



December 2019

Prayer Requests

Each Sunday, many prayer requests are shared during our worship prayer time. Also, a list of many of them are shared in our worship bulletins. Also, we regularly share urgent prayer requests via congregational emails that are sent out as prayer requests arise. Please keep these dear Saints, family, and friends in your prayers during the week. If you have a prayer request for the prayer chain, contact Cindy Harris at: charris@nni.net, or Pr. David at penrev@gmail.com. If you are not getting the prayer emails, please let us know that as well.

WBYN Devotional Message

Tune in daily for the devotional on the radio "107.5 ALIVE" FM. Monday through Friday @ 6:45am. We are also accepting donations to help defray this monthly cost. If you would like to help, see Cindy Harris or Pastor Johnson.

Also listen to Scripture Matters on Sunday evenings at 8:30 p.m.

Ongoing Community Project - New Item

The collection for the Boyertown Salvation Army is ongoing. There are many families that are in need in our immediate area. This month we are collecting food items. Thank you to everyone that has been participating and for future donations.

Newsletter Articles

If you have anything for the "Faithful Messenger" feel free to contact Pr. Johnson (penrev@gmail.com), Georgeann Rohrbach (georgeann_rohrbach@comcast.net), or Bruce Stoudt (BruceStoudt@gmail.com).

Greeter Schedule

- Dec. 1 – Hannah & Rachel Supplee
- Dec. 8 – Neil & Elaine Scheidt
- Dec. 15 – Ryan & Richard Welder
- Dec. 22 – Bruce & Deb Stoudt
- Dec. 29 – Ron & Patti Christman

Usher Schedule

- Dec. 1 – Dave & Nancy Garner
- Dec. 8 – Harold & Donna Haas
- Dec. 15 – Don & Roseann Smith
- Dec. 22 – Bill & Deb Miller
- Dec. 29 – Ed Bender & Norman Ritter

The Faithful Messenger

Living Faith Lutheran Church
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Message from Pastor Johnson

God's Indescribable Gift...For YOU!

We all love getting presents. On Christmas Eve, or Christmas morning, millions of people will be sharing gifts of all kinds; some simple, some extravagant, some given with great thought, and others given out of obligation. Some traditions surrounding this practice are repeated regularly, while other households are more spontaneous in their celebrations.

Just over 2,000 years ago, a gift arrived on this planet which was like no present ever given before, and the likes of which has never been seen since. It was a gift of immeasurable Grace and Mercy; a gift bringing great Hope and Joy to all who receive it.

1 John 4:9 By this the love of God was manifested in us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world so that we might live through Him. **10** In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son {to be} the propitiation (the atoning sacrifice) for our sins.

With this in view, I'd like to share a poem by *Cherilyn Costella*:

“There's a gift not wrapped beautifully and placed beneath a tree,
Nor is this gift expensive; it is priceless, yet it's free.
It's a gift that's far more precious than the purest chain of gold;
It's reserved not just for Christmas and received by young and old.
It's a gift that never gets too old; it's discovered fresh and new,
A gift that's not forgotten after use a year or two.
A gift that never can be bought by riches or great price,
A gift that's only paid for by the precious blood of Christ.
And this gift that God has given is salvation full and free,
And when you have accepted it, you'll be thankful when you see
That at this Christmas season, with this thought your heart will lift,
For you'll know that you've been given By far the Greatest Gift.”

So as the apostle Paul writes in 2 Corinthians 9:15, “Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!”

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Thank you to everyone that participated in Samaritan's Purse and the Salvation Army Angel Tree. Also to the bell ringers for the Salvation Army.

Calendar of Events

- Dec. 1** Worship & Communion 9:00am
Sunday School 10:30am
- Dec. 5** Advent Service 7:00pm
- Dec. 8** Worship 9:00am
Sunday School 10:30am
- Dec. 11** LFLC Church Council 6:30pm
- Dec. 12** Advent Service 7:00pm
- Dec. 14** Men's Breakfast 8:00am
- Dec. 15** Worship 9:00am
Sunday School 10:30am
- Dec. 17** LFLC Mixed Choir 7:00pm
- Dec. 19** Advent Service 7:00pm
- Dec. 22** Worship 9:00am
Sunday School 10:30am
- Dec. 24** **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 7:00pm**
- Dec. 26** Bible Study 7:00pm
- Dec. 29** Worship 9:00am
Sunday School 10:30am

