

# GOOD NEWS

  
DECEMBER 2014

## St. Paul Lutheran Church

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### **ST. PAUL LUTHERAN MISSION STATEMENT:**

*Empowered by the Holy Spirit to make Christ known;  
As we love one another, serve our neighbor, and grow in our  
Faith through studying God's Word and  
Worshipping God.*

**December 8<sup>th</sup>** - Poinsettia Orders Due

**December 13<sup>th</sup>** – Angel Tree Gifts Due into  
the office

**December 14<sup>th</sup>** - 9 a.m. Children's Program  
& Worship followed by Sunday school and  
Christmas Feast (catered meal)

**December 19<sup>th</sup>** – 12:30 – 2:30 p.m. Angel Tree Party

**December 24<sup>TH</sup>** - **Christmas Eve in the Sanctuary**

4 p.m. Candlelight Worship with Holy Communion

8 p.m. Candlelight Worship with Holy Communion

**December 25<sup>th</sup>** - **Christmas Day** No Worship Service



## The logo features the word "Pastor's" in a large, bold, serif font, with the word "COLUMN" in a smaller, bold, sans-serif font directly beneath it. To the left of the text is a stylized graphic of a classical column. The entire logo is underlined with a double horizontal line.

Most of you are acquainted with the Christmas song “**The Twelve Days of Christmas**”, but do you know its meaning? I am not certain of its historical accuracy, but the story does make sense.

The story is significant even though most people do not understand any of the gifts that the song names, and may even sound silly. (How many of you have ever had seven swans a-swimming under your Christmas tree?) The words to the song are cryptic; in other words the phrases have hidden meanings. The message is secret. You say one thing, but mean another through symbols and numbers.

We see this style of writing used in the Bible. In the Old Testament, we have the book of Daniel which used cryptic or hidden language to give hope and comfort to the persecuted Jews. In the New Testament, the book of Revelation conveys hope to the early Christians who were being killed for their belief. Only people well educated in Old Testament Scripture and also knowing the teachings of Christ, understood the meaning of the symbols and numbers used in Revelation. Unfortunately most of the inside knowledge of the symbolism has been lost through the centuries.

Throughout history, when people have been persecuted, there has appeared this type of “re-sistant literature”. Political cartoons sometimes also have a cryptic nature to them.

During the religious struggles in the 1500’s there was a period of time when the Roman Catholics were not permitted to practice their faith openly in England, and were persecuted for their beliefs. It was during this time, **The Twelve Days of Christmas** was written as a type of “catechism”. The song has two levels of meaning: no one would object to the words because of the silly, but cute repetitions; and the other level of meaning, known only to the Roman Catholics. To them each element was a symbol of some area of their faith. The song was a tool to help the faithful remember and to teach children.

On the surface, it would appear that the singer tells about her lover who gave all these Christmas presents. But according to the catechetical interpretation, “**My True Love**” is God. “**The Partridge in the Pear Tree**” is Jesus Christ, presented as a mother partridge which feigns injury to decoy predators away from her helpless chicks. The pear tree symbolizes the tree in the Garden of Eden. (I suppose the imagery is there also for the tree on which Jesus hung.)

The hidden meanings of the other symbols are the following:

**Two turtle doves:** The Two Testaments of Scripture.

**Three French hens:** (Beautiful & Costly) The gifts of Faith, Hope, Love

**Four Calling birds:** The Four Gospels.

**Five golden rings:** The first five books of the Old Testament

**Six geese a-laying:** The Six days of creation

**Seven swans a-swimming:** Seven gifts of the Holy Spirit

**Eight maids a-milking:** (Vital nourishment) like 8 Beatitudes

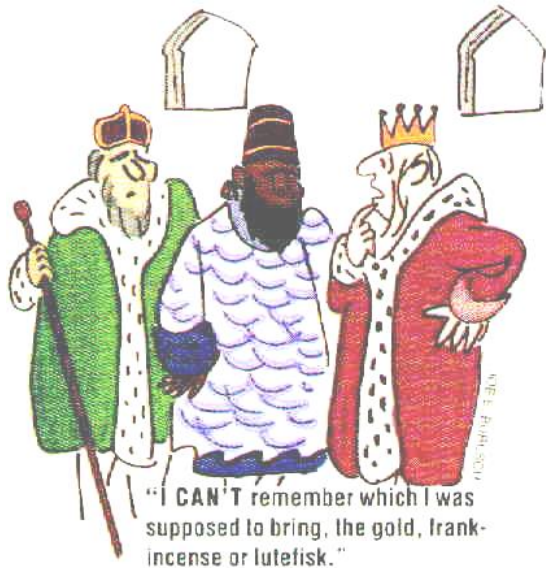
**Nine ladies dancing:** Nine Fruits of the Holy Spirit (Gal. 5:22)

**Ten Lords a-leaping:** The Ten Commandments

**Eleven pipers piping:** The 11 Faithful Apostles

**Twelve Drummers drum-ming:** The 12 Points of the Apostles Creed.

Your Pastor,  
Tim W Muehlbrad



### 2014 Council Members

Don Wieland – President - 564-3677  
Kristin Schustereit – Secretary – 649-0946  
Linda Hurta - Parish Ed - 564-2363  
Clemens Waskow-Stewardship – 275-4095  
Christopher Gohmert – Worship – 579-8803  
Anna Foerster-Christian Life – 935-3798  
Arlen Fehner – Property – 564-2282  
Beverly Feller -Social Concerns - 564-2873  
Lindsay Green – Youth – 491-1078  
Calvin Bruns – Outreach/Evangelism – 564-9115



#### November 11, 2014 Council Meeting

- **Treasurer/Stewardship** – Financials were reviewed. The Stewardship Committee will meet to begin setting up the 2015 budget.
- **Worship** – Christopher reviewed his report and requested approval to have Sarah Woodward conduct the Holy Communion service on January 3 & 4, 2015 while Pastor Tim is on vacation, the request was approved.
- **Property**–Arlen reviewed his report. BASEMENT – the remodel is coming along. A rededication service will be scheduled once the basement is completed. PARSONAGE 1 – new gutters are still needed.
- **Parish Education** – The committee is working on the Christmas program and Sunday school classes will be held in various locations around the education building/sanctuary until the basement is completed.
- **Christian Life** – Anna reviewed her report adding that they are tentatively wanting to schedule Christmas caroling for possibly Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>.
- **Evangelism/Outreach** – A new member Sunday is scheduled for Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>.

- **Old Business** – Annual Report – Constitution – Pastor Tim reviewed wording corrections which will stand approved as rewritten. Nominations – the Nominating Committee will need to work on positions for those whose term is up. Arlen Fehner will not run for a second term; Don Wieland will contact the committee. Budget - Clem requested input from the committees on budget requests.
- **New Business** – Copier Lease – The lease for the copy machine we currently have is up and DeWitt Poth has made several proposals to lease a new copier with the option to purchase the current copier for \$1.00. Pastor Tim recommended we donate the current copier to The Learning Garden and have them contract their own maintenance agreement. A motion was made to lease the Toshiba E-Studio for \$249 per month with a \$1.00 buy back the motion carried.
- **Other Business** – The cemetery custodian, Darwin Sparks, has resigned and the position needs to be filled.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

***Note: A full copy of the minutes may be obtained from the church office***

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## Financial Report

GENERAL FUND	YTD 2014	OCT. 2014
Income	299,277.09	25,700.17
Expenses	(290,827.74)	(25,946.61)
NET	8,449.35	(246.44)
BUILDING FUND	YTD 2014	OCT. 2014
Income	226,551.25	7,419.80
Expense	(150,847.95)	(18,770.76)
NET	75,703.30	(11,350.96)



**CONGRATULATIONS** to Kristin & Roger Schustereit on the birth of their daughter, Sadie Ryanne born October 27, 2014.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to James & Crystal (LeMaire) Zengerle on the birth of their daughter, Emma Grace.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Morgan & John Carriger on the birth of their daughter, McKinley Hazel born November 12, 2014.

## Women of St. Paul

“For unto you is born this day in the city of David a savior, which is Christ the Lord”

Dec. 2, 2014 – 10:00 a.m. - Christmas General Meeting in the Chapel. We will share Christmas music and Devotion. The 2015 Yearbooks and Bible Study books will be distributed. After the meeting, each group will gather for their individual Bible Study. We will rejoin in the Fellowship Hall for a Potluck Luncheon. Anyone interested in the Christmas Card project are welcome to join us in the Meeting Room after lunch.

No Due-Day in December – See you in January, 2015.

We would like to say “Thank You” to all who participated in the Thankoffering Service. Your offerings are greatly appreciated.

Christmas Cheer to shut-ins.

Christmas Blessings to All and have a Blessed New Year.

Trust in the Lord.

Janet Lambrecht, News Coordinator

Blessed Thanksgiving to all.

2015 Offering Envelopes will be available for pick up beginning November 30<sup>th</sup>. Come by the Church Office and Pick Up your envelopes or call the office (564-2135) and make arrangements to receive them.



*Christmas Program*

## **CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**

### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR:**

The Children's Christmas program has been scheduled for December 14<sup>th</sup> during the 9:00 a.m. church service. The program practices have been tentatively set for the two Saturdays before the program – Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> & Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. If your child will be participating in the program please make every effort to have them attend these practices.

A shortened Sunday school will be held at 10:15 a.m. followed by the Christmas Feast at 11:00 a.m.



### **AS WE CELEBRATE THE CHRISTMAS SEASON**

and the gift of the Christ child as our Lord and Savior and as we prepare with gifts for our family and friends, may we honor the work that our full-time staff – Pastor Tim, and Debbie – have done for us this year. The congregation is invited to make gifts to the staff. Checks should be made payable to St. Paul Lutheran. Please write "Staff Gift" on your envelope and/or check. Please make your gifts by Sunday, December 21<sup>st</sup>.

## Care Facility Residents



**Yorktown Manor** –George Balcar, Ruby Bedynek, Leona Brieger, Genell Flessner, Edwina Gaebler, June Nell Garner, Frances Hartmann, Lee Roy Jaeger, Herbert Krause, Joy Krause, Gladys Mueller, Alice Potcinski, Maline Sievers, Melvin Straube, Jean

Striedel, Lillie Urban, William Urban, Alice Weise, Helen Wieland

## **Cuero Nursing & Rehabilitation Center** –

Willis Baacke, Joyce Audilet, Anna Meischen, Steven Sievers

## **Whispering Oaks Nursing & Rehabilitation , Cuero-**

Gladys Wilhelmsen

*\*The church office appreciates your help in keeping this list up to date. Please notify us of any corrections or additions to this list. Thank you.*

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To the Ladies of St. Paul,

Thank you so much for the delicious food and the wonderful fellowship provided at the Presbyterian Fellowship Hall for the family and friends of Twyla Henze Nau. Your sympathy and thoughtfulness will always be remembered.

Blessings,

The Family of Twyla Nau

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The Flower chart for 2015 has been posted on the bulletin board outside the church office. Make sure you get your name beside the date you would like to place flowers in the Sanctuary.

**\* Remember:** Don't forget to contact the flower shop to make arrangements for the flowers.

**NOTICE:** End-of-Year gifts must be in the church office no later than 12 noon on Wednesday, December 31<sup>st</sup> to be posted to your 2014 contribution statements.



Endowment Fund Gifts

**A gift for the Endowment Fund** was given to the Glory of God by Alvin & Mallie Stanchos.

**A gift for the Endowment Fund** was given to the Glory of God and in memory of the Saints of St Paul who are now among the Saints Triumphant: Elle Afflerbach, Frieda Buelter, Marjorie Klaevemann, Lawrence Laging, Roland Lincke, Elizabeth Onken, Deloris Sievers, Maline Sievers, Milan Von Roeder, Leona Wehe and Twyla Nau, by OF & Sue Bolting.

**A gift for the Endowment Fund** was given to the Glory of God and in memory of Twyla Nau & Helen Kraege by Alvin & Mallie Stanchos.



We want to *Thank* Everyone for their prayers, prayer chains, the many prayers and concerns through social media, the food, flowers, books, cards and calls of concern (for Michael) while I was in the hospital in Houston, then at Warm Springs Victoria and after coming home. It was very over-

whelming knowing so many people had joined in praying for my recovery. God answered our prayers working his miraculous healing hand through the many special doctors and nurses who cared for me. Thanks also to all our special family members and friends who were there for us, our neighbors and for all who helped (and all who offered their help) at the Nursery and our home, and for visits, especially from Pastor Tim.

God's Richest Blessings to Each and Everyone of You,  
Michael and Mary Ressman

NOEL HALLELUJAH MERRY CHRISTMAS HAPPY NEW YEAR  
*Noel Hallelujah Merry Christmas Happy New Year*

**CHRISTMAS IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER** and the Social Concerns committee is getting geared up for the Angel Tree. The tree will be up in the church on Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> for you to choose your angels. The spending amount this year is \$35.00.

If you purchase gifts for the children, please have them at the church office (along with the angel) no later than December 12<sup>th</sup>.

If you want to donate money and have us do the shopping do not take an angel. Take the money to the church office by Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>.

We will have the Christmas party for the children on Friday, Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

This is a wonderful ministry for the needy children of Yorktown and an opportunity for St. Paul to open our hearts and bring a smile to a child's face.

Beverly Feller, Social Concerns.





## DECEMBER SEASONS OF WHOLENESS MESSAGE "Holiday Gifts and Traditions"

*"Every good and perfect gift is from above,  
coming down from the Father of the  
Heavenly lights..." James 1:17*

A harried woman and her children were ending their day of holiday shopping. To express her frustration and stress, she stated that whoever created Christmas should be strung up and shot. A bystander brought to her attention that someone had already crucified him. Before you get caught up with your tasks, lists, and expectations, put them into perspective. Ask yourself what you should be celebrating: the hectic, stress-laden, financially burdened holiday season, or the gift of peace and hope.

*"And we have received God's Spirit so we  
can know the wonderful things God has  
freely given us." 1 Corinthians 2:12*



Everyone likes to give gifts at Christmas because it feels good to make dreams come true but remember to give responsibly and within your means. Avoid using credit cards by trimming your gift-giving list, sticking to a budget, buying on sale, or even making your own gifts. Explain to children why you can't buy the latest electronic gadget, Joyful giving does not mean your ruin your credit rating, jeopardize your ability to pay utilities, or cause marital strife from poor finances. Give freely but give within your means.

Even though God gives us all we need for a healthy, happy life, we tend to disturb it by "spending" and "observing" the holiday on human terms. Look at the holiday traps that take up your time. Categorize your holiday tasks as "need to do", "should do", "want to do", and "expected to do". Which ones really address the Christmas spirit? Just because you are invited to attend an event or have habitually participated in an activity does not mean you have to continue with that activity. Prioritize all of your activities. By weeding out those that distract you from the true

meaning of Christmas, you will find less stress and more enjoyment from your choices.

*“Give and you will receive.” Your gift will return to you in full—press down, shaken together to make room for more, running over, and poured into your lap. The amount you give will determine the amount you get back.” Luke 6:38*

Not all gifts are material. Sharing your time with others is a gift that can be given all year round. Look for community agencies or projects that need manpower. Homeless/ abuse shelters, food pantries, meal sites, tutoring projects, hospice programs, Big Brothers-Big Sisters, and many other programs need manpower to provide their services. Research shows that volunteering is also good for your physical and mental health so choose a project, commit your time, and make it a family event. It will improve the lives of others while it reaps unexpected spiritual and family benefits.

*“Be sure to give to the Lord the best portions of the gifts given to you.” Numbers 18:19.*



Advent is a time for hope, peace, joy, and love, not mounds of gifts, chaotic rounds of parties, or copious amounts of food. Consider what has real meaning for you. Is it the Christmas story you heard as a child or its impact on you as an adult? Think about the music of the holiday and how a stirring rendition of “Joy to the World” or a quiet performance of “Silent Night” displays love and peace in a harried world. Do not let commercialism or stress overshadow the gifts of love and sharing that you offer your loved ones. Remember the spirits of Christmas, share your presence with others, reduce your stress, and create meaningful traditions that demonstrate God’s love.

Your Wesley Nurse,  
Kathy Frels, BSNRN

Reference:

Merila, N. & Slutz (2009) Seasons of Wholeness Monthly themes and programming for faith community ministry. Volume VI. International Parish Nurse Resource Center; St. Louis, MO.

## DECEMBER 2014 - SCRIPTURE READINGS & HYMNS

### **Sunday, Dec. 7, 2014 – Second Sunday of Advent**

Opening Hymn: “*Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers*” LBW 25

Hymn: “*Light One Candle*” (vs 1 & 2) WOV 630

First Lesson: Isaiah 40:1-11

Psalm: Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13

Second Lesson: 2 Peter 3:8-15a

Gospel: Mark 1:1-8

Hymn of the Day: “*Prepare the Royal Highway*” LBW 26



Communion Hymns: (1) “*Soon and Very Soon*” WOV 744 (2) “*Blessed Assurance*” WOV 699 (3) “*Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness*” WOV 684

Closing Hymn: “*My Lord, What a Morning*” WOV 627

### **Sunday, Dec. 14, 2014 – Third Sunday of Advent**

Gathering Hymn: “*Fling Wide the Door*” LBW 32

Hymn: “*Light One Candle*” (vs.1,2 & 3) WOV 630

First Lesson: Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

Psalm: Psalm 126

Second Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Gospel: John 1:6-8, 19-28

Hymn of the Day: “*Comfort, Comfort Now My People*” LBW 29

Closing Hymn: “*Prepare the Royal Highway*” LBW 26



### **Sunday, Dec. 21, 2014 – Fourth Sunday of Advent**

Opening Hymn: “*Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Immanuel*” LBW 34

Hymn: “*Light One Candle*” (vs. 1,2,3&4) WOV 630

First Lesson: 2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16

Psalm: Luke 1:47o-55

Second Lesson: Rom 16:25-27

Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

Hymn of the Day: “*On Jordan’s Bank the Baptist Cry*” LBW 36



Communion Hymns: (1) “*From Heaven Above*” LBW 51 (2) “*Your Little Ones, Dear Lord*” LBW 52 (3) “*Let All Together Praise Our God*” LBW 47

Closing Hymn: “*Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus*” LBW 30

## **Sunday, Dec. 28, 2014 – First Sunday of Christmas**

Hymns to be Determined.

First Lesson: Isaiah 61:10-62:3

Psalm: Psalm 148

Second Lesson: Galatians 4:4-7

Gospel: Luke 2:22-40



We keep in our prayers the family and friends of:

**Helen Kraege** – who passed away November 11, 2014. Services were held November 14, 2014.

**Floyd Haun** – who passed away November 13, 2014. Services were held November 17, 2014.

May the power of the resurrection continue to provide them assurance.

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## **Memorial Gifts**

Memorial given in memory of Frieda Buelter – Building

Billy & Wysenda Fischer

Dan Gohmert

John & Dianne Simpson

Carol Edwards

Ruby Braun

Ronnie & Donna Matejek

Sherry Metting

Darren & Tina Koehler

Ann Adix

Evelyn Barfield

Iona Buchhorn

Memorial given in memory of Janet Campbell – Building

Jesse & Linda Hurta

Joyce M Lamprecht

Memorial given in memory of Douglas Dueser – Building

Ann Adix

Mary Lou Gerhardt

Sonny & Betty Ann Seifert

Memorial given in memory of Floyd Haun – Cemetery

Jay & Sandra Heil

Rod & Donna Seidel

Memorial given in memory of Floyd Haun – C.E.M.

Roland & Gail Riedesel

Memorial given in memory of Floyd Haun – Radio

Dr. & Mrs. John Frels

Memorial given in memory of Floyd Haun – Building

Joyce M Lamprecht

Inez Hahn

Sonny & Betty Ann Seifert

Jean Gohmert

Steven & Debbie Kneese

Thomas Kraege

Shirley F Janssen

Dwight & Grace Binz

Robert & Shirley Ibrom

Maurice & JoAnn Reitz

Jim & Judy Noster

Memorial given in memory of Marjorie Klaevemann – Building

Ann Adix

Iona Buchhorn

Memorial given in memory of Helen Kraege – Radio

Dr. & Mrs. John Frels

Memorial given in memory of Helen Kraege – Cemetery

Jay & Sandra Heil

Rod & Donna Seidel

Memorial given in memory of Helen Kraege – C.E.M.

OF & Sue Bolting

John Hurst

Memorial given in memory of Helen Kraege – Building

Melody Josseland, Annette Fowler & Sandra Bynum

Maurice & JoAnn Reitz

Joyce M Lamprecht

Ann Adix

Evelyn Barfield

Glen & Judy Henze

Lance & Keri Mueller

Sonny & Betty Ann Seifert

Arvid & Kitty Sievers

Wm & Debra Niemeier

Ruth & Marvin PettyJohn

David & Donna Styra

Jean Gohmert

Joanie Lytle

Robert & Shirley Ibrom

Don DuBose Family

Caroline Blain

Walter & Cheryl Koopmann

Gary & Lana Podsim

Jesse & Linda Hurta

Keith & Christy Lemke

Bruce & Lauren Jackson

Harold & Janice Tiemann

Jim & Judy Noster

Isabella Barrett

Betsy Schulze & family

Jeff & Drenda Hall

Shirley Jendrzey

Alton & Monica Gwosdz

James & Brenda Nash

Memorial given in memory of Roland Machost – Building

Evelyn Barfield

Iona Buchhorn

Mary Lou Gerhardt

Ricky & Judy Hilbrich

Sonny & Betty Ann Seifert

Memorial given in memory of Twyla Nau – Building

George & Audrey Balcar	Glen & Judy Henze
Thomas & Mary Lou Rabke	Sonny & Betty Ann Seifert
Gracie & Manroy Wolpman	Jane Convery
Robert & Shirley Ibrom	Marlene Fromme
K.C. & Doris Koehler	Lois Strieber
David & Patsy Ibrom	Penny Sievers
Joyce M Lamprecht	Lou & Jo Nell Gips
Victor & Gerry Riske	Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Karnei
Mr. & Mrs. A.R. Berger	B.A. Carson
Mary Lou Gerhardt	Jean Gohmert
Dennis Henze	Bernice Henze
Beth Sievers	Ruby Warzecha
Margie Sims	Joan Wendel
Ray & Gay Guidry	Joe Park
Ann Adix	Iona Buchhorn

Sherry Metting

Memorial given in memory of Twyla Nau – Cemetery

Arvid & Kitty Sievers	Arlen & Kathie Fehner
Jay & Sandra Heil	

Memorial given in memory of Twyla Nau – C.E.M.

Roland & Gail Riedesel	John Hurst
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Memorial given in memory of Milam Von Roeder – Radio

Dr. & Mrs. John Frels

Memorial given in memory of Milam Von Roeder – Building

Jesse & Linda Hurta	Thomas & Mary Lou Rabke
Sonny & Betty Ann Seifert	Gracie & Manroy Wolpman
Of & Sue Bolting	Boyd & Pam Weise
Al & Myrlin Wagner	Mr. & Mrs. Walter Leister
Parker & Elaine Frisbie	Mr. & Mrs. Warner Borth
Gerald & Dorothy Foerster	Ruth & Marvin PettyJohn
Don & Debbie Janssen	Alton Ray & Earlen Jalufka
Lambert & Verda Mae Styra	Bobby & Billie Von Roeder
Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Blackwell	Jean Gohmert
Ervin & Lorene Schley	Margie Sims
Mr. & Mrs. Werger Dohman	Ann Adix
Iona Buchhorn	Irene Wulf



Memorial given in memory of Leona Wehe – Building

Daniel Gohmert

Melissa Stolle & boys

Lillie Metting

Don DuBose Family

Ruby Braun

Ann Adix

Evelyn Barfield

Iona Buchhorn

Memorial given in memory of those in the Confirmation Class of 1951 that have passed away – Cemetery, by Iona Buchhorn

Memorial giving in memory of Anton Mainka, Frieda Buelter, Ralph Egg, George & Velma Stanchos, Randy Stuart, & Georgia Stuart – Cemetery Fund, by The Troy Stuart Family

Memorial given in memory of Ella Afflerbach, Elroyce Metting, Deloris Sievers, Lawrence Laging, Anton Mainka, George Keeling, Felton Schulty, Roy Mueller, & Wilfred Riedesel – Building

Iona Buchhorn

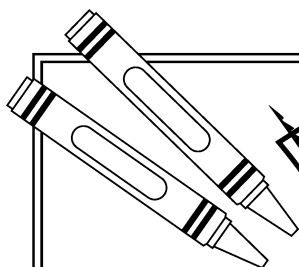
*\*Gifts in memory and in honor of are as of November 20, 2014.*

## "O, Come, All Ye Faithful"

...to St. Paul's Christmas Festival, Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. The Festival begins at 9:00 a.m. in our sanctuary with the Children's Sunday School Program and the Worship Service followed by Sunday school. A catered meal will be offered to all members, their families and guests at 11:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. A free-will offering will be accepted. Members are asked to bring a dessert.



**\*An RSVP is important;** therefore, sign up sheets will be at all church services (beginning November 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup>) or you may call the church office 564-2135.



# PUZZLE

## Born king of the Jews

Matthew 2:1-2 says that after Jesus was born, wise men came to Jerusalem and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews?" Complete the puzzle to discover what they found in Bethlehem.

**Directions:** In the grid below, draw lines by starting at the first number in each list and stopping at the last.



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having Poinsettias placed in the Sanctuary during the Christmas Season. Please complete the form below, make out a check to St. Paul Lutheran Church, and place this form and your check in the offering plate or drop it by the church office.

☐ **POINSETTIA (cost is \$13.50 each)**

☐ **Make a Donation to the Church Building Fund \$\_\_\_\_\_**

~ In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please **PRINT** clearly.

Additional forms are available in the Annex and Narthex.

**Please don't delay – Order today!**

**The office will not be able to accept orders after  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2014**

*Poinsettias may be picked up after the Christmas Day Worship Service. Any Poinsettias left in the sanctuary after December 28<sup>th</sup> will be donated.*

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