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## WINTER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9:00 a.m. Worship Service; 9:00 a.m. Sunday school  
Holy Communion: 1st & 3rd Sundays and Festival Sundays



**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING**  
**Long Lake Lutheran Church**  
**Sunday, January 22nd, 2012**  
**10:15 a.m.**

[Following the worship service.]

All members are welcome to attend the annual meeting. All voting members are urged to attend. The agenda will include reports from all committees and groups, statistics for the year, vote on by-law change, and approval of the 2012 budget  
Council President, Dennis C. Solie

### ***Our Mission Statement***

*Long Lake Lutheran Church seeks to serve the Lord Jesus Christ; by growing in faith through worship, study and prayer; by proclaiming and teaching the good news of God's saving grace in Christ; and by reaching out to one another and the world in love.*



## THE PASTOR'S CORNER

***For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not harm, to give you a future with hope.***

*Jeremiah 29:11*

**A**s I write this, Christmas is very nearly here. With the birth of Jesus, a new creation is born; God has created something new in the world and in us. God has come to plant a seed of love so deeply in our hearts that it continues to grow for an eternity. Now, as the new year is upon us, we can set aside all the hurts and disappointments of the past and take that first step of faith. Where will our walk in faith lead us this year? That is not

ours to know. The steps we take are simply to follow Jesus into a way of love and service. Our feet, washed by Jesus, are servant steps. Our hands, once closed, are now open to embrace the needs of others. The very beat of our hearts have changed – we now have hearts that beat forgiveness and caring love for all.

**A** new year, a new birth, a new opportunity to live, grow, and serve. And if we stumble, God is right on the ground beside us, lifting us up, holding us until our footing becomes sure and stead once more. So we rejoice in this new year. We walk in faith, we work in love, we lean on God and we remember why

Jesus came into the world. Therefore, we enter this new year of our Lord, 2012, in trust and with hope. Rejoicing in all circumstances we will embrace this new year, caring for one another, and reaching out to those still unknown to us. This year will be a good year not because all things will be perfect, but because in all things we will trust God!

**A** blessed New Year to one and all,



*Pastor Mary*

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## A Volunteer's Prayer

**I** thank thee, Lord, as  
 a volunteer,  
 For the chance to  
 serve again this year;  
 To give of myself in some  
 small way  
 To those not blessed as I  
 each day.  
 My thanks for health of  
 mind and soul  
 To aid me ever toward my  
 goal;  
 For eyes to see the good in  
 all,  
 A hand to extend before a  
 fall.  
 For legs to go where the  
 need is great  
 Learning to love – forget-  
 ting the hate;  
 For ears to hear and heart

to care  
 When someone's cross is  
 hard to bear.  
 A smile to show my affec-  
 tion true,  
 With energy plenty the  
 task to do;  
 And all I ask, dear Lord, if  
 I may  
 Is to serve You better,  
 day by day.  
 – Church of St. James the Just,  
 Franklin Square, New York



**JANUARY  
 REMINDERS!**

- |** *Annual Meeting,  
 January 22nd at  
 10:15 a.m.*
- |** *W/ELCA Coffee  
 & Meeting  
 January 4th*
- |** *Strong Women—  
 Strong Faith  
 resumes January  
 5th*
- |** *Volunteer! You'll  
 like it.*

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**W**ednesday, the 5th of December Long Lake Lutheran W/ELCA celebrated the season with our Christmas Buffet and a very special program of holiday music presented by Ed Zaiser. Secret Pals were revealed and selected for the new year. The 2012 Yearbook is well underway and should be available soon.

Our first meeting in January will be at 10:00 a.m. on the Wednesday, the 4th for coffee with hostesses Dianne Zaiser and Pat Swanson. The program on Thrivent will be presented by Joey Falch. Mary and Martha Bible Study will be January 9th at 7:00 p.m. Dorcas Nobleton Circle will meet on the 11th at 10:00 a.m. and Lois Jackson will lead the

Bible Study. Quilting also resumes on the 11th at 11:30 a.m. (Remember to bring a sack lunch for quilting). Remember our drive for January is the collection of Christmas cards for nursing homes. Leave yours in the box so marked to the left of the Church entrance.



**OF INTEREST IN OUR CHURCH**

**A SPECIAL OFFERING** is collected on the first Sunday of every month for the Birchwood Food Pantry. Please use your Food Pantry envelopes or those available in the pews marked Food Pantry. In this time of economic distress the pantry is serving very large numbers and needs our help. Please give as you are able.

**MUSIC REHEARSALS** are scheduled for Tuesdays with Tone Chimes at 5:00 p.m. and Choir at 6:30 p.m. Come join us for fun and fellowship.

**QUILTING! RESUMES** Wednesday, January 11th at 11:30 a.m. and each Wednesday following (Bring a sack lunch.) God's work; our hands.

**AUTOMATE YOUR** Regular Offering: Your Financial Secretary wants to remind you that we offer electronic giving as a way to automate your regular offering. Electronic giving provides convenience for you and much-needed donation consistency for our congregation. Getting started is easy. Authorization forms and additional information are available from the church office.

**MEN'S BBC WILL** meets Thursdays at 8:30 a.m. at the Birchwood Café.

**ATTENTION THRIVENT MEMBERS:** Any Thrivent Choice Dollars you designate for Long Lake Lutheran will be put into Miscellaneous Income. If you wish it to go to a particular activity or fund (such as missions, VBS, W/ELCA, quilting, etc.) please let Bonnie Sue in the office know. If possible also indicate the amount you are designating. Thank You!

**REMINDER: ALUMINUM CANS** can always be left at the back door on the first Sunday of each month. All proceeds support our Youth Activity Fund.

**THANK YOU TO** our church friends for all the well-wishes we received since Hal's heart operation. He is doing very well. Hal & Jan Liesenfelt.

**SO THANKFUL FOR** all the prayers and kind words for my Dad, Arnold Crowe, after his heart surgery in Eau Claire and while he was here this summer worshipping with us at L.L.L. church! He is doing very well and is back in Florida. Chris Bank

# Small Things a smash hit!

## In the little town of Bethlehem...



## Our 'small things' equal our future!



## 2012 volunteer staff

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Do you have a suggestion, concern or message for our volunteers or council members?  
 There is a folder for each on the lower level of the church adjacent to the nursery door.



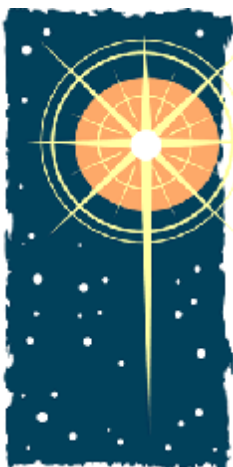
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<p><b>January 1st: Sunday</b>                      9:00 AM Worship Service of Holy Communion                      9:00 AM NO Sunday school                      Bring your ALUMINUM cans this Sunday only! Support our Youth!</p>	<p><b>THE FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS</b>                      NAME OF JESUS</p>
<p><b>January 3rd: Tuesday</b>                      5:00 PM Tone Chimes Rehearsal                      6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal</p>	
<p><b>January 4th: Wednesday</b>                      9:00 AM Evangelism Committee meeting                      10:00 PM W/ELCA Coffee &amp; Program</p>	
<p><b>January 5th: Thursday</b>                      8:30 AM Men's Bible Study, Breakfast and Conversation                      9:30 AM Strong Women; Strong Faith—Meditation and Stretching</p>	
<p><b>January 6th: Friday</b></p>	<p><b>THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD*</b></p>
<p><b>January 8th: Sunday</b>                      9:00 AM Worship Service of the Word                      9:00 AM Sunday school</p>	<p><b>THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD</b></p>
<p><b>January 9th: Monday</b>                      9:30 AM Strong Women; Strong Faith—Meditation and Stretching                      7:00 PM Mary and Martha Evening Women's Bible Study</p>	
<p><b>January 10th: Tuesday</b>                      5:00 PM Tone Chimes Rehearsal                      6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal</p>	
<p><b>January 11th: Wednesday</b>                      9:00 AM Quilting                      10:00 AM Dorcas-Nobleton Circle-Study Leader: Lois Jackson                      2:00 PM Confirmation</p>	
<p><b>January 12th: Thursday</b>                      8:30 AM Men's Breakfast, Bible Study and Conversation @ Birchwood Cafe                      9:30 AM Strong Women; Strong Faith—Meditation and Stretching</p>	
<p><b>January 15th: Sunday</b>                      9:00 AM Worship Service of Holy Communion                      9:00 AM Sunday school</p>	<p><b>THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY</b></p>
<p><b>January 16th Monday</b>                      9:30 AM Strong Women; Strong Faith—Meditation and Stretching                      7:00 PM Mary and Martha Evening Women's Bible Study</p>	
<p><b>January 17th: Tuesday</b>                      5:00 PM Tone Chimes Rehearsal                      6:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal</p>	
<p><b>January 18th: Wednesday</b>                      9:00 AM Quilting                      7:00 PM Council Meeting</p>	

<b>January 19th: Thursday</b> 8:30 AM Men's Breakfast, Bible Study and Conversation @ Birchwood Cafe 9:30 AM Strong Women; Strong Faith—Meditation and Stretching	
<b>January 20th: Friday</b> 12:30 PM "The Anchor" Newsletter Deadline	
<b>January 22nd: Sunday</b> 9:00 AM Worship Service of the Word 9:00 AM Sunday school 10:15 AM Annual Meeting	<b>THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY</b>
<b>January 23th: Monday</b> 9:30 AM Strong Women; Strong Faith—Meditation and Stretching	
<b>January 24th: Tuesday</b> 5:00 PM Tone Chimes Rehearsal 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal	
<b>January 25th: Wednesday</b> 9:00 AM Quilting 4:00 PM Confirmation	
<b>January 25th: Thursday</b> 8:30 AM Men's Breakfast, Bible Study and Conversation @ Birchwood Cafe 9:30 AM Strong Women; Strong Faith—Meditation and Stretching	
<b>January 29th: Sunday</b> 9:00 AM Worship Service of Holy Communion 9:00 AM Sunday school	<b>THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY</b>
<b>January 30th: Monday</b> 9:30 AM Strong Women; Strong Faith—Meditation and Stretching	
<b>January 31st: Tuesday</b> 5:00 PM Tone Chimes Rehearsal 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal	

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\*Epiphany means "manifestation." On this day we celebrate the revelation of Christ to the Gentiles—that is, to all nations. Some Christian traditions celebrate three great epiphanies on this day: the magi's adoration of the Christ child, Jesus' baptism in the Jordan River, and his first miracle, in which he changes water into wine. The word and sacraments are for us the great epiphany of God's grace and mercy. We go forth to witness to the light that shines brightly in our midst.

# From your Council treasurer



Contribution MTH	Expenses	Income	Short or Over
June 2011	\$12,152.30	\$11,998.02	[\$154.28]
July 2011	\$16,110.03	\$14,833.34	[\$1276.69]
August 2011	\$15,911.27	\$11,053.16	[\$4,858.11]
September 2011	\$12,049.63	\$10,300.35	\$1749.28
October 2011	\$12,756.41	\$13,795.61	\$1039.20
November 2011	\$10,826.82	\$31,699.43	\$20,872.61

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*Serving you  
and the mission of  
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# Kinship of rice lake

Would you be willing to mentor me? I am a 6-year old boy and I live in Rice Lake. I love being active and playing things like basketball, softball, riding bike, fishing, playing outside, swimming, collecting rocks, watching TV and playing video games on the computer. I want to go for a boat ride and learn how to skateboard and roller skate.



I am a 7-year old girl and I live in Rice Lake. I love swimming, going to the beach, roller skating, books, playing school, ricking bike, playing golf, gardening, being outside and playing games. I would like to learn about dancing, Karate, camping, fishing, horse, crafts and singing.

If you can keep a promise, you can make a difference in the future by investing your time in a young person. Please consider Kinship mentoring in you new year then call Kinship of Rice Lake & Cameron, 715-234-1995 or Email: [info@ricelakekinship.com](mailto:info@ricelakekinship.com).

# Luther park

Luther Park Bible Camp, Inc., Chetek, WI will hold its Annual Meeting on Saturday, January 21, 2012 in the Dining Hall at Luther Park Bible Camp beginning at 10:00 a.m. First reading of the revised Luther Park Constitution [available at the website for

your review (<http://www.lutherpark.org/news-reports-board/board-association-reports>)].

Our 3 voting delegates to the meeting are Dave Cleveland, Carolyn Cleveland and Pastor Mary.



# Rice Lake Area Grief Support Group. Six-Week Sessions

Staffed & Provided by Lakeview Medical center Hospice Care Program

Those who have experienced a loss through death—those who want to mend a broken heart—those who are feeling isolated and alone due to a death—those who are seeking help and want to provide help to others; are invited. This group provides

an atmosphere of acceptance and understanding where members can safely talk about their experiences, feelings and concerns. It provides an opportunity to work through feelings and come to terms with new realities of life without your loved one. Not therapy—a group grief experience.

2012 Winter Session: January 24th-February 28th, 6:00-7:30 PM. Preregistration is required. Call: Pat Whalley, 715-236-6256,



# Members & friends special days




- |                       |                            |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| 15th Bob Cooran       | 27th Al Hagen              |
| 16th Dorothy Anderson | 29th Dianne Zaiser         |
| Anne Drake            | 30th Dru Lux               |
| Bill Jensen           |                            |
| 17th Esther Johnson   |                            |
| Judy Storrs           |                            |
| 21st Nancy Baker      |                            |
| Rachel Gage           |                            |
| 22nd Alexis Oja       |                            |
| 26th Jill Keefer      |                            |
| Carolyn Blake         |                            |
| Landon Teasdale       | 22nd Clayton & Ruth Larson |

*Wish the following members a "Happy Birthday" on this their special day!*

- 2nd Charlotte Butterfield
- 4th Ruth Burrows
- 6th Karen Schnuckle
- 7th Jo Alvin
- Kevin Freitag
- Emily Stoeckel
- 8th Samantha Butterfield
- 9th Lyle Drake
- 10th Orv Verding
- 11th Nancy Gibson



*And wish these members a "Happy Anniversary" on their special days.*



Do you have a birthday or anniversary that we have missed? Please call the office or Email so that we can celebrate your "Special Day" with you!

# Prayers of the church

Please remember these members and friends in your prayers.

**For Our Military**

- Overseas:**  
 Christopher Walsh  
 Sebastian Goriesky-grandson of Karen & Larry Hauri  
 Grant Blihovde-grandson of Barb Cooran
- Stateside:** Jordan Hammitt  
 David Prock-son of Gloria
- Peacekeeping in Kosovo:**  
 Rick Kumlien-SiL of Hal & Jan Liesenfelt

**Healing and Comfort**

- Bud Ervine—friend of Elaine Bailey  
 Darlene Knudson—Kristi Thur's mom  
 Susan Lunde—member  
 Audrey Horvat—Beth Teasdale's mom  
 "Jude" in Haiti—Olivia Gage's friend  
 Lydia Lee—Zaiser's granddaughter  
 Lynne Schwab—friend of Sue Torza  
 Nordis Johnson—Widow of Waldo  
 Esther Johnson—member  
 Allan Mantell—member

- Madeline Running—wife of Halvord  
 Glenn Strand—Food Pantry volunteer  
 Ralph Zenisek—member  
 Hal Liesenfelt—member  
 Gary & Marcia Kampf—former members  
 Glen—member & Betty Hartman  
 Erik Hauri—son of Karen & Larry Hauri  
 Doug Johnson and family-members



# January Worship Volunteers

Acolytes:

1st Emily Busch  
15th Emily Busch  
29th Emily Busch

Greeters:

1st Pat Swanson  
8th Volunteer Needed  
15th Volunteer Needed  
22nd Volunteer Needed  
29th Volunteer Needed

Ushers:

1st Ed Hurley & Bonnie Lewis  
8th Harv & Jean Olund  
15th Volunteer Needed  
22nd Volunteer Needed  
29th Volunteer Needed

Readers:

1st Fred Blake  
8th Sharon Rubin

15th Dale Hanson  
22nd Dwight Thurs  
29th

Communion Assistants:

1st Mary Ann Solie  
15th Jean Olund

Flower Care:

Anne  
Drake



## Volunteer as a worship assistant



As you can see above, a number of opportunities are still available for you to serve as a volunteer during our worship services. Prayerfully consider your time and talents and then sign-up on the board outside of the Church office door.

vol•un•teer  
*noun*

1 : a person who voluntarily undertakes or expresses a willingness to undertake a service

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