke in Memory of Loved Ones  
Lonnie & Vicky Baade in Memory of Loved Ones  
Jeff & Janelle Smith in Memory of Jerome Meyer  
Jeff & Janelle Smith in Memory of Ed & Jean Smith  
Neil & Cindy Landt in Memory of LeRoy & Fran Bollman &  
Laverne Landt, Norma Landt  
Doug & Karla Schrader in Memory of Family & Friends  
Paul, Darci & Logan Engelhardt in Memory of Gerald & Marilyn Pape  
Paul, Darci & Logan Engelhardt in Memory of Nancy Pape Wirkler  
and Evan Pape



## JANUARY

1 – Lisa Meyer  
11 – Dixie Johnson  
15 – Darci Engelhardt  
19 – Jeanne Miller  
21 – Josephine Schlitter  
Adam Smith  
22 – Loren Lenth  
Stephanie Steele  
27 – Erma Swenson  
28 – Linda Davis  
29 – Amber Moeller



Our Sympathy to  
Wayne DeSotel on loss  
of Sharon DeSotel.  
The funeral was at St  
John, Luana on  
December 13<sup>th</sup>.

## BOTH CHURCHES NEWS

### January 2022, LSI Bulletin/Newsletter Article and Story

#### **Amplifying the Voices of Iowa Children and Families**

Individuals struggling without access to critical healthcare and family support services. Human service providers overworked and underpaid. Former refugees and immigrants striving to build new lives in the U.S.

These are all issues faced by Iowans. Help us ensure their voices are heard at the Iowa State Capitol.

Lutheran Services in Iowa (LSI) will be advocating for our community members who are so often overlooked in our society. You can join us in this important work. Visit [LSIowa.org/advocacy](https://LSIowa.org/advocacy) and sign up for our Advocacy Alerts. Learn more about the legislative process, the issues impacting your neighbors, and your role as a citizen in helping to amplify their voices. Save the date for March 10, 2022, and join us for Lutheran Day on the Hill, a day of advocacy and education at the Iowa State Capitol. If you would like more information, please contact Deb Whitford, LSI's Director of Philanthropy and Church Relations, at [Deborah.Whitford@LSIowa.org](mailto:Deborah.Whitford@LSIowa.org) or 563-676-2065.

#### **Entrepreneurship, Food, and Welcoming**

In 2006, Ali and her family traveled from Kenya and resettled in the U.S. They found themselves in an unfamiliar place: Iowa. But today, they still call Iowa home, thanks to the community they built and the support they received while resettling in the U.S. LSI Refugee and Immigrant Services helped the family become comfortable and confident living in their new community.

They taught us to shop, register for school – all the basic needs. Even winter shopping for the Iowa weather,” Ali says. “They taught us how to get by. It was nice to help us get settled in.”

After some time in Iowa, Ali and her husband, Salah, decided they wanted to open a restaurant as successful as the one they had in Kenya. They soon realized how challenging this would be – the biggest obstacle being the financial burden of opening a restaurant in the Des Moines area. After 15 years of never giving up on their goals, they were able to open Gursha Ethiopian Grill.

## BOTH CHURCHES NEWS



**Bishop Kevin Jones will be joining us for worship on Sunday, January 23 at 8:30 am in Luana and at 10:30 am in Farmersburg. A potluck dinner will be held following the 10:30 service in Farmersburg. A WELCA working group will be assigned to oversee the dinner and provide a roaster of scalloped potatoes & ham. Everyone else should bring a dish to share.**

**The Rev. Kevin T. Jones was elected Bishop of the Northeastern Iowa Synod at the 2021 Synod Assembly and began serving a six-year term on September 1. Please take this opportunity to meet and visit with the bishop.**



**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Lonnie Baade, Bruce Lenth, Norman Mueller, Joy David, Sheryl Mielke, Juanita Mohs, Marian Olson, Rick Conley, Roger Meuleman, Keith Lee, Dawson Spiker, Greg & Lisa Snitker, *Dallas Tielbar, Luke Baade, RoseMary Tielbar, Shannon Nelson, Imogene Ihlenfeldt, Shelby Preston, Jim Fuelling, Mickey Phillips & Jeff Klinge*

**MILITARY:** Avrey Smith, *Alex & Ali (Crogan) Moran, Andrew Rodas & Beth Rodas*

**STONE BROOK VILLAGE:** Elaine Gehring

**ELKADER CARE CENTER:** LuNida Landt, *Nadyne Reardon*

**STRAWBERRY POINT:** *Russ Pate*

**GARDEN VIEW PLACE:** *Shirley Henkes, Sharon Henning*

**GREAT RIVER CENTER MCGREGOR:** Mae Mueller

**ASSISTED LIVING ROCHESTER, MN 55901:** *Dorothy Kluth*

**BICKFORD ASSISTED LIVING GURNEE, ILL 60031:** *Imogene Ihlenfeldt*

**HOMEBOUND:** Mary Russett, JoAnn Meyer, *Glenda Henkes, Lee Klinkenberg, Jeanette Krambeer, Lendall Schievelbein*



# Shepherd of the Hills Ministries NEWSLETTER - JAN 2022



## **CLOTHING CENTER**

### **HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!**

The Clothing Center remains ***CLOSED to foot traffic***. **ALL SERVICES REMAIN AVAILABLE**. Items can be packed up for our families/clients upon request.

Donations are **ACCEPTED BY APPT ONLY!** Donations we are **MOST IN NEED OF:** Boys size clothing 12mo - 5t, 10-16; Girls Size 12mo- 16. Men's Jeans (denim only); Sm Kitchen appliances, Pots/Pans.

As a gentle reminder, please call the office before making the drive to Shepherd, to inquire on most recent needs and/or setting up a donation time! Thank you for bearing with us during these most uncertain times!

## **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

The week of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated every year on January 18<sup>th</sup> through January 25<sup>th</sup>. Christians around the globe, unite in prayer for the unity of the Church! This years' theme is "We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship him" (Mt 2:2).

This year, the event will be hosted virtually by the Elkader area Ministerial Association once again.

Please look for information on SOTH's Facebook page as the event draws near. All the area churches will be notified by email as well with updates for event day/time/details.

## **Christmas Just 4 Kids**

At the time of this writing, all Christmas Gift Bags have been packed and will be ready for pickup on December 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>!

We have packed gifts for 375 children this Christmas with many generous donations received from our local communities, along with Toys 4 Tots! We cannot say thank you enough to the generous supporters of Shepherd and the Projects, as we continue to do God's Work!

A special Thank You to all of the "elves" that helped setup, mark, pack gifts and help with cleanup! Your help is greatly appreciated!

## **Conference Assembly 2022**

Annual Conference Assembly is scheduled for February 20, 2022 at 2:00pm. St. Peter Lutheran Church, Garnavillo is scheduled to host in 2022.

St Peter does have policies in place to help guide them through decisions relating to COVID, transmission rates and hosting events. We are hoping to host an in-person event, however will have plans in place if a Virtual Event is needed! We will be in communication with St. Peter, monitoring our Clayton County Data in coming weeks, to be able to make an informed decision for the health and safety of all participants! A decision will be made by January 20<sup>th</sup>. Stay tuned!

### **Shepherd of the Hill's Needs:**

The **Operating Fund** pays the utilities, insurance on the building, supplies, salaries and Lawn/Snow Care.

The **Crisis Fund** is used to help families with emergency rent or utilities.

Please utilize the **MEMO LINE** on your check to specify **Crisis** or **Operating Fund!**

### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

January 18<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup>  
*Week of Prayer for  
Christian Unity*

February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
*Annual Conference  
Assembly  
2:00pm*

*\*Any event may be subject to change\**

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*Heather Crogan, Director*





# Winter Word Search



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