

Serving at the Good Samaritan Center

Today

Rhoda Strasser & Dana Haan

December 23

Vicky Levene & Joan Bleeker

Serving as Greeters

Today

West Door: Brenda Sinning

North Door: Alvin & Carla Haan

East door: Jeff & Teresa Rippentrop

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West door: Volunteer needed

North Door: Jeff & Teresa Rippentrop

East Door: Dick & Charlotte Lounsbery

Serving in the Nursery

Today

Keli Brende & Kim Hanssen

December 23

Crystal Kezar & Barb Buse

Serving Fellowship Time

Today

Nov/Dec birthdays

December 23

Dave & Gail Strasser

This Week at LEPC

Sunday, December 16

9:25 am Morning worship

Coffee Fellowship following

10:50 am Sunday school for 7th through adults

Pre-K through 6th - Christmas

program practice

6:30 pm Christmas program with fellowship

time afterwards

Monday, December 17

2:00-3:30 The Exchange is open

Wednesday, December 19

3:30-4:30 pm The Exchange is open

6:30 pm 1st through 8th grades

7:15 pm High school youth

Thursday, December 20

6:00 Meet at church to caroling in Sioux Falls

Saturday, December 22

9:00-10:00 am The Exchange is open

Sunday, December 23

9:25 am Morning worship

Coffee Fellowship following

10:50 am Sunday school for all ages

7:00-9:00 pm Open House at the Sayler's

Lennox Ebenezer Presbyterian Church

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Office hours: Monday - Friday ~8:30 am - 3:30 pm

If you are unable to attend the morning service, you may watch it on cable 19 or 98

or you may LiveStream the service by going to the website and clicking the link.

lepc@iw.net (Church office)

Office Hours: 12:30-3:30 pm Tuesday-Friday

647-2659 ~ www.lennoxpca.org

MORNING WORSHIP

DECEMBER 16, 2018 — 9:25 AM

Time of Preparation

Advent Candle Lighting

Marlyn and Kathy Bunger

A Service of Lessons and Carols

God Calls us to Worship

1 John 1:1-4

Prayer of Adoration

Pastor Sayler

* Carol # 249

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

ADESTE FIDELES

Lesson I: Genesis 3:8-15

Arlon Knock

Carol # 244

“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

HYFRYDOL

Lesson II: 2 Sam 7:8-16

Briana Slack

Carol

“Manger Throne”

Lesson III: Isaiah 11:1-10

Zach Wipf

Carol

“How Many Kings”

Praise Team

Prayer of the People

Giving Glory to God

The Call for the Offering & Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

“Christmastime”

LEPC Church Choir

Lesson IV: Matthew 1:18-25; Luke 1:26-38

Ron Abbas and Rhoda Strasser

Carol # 278

“Angels We Have Heard On High”

GLORIA

Lesson V: Luke 2:1-7

Mark Luvaas

Carol # 261

“Away in a Manger”

Children’s Choir

(1st verse: **Children’s Choir**, verses 2-3: **Congregation**)

The Children’s Message

Pastor Sayler

Lesson VI: Luke 2:8-20

Alan Rops

Carol # 269

“How Great Our Joy”

JUNGST

Lesson VII: Readings from Hebrews, Titus, and John

Pastor Sayler

* Carol # 270

“Joy to the World”

ANTIOCH

Collection of Second Offering for Paradise, CA

God Sends us out with His Blessing

* Charge and Benediction

1 Thessalonians 5:13-22

* Doxology # 258

“Go Tell it on the Mountain”

GO TELL IT

(verses 1 & 3)

This morning we celebrate Christmas with our annual “Festival of Lessons and Carols,” a tradition begun at King’s College Cambridge in 1880. This service simply focuses on the scriptures and hymns that share the promise of the coming of Christ for our salvation..

The Lessons and Carols service reminds us of a basic interpretive key: Jesus is the center of the whole Bible, and that truth should guide how we read and apply these texts. Promise and fulfillment is the basic pattern of the Old and New Testaments of the Christian Bible. Jesus and His apostles viewed His coming as the fulfillment of centuries of promises delivered to the people of God, and the New Testament was written in support of this case.

Visitors, we welcome you with open arms.

Please join us in the fellowship hall after the service for fellowship and refreshments.

December 16, 2018

Praise & Prayer

Pray for Marla Poppens daughter, **Marissa**, as she has her second cornea transplant on Monday, the 17th.

Pray for **Jan Steadman** as she recovers from back & carpal tunnel surgery at Sanford.

Praise that **Donna White** was able to return to her home on Wednesday.

Pray for our missionaries, **Chris & Josephine Hatch**, who are currently in the States.

Pray for **Jim Wipf** who is serving as pulpit supply at 1st Presbyterian Church in Parker.

at home: **Vera Steever**; ... our member residents at GSC: **Bernice Bultena, Ray Bunjer, Bonnie Husman, & Don Kuper**; ...at Riverview Healthcare & Nursing Home, Flandreau: **Mike Reed**; ...our member residents in Sioux Falls: **Harven Brass**, - Stoneybrooke Suites, **Erma DeWilde** - Prairie Creek Memory Care, **LaVerne Miller** - Good Samaritan Village, **BJ Olson** - Dakotabilities, **Walter Otten** - Good Samaritan Center in Canisota ...those with cancer: **Arland Abbas** ... in the military: **Ben Miller** – South Korea

Announcements

Children's Christmas program... is this evening at 6:30 pm. There will be a time of fellowship afterwards. **Each family is asked to bring 1 1/2 dozen Christmas goodies.**

Today's offering... will go to the Mission fund.

Special offering... A special offering will be taken at the end of the service for the PCA church in Paradise, CA who lost the building they were meeting in and the houses of all their members. The funds will help families meet current needs, temporary housing, rent for a place to meet for worship, office space, etc.

Christmas caroling... We will be taking the senior citizen's bus plus cars as needed to Sioux Falls on Thursday, the 20th, to do some caroling. Please meet at the church at 6:00 pm.

Christmas gift... If you would like to contribute towards a Christmas gift for Pastor Ethan and his family, please place your gift in the box on the information center by December 24th.

Poinsettias ... have been given by the following:

Valley Exchange Bank, Dindot-Klusmann Funeral Home, Alan & Brenda Ratliff in memory of their parents, Dean & Helen Ratliff and Hilbert Van Westen, the Haan family in memory of Fred Haan, Temple Insurance, Dixie Shay, in memory of Sandy Knock, Deloris Bunjer, and Jeri Kuper, and by Verna Van Loh & Gerry & Margaret

Van Loh in memory of George Van Loh.

New phone number... Jim Kickland's phone number is 214-2925.

New Men's Study Group Starting in January

Are you drawn by the call of the wild? Is your idea of spiritual growth spending time in God's country? Close Encounters was designed to reach men's groups who want to delve deeply into Scripture, using hunting and fishing as the staging ground. This six-session, video-based study features real-life wild game hunts and fly fishing ventures with nationally known outdoorsmen who connect divine spiritual truths with the unique earthly experiences found only in the world of hunting and fishing. Cruise takes you on a trek into creation that will show you how to live out your passion for the outdoors in ways that bring honor to the God who created the dirt under your boots.

The group will have its first meeting **on Monday, January 7th, at 7:00 pm.** See Pastor Sayler or Paul Beukelman for more information.

December issue... of Voice of the Martyrs is here and on the literature rack in the narthex. Please feel free to take it and read about our persecuted brothers and sisters in Christ. Please return it to the rack after you have read it. There are two copies this time.

New newsletters/updates... from Ethan Zimmerman, Brandon & Erin Haan, Voice of the Martyrs, and Pete & Esther Errington are on the mission bulletin board.