

News You Can Use

January 6, 7 2018

Altar Flowers are given in memory of **Jackson Paul Heckel ("Little Jack")** by Mark & Sue Heckel.

Communion Wine is given with gratitude by Jerry & Margaret McCann.

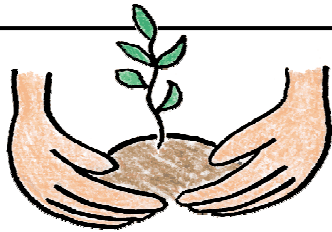
Last week's attendance: 187

This week we thank **Hugo Stoffel-Rosales** and **Doug Jenkins** for help with painting projects.



Our re-creation in baptism is an image of the Genesis creation, where the Spirit/wind moved over the waters. Both Mark's gospel and the story in Acts make clear that it is the Spirit's movement that distinguishes Jesus' baptism from John's. The Spirit has come upon us as upon Jesus and the Ephesians, calling us God's beloved children and setting us on Jesus' mission to re-create the world in the image of God's vision of justice and peace.

FAITH FORMATION



ADULTS / 9:15 am / Rm 113

Today: Learn more about our synod's **Diakonia Program**, which equips you to be a better bible study participant, leader, or teacher, with coordinator Barb Zimmerman. **Next Week:** See and hear the word of God through the faithful witness of the prophet Isaiah as we begin a five-week study in the largest book in the Old Testament.

Face Time for Parents / 9:15 am / Rm 210

Bring your coffee and treats and discuss *The Love Dare for Parents*.

SUNDAY SCHOOL begins at 9 am with music in lower level Rm 101. After music, Shepherds will take students to their classrooms. Sunday School ends at 9:50 am.

3s, 4s, & Kindergarten will explore a story in their classrooms.

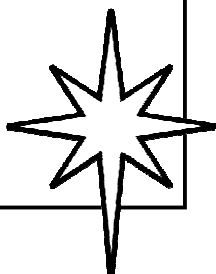
1st-5th Grade will join the disciples in watching Jesus walk on water (Matthew 14).

CONFIRMATION (6th, 7th, & 8th Grades) We have class from 9:10-9:50 am in the lower level with Pastor Kelli leading our lesson on the prophet Elijah.

HS YOUTH GROUP Today at 11:15 am, we will gather in the lower level to talk about this new season of Epiphany and look ahead to the New Year!

Growing Disciples, Growing Faith

Epiphany – The magi from the East followed a star until they found Jesus. The star pointed the way. What points to Jesus in your life? How have you heard about God's love? Was it from a parent or grandparent? A song or Bible story in Sunday School? How could you be a star for someone? How could you point out and share God's love?



DAVE RAMSEY'S

FINANCIAL Peace UNIVERSITY

The Stewardship Committee is sponsoring a 9-week class from Financial Peace University (FPU) to help families and individuals with financial skills such as saving and budgeting. The DVD course, taught by Dave Ramsey, also provides a faith-based perspective for growing as stewards, caring for the financial resources God has given us.

Join us beginning **Sunday, January 21 from 11:15 am-12:15 pm** in the office conference room (210). Materials (subsidized by the Stewardship Committee) are \$50 per individual or family. **Please sign up by Friday, January 12** in the Gathering Space or by contacting the church office.

Our Confirmation Students, Youth and Families will host the Shared Table Community Meal at MLC

Thursday, January 11 from 4-7 pm

How can you help?

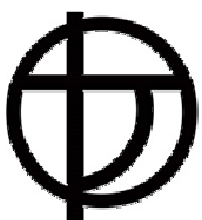
- 1) **Volunteer** on Thursday, January 11 anytime between 3:30-6:30 pm to setup, serve, and clean-up.
- 2) **Make Food or Financial Donations**
 - \$15 for Lasagna Ingredients* x12 families
 - \$5 for Garlic Bread Ingredients* x5 families
 - Salads (20 servings) x7 families
 - Dessert (20 servings) x7 families
 - Milk (3 gallons) x1 family

On **Wednesday, January 10 from 6:30-7:30 pm**, Confirmation Students will pre-make lasagnas. Your financial donations will cover the cost of ingredients.



Contact Chris or sign up at the youth bulletin board for a volunteer shift or to bring a food item (444-3604; clanderud@mcfarlandlutheran.org).

All Christmas poinsettias, the large white floral arrangement, and the potted plant basket in the Gathering Space are available for you to take home or share with a homebound member or assisted living facility!



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Hello
I'M NEW HERE

New Member Sessions

Sundays, Jan. 21 & 28, 10-11 am

or

Tuesday, Jan. 23, 6:30-8:30 pm



Those joining will be received into Membership on Sunday, February 11.

Contact **Huldah Ellestad (838-3184 ext. 108; hellestad@mcfarlandlutheran.org)** to register; childcare can be available, if needed.

Our partnership and mission continues with our sister congregation - Reconciliation Lutheran Church. We will be serving breakfast in the FLC after worship services on January 21. A freewill offering will be collected and sent to Reconciliation Lutheran for the continued hurricane recovery efforts for their church property, their members, and their community food pantry. Come hungry; all are welcome!

PUERTO RICO BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER

9-11:30 AM

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21



Recycle The Warmth



Every year St. Vincent de Paul provides free blankets and bedding to anyone who seeks their help. You can participate when you donate (gently used) or purchase blankets, pillows, sheets and other bedding. If you prefer, make a monetary donation for new items using the envelopes at the Welcome desk.

Two bins will be available in the Central Hallway & Gathering Area for donations

Wednesday, January 24 - Wednesday, January 31

PICKUP PLEASE

Thanks for sharing your delicious dishes and treats on Sundays, at Shared Table and for special events!

Please check the table across the hall from the kitchen to reclaim your dishes and serving ware. At some point we will recycle/donate items that remain.

Thank you!

Please remember in prayer...

Trudy Bredeson
Arn Vollmer
Rae Marie Dougan* (Rex Link's sister)
Judy & Jesus Nunez
Pastor Willard Lund
Scott Gerl* (neighbor of Jim & Susi Miller)
David Stenjem* (Betty Stenjem's nephew)
Carol Hanna*
Jack Stout* (Jerry McCann's brother-in-law)
Sandy Jenks* (Lisa Meyer's mom)
Gloria Haug*
Craig Swenson* (Chuck Swenson's brother)
Eileen Mentzer* (friend of Chuck & Linda Swenson)
Jordan O'Malley*
Diane Voiss
Gaylene Otteson
Paul Vollmer
Tom Strakeljahn* (Lisa Meyer's uncle)
Harold & Marie Hanson
Julie Sheldon* (Tom & Nancy Vick's niece)
Sonja Abrams* (Linda Swenson's cousin)
Dave MacLaren*
Ruby Beyler*
Alex Thoresen* (nephew of Erik and Marilee Thoresen)
Jerry McCann
The Kampmeier Family
Pam Guernsey*
Joann O'Malley*
Jeff Loomis*
Brandon Spangler* (Ray & Bonnie Spangler's grandson)
Marilyn Mundt* (Ray Spangler's sister)
Charity Mundt* (Ray Spangler's niece)
Tim Bellmore
Adams family

Michael Bergson
Terry Guernsey
Riedel family
Barb & Mark Vollmer
Chris Preston
Barb O'Malley*
Bea Long*, friend of Anona
Cheryl Bartels* (sister of Brenda Moen)
Mackenzie Ingvalson*
Chad Wood
Judy Crichton
Randi Thorson* (friend of Mary Grell)
Tyson Heiman-Lambert* (great grandson of Judie Heiman)
Don Zimmerman
Carol Peotter* (Callie Mauersetter's mom)
Janet Leja* (Sister-in-law of Diane Voiss)
Chloe Stoddard* (friend of Bonnie Spangler)
Joette Studt* (Friend of Jean Pierce)
Carol Butteris* (friend of Norma Kohl)
Donna Leverentz
Tom Ellefson* (Friend of Kathy Kirby)
Andrea Denman* (friend of Lisa Deegan)
Mary Seiler* (friend of Randy Hansen)
Betty Josheff
David Lund
Ron O'Keefe* (Friend of Kohl's)
Carol Freidheim* (Sister of Diane Voiss)
Wayne Burmeister* (Former MLC Member)
Sharon Stake* (friend of Bonnie & Ray Spangler)
Gladys Severtson* (Aunt of Marla Grover)
Curt Steindorf* (family of Lisa Paley)
Connie Peterson and children Corbet, Carissa and Paula* (Diane Wells' aunt and cousins)
Florence Allen

Hondo Schmitt & daughter Zoe* (friends of Myron Sherry)
Pat Swenson* (Chuck Swenson's mother)
Barb Klug* (Co-worker of Jane Blank)
Linda Othrow
Ariel Pritchard*
Tura Hoel Graber
Kelson Peterson-Bystol* (grandson of Alan & Sharon Peterson; great grandson of Sylvester Peterson)
Rick Shoby*
George, Stacey & Carol Newton*
Jordan Wendt
Chantel Rose Lynch* (Granddaughter of Marla Grover)
Terry Witt* (Sharon Peterson's sister)
Mandy & Logan* (Cleo Eliason's grand-niece/nephew)
Sandy Bruncker* (Kathy Westby & Eileen Richter's sister-in-law)
Pastor Margo Peterson* (Bonnie Dirks' daughter)
Dave Brown* (Susi Miller's brother-in-law)
Ron Walsvick
Anna Mischnick* (Child of CLM family)
Michael & Renee Gray*
Bethany Austin
Roberta Thieding* (Sister-in-law of Ernie Thieding)
Edwin Jacob* (Jeanne Jacob's husband)
Steve Olson
Mildred Kelley
Carol Stoeckmann
Eileen Richter
Midge Larson

*Denotes non-member

(If you see a name that should be removed, please contact the office.)

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