

The monthly Newsletter of:

December 2025

Agnus Dei Lutheran Church

Gather in Grace Grow in Faith Go in Service

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

The congregation of Agnus Dei Lutheran Church celebrates the amazing diversity of God's beloved children. We welcome all, regardless of age, ethnicity, abilities, faith background, race, family configuration, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression. We enthusiastically invite you into this worshiping congregation as we strive to share God's inclusive love with everyone in our community and in our world.

Dear friends in Christ,



Pastor JT Burk

As we step into the season of Advent, we enter a time filled with holy longing, quiet hope, and the steady heartbeat of God's promise. At the heart of this season is a truth so simple and yet so transformative that it reshapes how we see God, ourselves, and the world: **God is with us.** Advent invites us to reflect on this "with-ness" in all its depth and beauty: **Promised With-ness, Embodied With-ness, and Our With-ness** in response.

We begin with **Promised With-ness**. Before angels sang or shepherds ran to a manger, God spoke through the prophets to a people who felt abandoned and afraid: "Do not fear, for I am with you." These promises came in the midst of exile, uncertainty, and longing—times not unlike our own. God's with-ness is not sentimental comfort; it is a steadfast assurance that God's presence is woven into every moment, including the difficult and unclear ones. Advent reminds us to listen closely for those ancient promises as they echo into our present lives.

Then we move to **Embodied With-ness**. The heart of the Advent and Christmas miracle. In Jesus, God's promise becomes flesh and blood. God chooses presence over power, closeness over distance. The Holy One becomes a child, laid in straw, welcomed by strangers and shepherds. In Jesus, God meets us at eye level, sharing our joys, our pain, our questions, and our humanity. Advent teaches that God's presence is not abstract or distant, but tender, vulnerable, and deeply real.

Finally, Advent invites us into **Our With-ness,** to live God's presence in the world. Because God is with us, we are called to be with others. With the lonely and the grieving. With the joyful and the searching. With our neighbors close by and those far beyond our borders. Our with-ness takes shape in acts of compassion, justice, listening, and solidarity. It is how we reflect God's heart to a world longing for connection and hope.

This Advent, may we pause long enough to notice the signs of God's promised with-ness in our days. May we open our hearts to God's embodied with-ness in Christ. And may we respond with a bold, generous with-ness toward one another and the world God loves so deeply.

In hope and anticipation,
Pastor JT

Pastoral Care

Please let Pastor JT know if you are in need of pastoral care. If you would like to be contacted, please call the church office at 253-851-6222 or Pastor JT at 701-969-0809 or email jt@agnusdeilutheran.org

President's Message



Gary Gemar
Council President

Gary Gemar

December comes very quickly when you spend most of November traveling. As I write this message the council has not met, so actions of the November meeting will be summarized in the January newsletter. Advent starts on November 30th and ends on December 21st. I will share two songs that give me hope and focus in our troubled world as we celebrate Advent and Christmas.

Come Now, O God, When Our Love Is Forsaken
Text: David Bjorlin b. 1984

Come now, O God, when our love is forsaken.
Come, when our bedrock of faith has been shaken.
Come, when our deepest of hopes are mistaken.
Come, Emmanuel.
Come, Emmanuel.

Come, when we squander the freedom you gave us.
Come, break the systems of sin that enslave us.
Come, though we wonder if you can still save us.
Come, Emmanuel.
Come, Emmanuel.

Come, lead us out of our self-serving madness.
Come, while the world is enshrouded in sadness.
Come, turn the tears of our mourning to gladness.
Come, Emmanuel.
Come, Emmanuel.

Light Is Kindled in the Darkness
Text: David Bjorlin b. 1984

Light is kindled in the darkness
when our hope seems most absurd,
beacons through a shrouded future,
pledges of Christ's steadfast word:
gifts of goodness yet enfold us –
all around, beneath, above –
signs of beauty still persisting,
symbols of God's constant love.

Though the wrong appears victorious –
vi'lence, prejudice, and pride –
hope still rises from the wreckage;
joy and grief stand side by side.
We will feel both pain and promise,
terror's sting and love's new birth,
as we walk in light and shadow
on God's blessed and bleeding earth.

Raise your candle in the darkness
though the wick of faith burns low,

continued

Feed the fire with grace and justice
and in wonder watch it grow.
As we gather flames together,
till they shine with warmth and light,
God dispels the night of hatred,
and the blaze of love burns bright.

May God's signs of beauty and love fill your Advent and Christmas celebrations this year.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

AGNUS DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH
FEBRUARY-OCTOBER 2025 FINANCIAL REPORT

OPERATING INCOME:	FEB-OCT Actual	FEB-OCT Budgeted	% of FEB-OCT Budget
Unrestricted Offerings	317,907	355,269	89%
Community Donations	1,738	1,449	120%
Designated Funds	200	-	
Miscellaneous Income	14,382	4,460	322%
TOTAL INCOME	**334,227**	**361,178**	**93%**
OPERATING EXPENSES:			
Administrative Expenses	108,107	113,749	95%
Ministry of Education	2,136	3,151	68%
Ministry of Mission	21,240	23,056	92%
Ministry of Programs	4,872	6,345	77%
Miscellaneous Expenses	250		
Staff and Services	270,505	282,281	96%
TOTAL EXPENSES	**407,109**	**428,583**	**95%**
NET OPERATING INCOME	**-72,883**	**-67,405**	**108%**

Endowment Fund	
ADLC Endowment Fund	90,673

Reserves	
Building Maintenance Fund	280
Future Needs Reserve	22,306
Operating Reserve	47,122
Reserves - Other Designated Use	17,608
TOTAL, ALL RESERVES	**87,316**

WHERE ADLC STANDS FINANCIALLY AS OF 10/31/2025

We have continued receiving less income than expenses each month and have spent $72,883 more than we have received this year. More than ever, we need to see the usual generous increase from our members in giving during December and January.

OPERATING INCOME & EXPENSES:	OCTOBER Actual	OCTOBER Budgeted	% of OCTOBER Budget
Unrestricted Offerings	21,601	37,954	57%
Total Income	22,668	38,474	59%
Total Expenses	41,349	46,439	89%
NET OPERATING INCOME	**-$18,681**	**-$7,965**	

Giving to Others 2025-2026		
Associated Ministries	1,800	**So far this year, individuals from Agnus Dei have given $13,095 to organizations that help those in need both here and around the world. When the members of Agnus Dei see a need, they always step up generously. Although not a part of giving to others, the Chair Affair raised $20,037 which was more than enough to pay for the new chairs in the sanctuary.**
FISH	1,454	
ELCA World Hunger & Disaster Relief	3,594	
Food Backpacks 4 Kids	1,721	
Key Peninsula Foodbank	825	
Monthly Outreach*	3,701	
Total Giving to Others from Individuals	**13,095**	***Through our Monthly Outreach, members have helped Lutheran Community Services Northwest support newly arrived immigrants and helped Turn The Page promote literacy in children from kindergarten to fifth grade.**
ELCA Mission Support (Budgeted)	19,074	
Total Giving to Others from ADLC	**32,170**	

Treasurer, Mike Snowden

Save the Dates:

Advent Midweek Worship

Wednesdays

Dec. 3, 10, 17 at 6:15 PM followed by Soup Supper at 6:45 PM

Dec 3 Soup Supper Hosts: Council and Choir

Dec 10 Soup Supper Hosts: Properties and Care Teams

Dec 17 Soup Supper Hosts: Outreach and Quilters



Advent Potluck Brunch

Sunday, December 14

11:00 AM

Christmas Eve Worship



Wednesday, Dec 24

5:00 PM

and

7:30 PM

Christmas Day

10:00 AM In-person only

First Sunday of Christmas, Dec 28

9:30 AM Lessons and Carols



Grief Thoughts for December

Debbie Waite

As a church, we have been in a season of loss. I found this poem by Kate Bowler that describes many of the emotions we have witnessed together over the last several months. It is my prayer that we can find comfort in these words and that those who have experienced loss will know that we see and acknowledge their suffering and future hope. This Christmas will be one of both/and. Yes, you have experienced loss, and it is Christmas, a season of hope. You may not be able to hold these equally and that's okay.

For a Funeral *(edited for space)*

If there ever was such a thing
as normal life
it has slowed to a stop now.
Lord, I have loved and lost.
The world is empty.

I am swimming in the unreality of this end,
This impossible ending,
For we are trying to live in both
the before and the after

Carry me. Carry us.
Carry every stage of this moment
when we can shout and cry,
prepare food and file our paperwork,
and feel weary and sad and joyful
and numbness because
the totality of death will never, ever
feel final…

Blessed are we, trying to manage
the unmanageable,
The fact that this is a final parting.
No, this is the *second* last parting.
But we will see them again, you promised.
One has gone from us down a path
we cannot see.
And we must stand and mourn, at a distance.

Written by Kate Bowler, Have a Beautiful, Terrible Day, 2024

We remember in prayer:

In Our Prayers

For comfort and healing:

* Barbara Ausich
* Paul Borg
* Marlene Bridgforth
* Robert Bridgforth
* Beverly Buster
* Beverly Buster Jr
* Chiarra Buster
* Audrey Clinton
* Margaret Duncan
* Charlene Franz
* Connie Hummel
* George Mitchell
* Jack Oakes
* Michi Ouchi
* Joannah Powers
* Ellis Rousseau
* Johnny Tierny
* Neal Van Der Voorn
* Trudy Wagner
* Eunice Werner
* Gloria Witt

In service to our country:

* CAPT. Jenny Nussbaum, US Public Health Service

Properties Team Update



Our Properties Team has shifted to an in-person meeting format. Going forward, we will meet on the **first Friday of each month at 10:00 AM in the Front Room**. Meeting in person will give us valuable time for fellowship, allow us to complete needed tasks together, and help us better assess future needs. We hope this new format will encourage more participation. *First meeting, Friday, Dec. 5, 10:00 AM.* You do **not** need to attend every meeting to be part of the team and there are tasks suited to all abilities. To learn more, please call the office or speak with **Bob Beals** or **Bob Nussbaum**.

ADLC Care Team

These services are offered by our care team volunteers. If you or another need assistance, please contact the group coordinator, whose phone numbers and e-mail addresses are in the church directory. Please also check out the Care Team Bulletin Board across from the Parish Hall for further information. Any questions, or to sign up to help, please contact us.

Gwen Daugs and Marlene Bridgforth, Care Team Co-chairs

ADLC CARE TEAM SERVICES AND COORDINATORS:

- ♥ TRANSPORTATION: GWEN DAUGS
- ♥ HOME VISITS: GHITA LORENZ AND CHARLENE FRANZ
- ♥ CARDS/TELEPHONE CALLS: MARY MARQUARDT
- ♥ GRIEF SUPPORT: DEBBIE WAITE
- ♥ BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS: DAVID SALGE
- ♥ HOME COMMUNION: MARLENE BRIDGFORTH
- ♥ HOSPITALITY: DEBBIE SNOWDEN
- ♥ MEALS: ANN ROUSSEAU
- ♥ MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES: ANN ROUSSEAU
- ♥ PRAYER CHAIN: CINDY BEALS

We Celebrate December Birthdays and Anniversaries!

December Birthdays

2	Harlan Damron, Charlene Franz
4	Nancy Johnson
10	Linda Ribary
13	Aubrey Beaudette
18	Phyllis Brandt
19	Guy Johnson
20	Robert Bridgforth, Julie Bell
23	Wyatt Rodgers
29	Dennis Johnson, Jack Oakes
30	Gwen Daugs
31	Samantha Carter



December Anniversaries

7	Harry and Gloria Hoiland
9	Tom Bradford and Van Hardison
10	Mike and Debbie Snowden

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for your endless support, cards, flowers, food, prayers, hugs and friendship during our Alzheimer's journey. We are overwhelmed by the wonderful memorial service for Scott, which you made possible. Bit by bit, we are walking out of the dark days of grief. You have left God's footprints on our hearts. We are grateful and blessed.

Thank you for everything,

Margaret Duncan and Family

SUNDAY MORNING FAITH FORMATION

Forum



December 7, 2025:
All families have secrets, of varying degrees. Families often hide what they consider to be their "more significant" secrets, due to risks such as social or religious ostracism or even persecution. So, in one sense, hiding the truth may bring safety. But on the other hand, what are the costs? **Local author Pat Stricklin** (pen name Trish Mastel Stricklin) has written two novels about her family's secrets. In Pat's words, "*What Lies In Truth* is the story of my grandparents' secret relationship, how it unfolded, and how they kept it hidden until after their deaths. *I Belong* is the heart-wrenching sequel to *What Lies in Truth*. It is the story of my grandparents' middle child, my Aunt Ernie, who is haunted by self-doubt and a sense of abandonment as she searches for the truth about her mysterious father." Come hear Pat's compelling story. It is sure to give you much food for thought about the nature and value of truth.

December 14, 2025
Plan to attend the Potluck Advent Brunch after worship on the 14th. Randy Spitzer will lead us in singing a few favorite Christmas Carols.

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December 21, 2025:

Please join us as **Marit Trelstad, Professor of Constructive Theology and University Chair of Lutheran Studies at PLU**, presents "Original Grace: Atonement from Covenant and Incarnation"

With Christmas being so close, it may seem odd to focus on the subject of Atonement. Matthew Fox once wrote the book *Original Blessing*, in which he grounds the relationship with God to creation and God's proclamation that creation is "good." From a Lutheran standpoint, this session will look at how grounding God's reconciliation with humanity, grace, and justification, can be rooted in Covenant and Incarnation prior to the cross, and after the cross in Easter resurrection. In this season when we look to the birth and nativity of God incarnate, we can discuss together how this focus of atonement can address some theological issues with rooting atonement solely in the cross.

December 28, 2025: No Forum; Christmas/New Year holiday

FRONT ROOM KIDS—Sundays During Worship

Children ages three through ten are invited to the Front Room after Storytime to enjoy a Bible story and related activities. They will return to the sanctuary around the time of the Offering to be present for Communion and the remainder of the service. Our little ones love this time together learning from members of our faith community.

Front Room Kids Christmas Program: Christmas is coming and we have much fun planned during Front Room Kids. We will be doing a Christmas pageant (of sorts) on Sunday, December 14, during the sermon and all kiddos are invited to participate. We will be practicing during Front Room Kids time so please come as often as you can. It's OK if you can't make it, you can still be in the pageant. Rehearsal just helps everyone feel more comfortable and confident! On December 21 we will have a Birthday Party for Jesus! We will then take a little break for the holiday vacation. Front Room Kids will resume on January 11.

Front Room Kids Little Free Pantry Collection

The Front Room Kids would like to thank everyone for the donations for the food pantry in our parking lot. This pantry is available to anyone in need as well as open to anyone who would like to contribute. If you can help stock the pantry with non-perishable food and personal care items, you may place them directly in the pantry or you may place your contributions in the box next to the donation station.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation classes for middle school students are with Pastor JT on the third Sundays at 10:45am in the Front Room. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor JT.

LITTLE LAMBS PRESCHOOL WOULD LIKE TO KNOW, WHAT BRINGS YOU JOY?

Little Lambs would like to invite church members to join us on a project. On our large bulletin board down the preschool hall, there will be a sign saying, *What brings you joy?* We would encourage you to add a picture of your own to the board. It could be one of your family, a pet, or anything that brings your heart joy. We look forward to being able to add to it and enjoy it for the month of December.

We would also like to invite you to join us for our Christmas Program. It will be on December 17th at 11:15am. Come enjoy songs performed by our preschoolers! As always, thank you for your continued support of our program.

Shannon Moore, Preschool Director

NEWS FROM OUR SERVICE COMMITTEE: GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS

Update on LWR Quilts and Kits shipped last month: 203 Quilts; 18 Fabric Kits; 103 Baby Kits; 122 School Kits, Great job everyone!

The month of December brings many opportunities to reach out and help our neighbors in the community and worldwide. We are supporting our local community by assisting the local food banks to provide food for those that are in need. We are also reaching around the world with our contributions to the ELCA Good Gifts Program.

Here are the many ways that you can contribute this month.

- **Food Backpacks for Kids:** We will collect stuffing mix, cranberries, other nonperishable holiday meal items, apples, and oranges to help the FB4K folks provide complete holiday meal packages for the families they serve.
- **Advent Midweek Service Offering:** With so many families relying on our local food banks, there is a great need for all types of food. On Wednesday evenings the donations of hot and cold cereal, other foods or funds for purchasing food will go to the Bischoff and the Key Peninsula Community food banks.

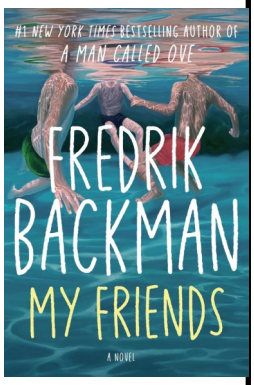
  For any of the above, remember to indicate on your envelope or in Tith.ly: Monthly Outreach. That way we can access your contribution and use it for the intended purpose.
  Please feel free to contact Debbie Snowden with any questions.

- **ELCA Good Gifts**

  Every year in December, we encourage gifts to the ELCA Good Gifts Program. Giving a gift in someone's name is a wonderful way to honor your loved ones and we will print their names in our Christmas Eve bulletin. There is a display in the narthex with catalogs, ornaments, and cards. ELCA Good Gifts make a monumental impact in the lives those in need worldwide.

ADLC Book Group

Book group will be meeting on Sunday December 14th in the front room following forum to discuss: *My Friends* by Frederik Backman. This novel tells the story of four teenagers who form a powerful bond that ends up changing a stranger's life in the future. All are welcome to join us!



Overview in Thriftbooks: Most people don't even notice them--three tiny figures sitting at the end of a long pier in the corner of one of the most famous paintings in the world. Most people think it's just a depiction of the sea. But Louisa, an aspiring artist herself, knows otherwise, and she is determined to find out the story of these three enigmatic figures. Twenty-five years earlier, in a distant seaside town, a group of teenagers find refuge from their bruising home lives by spending long summer days on an abandoned pier, telling silly jokes, sharing secrets, and committing small acts of rebellion. These lost souls find in each other a reason to get up each morning, a reason to dream, a reason to love.
Out of that summer emerges a transcendent work of art, a painting that will unexpectedly be placed into eighteen-year-old Louisa's care. She embarks on a surprise-filled cross-country journey to learn how the painting came to be and to decide what to do with it. The closer she gets to the painting's birthplace, the more nervous she becomes about what she'll find. Louisa is proof that happy endings don't always take the form we expect in this stunning testament to the transformative, timeless power of friendship and art.



Hospitality: Sunday Morning Coffee Hosts Needed

Please consider joining with others to provide light treats and making coffee for our Sunday fellowship after worship. Have fun and team up with a friend.

*If you have any questions call Debbie Snowden or Linda Ribary.

Providing Hospitality on Sunday Mornings is Easy to Do!

- Simple treats are all you need to provide. They can be homemade or purchased.
- Hesitant about making coffee? Someone will help you and our coffee machine is EASY!
- Fearful of running the dishwasher? Someone comes on Monday to run the dishwasher. Just do a little clean up in the kitchen.

Green Team News

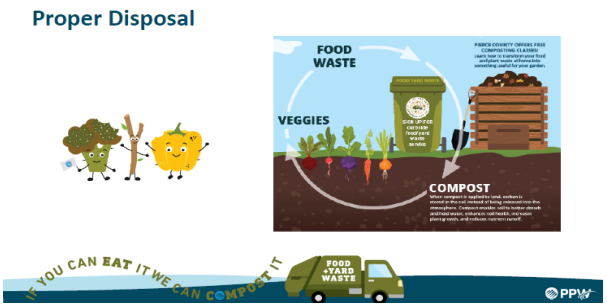
Some of you may remember a forum last September presented by Kari Ann Elling, Recycling Analyst for Pierce County. If you missed that, the recording is on our YouTube channel.

Kari Ann had three main takeaways:

1. Food is not garbage, and when food is disposed of in the landfill, it generates methane, thus adding to our climate crisis. When food is put into yard waste or compost, it helps nurture the earth by forming new soil.
2. Recycling contamination causes increased costs and less efficient repurposing of our recycled materials.
3. There is a new state law called the Recycling Reform Act, passed in 2025, that will unify recycling practices statewide by 2030.

We are following up on the first two (above) for you this month.

Composting Food Waste Update:

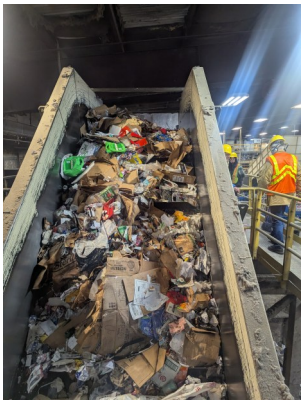


Green Team will be presenting an opportunity for our congregation to give thanks to God for our sustenance by collecting food waste to return to nurture the earth during December. We are used to saying a prayer before our meals. During this pilot project, you may also want to say a prayer as your deposit all food waste into a 5-gallon bucket positioned near the trash cans giving thanks to God for allowing remnants from our meals to be regenerating growth in our wonderous planet.

This will be a simple procedure: during soup/supper dinners in Advent as well as on Sundays, please look for a white bucket and put all food scraps there. The Green Team will take care of the rest! There will be signs posted as reminders, and you may use the county slogan as a reminder: **"If you can eat it, we can compost it!"**

If you have any questions or would like ideas about how you can repurpose your food waste at home, please reach out to any Green Team member: Phyllis Brandt, Marilyn Colyar, Sharon Ebelt, Ronnie Kulman, Susan Luebeck, George Unruh, Susan Whitney, Linda Zehnder. Thank you for working towards a more sustainable future!

Recycling Update:



We have done such wonderful work at Agnus Dei with the special recycling program thanks to the efforts of George Unruh and Sharon Ebelt. They recently had the opportunity to tour the Pioneer Recycling Center under the direction of Kari Ann Elling (Pierce County Solid Waste Recycling Analyst who presented at Forum in September). Here are a few things learned from this amazing Recycling Material Recovery Facility (MRF) tour (the main place used in Pierce County by LeMay and Murrey's). Only put into a recycling container what the collector asks for, and make sure it is clean and dry. They have mechanical and human sorters working hard to keep the various recyclables separated. Some of the conveyor belts travel at 800 feet per minute. The facility also has optical readers, robots, and rollers to help with their recycling process. The supervisor has worked at similar facilities across the country and he says this region is the most successful with about 81% of the contents recycled. Cardboard brings in 50% of the facility's resale income. Tin and aluminum are next at about 21% and regular paper is next. They get very little revenue from plastics at this time. In fact they are currently paying money to process #1 plastics. Sometimes there is money in that market too, however.


Recycling Material Recovery Facility

Keep recycling!

Serving in Worship December 2025



DECEMBER		Altar Guild	Assisting Minister	Lector	Stream Team/	Ushers Acolyte	Greeters	Security	Prayer Writer	Front Room Kids
3	Wed 6:15 PM	None needed	NO AM	NO LECTOR	B Beals	T Clark	No Greeters			NO FRK
7	Sunday 9:30 AM	K Morgan	D Salge	C Franz	B Nussbaum	R & M Ohme	C Carlson J Aitken	P Waite	P Waite	All Available
10	Wed 6:15 PM	None needed	NO AM	NO LECTOR	B Beals	P Davis	No Greeters			NO FRK
14	Sunday 9:30 AM	S Lubash E Nesbitt	R Spitzer	D Marquardt	B Nussbaum	T Clark D Waite	D & S Krump	G Gemar	D Waite	All Available
17	Wed 6:15 PM	None needed	NO AM	NO LECTOR	M Snowden	P Davis	No Greeters			NO FRK
21	Sunday 9:30 AM	M Bridgforth	D Goin	L Spitzer		M & R Ohme	G Lorenz	P Waite	K Gemar	All Available
24	Wed 5:00 PM	J McCraw L Brentin	D Salge	NO LECTOR	B Beals	?	L & D Brentin	Colyar/Gemar	K Gemar	NO FRK
	Wed 7:30 PM	N Johnson	M Colyar(?)	NO LECTOR		P & D Waite	?	Colyar/Gemar		NO FRK
25	Thursday 10:00 AM	R Crow	P Brandt	P Borg		T Clark	No Greeters			NO FRK
28	Sunday 9:30 AM	J McCraw A Conley	K Gemar	M Marquardt	B Nussbaum	L & M Colyar	K & G Gemar	G Gemar	M Colyar	NO FRK

Serve in Worship:
Thank you to the volunteers who serve in worship.
More volunteers are needed in all areas and training is readily available. We currently have need of a couple more people who are willing to help with the livestream. Our system has become less complicated and more reliable, making it much easier to learn. Please consider helping provide worship accessible to those outside the building!

The following are the folks who are currently scheduling:
Council—Security
Debbie Snowden—Stream Team and Sound System
Marilyn Colyar—Assisting Ministers
Paula Davis—Lectors, Greeters, and Ushers
Kimberly Morgan—Altar Guild

Please contact the office or call these folks directly if you are willing to serve. The schedulers are more than happy to schedule around any travel plans you may have.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Let's Wear Our Nametags



As a sign of hospitality to all visitors, newcomers, and just the plain forgetful, please remember to wear your nametag! If you are in need of a new nametag, leave a note on Cindy's desk.

We Share the Air – Please Keep It Fragrance-Free and Healthy for All
We ask our entire community to be mindful of folks with scent sensitivities and refrain from using perfume/cologne and other scented products when coming to Agnus Dei.

Phishing Scams Continue! BEWARE OF FRAUD

The scams will continue so we will continue to remind you... Once again, phony emails posing as our pastor are arriving in inboxes. Please remember: ***ADLC staff will never contact you for money, gift cards or financial information of any kind.***

DECEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 Front Room Kids after storytime Advent 1 9:30am Worship with Holy Communion (Hybrid) 11:00am Forum 	1 12:30pm Church Staff Meeting 1:00pm LWR Quilters 6:00pm Nar-Anon Family Groups in Community Room	2 9:30am Worship Committee 11:45am Little Lambs Chapel 7:00pm Little Lambs Board Meeting	3 10:00am Text Study 1:30pm Prayer Shawl Ministry 6:15pm Advent Midweek Worship 6:45pm Soup Supper 7:15pm Choir Rehearsal	4 6:00pm AA Group in Community Room	5 6:30pm Piano Recital	6 8:30am Men's Square Bible Study 8:30am Women's Circle Bible Study
7 Front Room Kids after storytime Advent 2 FRK Christmas Program 9:30am Worship with Holy Communion (Hybrid) 11:00am Forum 5:00pm Piano Recital 	8 12:30pm Church Staff Meeting 1:00pm LWR Quilters 5:30pm Handbell Rehearsal 6:00pm Nar-Anon Family Groups in Community Room	9 10:00am Worship Committee 11:45am Little Lambs Chapel	10 10:00am Text Study 12:00pm Retired Clergy Lunch in Front Room 1:30pm Prayer Shawl Ministry 6:15pm Advent Midweek Worship 6:45pm Soup Supper 7:15pm Choir Rehearsal	11 10:00am Finance Committee 1:00pm Council Executive Committee 6:00pm AA Group in Community Room	12 4:30pm Recital Rehearsal	13
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