

Prince of Peace News and Notes for December 17, 2023

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Serving the Lord and One Another Today: *Ushers:* Dan & Kari Moen; *Greeters:* Randy & DeAnne Otto; *Song leader:* Horstmann Family; *Money Counters:* Lori Peters & Chris Leis.

Serving the Lord and One Another Next Sunday: *Ushers:* Willie & Leatta Danielson; *Greeters:* POP Family; *Song leader:* Brooklynn Scholze; *Money Counters:* Barb Hinds & Debbie Dunnum.

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Our Response to God's Gifts

Attendance last Sunday and Monday: 46

Weekly Budget Need: \$3703.36

December 10 offering: \$2835.00

Special Gifts:

LCMS District Missions for November: \$780.68

2023 Year Total/Missions: \$9483.30

Advent Midweek Services – Advent Midweek continues this Wednesday at 7 p.m. under the theme “Peace to All, Near and Far.” Advent supper begins at 6 p.m.

Wednesday Bible Study on Revelation: Curious on the Book of Revelation? Please join us for the Wednesday morning Bible study! We meet each Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.

Scrip News: You can help support the church by purchasing scrip cards. A percentage of the sales goes back to the church. Cards are for sale weekly in the Fellowship Hall between the worship service and Bible study. Questions or special requests for cards? Contact Barb Hinds or Chris Leis.

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Financial Peace University: FPU is meeting on Monday at 5:30 p.m. Please arrive by 5:15 p.m. For more information, see the newsletter.

Lutheran School Study Team Update: The New Lutheran School Study Team has been informed that Joel Landskroener has been assigned as Consultant for the Study Project. Mr. Landskroener is the Executive Director of Mayer Lutheran High School in Mayer, Minn. Please go to www.mayerlutheran.org to view the school's web site and a newsletter column by him. Mayer is located in Carver County, west of the Minneapolis metropolitan area, about 175 miles from La Crosse. Thanks be to God for this important step in our Study process.

Stewardship Thoughts: 1 Thessalonians 5:18 – “Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.” Christians express their thanks to God in many ways: in prayer, in giving to the Lord’s work, in acts of service to others, in faithful living in their daily callings. Everything we do to honor God in our lives is a means of returning thanks for the Lord’s many gifts to us.

Voters Meeting - There will be a Voters Meeting after our worship service today, December 17. We will be voting on the 2024 budget and officers, as well as committee reports.

Life Thought from Lutherans for Life: Those who believe cannot help but speak. God’s love for every human life has filled our mouths with shouts of joy (Psalm 126:2). We have His permission to give voice to this Gospel in all circumstances and without ceasing (1 Thessalonians 5:17-18). Our time has come to bear witness to the Light (John 1:6-7). Confess and do not deny (John 1:20) the sanctity of life!

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