

Prince of Peace News and Notes for December 24, 2023

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

Serving the Lord and One Another Next Sunday: *Ushers:* Roger & Ginny Emmons; *Greeters:* POP Family; *Song leader:* Holly Ford; *Money Counters:* Ona Childs & Elaine Schmidt.

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Our Response to God's Gifts

Attendance last Sunday and Monday: 54

Weekly Budget Need: \$3703.36

December 17 offering: \$3538.00

Special Gifts:

LCMS District Missions for November: \$780.68

2023 Year Total/Missions: \$9483.30

Christmas Eve and Day – Come and celebrate the Nativity of Our Lord tonight at 7 p.m. with Lessons Carols and the Sunday School program. The Christmas celebration continues tomorrow on Christmas Day with Holy Communion at 9 a.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.

Baby hats knitted and crocheted needed! We will be having a dedication for the hats on Life Sunday January 21st. So please have your finished projects in by Sunday January 21! Our hats will be sent to Mercy Hospital, St. Louis, for newborns who are in need. Thank you so much!

Financial Peace University: FPU will not be meeting on Monday, December 25 and Monday, January 1. The next class will be Monday, January 8 at 5:30 p.m. Please arrive by 5:15 p.m.

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: 2 Samuel 7:4-5 – “But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan. “Go and tell my servant David, ‘Thus says the LORD: Would you build me a house to dwell in?’” Nathan thought David’s idea was great, so he blessed it with the Lord’s name. But later that night, the Word of the Lord set him straight. The Word of the Lord, not our own desires or whims, must be the basis for what we think, say and do in God’s kingdom.

Sunday Adult Bible Study - Today we continue our Advent study based on our midweek theme “Peace Came to Earth.”

Life Thought from Lutherans for Life: Almighty God has profound interest and investment in childbearing and childrearing (2 Samuel 7:12; Luke 1:31). He has made this relationship and vocation central to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Every mother and father, every son or daughter embodies the love of the Lord for humankind. While abortion attempts to conceal the realities, our sanctity-of-life advocacy gets to reveal this delightful mystery. (Romans 16:25).

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