

# Tidings from



January 2015

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## Brunch Fundraiser for VBS

Let's start out 2015 with a get-together!

January 11  
10:00 am

Don't miss out on the VBS Brunch Fundraiser on January 11 at 10:00 am. Serving will begin right after worship! We will be serving egg bake, muffins, fruit, coffee, and milk.

A free will donation will be collected with all proceeds going towards our summer VBS program which allows us to have Pathways Lutheran Outdoor Ministries provide our youth faith-building opportunities through a unique ministry filled with games, worships, arts 'n' crafts, Bible experiences, field trips, and much more!

Through the process of planning and implementing our VBS program with Pathways, we have discovered that this has been a growing outreach to youth throughout our community. Our VBS provides a unique opportunity to reach out to welcome and engage families with young children beyond the walls of our congregation. We thank you for all donations to the continued success of this program at Zion. Δ

THE DANIEL PLAN

## 40 DAYS to a HEALTHIER LIFE

begins January 7, 2015  
5:30 pm- Healthy Meal  
6:15 pm- Daniel Plan Study

Everyone who has registered for The Daniel Plan is reminded that our classes begin on Wednesday, January 7 at 6:15 pm. Class materials will be distributed at the first class.

Note that all our Wednesday evening meals during the six weeks of our class will consist of healthy recipes from The Daniel Plan cookbook. Meals begin at 5:30 pm. The suggested donation for the Wednesday night meals is \$2.50 per person.

See you on January 7!

## We Care 2014

by Carol Hallan

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You! What a blessing you were to the We Care project, this year. We continue to be in awe of the work that God does among us.

There were bakers, who baked 220 loaves of quick breads, 220 dozen cookies, and 300 bags of snack mixes. There were those who shopped for supplies, wrapped gifts, and served a Christmas tea to the North End residents at the Warroad Senior Living Center.

Many of you helped financially, and we are appreciative to Thrivent, again this year, for their financial help.

Tuesday, December 16, the day of pack and delivery, found over

thirty people, packing 250 plus bags, that were delivered to those who had lost a loved one, those who are care givers, Elkwood, Young Manor, Independent and Assisted Living, Supportive Care, and the school family.

Many lives were touched by those of you, who so graciously gave of their time to help with the We Care ministry. Thank you, again.

We Care Committee

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# FROM YOUR PASTOR

by Pastor Bruce Carlson

Thank you from your Church staff for your gifts and cards! It has been a wonderful season of celebration! To this I want to add my personal thanks to our youth for responding to my request for their participation in a youth-led worship on December 28.

## There is no after-Christmas let-down in our community of faith

January 7 at 6:15 pm is the kick-off to the study entitled "The Daniel Plan" led by the Wellness Committee. At the last count, more than 40 members have committed to this six-week study! I am looking forward to assisting this committee as they lead us in a program that incorporates faith, food, fitness, focus, and friends. The Wednesday evening suppers during this series will come from the Daniel Plan Cookbook. Join us for supper (beginning at 5:30 pm) and check out these tasty and, believe it or not, healthy meals! I promise that lutefisk will not be served, or maybe not?!

The Christian Education committee is sponsoring an egg bake following our worship service on January 11. The proceeds will assist in underwriting the cost of our annual VBS week. Plan to attend and enjoy the food and fellowship.

## Say "no" to pots

Looking ahead to February, Ash Wednesday is February 18. Before we get there, we have to prepare. Sounds rather strange perhaps, but Lent is a season of pots and pans accumulating in the

kitchen. There is no room for them because we have 16 pots and pans that are currently stacked on the countertops that need to be returned to their place in your cabinets. Please pick up these items so that we can accumulate new ones during Lent!

## Say "yes" to mentoring

During Lent, our confirmation students meet for study and conversation with their mentors. Before we get to that time, our eighth graders need to find a mentor if they have not already done so. As they each seek out a mentor, it would be beneficial for members of our community of faith to offer to serve in this capacity. Talk to Shawn about what this means and the value of such service in the lives of our youth. Remember, rather than ask "Why me?" ask "Why not me?" Shawn will be scheduling an informational meeting regarding the mentor portion of confirmation.

## Leaping toward Lent

As long as I am leaping ahead to Lent, this year our mid-week series will be "Grace – More than We Deserve – Greater than We Imagine." Once again the evening message will be given by Max Lucado. This year our series will continue through the Wednesday of Holy Week.

Pastor Bruce Δ

Found at Zion: A handheld gaming system. If yours, come to the office and provide a description.

## Did you know...?

Consumer Reports just announced that Lutheran World Relief is one of the best charities for International Relief and Development!

## Church Office Hours & Contact Info

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Shawn Brunelle  
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Karen Cran  
Our Parish Nurse Karen Cran will be on medical leave for the next several weeks. Please contact Pastor Bruce for visitation needs.

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Lynn Ann Kofstad, Admin. Asst.  
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zlcw@mncable.net  
Core hours are Monday-Thursday  
10:00 am to 4:30 pm  
with additional appointments  
by prior arrangement.

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# Christian Education News

submitted by Shawn Brunelle,  
Christian Education Director

## Confirmation

January 7: Class at 6:30  
January 14: Class at 6:30  
January 21: Parent/Student meeting at 6:30  
January 28: Class at 6:30

Sign up on the Christian Ed bulletin board to teach confirmation for a 2-month time period. Call Shawn at 386-1733 ext. 15 with questions. Δ

## Sunday School

January 4: Class at 10:15  
January 11: Group time 10:15  
Brunch fundraiser for VBS  
January 18: Class at 10:15  
January 25: Class at 10:15

Sign up on the Christian Ed bulletin board to teach a Sunday School lesson for one month. If you have any questions, call Shawn at 386-1733 ext. 15. Δ



## Care Packages for College Students are ready to fill!

Care package boxes are in the Narthex. Bring your items through the month of January to fill them. We will be mailing them in early February.

## Confirmation meeting for parents and students

There will be an information meeting for confirmation parents and students on Wednesday, January 21 at 6:30. Information will be given about the upcoming mentor/student time. Everyone needs to be there. Δ

Noisy offerings will be collected on Sunday, January 18.

All donations will go toward our future "God's work. Our hands." project.

## Kids, your help is needed!

Sign up on the Christian Ed bulletin board to help collect noisy offering each month during worship.



Supper begins at 5:30 pm  
The Daniel Plan study begins at 6:15 pm  
Confirmation class begins at 6:30 pm  
Worship begins at 7:15 pm

## January Supper Schedule

January meals will go with the Daniel Plan study to helping you be a healthier you!

January 7: Warm-you-up Chicken Stew  
January 14: Meatloaf and faux mashed potatoes  
January 21: Spicy black bean soup with lime and cilantro  
January 28: Curried shrimp with snow peas and water chestnuts

The suggested donation for Wednesday Night Remix meals is \$2.50 to help cover the expenses of the meal. The regular Wednesday Night Remix meals are not fundraisers.

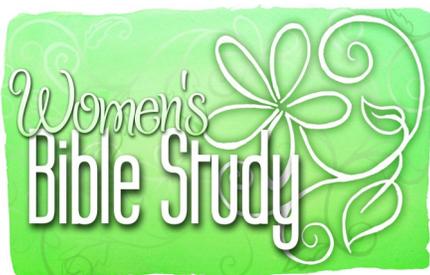
Volunteers are needed to help with serving and clean up of Wednesday night suppers. If you can help, please contact Shawn at 386-1733 ext 15. Δ

## VBS brunch fundraiser is coming in January.

Please sign up to donate a food item for this such as eggbake, beverages, muffins, or fruit, or volunteer to help in the kitchen. Sign up sheets are on the Christian Education bulletin board. Δ

### “Our Family” barcodes are money in the bank for Christian Ed!

Save your Our Family barcodes, bring them to the church, and Christian Education will receive \$.05 per barcode. The upc barcode collection box is located on the Christian Education bulletin board.



### Wandering through the Bible

All women are invited to come for a casual time of reflection, fellowship, and Bible study on Tuesdays at noon at Zion. We meet for about one hour to read and discuss the Bible, so you are welcome to bring your lunch if you wish. Δ

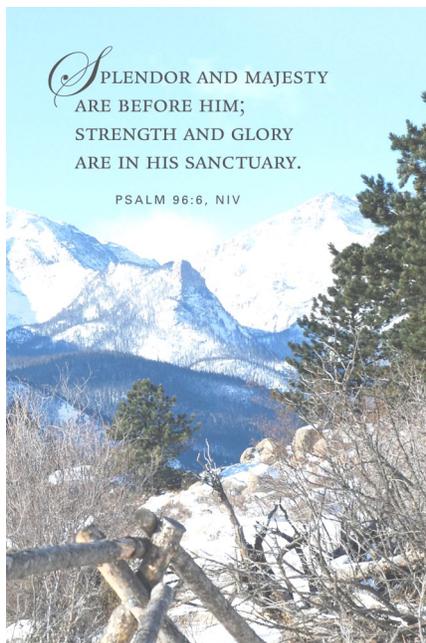
*“People judge by outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart.”*

1 Samuel 16:7, NLT

Acolytes, please sign up on the servant board (across from the men’s restroom). Your help with worship is needed and appreciated.

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*Congratulations to our newest acolytes and thank you to all our acolytes for helping.*



### Loves me not?

*A girl asked a boy if he loved her, and he replied, “Yes, of course.”*

*“Would you die for me?” the girl wondered.*

*After a brief pause, the honest lad said, “No, mine is an undying love.”*



## Care Packages for College Students

by Shawn Brunelle

The Christian Ed ministry is sponsoring care packages for Zion college students. If you would like your student to receive a package, please turn in their name and address by January 7. Soon after, there will be boxes placed in the church narthex with a student’s name on each box. Congregation members are encouraged to place “care package” items inside each box. We’ll mail the packages in early February.



Each student must be a member of Zion and the name must be turned into Shawn Brunelle by January 7. Please use the information form provided below as a guide in letting us know about your student. Donations to help cover the mailing fee are encouraged. Contact Shawn Brunelle at 386-3644 with questions. Δ

### Care Package for College Student Info

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Parent \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite Food/Snack \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies \_\_\_\_\_



# 2014 Bishop's Report to the Northwestern Minnesota Synod, ELCA

## *For Annual Meetings of the Congregations*

*From Bishop Lawrence R. Wohlrahe (pictured with grand-daughter Olivia)*

The past year afforded our synod rich opportunities to live deeper into the Next Generation Vision that has been guiding our synod's 92,000+ disciples and 230+ congregations in *calling forth, raising up, forming in faith and spiritual leadership, and sending the next generations of disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Nearly 500 voting members and friends gathered at Concordia College in May for **the 26<sup>th</sup> annual assembly of our synod**, under the theme *Faith at Home...At Home in Faith*. Our keynoter, the Rev. Dr. David W. Anderson of Vibrant Faith Ministries spoke on the timely topic, "Shepherd of Souls: Faith Formed Through Mentoring Relationships." We also welcomed home our own Mikka McCracken as ELCA Churchwide Representative, who works for ELCA Hunger in Chicago.



**A crucial resolution passed at the synod assembly** committed our synod to *forming a multi-year partnership with Vibrant Faith Ministries to provide training, coaching and resources for helping congregations focus on faith formation by caring adults in homes and households.* At year's end **forty congregations** (26 parishes) had already stepped forward to participate in our Fostering Vibrant Faith Project. The first two training events brought about 150 participants to Roseau in September and Thief River Falls in November—with the next training event slated for January 24, 2015 at Calvary of Bemidji. Learn more about how Fostering Vibrant Faith can help your congregation

embrace in fresh ways our Lord's invitation to make passing on the faith central in our lives by going to <http://nwmnsynod.org/resources/fostering-vibrant-faith/>

Although the Vibrant Faith project focuses on the youngest among us, we care deeply about **faith formation for all ages.** *All our congregations* nurture the faith implanted in us by the Holy Spirit. In 2014, our synod also nourished faith by

- Sponsoring four EEEvents (*Engaging, Enlightening, Energizing*) for church council and other parish leaders, featuring the Rev. Stephen Bouman and themes from his book *The Mission Table*;
- Providing monthly bishop's columns for use by councils and others, also on *The Mission Table*;
- Lifting up lay theological education courses on the Old Testament (in Thief River Falls) and "Psychological First Aid" (in Moorhead);
- Hosting Middle School and Senior High Youth Gatherings for over 1000 young people;
- Partnering with other ELCA organizations to welcome to our territory exciting leaders like activist Shane Claiborne, Nobel Laureate Leemah Gbowee and ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton;
- Hosting spring stewardship events with the Rev. Charles "Chick" Lane and mission interpreter training in September for about 50 synod leaders who visited congregation councils this fall.

Faith formation among the baptized hinges on our capacity to offer **vigorous support to the rostered leaders and synodical authorized ministers** (SAMs) who serve our churches. During 2014, our synod helped prepare 23 folks from synod congregations prepare for rostered service in the ELCA; ordained 7 seminary graduates to serve in pastoral ministry; installed 20 rostered leaders and SAMs to serve in our congregations; helped birth 4 new multi-point parishes; brought well-known author and professor Dr. Andrew Root to the annual Theology for Ministry Conference; asked the Rev. Dr. Robert Sorensen to coordinate First Call Theological in the Eastern ND and NW MN Synods; and offered special training

around topics like “Re-Rooting in God’s Mission,” “Experiencing Coaching,” “Churches Planting Churches,” and “Healthy Boundaries in Ministry.”

**Planting new faith communities and renewing current ministries** are other ways that our synod passes on faith in Jesus Christ. During 2014, the synod offered support to ministries under development including Living Grace Lutheran Church of Hawley; Peoples Church of Bemidji and Cass Lake; Waters of Grace Worshipping Community of Frazee; The Project FM of Fargo/Moorhead; and the Headwaters Conference’s “Invitation to Joy” evangelism project. We are also participating in new developments like “Calvary at the Lake” (co-sponsored by Calvary Lutheran Church and Luther Crest Bible Camp, both of Alexandria); “Recovery Worship” and the “Wandering Vine” outreach ministries at Trinity Lutheran Church of Crookston.

Faith in Jesus Christ embraces the totality of our lives, so **we respond in both witness and service to our neighbors**. During 2014, the NW MN Synod was one of the top ten (of 65) ELCA synods in its support for the ELCA Malaria Campaign—with total contributions from the synod now topping \$300,000 and still climbing. At our synod assembly, sixth grader Ava Aigner of Faith Lutheran Church, Wolverton, was recognized for her efforts at championing the Campaign. LSS of MN’s Servant of Christ award honored the outstanding social ministry efforts at Calvary Lutheran Church of Bemidji. Little Norway Lutheran Church, Fertile, was given the “Holy Cow Award” for highest per-capita giving to ELCA Hunger, and Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Felton, was honored with the “Holy Mackerel Award” for creativity in addressing issues of food insecurity. The week before synod assembly *The Hunger Ride*, brought bicycling “Hunger Ambassadors” into a dozen communities across the synod, drawing attention to the issue of hunger and how ELCA congregations are responding. The NW MN Synod Disaster Support fund gave grants to assist low income folks during last winter’s heating fuel shortage, and to the Wadena area flood recovery committee.

**During 2014 the synod observed several milestones**, such as

- Celebrating three straight years of mission support giving from congregations exceeding the previous year’s mission support contributions;
- Welcoming Pr. *Hope Deutscher* and Pr. *Kristina Waters* as new mission developers for Living Grace, Hawley, and the Project FM, Fargo/Moorhead; and *Amy Bigot* as ELCA Foundation gift planner for our synod;
- Bidding farewell to synod communications and events coordinator Matthew Bishop and welcoming his successor, Courtney Williams;
- Initiating a Facebook page for the synod that has already garnered over 550 “likes” and followers;
- Recognizing Synod Women’s Organization President Lois Bylund (of Trinity, Moorhead) upon her election to the churchwide Women of the ELCA executive board;
- Marking the conclusion of criminal court proceedings against former synod bookkeeper Robert D. Larson who was sentenced to 48 months in prison and an order of restitution of nearly \$787,000 to the synod and the synod’s insurance company.



**Looking ahead**, I invite all congregations of the synod to keep growing in their giving to ELCA/synod mission support and ELCA designated ministries like ELCA Hunger and the ELCA Malaria Campaign. Pray that God will raise up a faithful, visionary steering committee to guide our synod’s efforts in raising at least \$4.75 million for the Campaign for the ELCA (which concludes 1/31/2019). Challenge one another to learn more about our synod’s Fostering Vibrant Faith project. Implore the Holy Spirit to assist all congregations and ministry agencies who are calling new leaders—including our synod’s two Lutheran campus ministries in Bemidji and Moorhead as well as Pathways Bible Camps.

*Thank you so much for your constant prayers, generous financial giving and faithful partnership!* Δ

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## A well- balanced church

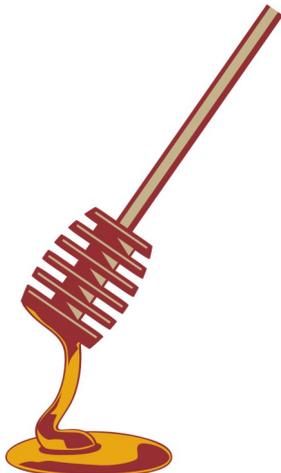


The owner of a new puppy got a good laugh when the little dog, out for a walk, had an itch. The trouble was that the itchy spot was accessible only to a hind leg. So, while still walking, the pup tried to scratch and tumbled over, rolling a couple of times before coming to rest.

In several places throughout Scripture, the apostle Paul writes about the church as the body of Christ, and of the importance of each member. Just as the dog needed each leg to stay balanced while walking, so the church needs all the different God-given gifts of its members: preachers and teachers, friendly visitors, generous givers, musicians and singers, wise parents and imaginative children, people to produce and distribute meals, newsletters, lesson materials, and on and on.

When we start thinking that some part of Christ's body isn't necessary, we risk taking quite a tumble!

“How sweet are your words to my taste,  
sweeter than honey to my mouth!” (Psalm 119:103, NRSV).



Recently I was confronted with this question: If you fed yourself with food the way you feed yourself with God's Word, would you still be alive? It gave me pause.

Do I eat *enough* spiritually? — feast regularly enough on Scripture to keep up my energy and the health of my soul? Do I eat *nutritiously*? — take in a balanced meal of law and gospel, comfort and commandments, prophecy and promise? Do I pass up spiritual *junk food*? — set aside empty calories that lead to disease, in order to hunger for what truly gives life? Do I drink enough *Living Water* to avoid faith dehydration? And once in a while, do I *splurge on dessert*? — savor the sweetness and joy of belonging at God's table?

What abundance God sets before us. May we never skip a “meal”!

—Heidi Mann

# January 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><b>Abbreviations</b></p> <p>(R) or ( ) Building use requested/granted</p> <p>FH Fellowship Hall</p> <p>OR Overflow Room</p> <p>FR Fireside Room</p> <p>SS_ Sunday School Room #_____</p> <p>K Kitchen</p> <p>YR Youth Room</p>				<p>1</p> <p><b>New Year's Day</b></p> <p>Church Offices closed</p>	<p>2</p> <p>6:30 am- Men's Bible Study</p>	<p>3</p>
<p>4</p> <p>9:00 am- Worship with Holy Communion</p> <p>10:15 am- Sunday School</p> <p>10:15 am- Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p> <p>12:00 pm- Weekly Wanderings for Women Bible study</p> <p>1:30 pm- Staff Ministry Team meeting</p>	<p>7</p> <p>12:00 pm- <i>Items for Bulletin due</i></p> <p>5:00 pm- Call Committee meeting (FR 5-6)</p> <p>5:30 pm- Remix Supper</p> <p>6:15 pm- The Daniel Plan study</p> <p>6:30 pm- Confirmation</p> <p>7:15 pm- Worship with Holy Communion</p>	<p>8</p> <p>12:00 pm- Executive Committee meeting (FR 12-1 pm)</p> <p>6:30 pm- Alzheimer's Support Group at Warroad Senior Living Center</p>	<p>9</p> <p>6:30 am- Men's Bible Study</p>	<p>10</p>
<p>11</p> <p>9:00 am- Worship</p> <p>10:00 am- VBS Egg bake Fundraiser Brunch (K, FH 8-12)</p> <p>10:15 am- Sunday School</p> <p>10:15 am- Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>11:00 am- Worship &amp; Music Committee meeting</p> <p>11:15 am- Council Meeting</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p> <p>12:00 pm- Weekly Wanderings for Women Bible study</p> <p>1:30 pm- Staff Ministry Team meeting</p> <p>7:00 pm- Women of Zion Exec Meeting (FH, K 6:30-8:00)</p>	<p>14</p> <p>10:30 am- Care Center Communion</p> <p>12:00 pm- <i>Items for Bulletin due</i></p> <p>12:00 pm- Staff Ministry Team and Personnel Committee Meeting</p> <p>5:00 pm- Call Committee meeting (FR 5-6)</p> <p>5:30 pm- Remix Supper</p> <p>6:15 pm- The Daniel Plan study</p> <p>6:30 pm- Confirmation</p> <p>7:15 pm- Worship</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p> <p>6:30 am- Men's Bible Study</p>	<p>17</p>
<p>18</p> <p>9:00 am- Worship with Holy Communion (Noisy Offering)</p> <p>10:15 am- Sunday School</p> <p>10:15 am- Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> <p><i>Items for Tidings monthly newsletter due</i></p> <p>12:00 pm- Weekly Wanderings for Women Bible study</p> <p>1:30 pm- Staff Ministry Team meeting</p>	<p>21</p> <p>12:00 pm- <i>Items for Bulletin due</i></p> <p>5:00 pm- Call Committee meeting (FR 5-6)</p> <p>5:30pm- Remix Supper</p> <p>6:15 pm- The Daniel Plan study</p> <p>6:30 pm- Confirmation</p> <p>7:15 pm- Worship with Holy Communion</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> <p>6:30 am- Men's Bible Study</p>	<p>24</p>
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## January Volunteers

### Ushers/Greeters

#### *Sunday Morning Services*

1/4 Dan & Susie Lykken  
 1/11 Virginia Storey, Julie Jones  
 1/18 Rose Urtel, Phyllis Haggan  
 1/25 Laurence & Avis Wright

#### *Wednesday Evening Services*

1/7 Ava Gross, Hannah Christian  
 1/14 Lisa and Carter Pelland  
 1/21 Ava Gross, Taylor Vandal  
 1/28 Bill Ellis

### Acolytes

#### *Sunday Morning Services*

1/4 Ella Rourk  
 1/11 Volunteer needed  
 1/18 Ella Rourk  
 1/25 Volunteer needed

### Lectors

#### *Sunday Morning Services*

January Cindy Sandahl

#### *Wednesday Evening Services*

1/7 Brenda Windahl  
 1/14 To be announced  
 1/21 To be announced  
 1/28 To be announced

### Communion

#### *Sunday Morning Services*

1/4 and 1/18  
 Altar Care and Assistants  
 Keith & Deb Landin  
 Jim & Carol Hallan

#### *Wednesday Evening Services*

1/7 and 1/21  
 Altar Care and Assistants  
 Jack & Gloria Steinhauer

### Sidewalk Snow Removal

Week beginning ....  
 1/5 Dan Lykken  
 1/12 Laurence Wright  
 1/19 Rod & Joyce Pearson  
 Kevin & Shawn Carlson  
 Jena Neumiller  
 1/26 Mike Marsh, Brad Baumann

### Parking Lot Snow Plowing

Week beginning ....  
 1/5 Keith Landin  
 1/12 Keith Landin  
 1/19 Keith Landin  
 1/26 Dan Curtis

## Attendance

	Sun. AM	Mid-wk. PM	Week Total
12/3		48	
12/7	110		158
12/10		36	
12/14	121		157
12/17		45	
12/21	126		171
12/24*		253	
12/24**		136	
12/28	90		398
12/31		no worship	

\* Christmas Eve, 4:00 pm

\*\* Christmas Eve, 6:00 pm Δ

## Mission Endowment Fund Update from the Annual Meeting

submitted by Marlene Lewis

The Mission Endowment fund is a pool of property (i.e. cash, stock, life insurance, annuities, etc.) donated by members or friends of the church, held by the fund in perpetuity and prudently invested to provide an annual income.

Non-budgeted ministries beyond the scope of the normal operating budget may be supported with this income.

At the 2014, annual meeting the majority of the congregation voted to use the interest income of \$500 to be used for gas cards for those traveling for health care. This was also the majority vote at the 2013 Annual Meeting. The committee still has funds available from 2013 that will be added to the 2014 funds. We have made those available through Parish Nurse Karen Cran. Δ

## Tithes and Offerings

### **Offerings for week ending 11/30:**

General Offerings: \$2,624.01  
 Building Fund: \$25,194.00

### **Offerings for week ending 12/7:**

General Offerings: \$5,748.05  
 Building Fund: \$971.50  
 Benevolence: \$27.50

### **Offerings for week ending 12/14:**

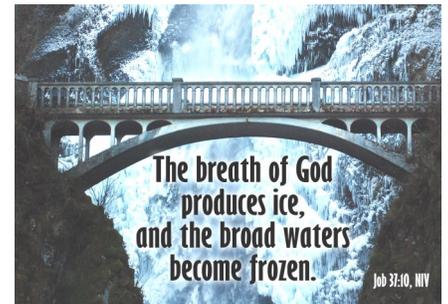
General Offerings: \$3,242.00  
 Building Fund: \$1,659.00  
 WSLC Christmas Tree: \$50.00

### **Offerings for week ending 12/21:**

General Offerings: \$5,589.00  
 Building Fund: \$7,355.00  
 Computer Fund: \$100.00  
 We Care: \$25.00

### **Offerings for week ending 12/28:**

To be announced Δ



## Radio Broadcast Sponsorship

**December 7** - by Cheryl & Bill LaChappelle, Tavia & Ross Clark, and Jodi & Nick Swanson in loving memory of Allen & Elaine Sundeen.

**December 14** - by Terry & Bobbi Aker in loving memory of Kevin Aker.

**December 21** - by Ron & Fern Knudson, Carroll & Karen Knudson, and Clair & LaVonne Knudson in celebration of their December anniversaries.

**December 28** - by the Kofstad family in memory of Lee on his birthday December 28 on which he would have been 41.

You may sponsor a broadcast by signing up outside the church office. The cost is \$85. Δ



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