

The Mount Weekly

Worship Notes

TODAY: The Emotions of Christmas

There are a lot of emotions that come along around this time of year. Grief. Sadness. Loneliness. Anxiety. Fear. Joy. Hope. Excitement. Anticipation. Lots of emotions surface in preparation for Christmas. It has always been like that. As God's people waited for the coming of Christ, for the coming of that first Christmas, they were filled with many emotions. This Advent, we will walk with God's people we will see how they waited and wait with them in joy, hope, patience, and confidence.

NEXT WEEK: 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 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

Advent Midweek Worship:

Our midweek services kick off this week. There will be two services one at 4:30 pm and the other 6 pm.

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

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

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

If you are interested in helping to provide a meal between the services, please notify the church office.

Pastor Call

Last Sunday, Mount Lebanon 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

Chili Cook-Off

Our annual chili cook-off is happening this Sunday, December 3, after worship. We're expecting a smaller crowd, so we'll set up and serve in the community room. Feel free to stay even if you didn't bring anything. We'd love to hang out a little bit longer.

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.

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.

Meditations

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

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.

Gift Exchange and Potluck

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.

The Week at a Glance

Wednesday, December 6

4:30 pm – Advent Worship

6:00 pm – Advent Worship

Friday, December 8

8:00 am – Coffee and Kids

Sunday, December 10

9:30 am – Worship Service with Communion

For your Prayers

For **Steve Fredrich**, who broke his leg again and is hospitalized.

For **Evelyn Wilson**, as she recovers from an illness.

For **Gordie Paulowski**, who was hospitalized this past week.

For **Freddie Freeman**, who was taken to the hospital last Sunday.

In thanks with **Madeline Bourman and David Baumann**, who are engaged to be married.

In thanks with **Pastor and Heather Krueger**, who now enjoy the gift of another son, Maxwell.

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

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