

January newsletter 2022

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"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places..." Ephesians 1:3

Happy New Year! I am so glad to welcome the year 2022. I am sure the new year will still have many challenges – not the least of which is the Omicron variant of the coronavirus. Nevertheless, I am hoping that this new year will allow for renewed relationships, more interaction (once warmer weather returns), and increased vitality of our ministries at OLLC.

During the November Financial Stewardship Campaign, I shared in a sermon that finances are only one part of our stewardship and that in 2022 we would look at a different area of stewardship each month. I am delighted to introduce you to this month's theme and to give you a preview of the coming months.

January: Our Stewardship of Our Spirituality

February: Our Stewardship of Emotional Well-Being

March: Our Stewardship of Our Intellect

April: Our Stewardship of God's Creation

May: Our Stewardship of Relationships

June: Our Stewardship of Health

July: Our Stewardship of Vocation

August: Our Stewardship of Talents

September: Our Stewardship of Service

October: Our Stewardship of Generosity

November: Our Stewardship of Finances

December: Our Stewardship of Church

There will be reflection questions, video messages, and ideas for nurturing the area of stewardship highlighted each month.

In January, you are invited to deepen your sense of awareness of God's presence in your life, and in our life as a congregation. Nature, art, music, meditation, prayer, Bible and devotional reading, and worship are ways God communicates with us and reveals to us God's intentions for our lives. We might say they are gifts from God. Gifts through which God helps us to center our lives. When we are centered, we are more likely to have both the energy and the focus necessary to engage in relationships with others and with God. As we begin this new year, I wish for each and every one of you a spirituality deep enough to sustain you through all the highs and lows of 2022.

-Pastor Kratzer



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JANUARY SERVICES

Worship Matters: Epiphany and the Sundays after the Epiphany

The feast of the Epiphany concludes the Christmas season. On January 6, Christians celebrate the ways Jesus was revealed to people outside of the people of Israel. The best known story is of the Magi who followed a star to the Christ child. They brought gifts and knelt before this infant in which the glory of God shone so brightly.

The eight weeks following the Epiphany build on the momentum of Christmas. We explore what it means for our lives and our world that the living God has come and is with us. Throughout the season we continue the song of the angels as we use the "Glory to God" each week. In keeping with it being a new year, we will try a few new things within our well known and comforting rhythms of worship.

Saturday Services | 5:00 PM

Sunday Services | 8:00 AM & 10:45 AM

5 pm and 10:45 am services will be livestreamed and available to view on Our Lord's YouTube channel. Outdoor services and 8 am services will not be livestreamed. Not all scriptures listed to the right will be used for Saturday services.

Scriptures for Weekend Worship:

January 1 (Saturday 5 pm)
"This is a Day of New Beginnings"
Ecclesiastes 3:1-13, Revelation 21:1-6a,
Matthew 25:31-46

January 2 (Sunday 8 am & 10:45 am)
Second Sunday of Christmas
"Ordinary and Divine"
Sirach 24:1-12, Psalm 147:12-20,
Ephesians 1:3-14, John 1:10-18

January 8 & 9
Epiphany with Baptism of Our Lord
"A Star to Guide Us"
Isaiah 60:1-6, Matthew 2:1-12,
Luke 3:21-22

January 15 & 16
Second Sunday after the Epiphany
"Saving the Best for Last"
Isaiah 62:15, Psalm 36:5-10,
1 Corinthians 12:1-11, John 2:1-11

January 22 & 23
Third Sunday after the Epiphany
"Identity, Purpose, and Mission"
Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10, Psalm 19,
1 Corinthians 12:12-31a, Luke 4:14-21

January 29 & 30
Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany
"Noisy Gongs, Clanging Cymbals,
and Love"
Jeremiah 1:4-10, Psalm 71:1-6,
1 Corinthians 13:1-13, Luke 4:21-30

BOUNDLESS! YOUTH GATHERING

High School Sunday School & Youth Group

January High School Sunday School Class Schedule: We are currently on winter break and will resume weekly classes on January 9 at 9:30 am in Harry's Hangout.

The 2022 ELCA National Youth Gathering: **Boundless!** will take place in July of 2022 in Minneapolis, MN. OLLC has four of our young women preparing to attend the July gathering in Minnesota. They will be traveling with two of the youth of St Mark, Belleville. Melanie Robison and Pastor Kratzer will serve as chaperones. Past experience has taught Melanie and other metro-St Louis youth leaders that good preparation is the key to having a life-changing experience at the National Youth Gathering. So, we ask you as a congregation to pray for our youth, not just next summer, but starting now. You might focus your prayers on the themes they will be exploring on the 4th Sunday of every month from 3:00 – 5:00 pm as listed below.

January 23 - Boundless Love

February 27 - Boundless Love (continued with service project)

March 27 - Boundless Creation

April 24 - Boundless Forgiveness

May 22 - Boundless Invitation

June 26 - Boundless Promise

July 24 - The National Gathering in Minneapolis begins



All youth in this congregation invited to attend the January 23 through June 26 get togethers. They are being designed for all teens, not just those going to the National Youth Gathering. Locations will be announced in early January.

ANNUAL MEETING - JAN 30, 2021 - 12:15 PM

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on **January 30 at 12:15 pm**. The event will be offered in person in the Worship Center Fellowship Hall, and a large monitor, podcasting microphone, and laptop will be set up so that anyone can participate via Zoom! This will allow everyone to attend in the way in which they feel most comfortable. Zoom information will be sent out soon.

If you are on a ministry team or lead a ministry at OLLC, and have not yet submitted your individual ministry report, please do so at your earliest convenience. Please include the church office in any emailed reports (love2haveu@ourlords.org)

A graphic with a purple-to-pink gradient background. The words "ANNUAL REPORT" are written in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters. Below it, the year "2021" is written in a smaller, white, sans-serif font. The text is framed by white lines that form a partial border.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Restoring Our Lord's House

Look what we have accomplished in a year! Restore Our Lord's House has reached completion (replacement of the AC units and cleaning/sealing of the sanctuary ceiling will be completed at a later time).

The remodeling project began in January 2021 with the removal of the kitchen cabinetry and relocation of all furniture from the narthex, commons, nursery, conference room, Fair Trade Shop, sanctuary and youth room to the fellowship hall. Painting of all spaces occurred late January through February. Flooring in identified spaces was removed and followed with installation of carpet and vinyl, a 3-week process occurring in March. April through May saw the installation of the kitchen cabinets with countertop installation following in June. A defect in the vinyl flooring was found and completion of the flooring was delayed until a new product was received. In late May the defective flooring was removed with new flooring installed. Furniture for the narthex and commons was ordered at the end of July (production and delivery was delayed by several months due to the pandemic). As spaces were completed furniture was removed from the Fellowship Hall and in August the process of remodeling the Fellowship Hall began. The space was cleared, walls painted, old carpet removed, and new carpet tiles installed (thank you Worker Bees for the work on the Fellowship Hall!) -- work completed October/November. In addition to the work completed by CertaPro Painters, Vallow Flooring, Absolute Construction, Buchanan Arts Family, and J & W Plumbing, more than 600 volunteer hours contributed to the completion of Restore Our Lord's House. Wow! It is amazing to see what can be accomplished when we work together.

As with all construction projects there is a punch list of jobs to complete; but the list is very short! The wood tabletops for the commons have been received and will be installed once the new table bases arrive. We received word that the two gliders for the narthex are currently in the finish shop; the remaining oak furniture for the narthex and the commons is still in production. Once all items have been completed shipment will be arranged. The upholstered seating for the narthex is expected in March. Your patience throughout the remodeling process has been greatly appreciated!

The capital campaign for the remodel began at the end of 2020; funds raised exceeded **\$109,500**. The remodel was projected to cost **\$116,500** (excluding sanctuary ceiling & AC units). Additional unplanned projects were undertaken during the remodel yet the project still came in under budget and well within the dollar amount raised! Look for a final report on the remodel in the Annual Report.

Thank you for your prayers, your financial support, your time and your patience during the remodel. OLLC can now move toward a future with a renewed focus on community, ministry and sharing God's love.

EVENTS

Three Kings Saturday Children's Event

Saturday, January 8, 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm, Worship Center

Treasure Hunt, Baking Bread, Drama, Singing

Cady Thomas and Pastor Kratzer will lead this fun filled two hours. The children will also practice a short program titled "New Star" for the Sunday 10:45 am service on January 9.

SOS SOUP KITCHEN

OLLC will be supporting the Collinsville Spirit of Sharing (SoS) January 13 at St John's. We will be preparing a Taco Casserole and salad for take out. To make this happen, we will need to gather on Wednesday evening, January 12, to assemble the casseroles. The hamburger needed for the meal will be provided through an earlier donation. The ingredients needed to prepare the casseroles will need to be at the Church kitchen by 3:00 pm on Jan 12. A sign up sheet for food and volunteers will be posted in the narthex in the next few days.

Thanks - Gail

These are the needed materials:

- 10 cans black beans
- 10 cans refried beans
- 8 lbs shredded Cheddar cheese
- 4 bags large Doritos
- 6 bags traditional taco chips
- 5 cans diced tomatoes
- 3 lbs yellow onion
- 6 cans kidney beans
- 15 lbs fresh tomatoes
- 4 bottles Catalina salad dressing

*Thank you for supporting
the SOS Soup Kitchen!*



EDUCATION MINISTRY

Questions Bible Study

Mondays at 10:00 am

This study explores the topic of "Thinking About Religion And Violence." It looks at the factors involved in the increase in religious violence, including the history of religious violence, its multiple manifestations, its scriptural justifications, and how its perpetrators perceive the world.

We are currently on winter break and will resume Bible study on January 3.

EDUCATION MINISTRY CONT.

Bible Crunchers

Wednesdays at 5:00 pm

The thread this group will trace through the Bible in January is the image of rock. From the stone Jacob uses as a pillow in Genesis to the gemstones in the book of Revelation, we will explore both the serious and the humorous ways in which scripture uses rock. We may also pull out some favorite praise songs and hymns that are foundational for our understanding of God as our rock.

In case of inclement weather, we will meet on Zoom. Both an outline for each week's session and the Zoom link will be sent out each Wednesday a few hours before the class.

We are currently on winter break and will resume Bible study on **January 12**.

Morning Glories Bible Study 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month at 10:00 am

"The kingdom of God: What does it mean for God to be in charge?"

by the Rev. Mark Allan Powell

New Testament scholar Mark Allan Powell looks at a widely used biblical image and invites us into a discussion of what it might mean for Lutheran women today. The phrase "kingdom of God" and similar expressions turn up repeatedly in sayings of Jesus, so understanding what that expression means helps us to make sense of numerous parables and popular Bible passages (including the Lord's Prayer). Powell is author of the world's best-selling New Testament textbook and editor of the Harper-Collins Bible Dictionary.

January: Beautiful feet: Announcing the reign of God – The prophet Isaiah said, "How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of one who announces, "Your God reigns!" No one has ever fit the description better than Jesus, who talked more about the reign of God than he did about anything else. We will ask, what would it mean for God to be in charge of our lives? And why would that be good news?

Confirmation

Sundays at 9:15 am

Our January Schedule (no class Jan 2):

January 9: Baptism Of Our Lord - Gospel Overview (Ed Foppe)

January 16: Epiphany 2 - Baptism/Wilderness (Ed Foppe)

January 23: Epiphany 3 - Miracles Of Jesus (Ed Foppe)

January 30: Epiphany 4 - Hard Sayings Of Jesus & Annual Congregational Meeting (Ed Foppe)

Confirmation Class is currently on winter break and will resume on January 9.

Adult Bible Study

Sundays at 9:15 am

This study addresses the question of "How Jesus Became God." The course covers the transformation of Jesus from Jewish preacher to Lord God within its historical context, looks at the focal points of Jesus's ministry and whether he considered himself divine, examines the key event that promoted the idea that Jesus was God, and will study the Christian theological persuasions of the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th centuries.

We are currently on winter break and will resume  our Bible study on January 2.

EDUCATION MINISTRY CONT.

Elementary Sunday School

Sundays at 9:30 am

Elementary Sunday School (Pre-K – 5th grade) will be meeting in person at the Life Center (in the front office area) weekly at 9:30 am. Weekly kits are available to pick up at the Life Center during the week. We are currently looking for donations of individually pre-packaged snacks (cookies, crackers, etc.), construction paper, glue sticks, and other miscellaneous craft supplies.

Sunday School is currently on winter break and will resume on January 9.

FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Serendipity Book Club

Our next meeting will be **Monday, January 24 at 11:30 am** in the Life Center conference room. Bringing your lunch is optional. We will be reading "Just As I Am" by Cicely Tyso. The meeting will also be available on zoom for anyone who may find that more convenient.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86728416039?pwd=NVI2VGh2QmU5NVJ2czZFd24xUVMUT09>

Meeting ID: 867 2841 6039 Passcode: 388782

Tuesday Tea



Time: 3:00 PM Central Time - every week on Tuesday. All are welcome to join us for conversation.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86839398550?pwd=cTZUVi8ycjNJS296ZnZ4U3ErTGtwQT09>

Meeting ID: 868 3939 8550 Passcode: 511171



MUSIC

OLLC Chancel Choir

Time: Thursdays 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Performances: 2 Sundays a month

Location: Worship Center

Resumes: January 27, 6:00 pm



OLLC Handbell Choir

Time: Thursdays 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Performances: Monthly on the 3rd Sunday

Location: Worship Center

Resumes: January 27, 7:00 pm



COUNCIL BRIEFS

Your Church Council held its regular monthly meeting on Monday, December 6. Listed below are two of the highlights of our meeting. A link to the approved minutes for this meeting will be in next month's newsletter.

- Much discussion took place regarding a tentative budget for 2022. Revisions and additions of various line items found in Income and Outflow were considered. Budget amounts will be revised as additional commitment cards are received and an ending financial statement for 2021 becomes available.
- A motion to address much-needed changes to our constitution passed. A motion to officially change the name of Steering Team to Ministry Support Team in our bylaws also passed. Changes will be implemented pending a vote of the congregation at our annual meeting in January.

Our next Council meeting will be held on Monday, January 10. Please contact any of the Council members (Pastor Darla Ann, Laura Schoenecker, Linda Hester, Max Eakin, Dana Callahan, or Tom Steinmann) if you have any concerns that need to be addressed.

A link to the approved minutes from the previous month's Council meeting is provided below.

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1z6-pRPlzs_xN05Rk91DIs27VbgZcff5t?usp=sharing

WORKER BEES

*Worker
Bees*

Worker Bees will not meet in January. The next meeting and breakfast is on **Saturday, February 5th** at the Red Apple. If you plan on attending, please confirm by email or text to Steve Hoelscher.



BUILDING USE POLICIES

Masks are currently required during indoor worship services, meetings, and other gatherings. You may sit wherever you want during worship services. Spaces in the Worship Center and Life Center Buildings may be reserved for group meetings by contacting our Administrative Assistant, Olivia, via phone or email (listed below) and we ask that you continue to disinfect the space after your group has used it. We will continue to update building usage policies in accordance with national and local safety guidelines regarding COVID-19.

Reserve your space: (618) 345-5692 or love2haveu@ourlords.org



FAITH IN ACTION

Hello, Partner Churches:

The Christmas season is fully upon us, and I've heard from many of you about your preparations for the celebration marking the birth of Jesus. The churches I've visited look beautiful! At Faith in Action, we've continued providing many services such as assisted transportation, yard clean up, smoke detector servicing, and minor home repairs. Currently, we are helping a client get her furnace repaired. Imagine trying to keep your home warm with only space heaters! We've also provided a social event for our clients most at risk for social isolation. We want to make sure they don't feel lonely, and with generous donations, we provide them with engaging activities at least once a month at our offices or at local sites. Thank you again for your support this past year.

1. Collinsville Faith in Action will be taking orders for delivery of single flowers on Valentine's Day. For a \$5 donation, our volunteer drivers will bring a flower and a personalized note from you to addresses in the Collinsville, Maryville, and Caseyville area. You'll surprise and delight friends, your spouse, children, grandchildren, neighbors, and pastor. If you prefer, we can deliver a flower to one of our many clients residing in an assisted living facility. Free delivery! Please call us to place your order for flower deliveries: 618-344-8080. All orders are due by Friday, February 11.
2. Our parent organization, St. John's Community Care is hiring Adult Day Program Aides. These part-time positions require compassionate and loving people who assist Adult Day participants with activities, snacks, crafts, and games on a Monday through Friday schedule. Program Aides help participants gain a sense of belonging, self-worth and dignity while earning a salary and paid vacation time. Call St. John's Community Care at 618-344-5008 for more information or to apply.
3. CFIA is seeking bi-lingual (Spanish) volunteers. We will work around your availability!

In gratitude,

Lisa Ciszczon Brennan | Executive Director

FINANCIAL NEWS

Total receipts for November 2021	\$24,519 (anticipated budget amount of \$30,583)
Total expenditures for November 2021	\$33,005 (anticipated budget amount of \$31,748)
Total receipts for 2021 as of 11/30/2021	\$344,273 (anticipated budget amount of \$336,413)
Total expenditures for 2021 as of 11/30/2021	\$415,649 (anticipated budget amount of \$349,228)
Mortgage principal paid in November 2021	\$4,533
Total mortgage paid in 2021	\$34,151
Remaining principal on mortgage	\$41,280
Cash - Unrestricted	\$18,358 (CD \$25,000 matures in December 2021)
Cash - Designated	\$68,137

The above receipts and expenditures includes the Restoring Our Lord's House campaign, VIF/BOOM, and designated "pass-through" gifts.

REMINDERS

PRAYER LIST - Please let Olivia know if you would like to add a new person, remove a current person, or change the status of anyone on our prayer list.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE - Reminder: Newsletter Deadline (to submit articles for December's Newsletter): Tuesday, January 18.

WHEN YOU HAVE CHANGES - Please let the church office know of changes to e-mail address, mail/resident addresses, telephone numbers, job, college, graduations etc.

PRAYER VENTURES - Two pages of monthly prayer support for ELCA ministries are available in printed copy in our Worship Center and Life Center or accessed at www.elca.org/prayerventures

CENTRAL SOUTHERN ILLINOIS SYNOD (CSIS) WEB SITE: www.csis-elca.org

ELCA WEB SITE: www.elca.org

If you would like to receive text message updates regarding outdoor services, special events, and emergency notifications such as cancellations, you can now sign up for Remind. Simply follow the instructions below to be added to our list.

To sign up for updates regarding Saturday services, text **@ollcsat** to **81010**.

To sign up for updates regarding Sunday services, text **@ollcsun** to **81010**.



ANNIVERSARIES & BIRTHDAYS

Birthdays

Joseph Smithies	Tim Nyland
Jeremy Lange	Justin Orr
Gary Sides	Jo Steele
Denise Cigliana	Alexander Peterson
Bob Rinkel	Jim Spencer
Mike Williams	Sue Kramer
Nicole Spencer	Karen Hammond
Rebecca Reynolds	Cash Barnett
David Gocken	Brittney Mihalich
Rhonda Comrie	Erik Larsen
Donna Beauchamp	Nicole Soehlin
Beth Giese	Lynn Lang
Drew Klingsick	Teagan Short

Anniversaries

Ronald & Becky Garrison
Dennis & Bonnie Eberle
Robert Valentine & Kris Pineda
Bob & Georgia Rinkel
Greg & Susan Perkins



MINISTRY SUPPORT TEAM

The December meeting of the Ministry Support Team included a video and discussion on collaborative leadership, looking at the budget requests and regular annual spending for the ministry areas we support, and receiving reports from our team members. At our next meeting, Lyn Kampwerth, Ed Foppe, and Laura Foppe will complete their terms of service on the Team. (Ed and Laura have actually given an extra year as we restarted the team and anticipated hiring a new coordinator of member ministries.) Many, many thanks to Lyn, Ed, and Laura for their dedicated support of our members who are engaged in hands-on ministry in so many areas.

FAIR TRADE SHOP

Happy New Year From The Fair Trade Ministry!

The Fair Trade Ministry and I want to thank everyone for the ongoing support over the last year. Dealing with COVID and the slowdowns, you continue to be true Supporters of the Fair Trade Ministry. Your purchases, no matter how small, help support the small farmers and artisans around the world. With this being the second year without the much larger Our Lord's Christmas Store, our Shop has continued to do well. I truly enjoy the compliments from members and friends, as well as those from the Equal Exchange and SERRV staff when I speak with them. When I talk about our numbers, see the smiles on peoples faces when I either bring in something new or I deliver their orders, it is heartwarming. As of writing this article we have done over **\$1100** for the month of December and over **\$7700** for the year. As of the end of January, we will be celebrating three years since the ribbon cutting by Pastor Park of the Fair Trade Shop.



Due to supply and demand, as well as shortages of artisan ability, many items sold out early with the suppliers. I also found out that many artisans were not able to survive the slowdown. We will continue to do our part with our ministry to help as many as we can. In the New Year, I look forward to more events to support not only Our Lord's ministries, but local crafts as well.

As usual, visit the shop often looking for NEW items and NEW catalogs. Keep your eye on our Facebook page for regular posting from me when something new comes in. Never hesitate to contact me if you have any requests or questions.

Yours in Christ,
Mike Williams

PRAYER CONCERNS

PRAY FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS

Harleigh Johnson	Chad Baczewski
KC Jensen	Holle
Angel Lipham	Deborah Lichtenwalter
Ron Mueller	Dylana Carlson
Tracy Sides	Warren Carlson
Bonnie Isom	Matthew
Luella Meyer	Mary
Craig & Jo Albright	Mark Wollin

PRAY FOR OUR CONGREGATION

Kim Payne	Matt Gross
Dan Homes	Nancy Lutz
Linda Spencer	Dave Gocken
Jim Lemke	Mary Olsen
Bill Davidson	Don Simonson
Lisa White	Andrew Kassing
Karen Tilashalski	Terry Menz
Georgia Rinkel	Tim Schoenecker
Brian Kassing	

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE GRIEVING

Family and friends of: *JoAnn Downs* *Vicki Cojocar* *Ben Szakacs*

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL

Lance Cpl. Clayton Campbell
Major James Carmichael
Capt. Blake Crosby
Airborne Ranger Keegan Crosby
Staff Sgt. Tyson Crosby
SPC Bill Homes
Charles Homes
Zach Huff
SrA Lucas Maue
John Meyer
Zachary Neubauer
Amador Ochoa
Josh Pace
Scott Prengel
Jake Randall
Jack Scoles
PFC Eric Shelton
Staff Sgt. Skipper Smith
Sgt. Matthew Spencer (Ret.)
Staff Sgt. Stephan Spencer
Erica Webb, US Private E-3

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

The pledges for VIF/Boom for 2022 equal the amount owed on the mortgage.



If everyone is able to fulfill their commitments, we will be debt free by 2023!



Once again, our talented group of musicians, guest musicians, music leaders, camera operators, sound technicians, and video editors came through for us! Christmas at Our Lord's was filled with joyous music. We give thanks to God for all those who generously give of their time and talent each year. They uplift and enrich our worship experience!



LOOKING AHEAD

February

- First Day of Black History Month, Feb 1
- Presentation of Our Lord, Feb 2
- Valentine's Day, Feb 14
- Newsletter Deadline, Feb 15
- President's Day, Office Closed, Feb 21
- Transfiguration of Our Lord, Feb 26-27

March

- First Day of Women's History Month, Mar 1
- Ash Wednesday, Mar 2
- Holden Evening Prayer starts, Mar 9, 16, 23, 30
- Daylight Savings Time Starts, Mar 13
- Newsletter Deadline, Mar 15
- St. Patrick's Day, Mar 17

April

- Holden Evening Prayer, Apr 6
- Palm Sunday, Apr 10
- Maundy Thursday, Apr 14
- Good Friday, Apr 15
- Easter Eve, Apr 16
- Easter Sunday, Apr 17
- Easter Monday - Church Office Closed, Apr 18
- Newsletter Deadline, Apr 19

Mark your calendars for these upcoming events and special observances. All events are subject to change due to COVID-19.

OUR MINISTRY TEAM

OLLC Staff

The Rev. Dr. Darla Ann Kratzer, Pastor

Olivia Cross, Administrative Assistant

Joseph Lama, Director of Non-Traditional Music

Cady Thomas, Director of Worship Music for Sundays and Special Services

Dr. Rhonda Comrie, Organist

Matt Gross, Streaming Tech

Jenna Lathrom, Sound

Church Council

Tom Steinmann, President

Dana Callahan, Vice President

Dr. Laura Schoenecker, Secretary

Dr. Max Eakin, Treasurer

Linda Hester, At Large

The Rev. Dr. Darla Ann R. Kratzer, Pastor

LTCMA

Dr. Laura Schoenecker

(Council Representative)

Dr. Rhonda Comrie

(Steering Team Representative)

Brian Henderson

Mike Hester

Stacie Kirk

The Rev. Dr. Darla Ann Kratzer

Ministry Support Team

Ed & Laura Foppe, Steering Team Coordinators

Lyn Kampwerth (Education)

Dr. Rhonda Comrie (Fellowship)

Matt Blind (IT)

Carol Orr (Service)

Kalony Short (Worship)

Fair Trade Store

Mike Williams
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Sunday School & VBS

Lisa White

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Facebook

Olivia Cross (*interim*)



What 3 things are you most excited to do in 2022?

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Ice Skating Party



“STEP” INTO THE NEW YEAR

Make this craft to remember God’s many blessings.



What you need:

- Small stones
- Permanent markers
- Foil pan and cooking spray
- Drop cloth
- Gloves
- Quick-set concrete (and adult help)
- Bucket and paint stirrer

What you do:

1. After reflecting on the past year, use markers to decorate stones with memorable words, dates and drawings.
2. Spray pan with cooking spray. Set pan outside on a drop cloth.
3. Wearing gloves, mix concrete in a bucket, according to instructions.
4. Pour concrete into pan. Smooth top with paint stirrer.
5. Press in stones, handprints and other decorations.
6. Let dry completely. Remove from pan.
7. Place the stepping-stone outside as a reminder of God’s continued goodness.

JANUARY CALENDAR

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

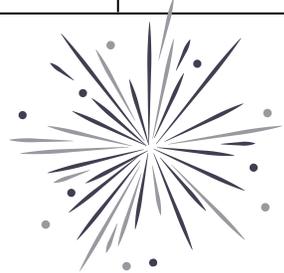
Saturday



						1 New Year's Day Christmas 2 5:00 PM Worship: In-Building Praise Service
2 Christmas 2 8:00 AM Worship: In-Building Traditional Service 9:15 AM Adult Bible Study 10:45 AM Worship: In-Building Traditional Service <i>Winter Break For Youth Education Classes</i>	3 10:00 AM Questions Bible Study - LC 3:00 PM Music Lessons, C. Thomas - WC	4 3:00 PM Tuesday Tea - Zoom 4:00 PM Music Lessons, C. Thomas - WC 7:00 PM NAR-ANON - LC Conference Room 7:00 PM Narcotics Anon - LC Basement	5	6 Feast of the Epiphany 4:00 PM Music Lessons, C. Thomas - WC	7 Pastor's Sabbath 3:00 PM Music Lessons, C. Thomas - WC	8 Baptism of Our Lord 8:00 AM Un-greening of the Church 1:00 PM Childrens' Epiphany Event 3:45 PM Praise Band Practice 5:00 PM Worship: In-Building Praise Service
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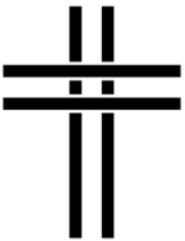




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