

Prince of Peace News and Notes for January 7, 2024

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Serving the Lord and One Another Today: *Ushers:* Russ & Sharie Brunk; *Greeters:* POP Family; *Song leader:* POP Choir; *Money Counters:* Chris Leis & Debbie Dunnum.

Serving the Lord and One Another Next Sunday: *Ushers:* Roger & Ginny Emmons; *Greeters:* Chris Leis & Barb Hinds; *Song leader:* Horstmann Family; *Money Counters:* Lori Peters & Barb Alsobrooks.

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Our Response to God's Gifts

Attendance last Sunday and Monday: 66

Weekly Budget Need: \$3703.36

December 31 offering: \$3529.00

Special Gifts:

LCMS District Missions for November: \$780.68

2023 Year Total/Missions: \$9483.30

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 will resume on 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: Matthew 3:14 – “John would have prevented him, saying, ‘I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?’” John is right – what Jesus is doing makes no sense! But this is the upside-down, outlandish grace of God: the innocent Jesus takes our sinner’s place. This is the greatest act of giving the world has ever known or will know: the Father gives His Son to die in the place of sinners.

Sunday Adult Bible Study - This morning, we resume our study on Christian Denominations from a Lutheran perspective. Today, we will study the Methodists.

Put Christmas decorations away: Join us after church and Bible study today to help put away our Christmas decorations.

Life Thought from Lutherans for Life: Nothing and nobody comes into existence apart from the will and the Word of the Lord God Almighty (Genesis 1:3). This means God desires the survival of every human life from fertilization to forever. We court great danger if we go against this intent or counsel others to do so (Psalm 29:7-8). Instead let us receive neighbors as blessings and enjoy our Father’s favor (Mark 1:11)!

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