

NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 13, 2023



New Church Directories are now available! Pick your copy up from the welcome table in the Narthex.

Due to a printing malfunction with our envelope supplier, the 2023 offering envelopes have not arrived. Please feel free to use the pew envelopes for your weekly offering. They can be found in the pews each Sunday or on the Welcome Table in the Narthex.



On Tuesday, February 7th we are kicking off game time! We will meet at the church at noon for lunch and games. Pack a lunch and beverage and enjoy some fellowship and learn a new game! You are welcome to bring your favorite game, but do not have to bring a game to participate. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall from noon to 2 p.m. Questions? Call or text Susan Arcuri at 704-965-4232.



Finding Connections at Word at Lunch!

Did you know that the story in the New Testament is mirrored by the prophecy and history of the Old

Testament? Word at Lunch is a group that meets weekly to find the common threads in the upcoming worship liturgy, connecting the scriptures and the Psalms together. It's like solving a riddle and adds more depth and meaning to the upcoming sermon! Join us at noon on Tuesday, January 10th where we will uncover these linked threads! If you'd like to work in advance the scriptures are: **Isaiah 9:1-4, Psalm 27:1, 4-9 & Matthew 4:12-23.**

Coming up This Week...

- Sunday, Jan. 15—8:15 a.m. Traditional Worship
- 9:15 a.m. Adult Sunday School
- 10:15 a.m. Contemporary Family Worship
- 5 p.m. Cub Scouts
- Monday, Jan. 16—Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
- Tuesday, Jan. 17-- 8:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
- 12 p.m. Word at Lunch
- 5:30 p.m. Table Talk
- 7 p.m. Boy Scouts
- Wednesday, Jan. 18 —6 p.m. WNH
- 6:45 p.m. Handbells, 7:30 p.m. Choir
- Thursday, Jan. 19—6:30 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting

Live stream link for Sunday's Service at 10:15 a.m.: <https://youtu.be/3SPdeWdOcJM>
If you miss the live stream, watch your email for the link to the to be sent out Sunday at 12:30 p.m.

Save the Date!

Scout Sunday is February 5 @ late service. All Boy and Girl Scouts are invited to wear their uniforms and participate in Service. If your child is a Scout, please email Coury O'Donoghue for more information couryjackson@gmail.com

DO NOT BRING IN DONATIONS FOR THE YARD SALE! WE WILL LET YOU KNOW WHEN YOU CAN START DROPPING OFF ITEMS.



Time and Talent is Back!

Time and Talent is about connecting your interests and abilities with activities in the church that might further enrich your life. Yes, it's true, we do need people who can run and manage activities and events. But having an interest in something doesn't mean you'll be asked to lead or over commit yourself. We understand you have a personal life, too. What's most important is that you feel fully supported to grow in your faith with your church family. Take the Time and Talent Survey here or pick up a copy in the narthex! We need the surveys completed by January 29th. Survey link is here: [Time and Talent Survey](#)



Daily Bread! The Collection Continues!

We've had a fantastic year with Daily Bread! In 2022 we collected over 2,800 pounds of non- perishable food for local food pantries! Our cumulative total is now 4,757 pounds! We will continue collecting for this ministry in 2023, so grab a bag from the narthex or bring in your own! The average monthly collection is 250 pounds, let's make it 300! 50 pounds more of food a month is only 5 more bags! Our next collection date is **Sunday January 15th!**



Operation Sandwich Workshop:

Sunday, January 22nd!

Roof Above feeds over 800 homeless every day through their Operation Sandwich program. The Community Care Team has signed up Cross & Crown Lutheran to make 300 sandwiches for the homeless on Sunday, January 22nd between worship services (9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.). This event is open to everyone in the congregation! Come join us before or after your worship service in the Fellowship Hall where we will put our hands to work and help those in need.

Call Committee Update

The call committee is in the midst of initial interviews with the candidates that were submitted to us by the NC Synod staff. This interview process will continue over the coming weeks. Please keep our committee and candidates in your prayers during this time of discernment.