

# Bulletin Announcements 11/20/2016

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**GUEST PASTOR:** A special “thank you” to the Rev. Dr. David Balla for leading our worship service and his proclamation of Christ this morning. Join us in Luther Hall following today’s service for coffee and fellowship, followed by a special Bible Study on Isaiah 64–65.

**FLOWERS:** Today’s flowers are given by Robin Wise in grateful thanks for all blessings received from our loving God.

**40 YEARS AGO:** On 21 November 1976, the Rev. Paul F. Huxhold was called by the Northern Illinois District to be missionary at large to the Bolingbrook area, with the goal of planting an LCMS congregation. The rest, they say, is history!

**THANKSGIVING:** Join us this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. for a festive Vespers service of thanksgiving, with special music by our adult choir.

**PROGRAM PRACTICE:** Our Christmas program practices are on Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. Contact Terri to let her know that you will be participating. There is no practice on 11/26.

**ADVENT MIDWEEK:** Our Advent midweek Evening Prayer services begin on Wednesday, November 30 at 7:00 p.m.

**40TH ANNIVERSARY:** Join us for a special Divine Service and catered meal on Sunday, February 26 (2017) at 4:00 p.m. as we celebrate Divine Shepherd’s 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and thank God for all His blessings to us. We will post more information as the planning process proceeds. Please speak with Karen if you are interested in helping send invitations, choose a caterer, plan the meal, etc.

**DIRECTORY:** Everyone who was photographed will be receiving one free directory. If you weren’t photographed and would like one or more copies, or if you were photographed and would like additional copies, please see Karen to order. Directories are \$10 each. Orders must be placed by December 4.

**CANDY & MANNA:** Ladies Aid is selling Fannie May candy bars (\$2 each or 3 for \$5) and pre-purchased Home Run Inn, Darden Restaurants, Subway, Walmart, Starbucks, and Target cards at their table in Luther Hall today. Manna order turn-in dates are today, November 27, and December 4, 11, & 18.

**GIVING TREE & FOOD DRIVE:** Please take an envelope from the Giving Tree in the narthex and help our members this Christmas season. Each envelope is marked as follows: A=Adult; F=Family; K=Kid; S=Senior. See Lisa Cruz with any questions. Gifts must be returned by Sunday, December 11. Thrivent is sponsoring a food drive as an extension of the Giving Tree. You are invited to bring non-perishable food items and place them in the box in the narthex by December 11. Thank you for your generosity to your church family.

**YARD WORK:** As the cold is setting in, contact Lori or Nadine ASAP if you’d like the youth group to assist you with yard work (leaves, gutters, etc.).

**COOKIE SALE:** The youth group is taking orders for Christmas cookies. Cost is \$15 for 2 dozen or \$25 for 4 dozen. The signup sheet will be posted in Luther Hall. Orders must be placed by December 11 with pickup December 18. See Lori if you have any questions.

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**CLOTHING DRIVE:** Please bring gently used clothing to church any Sunday and give to Judy Yuenger or any member of Ladies Aid. We will receive 20 cents per pound for this ongoing clothing drive. Thank you.

**LUTHERAN TALK RADIO:** This week's Issues, Etc. topics include: The Liturgy of Thanksgiving Day, The Advent Season, God Forgives David, Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem, and more. Listen on demand at [www.issuesetc.org](http://www.issuesetc.org) or via the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app.