

# WEEKLY WITNESS

## JANUARY 21-28, 2024

### WORSHIP GUIDELINE UPDATE

◇ **Masks are optional.**

### WORSHIP SERVICE

The service is live-streamed and posted to YouTube.

The audio service is on the website.

### REGULAR AND NOISY OFFERINGS

Offerings may be placed in the offering plate and the Noisy bucket.

Noisy Offering for January, February, and March is designated for the Nebraska Lutheran Outdoor Ministry camperships.

### UPON YOUR DEPARTURE FROM WORSHIP TODAY PLEASE REMEMBER TO

fill out the blue attendance slip and place it in the woven basket in the Narthex. You may take your used bulletin and Weekly Witness with you or place them in the wire basket in the Narthex.

### REMINDER REGARDING VISITATIONS

If you or a family member is homebound and desire to be on United Lutheran's home visitation list, please contact our Secretary for Pastoral Care, Marie Sandell. She will obtain the necessary contact information from you. Please make sure we have a current telephone number for you. Unless you contact us we cannot know for certain the candidates for the homebound visitation list.

### PASTOR'S PERSONAL DAY

Pastor Anthony's office hours on Fridays are 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. His personal time is from 12:00 noon Friday through 7:30 a.m. Sunday morning.

### FUNERALS

Before setting a date and time for a funeral that utilizes United and/or United's pastor, it is necessary that you contact the church office to clear a date.

## **Ministry Notes**

### **ANNUAL MEETING WILL BE ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 28 AT 11:00 A.M.**

Congregational representatives will be chosen and United Lutheran's 2024 vision for ministry will be determined.

### **The Annual Bulletin of Reports is available TODAY.**

The youth will be serving breakfast from 8:00—9:15 a.m. This is a fund-raising event. Breakfast casseroles, fruit, rolls, sweets, donuts, juice, coffee are on the menu. A free-will offering will be collected. There is a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall for bringing food items for the breakfast. Items can be delivered to the church by noon Friday, January 26, or no later than 7:45 a.m. on Sunday, January 28.

### **WONDER WOMEN**

Wonder Women will meet January 25 at church at 5:30 p.m. for a meal and movie. Cost of the meal is \$7.00.

The movie is "It Happened on Fifth Avenue" which is a comedy. While rich businessman Mike O'Connor resides in Virginia, his luxury townhouse in New York City appears vacant. However, in reality, drifter Aloysius "Mac" McKeever has been staying there. Come and enjoy a fun and entertaining evening. Sign-up sheet is in the Fellowship Area.

### **CELEBRATING AN ORDINATION**

Erick Hill, former member of United and son of George & Jo Hill, has accepted a call to be pastor at Messiah Lutheran Church at 5015 South 80 Street, Ralston, Nebraska, 68127. Cards celebrating Erick's ordination may be sent to this address.

Erick began his duties on January 9. His ordination will be held on January 27 at Resurrection Lutheran Church in Gretna at 10:30 a.m.

Installation will be at Messiah on January 28.

### **UNITED'S LITTLE PANTRY AND THE LUTHERAN FOOD PANTRY**

Please remember non-perishable food items are needed for United's Little Pantry and the Lutheran Food Pantry. You may also support these by donating cash using our pew envelopes. Just write in where you want the money to be used.

## Suggested Prayers for Daily Intercession

- ◆ As we celebrate Christ embodied in human form, we pray for God's blessing on the church, the world, and all of creation.
- ◆ God our rock and deliverance, do not let your church be shaken. We trust you never abandon your promises to the most vulnerable among us.
- ◆ God our hope and refuge, you placed the fish in the sea. Guide our care of oceans and all creatures that live in them.
- ◆ God who proclaims judgement and offers mercy, be a model to the leaders of our nation and the world. As they lead, may they follow in your way of justice and truth.
- ◆ God who cares for the suffering, care for survivors of assault and sexual abuse and sustain all who minister to them. Keep safe any who live under threat of violence, those living in poverty, and any among us who are ill or in pain.
- ◆ God of resurrection and new life, as the first disciples shared the good news, empower us and this faith community to be open to your call. When we are uncertain of your call, assure us. When we have strayed from your ways, redirect us.
- ◆ God who holds the saints against your tender bosom, we trust you welcome them into your care. Comfort those who grieve.
- ◆ Knowing the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

### *Individuals for whom we as a congregation may daily pray:*

**MEMBERS:** Don Green, Darlene Willmann, Jeff Peterson, Nancy Lind-Olson, Jim Hauptmeier, and John Nason.

**FRIENDS & RELATIVES:** David Linsenmeyer, Marny Janssen's brother, Christa Anderson (Dave & Martha Hansen's daughter), Margaret Coon (Cindy Robinson's friend), Michael Finke (Sylvia Finke's nephew), Josh Hansen (Michelle Hansen-Daberkow's brother), Bobby Meier (friend of the Trutna's), Jody Jochen (Sally Mertens' sister-in-law), Tom Jochen (Sally Mertens' brother), Helen Waldman (Illene Fry's sister).

**BIRTHDAYS:** Debra Wetzal (21), Parker Mertens (21), Emerson Phillips (21), Steve Lind-Olson (23), Margaret Wollen (24), Delaney Exon (24), Ryan LoChiano (25), Debra Hansen (26), Justin Maas (27), Jack Trutna (28), Lana Johnson (28).

**ANNIVERSARIES:** George & Jo Hill (1-22-1965).

## **This Week**

- ♦ SERMON TEXT STUDY—TODAY AT 8:45 A.M.
- ♦ WORSHIP—TODAY AT 9:30 A.M.
- ♦ FELLOWSHIP—TODAY— FOLLOWS THE SERVICE
- ♦ SMILEY—TODAY AT 10:45 A.M.
- ♦ LWR QUILTERS—MONDAY, JANUARY 22 AT 9:00 A.M.
- ♦ TEXT STUDY—MONDAY, JANUARY 22 AT 1:00 P.M.
- ♦ ALL MINISTRY MEETING—MONDAY, JANUARY 22 AT 7:00 P.M.
- ♦ CONFIRMATION—WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24 AT 5:30 P.M.
- ♦ CHOIR REHEARSAL—WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24 AT 7:00 P.M.
- ♦ WONDER WOMEN—THURSDAY, JANUARY 25 AT 5:30 P.M.

## **Next Week**

- ♦ BREAKFAST SERVED BY YOUTH—SUNDAY, JANUARY 28—8:00-9:15 A.M.
- ♦ NO SERMON TEXT STUDY—SUNDAY, JANUARY 28
- ♦ WORSHIP—SUNDAY, JANUARY 28 AT 9:30 A.M.
- ♦ NO FELLOWSHIP—SUNDAY, JANUARY 28
- ♦ ANNUAL MEETING—SUNDAY, JANUARY 28—11:00 A.M.
- ♦ NO SMILEY—SUNDAY, JANUARY 28 DUE TO ANNUAL MEETING
- ♦ TEXT STUDY—MONDAY, JANUARY 29 AT 1:00 P.M.
- ♦ CHOIR REHEARSAL—WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31 AT 7:00 P.M.

### **SCRIP CARDS**

SCRIP will be sold before and after worship.

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The office is open 8:30 a.m.-12:00 noon, Monday through Friday.