

# Bulletin Announcements 12/4/2016

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**ADVENT MIDWEEK:** Join us this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. for Evening Prayer. This week's focus is "The Joy of God's Favor."

**NEWSLETTER:** Check your email or mail slot for the December newsletter.

**PROGRAM PRACTICE:** The next Christmas program practice is this Saturday at 10:00 a.m. Contact Terri to let her know that you will be participating.

**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.

**POINSETTIAS:** See form in today's bulletin to order poinsettias to decorate the sanctuary for the Christmas season. Completed forms and money are due by Sunday, December 18.

**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 and December 11 & 18.

**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 is posted in Luther Hall. Orders must be placed by December 11 with pickup December 18. See Lori if you have any questions.

**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.

**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 today.

**CONTACT INFO:** If you have changed your home phone (or gotten rid of it altogether), mobile phone, or email address in the last couple years, please send these updates to Karen via email ([office@ds-lcms.org](mailto:office@ds-lcms.org)) so that we can verify our church records for our new directory. Thanks.

**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.

**LUTHERAN TALK RADIO:** This week's *Issues, Etc.* topics include: Are Social Progressive Anti-Science?, Hitler's Religion, A New Study on Religious Service Attendance & Marriage/Divorce, Saint Nicholas, and more. Listen on demand at [www.issuesetc.org](http://www.issuesetc.org) or via the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app.