

Bible Biz



Weekly in the Word Opportunities:

Sunday: Sunday School 8:45 AM

Worship Service 10:00 AM

BYG 3-4:30 PM (check newsletter)

Wednesday: KC JaM Choir Practice 5-6 PM

Adult Choir Practice 6:15 PM

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NEWS & NOTES - December 17, 2023

Altar Flowers

Today's altar flowers are given by Ann Lowe in honor of Melissa Blackard, Leland Blackard and Jordyn Russell's Birthdays!

Advent Midweek Schedule

Wednesday, Dec. 20th, Advent Meal 6 PM, worship follows. Please plan to join us!

Christmas Cantata and Children's Play

This morning we hope you enjoy our Adult Choir Christmas Cantata! They have worked hard and are ready to showcase their talents for the Lord.

Please plan to return to Bible Lutheran this evening at 6:30 PM for our Children's play, "Christmas Cupcakes!". There will be a reception following the play so please bring some finger foods and stay to honor our children for their efforts!

Christmas Eve Services

Next Sunday is Christmas Eve. We will have our regular Sunday School at 8:45 and Worship Service at 10 AM. If you are bringing a poinsettia for the Poinsettia Dedication service, please have that in the sanctuary prior to the morning service.

We will have out Candlelight Christmas Eve Service at 5:00 PM that evening. We look forward to seeing you there -- let's light the world as we await the celebration of the birth of Christ!

GRITS News

Thanks to all who contributed funds, time and efforts, we packed fifty-four (54) gift bags for children ages 3-17 and nine stockings for birth-2 yrs. for Hosanna Helper's! We used \$1,500 in Thrivent Grant money and \$1,515 in donations. In addition, GRITS members donated snacks, gift cards, etc., and with the creative expertise of Leslie and Mary Ann, we put together three gift baskets for the workers at DFCS. Please know we could not do this without you and your support! Any donations that were made through the church offering and were not used in this effort will be used to help with our support of Promise 686.

Poinsettia Orders

Last call for the Christmas Poinsettias - limited quantities available. Order forms are on the table in the hallway. If ordering from the church, please fill out the information and attach a check for \$15. Completed forms can be placed in the basket. Dedication Bulletin will be out Dec. 24th.

Pastor's Note on Advent

Two themes dominate this first season of the Church Year: anticipating Christ's birth and Christ's second coming on the Day of Judgment. Originally a period of fasting and worship for those scheduled to be baptized on the Day of Epiphany (January 6), it later evolved into our current 4-week observance. God prepares us for Christ's arrival both for His birth as well as for His return. Thus, it is a season of both repentance and hope with a call to return to the Lord and place our trust in the One who loves us so much that He is Emmanuel, God with us. May the Lord come to you in a new and special way this Advent.

Annual Meeting Date Change

Our Annual Meeting will be on January 21st. Please make sure that you mark that **corrected date** on your calendars. Annual reports from committee/group Chairpersons will be due no later than Monday, January 15th. If there is anything you need from the office in order to complete your report, please let me know. (Deb 912-344-7381). Thanks.

Also, per the Church Council President, all voting age members of Bible Lutheran Church are reminded that in order to be eligible to vote at our annual meeting and you must have given at least \$25 and have taken communion in the last quarter.

Upcoming Events:

Sun. 12/17	Christmas Cantata 10 AM; Children's Christmas Program 6:30 PM		
Wed. 12/20	KC JaM 5 PM, Meal 6 PM, Worship 6:45 PM, Adult Choir follows		
Sun. 12/24	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 5:00 PM / No BYG Meeting		
Sun. 12/31	Flapjacks and Flannels (BYG) at Dickerson Home		

SUNDAY SERVANTS		December 17	December 24	December 31	January 7	
	Acolyte/Crucifer	Grant Rutland	Clara Vorel	Jake Waldhour	Grant Rutland	
	Altar Care	N/A	Connie Bazemore			
	Announcer	Richard Hall	Richard Hall	Richard Hall		
	Children's Moment	Melissa Osteen	Leslie Dickerson	Melissa Osteen		
	Council Servant	Harrold Wheeler	Harrold Wheeler	Harrold Wheeler		
	Communion Asst.	N/A	Connie Bazemore		Karen Williams	
	Altar Flowers	Ann Lowe	Betty & Nick Robinson			
	Head Usher		Ken Thompson			
	Lesson Reader	Andy Dasher	Connie Bazemore	Connie Bazemore		
	Livestream	Worship & Music	Worship & Music			
	Musician-Comm.	Karen Warnell	Karen Warnell			
	Musician-Service	Karen Warnell	Karen Warnell			
	Nursery Assist.	Marci B/Brooks B	RamonaK/AmandaR	Beth H./Ann L.		
	SS Opening	Beth Helmly	Beth Helmly	Beth Helmly		
	Yellow Ribbon Hst	Evangelism	Evangelism	Evangelism		
	ATTENDANCE 12/10 - SS: 46 Worship: 107 Livestream: 6					
	LESSON READINGS 12/24: 2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16 Romans 16:25-27 Luke 1:26-38					

A Sign of the Times:

As a little girl climbed onto Santa's lap, Santa asked the usual, "And what would you like for Christmas?" She stared at him with open mouth and horrified look for a minute, then asked, "Didn't you get my e-mail?"

Christmas Decorating:

I wanted our street to have the prettiest decorations in the neighborhood, so I strung lit colored balls from house to house, all the way down the block. I did all the electrical wiring myself. If you'd like further information, just drive down Moorpark Street in North Hollywood. We're the third pile of ashes from the corner.

-- Bob Hope

<u>Local Florists:</u> New Life (826-4261) Red Roof (826-7231) Carlsons (754-9116)