Bulletin Announcements 12/9/2018

ADVENT: What Child Is This? Join us this Advent season for Evening Prayer services the next two Wednesdays (December 12 & 19) at 7:00 p.m.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: All voting members are encouraged to join us after the Divine Service today for a congregational voters meeting. Items on the agenda include brief reports from current Council members, election of officers, and approval of next year's budget.

CHRISTMAS PRACTICES: Practices for the children's Christmas program are Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. and Saturday at 10:00 a.m. Please contact Terri Kreier for a script/music for your child to practice. The program is next Sunday, December 16 at 3:00 p.m. Please support them with your presence.

HELP US DECORATE: Come and help us decorate the sanctuary for Christmas this coming Saturday at 8:30 a.m.

CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE: You are invited! Mike & Katie Dobbs are inviting members of the congregation to their home (22906 Weinhold Drive, Plainfield) for an evening of fellowship and food next Sunday, December 16 at 5:00 p.m. Please feel free to bring a snack or dessert to share. God's blessings to you all this Christmas season!

ADVENT DINNER: All are encouraged to attend the Advent Dinner on Wednesday, December 19 at 5:45 p.m. Add your name to the signup sheet on the bulletin board in Lutheran Hall if you are attending (for planning purposes) and, if you are able, please sign up for a dish to pass. Workers are needed at 5:15 p.m. to help set up tables and prepare the serving table.

GIVING TREE / FOOD DRIVE: Please return the Giving Tree envelope and/or form inside with your gift by this Wednesday, December 12. See Lisa Cruz with any questions. A food drive is also being held. You are invited to bring one or more non-perishable food items and/or paper products and place your donation in the boxes in the narthex by Sunday, December 16. Thank you for your generosity to your church family.

CHRISTMAS CAROLING: Join us on Sunday, December 23 as we go Christmas caroling at Senior Star in Romeoville. We will sing in the Memory Care building at 1:45 p.m. and the main building 2:15 p.m. Dress Christmassy, bring a smile, be ready to sing, and plan to stay for a few minutes to greet the residents. See the newsletter for directions.

SHOP WITH SCRIP & BENEFIT MOBILE: The next Shop with Scrip turn-in dates are December 9 & 16. Consider purchasing gift cards for the annual Giving Tree. See Lisa Cruz with any questions, or Judy Yuenger to buy prepurchased cards. Benefit Mobile allows you to purchase electronic gift cards that can be used immediately or emailed as a gift. See the newsletter for more info.

CHURCH PHONE: Because our new internet provider still hasn't completed their installation, all church and preschool calls are immediately going to voicemail until line maintenance is completed. Church and preschool phone messages will continue to be monitored. Your patience is appreciated.

TALK RADIO FOR THE ADVENT SEASON: Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio. This week's topics include: The Advent Hymns "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" and "Once He Came in Blessing," Messengers from John the Baptist, Mary Visits Elizabeth, and more. Listen on-demand at www.issuesetc.org and on the LPR mobile app.