The Mount Weekly

Worship Notes

TODAY: The Emotions of Christmas #2 Hope.

Hope is such an important thing. When hope fades, discouragement and despair creep in. When hope fades, our bodies themselves curl up. Yet, even when earthly wishes fade, we have hope that springs eternal. We have been given a new birth into a living hope. We'll look at Romans 15:4-13.

NEXT WEEK: The Emotions of Christmas #3 Patience.

Patience. It is the endurance and perseverance that God develops in us so that we do something for a long time. We hope, waiting for what God has promised, patiently. We live enduring hardships as discipline; we live patiently. James calls us, yes, exhorts us to live patiently like farmers. To be patient like the prophets and like Job, trusting in the mercy, kindness, and overwhelming generosity of our King. We'll look at James 5:7-11.

Next Steps

Free Gift

If you are a first-time guest with us today, we have a gift for you. Please stop by the Welcome Table with your Connection Card. We'd love to share this gift with you.

Ministry Updates

Christmas Worship Schedule:

Christmas Eve: 9:30 am and 6:00 pm. Christmas Day: 9:30 am New Year's Eve: 9:30 am

> Who will you invite? Start thinking about it now.

Advent Midweek Worship:

Our midweek services kicked off last Wednesday. There are two services one at 4:30 pm and the other 6 pm. A supper will be served between the services.

12/13 @ 4:30 pm and 6 pm. 12/20 @ 4:30 pm and 6 pm.

Pastor Call

Mount Lebanon has called Pastor Chris Johnson to work with us here. He is serving CrossWalk Lutheran Church in Laveen, AZ (Phoenix area). Pray for him as he considers his call here. If you would like to contact him, please contact Pastor Bourman for his contact information.

Upcoming Events

Poinsettia Orders

Ordering is open for Christmas Poinsettia's. The options are red, white, marble and jingle bell. Each plant is priced at \$12. The deadline has been set for December 15.

Meditations

The new meditations are available and are located in the church office and the narthex. The daily devotions began Dec 2.

Gift Exchange and Potluck

Next Sunday, December 17, at noon, will have a gift exchange and potluck. Bring your favorite dish to share. Bring a wrapped white elephant gift for the fun exchange. Young and old, all are invited. See Diane Schneider with any questions.

Our Mission

We are a community for the community. We are here to share God's Word to connect people to Christ and to our caring Christian community.

Food Pantry Christmas Bags

We would like to give the recipients of our Food Pantry a special Christmas food bag, including a turkey. Would you be willing to buy one or more turkeys for a Christmas food bag? *Please talk to Mary Dillard for more information.*

Christmas at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary

The Seminary Chorus, a 70-voice men's choir composed of students at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, will present its annual Festival of Lessons and Carols on Sunday, December 10, at 3:00 and 7:00 p.m. in the campus auditorium. Featured will be traditional and contemporary anthems for choir and hymns and carols for the audience. There are no advanced ticket sales; a free will offering is appreciated. The seminary is located 11831 N. Seminary Dr. in Mequon. Find more information on Facebook and at wisluthsem.org.

Town Hall

On Thursday evening at 5:30 pm, Mount Lebanon will be hosting a townhall meeting with the Alderman of our district, Mark Chambers. You are welcomed and invited to participate in the town hall.

The Week at a Glance

Tuesday, December 12 5:30 pm – Board for Ministry Support Meeting

Wednesday, December 13

4:30 pm – Advent Worship 5:15 pm – Advent Soup Supper 6:00 pm – Advent Worship

Thursday, December 14

5:30 pm – Townhall meeting with Alderman Mark Chambers.

Friday, December 15

8:00 am – Coffee and Kids 12:30 pm – K4/K5 Christmas Service

Sunday, December 17

9:30 am – Worship 12 pm – White Elephant Gift Exchange

For your Prayers

For **Steve Fredrich,** who is recovering from a surgery to repair his broken leg.

David DeLay, the nephew of Karen Runge, who is in prison.

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