



The Bulletin Board

Messiah Lutheran Church – 1200 Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068
December 15, 2019 – The Third Sunday in Advent



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*Pray for those in the military...*MM Paul Newell (Navy), Andrew Bailey (Army), Nathan Moore (Navy)

Sunday, December 15, 2019 – Sunday, December 22, 2019

Sun.	Third Sunday in Advent/Cookie Sale
	8:00 Traditional Communion Service
	9:30 Contemporary Communion Service (Children's Christmas Program)
	9:30 Adult/Children Sunday School
	11:00 Traditional Communion Service
	2:00 Birthday Party (Jones – FH)
	6:00 Bell Choir (Sanctuary)
	6:30 Pack Mtg. (FH)
Mon.	9:00 ESL Class (FH/Nursery)
Tues.	9:00 ESL Class (FH)
	6:00 GS Troop 1652 (FH)
Wed.	9:00 ESL Class (Nursery)
	10:00 Senior Saints (Fritz Hall)
	11:30 Pastor's Class (Nursery)
	5:30 Messiah Night Fellowship Meal (FH)
	6:00 VIP Choir (Sacristy Lounge)
	6:00 Whole Again Group (Teacher's Lounge)
	6:30 Adult Education (Fritz Hall)
	6:30 Confirmation (1180)
	6:30 Children's Ministry (SS Room)
	7:30 Advent Service (Sanctuary)
Thurs.	6:30 Men's Breakfast (Scrambler Marie's)
	9:00 ESL Class (Nursery/FH)
	2:00 MCS Board Mtg. (Conference Room)
	6:15 GS Troop 726 (FH)
	6:30 Den Mtg. (Room 117)
	6:30 Reynoldsburg Art Forum (1180)
	6:30 Dartball (Grace)
	7:00 Women of Song (Fritz Hall)
	7:30 Chancel Choir (Fritz Hall)
Fri.	MCS Christmas Program
	6:15 Cub Scout Pack 277 Den 5 (Fritz Hall)
Sat.	9:30 Praise Band (Sanctuary)
Sun.	8:00 Traditional Communion Service
	9:30 Contemporary Communion Service
	9:30 Adult/Children Sunday School
	11:00 Traditional Communion Worship
	4:30 Men's Chapel Chorale (Erni's house)

MESSIAH NIGHT
Wednesday, December 18, 2019

5:30pm Fellowship Meal – Linguine with Meat Sauce, Salad Bar, Fruit Salad, Specialty Salad, Cottage Cheese, Applesauce, Sundae Bar

Kid-Friendly Meal

VIP Choir – Ages 3 – 5th grade meet in the Sacristy Lounge at 6:00pm. Children's Ministry

Whole Again – Meets in the Teacher's Lounge at 6:00pm. Our book study is "*A Journey Through Grief*" *Life Beyond the Broken Heart*. Led by Lois Beery.

Children's Ministry - Kids gather for worship, hearing a Bible story, and playing fun games at 6:30pm (Room 110)

Adult Education – 6:30pm in Fritz Hall – *Old Testament Echoes in the Gospel's Birth Narratives* led by Reverend Dr. E. Wray Bryant.

Holden Evening Prayer – a beautiful music-filled Wednesday Night worship service using Holden's Evening Prayer at 7:30pm.



We welcome Pastor Tim Kuenzli to worship this morning. Pastor Tim retired after serving as Senior Pastor at Epiphany Lutheran in Pickerington. In those years, we became friends. Beyond a love for Jesus, we share a passion for running, golf, cigars and hairstyles. Pastor Tim will be preaching for us once or twice a month in 2020 and leading two five week bible studies on Messiah Night. We are grateful for the gifts he will bring.



The Children's Christmas Program, A Christmas Window, will be presented at the 9:30 service

this morning. Thank you Betsy and Lori for your hard work, and thank you to our talented children.



birthday.



Al Smith, Sally Schonhardt, Taylor Dickert, Terry Moore, Susan Ferguson, Janet Bartholomew, Julie Barbee, Dale

This morning's altar flowers are given to the glory of God and are presented by Elaine Malzahn in memory of her husband and parents, and from Glenn and Kim Harris in honor of Glenn's birthday and their grandson Edwards's

Please keep in your prayers... Kimberly Beery, Meg Reidler, Susan Franklin, Lauren Blake, Holly Hessler, Julie Searls, Jennifer Solt, Susie Kleeh,

Thank you for not bringing any food or drink except water into the sanctuary.



Breakfast with Santa 2019 was so much fun! It was wonderful to see the joy in all the children's faces! Thank you to all of the volunteers who made the event possible! I especially want to thank Dave Long: our cook, Paul Sheridan: our photographer, and my BWS committee: Melanie Heim, Lori Gulling and Janeen Smith-Hughes. We had **130 children and their families join us!**



It's finally here!!

Cookies, Cookies, All Homemade!

Stop by and get your delicious cookies from 8:45 am - noon or as long as they last this morning. A large box is \$20 and a medium \$12. There will also be some candy and snack packs available. We will be happy to hold your paid purchases while you go to worship.

2020 Offering Envelopes are in the Welcome Center. Please pick yours up this morning. If you do not find yours please call the church office at 614-866-4386.

Praise Him, sun and moon; Praise Him, all stars of light! Psalm 148:3-6.

Whole Again will be hiding stars all over the church with messages of peace and preparation. Find them and take them home for your tree or give one to a friend.



The Memory Tree is in the Prayer Corner again this year. Whole Again will have two sign-up posters: In the Welcome Center and in the Fellowship Hall

Please PRINT your name and phone/txt, then PRINT carefully your loved one or ones' names for whom you grieve. We will put their names on ornaments, and then place on the

tree. You may take them home after a few days to enjoy at home. Please remember to sign up because we have one less week of preparation this year. May God bless your memories. Love, Whole Again



The Outreach Team's collection of gloves and mittens for our friends at Hope and First English Lutheran Churches concludes today. Please bring your donations and hang them on the tree this morning. Thank you for your support.

2021 Youth Gathering

Have you been thinking, "Maybe I want to go the Youth Gathering in 2021, and I'll be in High School the fall of 2020"? If you have any thoughts about this, here are the next steps. Get a sign-up sheet in the Welcome Center and hand it in (see instructions on the sheet). Sign up for the Remind group dedicated to this event. Select which mandatory introduction meeting in January, that you will attend. Now, does this commit you? Nope, it just tells us that you are thinking about it. It's going to be a great, faith filled journey!

Confirmation Christmas party will be held Wednesday, December 18th at 1180! Watch for a flyer coming home.



Altar Flower Chart – The flower chart for 2020 is on the bulletin board across from the church office. Please stop by and sign up for a Sunday, or two or three.

We order two arrangements per Sunday. The cost is \$20 per arrangement. You can also sign up for Eternal Candle for the month (\$15).



➔ The Senior Lunch Bunch is taking a break in December. **No luncheon this month.** We look forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday, January 28, 2020.

➔ The last day checks will be written this year is Monday, December 30. If you have check requests please turn them in to accounts payable no later than Sunday, December 29.



Every year our congregation relies on strong giving in the month of December. The offering in December supports the ministry of our church

all year long. I know this December will provide another generous outpouring of wealth to support our work together. Some of our retired members share mandatory withdrawals from their IRA that can be given without tax penalty to the church. If these sorts of gifts, or any other need to be reported as received in 2019 for tax purposes, please give that gift on or before Sunday, December 29. I am encouraged and thankful for the financial support of all my brothers and sisters in Christ.



Please share the insert in today's bulletin with friends, neighbors and family members. Invite them to join you for one of our Christmas Eve Services.

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