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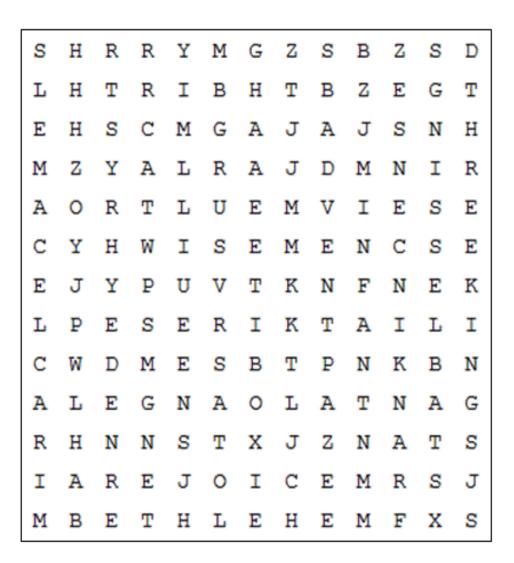
Through Christ we put God first by teaching reaching and loving all!

Christmas Eve Candle light Service 7pm & 11pm Christmas Sunday Service 8am & 10:30am New Years Eve 5pm New Years Service 8am & 10:30am

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## Dorcas Circle ~ Hannah Circle



#### MONTHLY MEETINGS HANNAH CIRCLE: Second Tuesday at 11:00 AM DORCAS CIRCLE: Second Wednesday at 10:30 AM

<u>PURPOSE:</u>

As a community of women, created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society, and the world.

## HANNAH CIRCLE NEWS

Hannah Circle met at the church with 6 members present. Carol Jean Horst led us in devotions. Hallers reported a financial gain of \$26.80 from taking the cans and foil to the recycling center. Hanna Circle thanks you. Hannah Circle will contribute \$50.00 worth of paper products to the Harvest Festival. The Hallers will do the shopping. We have been invited to an advent luncheon at holy trinity Lutheran church in Salem Dec 1st at noon. We plan on attending as we have in the past. Hanna Circle will once again spend \$100 for Christmas gifts for names which will be taken from the local "mitten tree". Carol Jean and Barbie will do the shopping. We worked on the ornaments to be given at the Christmas eve service. Thanks goes to Tracey Byler who organized the project and supervised the workers. Our next meeting will be Dec 13th at 10am. Please continue to collect cans and aluminum for Hannah Circle.

## DORCUS CIRCLE <u>NEWS</u>

We will be cancelling our meeting for the months of December, January, February.

Watch for information about the march meeting it will depend on weather. Holy Trinity luncheon will be on 12/1/16 Marilyn Wire will be taking reservations. This luncheon is open for any ladies of Good Hope who wish to attend. We extend our Holiday Greetings to each one of you!

## **Congregational Meeting**

Loetta motion to accept new council members: Brian Hum, Paul Horst, Jane Peachey, and Jeff Waldele second term.

Ed Peachey 2nd Motion

Need \$3,500 weekly for expenses

Loetta Motion to accept budget w/ amendments for

office supplies not to exceed \$2,500

Sand Kuntz Second Motion

Motion Pass.

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| DATE        | EVENT NAME                    | COLOR | READINGS  | INTRODUCTION  |
|-------------|-------------------------------|-------|---|---|
| Dec<br>4th  | Second<br>Sunday of<br>Advent | Blue  | Isaiah 11:1-<br>10<br>Psalm 72:1-<br>7, 18-19<br>Romans<br>15:4-15<br>Matthew<br>3:1-12 | At the heart of our Advent preparation stands John the<br>Baptist, who calls us to repent and make a new begin-<br>ning. As the darkness increases we turn toward the<br>light of Christ's coming. For Christians he is the root of<br>Jesse, the righteous judge who welcomes all, especially<br>the poor and meek of the earth. We wait with hope for<br>that day when the wolf will dwell with the lamb, and<br>there will be no more hurt or destruction. From the<br>Lord's table we are sent in the spirit of John the Baptist<br>to proclaim that in Christ the kingdom of God has come<br>near.                           |
| Dec<br>11th | Third Sunday<br>Of Advent     | Blue  | Isaiah 35:1-<br>10<br>Psalm 146:5-<br>10<br>Luke 1:46b-<br>55<br>Mathew:11:<br>2-11     | A note of joyful expectation marks today's worship. Isai-<br>ah announces that the desert shall rejoice and blossom.<br>Jesus points to signs of God's reign: the blind see, the<br>lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear. We wait<br>with patience for the coming of the Lord, even as we<br>rejoice at his presence among us this day: in word and<br>holy supper, in church and in our homes, in silent reflec-<br>tion and in works of justice and love. We pray that God<br>would open our eyes and ears to the wonders of<br>Christ's advent among us.  |
| Dec<br>18th | Fourth<br>Sunday of<br>Advent | Blue  | Isaiah 7:10-<br>16<br>Psalm 80:1-<br>7,17-19<br>Romans 1:1-<br>7<br>Matthew<br>1:18-25  | Today Isaiah prophesies that a young woman will bear<br>a son and name him Emmanuel. The gospel is Mat-<br>thew's account of the annunciation and birth of the<br>one named Emmanuel, God-with-us. During these final<br>days of Advent we pray, "O come, O come, Emmanuel,"<br>a beloved hymn based on ancient prayers appointed for<br>the seven days preceding Christmas. On this final Sun-<br>day in Advent we prepare to celebrate the birth of the<br>one born to save us from the power of sin and death.   |
| Dec<br>25th | Christmas<br>Sunday           | White | Isaiah 62:6-<br>12<br>Psalm 97<br>Titus 3:4-7<br>Luke 2:[1-8]<br>8-20                   | On this Christmas morning the people of God gather to<br>celebrate the birth of the Word made flesh, Christ our<br>Lord. Luke recounts the familiar story of shepherds and<br>angels; John's gospel tells of the Word that dwells<br>among us, full of grace and truth. The meaning of<br>Christmas is made clear: the light shines in the darkness.<br>It is in the liturgy that we encounter the Word made<br>flesh—in the people of God gathered together as the<br>body of Christ, and in the meal around the holy table.<br>We go forth to be bearers of light as we proclaim this<br>good news to all the ends of the earth |
| Jan<br>1st  | First Sunday<br>of Christmas  | White | Isaiah 63:7-9<br>Psalm 148<br>Hebrews<br>2:10-18<br>Matthew<br>2:13-23                  | As we celebrate the Twelve Days of Christmas, our gos-<br>pel today confronts us with the death of innocent chil-<br>dren at the hands of Herod. The birth of Christ does not<br>remove the power of evil from our world, but its light<br>gives us hope as we walk with all the "holy innocents"<br>of past generations and today who have suffered un-<br>justly. In our gathering around word and meal, God<br>continues to redeem us, lift us up, and carry us as in<br>days of old.  |

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# **Serving in God's House**

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| SERVING IN GOD'S<br>HOUSE               | December 4th<br>Second Sunday of<br>Advent | Decomber 11th<br>Third Sunday of<br>Advent | December 18th<br>Fourth Sunday of<br>Advent | December 25th<br>Christmas Day | January 1st<br>First Sunday of<br>Christmas |
|---|--|--|---|--------------------------------|---|
| Altar Guild                             | Art & Barb Gray                            | Alice Haller                               | Amber Powell                                | The Hallers                    | Donna Haller                                |
| Acolyte/ Crucifer<br>8:00am             | N/A  | N/A  | N/A   | N/A                            | N/A   |
| 10:30 am                                | Jacob Braham                               | Tyler Haskin                               | Zachary Braham                              | Jacob Braham                   | Tyler Haskin                                |
| Communion<br>Assistant                  | Loetta Haller                              | Kathy Kramer                               | Robin Marino                                | Loetta Haller                  | Kathy Kramer                                |
| Lector 8:00 am                          | Jane Peachey                               | Greg Razo                                  | Nancy Crouse                                | Jane Peachey                   | Greg Razo                                   |
| 10:30 am                                | Andy Tesyk                                 | Ed Peachey                                 | Lee Panneton                                | Loetta Haller                  | Pam Nock                                    |
| Liturgy                                 | Pam Nock                                   | Sandy Kuntz                                | Loetta Haller                               | Kathy Kramer                   | Jane Peachey                                |
| Ushers 10:30 am                         | Ed Smith                                   | Chuck Haller                               | Sonny Schneider                             | Ed Smith                       | Chuck Haller                                |
| Fellowship<br>After 10:30 am<br>Service | Sandy Kuntz                                | Bobby McMurray                             | Art & Barb Gray                             | Amber Powell                   | Kathy Kramer                                |
| Chrema                                  | Tammy Chuey                                | Jeff Hum                                   | Pam Nock                                    | Nancy Barret                   | Tammy Chuey                                 |
| Head counter                            | Ed Smith                                   | Donna Haller                               | John Nock                                   | Sandy Kuntz                    | Ed Smith                                    |
| in bold print                           | Jim Frost                                  | Ruth McMurray                              | Loetta Haller                               | Sarah Deiger                   | Jim Frost                                   |
| 8:00 am<br>Anointers                    | Nancy Crouse<br>Marlene Vavrus             |  |   |                                | Nancy Crouse<br>Marlene Varvus              |
| 10:30 am                                | Nancy Barret<br>Robin Marino               |  |   |                                | Nancy Barret<br>Robin Marino                |
| Flowers                                 | Date Available                             | Date Available                             | Date Available                              | Date Available                 | Date Available                              |
| Communion Bread                         | Helga Wengler                              | Helga Wengler                              | Helga Wengler                               | Helga Wengler                  | Helga Wengler                               |

If you need to exchange dates with someone else, PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE <u>AFTER</u> you have made the arrangements with someone to exchange dates with, so that we many change the office calendar. If you would like to volunteer, please call the office (330-549-2406)

# **BECEMBER**

| Sun   | Mon | Tue | Wed  | Thu | Fri | Sat   |
|---|-----|-----|--|-----|-----|---|
|   |     |     |  | 1   | 2   | 3<br>Worship<br>5pm                                     |
| 4<br>Worship<br>8am<br>10:30am                    | 5   | 6   | 7<br>The Real<br>Chrsitmas story<br>10am<br>7pm    | 8   | 9   | 10<br>Worship<br>5pm                                    |
| 11<br>Worship<br>8am<br>10:30am                   | 12  | 13  | 14<br>The Real Christ-<br>mas Story<br>10am<br>7pm | 15  | 16  | 17<br>Worship<br>5pm                                    |
| 18<br>Worship<br>8am<br>10:30am<br>Harvest Sunday | 19  | 20  | 21<br>The Real Christ-<br>mas Story<br>10am<br>7pm | 22  | 23  | 24Christ-<br>mas eve<br>7pm &<br>11pm<br>Worship<br>5pm |
| 25 Christmas<br>Worship<br>8am<br>10:30am         | 26  | 27  | 28   | 29  | 30  | 31<br>New Years<br>eve<br>Worship<br>5pm                |

## **Our Prayer List**

#### NEW PRAYER CHAIN SYSTEM

Due to One Call we have a new system for the prayer chain. Call If you have a prayer that needs lifted up!

If you would like a One Call sent out just talk to:

Jane Peachey .... 234-567-1461

Or

Church Office .. 330-549-2406

Our weekly Intercessory Prayer for the people of our congregation:

#### **DECEMBER 4**

Dana Wilson Danny Wilson Kay Wilson

DECEMBER 11 Marsha Wilson Paul Wilson Robert Wilson

#### **DECEMBER 18**

Marilyn Wire Jessica Wirkner Mike Wirkner

#### DECEMBER 25

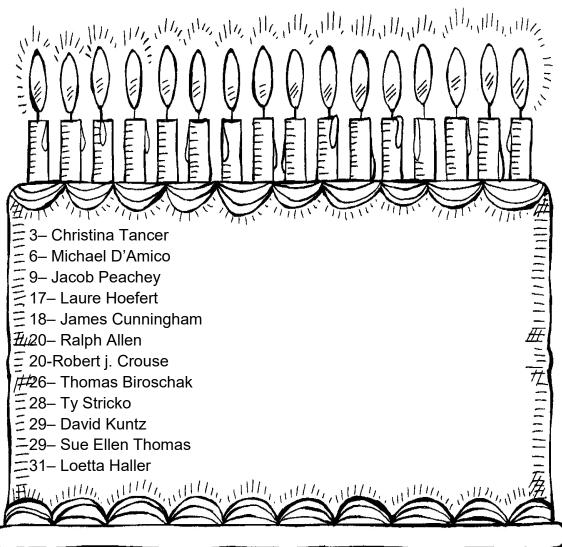
Janice Yoakam Elsie Yokley Brandon Youngs Michael Bartel Shirly Cantwell Mike & Judy Dickey Eric Barret Candi Peachey Jerome Hoeferts Joanna Galagher Joanna Podolsky Joe Kreidler Debbie Stevenson Leon Cassidy

Gail Jaji James Webber Jared Ausnheimer Jimmie Hood Barb Hartsock Pam Fesenmyer Michael Elford Paul Gremlich Noelle Dunlap Paul A Joan Mayberry Liam& Olivia Meggitt



Need

Arden & Jeannie Sauerwein Deb and Joe Dulovich



# **COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

## : Council Meeting:

**Present:** Kevin Barret, Jeff Waldele, Amber Powell, Penny Felger, Pastor Ralph, Tammy & John Chuey, .

Pastor Ralph: Opening Prayer Tom Reeveley of Team Office Technologies talked to council about renting vs buying copy machines

Treasurer's Report:: Tammy Motion to accept, Jeff Second. Motion Passed

Financial Sec. Report: Tammy motion to accept Jeff Second. Motion Passed

Transformation: No Report Pastor's Report: No Report

### Old Business:

Suggestion to charge daycare: No do not charge. Penny motion to accept, Penny Second. Motion passed.

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Treasurer Position" Tami Made a motion to accept Jane & Wendy for Treasurers Position Penny 2nd. Motion Passed.

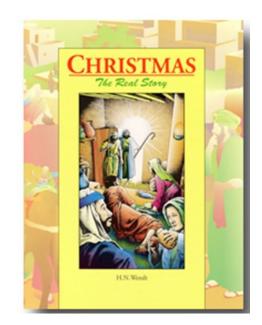
Pastor made a motion to accept minutes, Ed second. Motion Passed Penny Made motion to close meeting, Ed second. Meeting closed.



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# Christmas: The Real Story

The Bible tells a very adult story of Jesus' birth. Social outcasts and Gentiles were honored witnesses; a powerful king became fearful and murderous. This course explores these issues, and reexamines traditional Western assumptions about the first Christmas in the context of Middle Eastern customs and culture.



## When: November 30, December 7, 14, 21, 2016 Where: Good Hope Lutheran Church Time: 10 A.M. & 7 P.M.

|         | Treasu    | rers Repo  | rt September    | 2016               |
|---------|-----------|------------|-----------------|--------------------|
|         | Current   | Prior Year | Current Year to |                    |
|         | month     | Month      | date            | Prior Year to Date |
|         | \$        | \$         | \$              | \$                 |
| Income  | 14,793.11 | 10,583.45  | 129,104.56      | 133,670.78         |
|         | \$        | \$         | \$              | \$                 |
| Expense | 13,713.53 | 13,772.70  | 131,707.70      | 141,987.47         |
|         | \$        | \$         | \$              | \$                 |
| Total   | 1,079.58  | (3,189.25) | (2,603.14)      | (8,316.69)         |

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**Return Services Requested** 

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#### Worship Services

Saturdays—5:00 pm Sundays—8:00 & 10:30 AM Children's Sunday School during 10:30 worship

#### Church Office

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