



Elim Lutheran Church

The Messenger

DECEMBER 2019

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A word from Pastor Amy Kay...

Advent!

This is such a delightful season in the church as we ready for the annual remembering of the birth of Jesus. Everything starts over fresh for us on Sunday, December 1, because the first Sunday in Advent marks the church's New Year. We follow the Revised Common Lectionary for our study and worship and this month takes us back to the very beginning: Year A! (Year A has a heavy dose of the Gospel of Matthew.) All kinds of fresh starts!

This season brings songs that we only get to sing during Advent, Christmas and Christmastide... and they are good ones! Lead us on, Allan and Jackie! The Choir brings beautiful anthems of the hope we can find in the baby Jesus. The sanctuary is adorned for the season and although I've not seen it yet at the writing of this note, I'm sure it is lovely. We get to do things together that we only do during this season: prepare for and serve the masses at the Swedish Supper, enjoy the kids leading us with their Christmas Program, carol on a hay rack ride (SO FUN!), and worship at 6am (whoa.). There are so many good things that are special to this season! It's a most wonderful time of year... and also, for many of us, it evokes a complicated mess of emotions.

If we've lived long enough to experience loss, this time of year can also feel heavy. We may *want* to have a childlike sparkle about the joy of the season, but we are also sitting in grief, sadness, worry, regret, or whatever other emotions we have presence in our soul to be able to name. We might not yet know what we are feeling, but we just feel off. The way we are able to experience the special things of this season may not be how we used to and that can be so stinkin' hard.

My hope for us all, friends, is that we can allow ourselves to feel however we feel in these times. Let's try to accept it all and just breathe. We are complicated people who are capable of complex emotions. We can look outside and appreciate the beauty of the falling snow but then wish that our kids were still small and begging to go out to make a snowman. Loneliness can waft down on us with the snowflakes as our kids are now far away and busy with their own families. We can sing "O Come, All Ye Faithful" with gusto and then need to pause to let our tears fall because we don't have our mother sitting with us in the pew any longer. We can leave from the Christmas Eve service with a big, warm heart and with it then enter our empty home with sadness that we are now alone.

God created us as amazing human beings with the ability to feel deeply. We can feel joy, wonder, and thanksgiving mixed with lament, hurt and emptiness. May we accept all of who we are in this season, every

bit of ourselves, just as God accepts and loves all of who we are. May we show our friends and families abundant grace as they experience this season as they are able to do so. Thanks be to God for the newness, hope and enchantment of the season along with everything else it brings to our whole, complicated selves.

May this Advent season be exactly what you need it to be.

See you in church and on the hay rack ride – Amy Kay



Please keep in prayer: Frank Rock, Callie Rost (Mari Loder's sister), Norm Yenkey (Mari Loder's father), Ebba Nelson, Twila Lindfors, Diane Deckard, Deb Rush, Glenda Julian, LeAnn Everhart, Mary Sommerfeld, Jill Timmons, Mindy Nicholson, Nathan Gray (Lana Rock's great nephew), Rhonda McEachern (Rita Brown's sister), LaReta Olson, Debbie Brown, and our deepest sympathy to the families of Eleanor Lundquist and Steve Stockham.

Elim strives to extend the power of prayer to those who feel they would benefit from it. New prayer requests will be taken at any time. Contact Pastor Amy Kay at 573-808-1980 or email amykay@connectedfairtrade.com, or Wally Bunk, or email elimsec@gmail.com. Please note that the list will renew every three months on April 1, July 1, Oct. 1, and Jan. 1. Names will be removed unless there is notification to keep them on the list. Thank you.

MEMBERS: Please review the prayer list and notify the church secretary if names no longer need to be listed. Thanks!



ANGEL TREE

Isn't it a wonderful feeling when we know how we can best help another person and we can even do it anonymously? The Angel Tree is a community-wide effort to quietly connect children who could use a little extra loving during the holidays, with donors who would love to be able to give.

If you are willing and able to be a quiet angel for a child in the community, please look at the descriptions of need on the Angel Tree in the back of the sanctuary. You're welcome to take the angel ornament with the description of the child that fits you best. If you and some of your friends would like to join up to adopt, please do so! If you would like to give for more than one child and would like them to be in the same family, the wings of the angels are color-coded to indicate households.

Please bring your gifts to the church on or before **December 15** so that they can be distributed before Christmas. You are most welcome to have the gifts wrapped, but please make sure your angel ornament is attached to the top of the gift. If possible, please attach the receipt for the gift also.

It is nice when children in the same household receive gifts that are similar in amount. From what my colleagues in the Ministerial Alliance have shared, gifts are typically in the \$50-60 range.

Thank you for your consideration,

Amy Kay



WELCA NEWS

WELCA, with the help of all our congregation & friends, made it another special month of November. We focused on welcoming our new pastor - Amy Pavlovich and her two sons, Sebastian and Atticus – with a “meet and greet” on November 9, 2019 after church along with a potluck lunch. It was enjoyed by over 100 friends and members of the congregation. Pastor Amy Kay was installed as our pastor by PMA Wally Bunk during the morning service. We all feel Elim’s prayer was answered and we have an awesome match for our membership.

We are also preparing to attend BETHLEHEM REVISITED, by Grace Baptist Church of Manhattan, Kansas on **December 8, 2019 at 5:10 (20 persons) & 5:20 p.m. (14 persons).** Drivers have all volunteered, and here are some details you might want to know:

- 1) **ALL** meet at Elim by **3:30 p.m.** to make sure everyone is there and in their assigned cars;
- 2) The tour takes about fifty (50) minutes, and we will only be 10 minutes apart from starting and ending the tour;
- 3) You will be **outdoors** for the entire journey so plan to wear layered, warm clothing, shoes should be sturdy and comfortable; gloves and/or mittens are recommended;
- 4) There are only **two upholstered carts to assist guests who believe they cannot walk the distance** – we have to let the Welcome Center know IF this is needed;
- 5) The **directions to Bethlehem Revisited** begins at Keats Park. Keats is located 5 miles north west of Manhattan, Kansas. From Manhattan, follow Anderson west to the town of Keats.
- 6) Diane Talbott (or Jackie Larson) will have the group ticket for the first 20 persons; JoAn Lindfors will have the group ticket for the second 14 persons.
- 7) IF people want to meet afterwards, we could consider eating at IHOP or Cracker Barrel in Junction City. It’s on the way home!

“Facts: No red carpet....Just trails of hay and dirt. No dignitaries....just the residents of the stable. No gold lined crib...just a hand-hewn wooden manger that the sheep and donkeys had been eating from. Yet in the presence of these simple creatures the God of the universe was born. Guests who visit Bethlehem Revisited will experience the story that comes to life, as they trudge the paths, smell the ‘reality’ of a barnyard, hear with their ears the crowd in the inn, the donkey’s bray....the simplicity of the greatest event of all times, the incarnation of our Savior. For some, it may be the very first time that they have heard or seen this message; for others it is the first time their imaginations have been baptized with the truth of Incarnational Reality; for others it is simply a time for their imaginations to be stirred once again into a sense of worship of the One they serve. The birth of Christ is more than a historical event; it has crucial relevance for every man, woman and child.

“This event includes a cast of nearly 100 costumed people, live animals, and narration played out on a farm in the Flint Hills of Kansas. It begins for the guests as they arrive at the Welcome Center in Keats Park, Keats, Kansas. There they will be met by hosts who will direct them into a heated building where they will be welcomed with hot chocolate, homemade cookies, and live music. From the Welcome Center guests will take a short bus ride to the farm where their guide and his assistant will lead them on their approximately 40 – 50 minute walk through the Flint Hills of Kansas.

“Come listen to Moses, David, Isaiah and others foretell the coming of the King. Walk through the crowded street of Bethlehem where vendors are oblivious to the momentous occasion of your visit. Come see the busy innkeeper and the young pregnant couple who were denied residence by him. Watch the angels tell good news to shepherds. Come witness the empty cross and the open tomb and hear the next chapter of the story.”

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US FOR THIS AWESOME TOUR!!!

CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS FROM OUR TABLE TO YOURS

WELCA supports our community and surrounding communities in need this Holiday Season. If you were unable to put together a **Thanksgiving Blessing Box**, try a **Christmas Blessing Box!** The **Christmas Blessing Box** will be donated to the Food Bank on **DECEMBER 22, 2019.**

If you are unable to deliver yourself, bring to church on **December 21st & WELCA will deliver.**

December 1 ----Box of cereal	December 12 ----Canned beans
December 2 ----Peanut butter	December 13 ----Box of crackers
December 3 ----Can of green beans	December 14 ----Package of oatmeal
December 4 ----Boxed potatoes	December 15 ----Package of rice
December 5 ----Macaroni and cheese	December 16 ----Spaghetti sauce
December 6 ----Canned fruit	December 17 ----Chicken noodle soup
December 7 ----Canned tomatoes	December 18 ----Tomato soup
December 8 ----Can of carrots	December 19 ----Can of corn
December 9 ----Dessert mix	December 20 ----Can of mixed vegetables
December 10 ---Jar of applesauce	December 21 ----Can of peas
December 11 ---Canned sweet potatoes	December 22 ----Can of tuna

On November 17, 2019 WELCA had the Riverview Sing-along with special music by Emilie Snapp, daughter of Jeremy Snapp. The residents always love having children, so if any person(s) has children, grandchildren or friends that want to join our Sing-alongs and/or do a musical number for the residents, just let JoAn or Jackie know, and we will add you to one of the **third Sunday of each month at 4:00 p.m.** We have had a good showing from other members of the community and Elim. Keep it up.

President: JoAn Lindfors; Vice-President: Diane Talbott; Secretary: Jackie Larson; and Treasurer: Cindy Bunk.

~ CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES ~

Church Council – Met November 4, 2019. Discussed rental of parsonage to couple from Elkhart, KS. Council voted on Swedish Supper proceeds. A congregational vote to decide use of proceeds will be December 1, 2019 [originally planned for November 24]. Upcoming events at Elim were also discussed. Rev. Amy Kay reported that the Community Thanksgiving Dinner, sponsored by the Ministerial Alliance, would be held Sunday, November 24 at the American Legion.

Worship & Music: No meeting. Allan Lindfors announced that decorating the church for Christmas will take place Sunday, November 24 following worship service. Lessons and Carols will be either December 15 or 22.

Finance & Stewardship: No meeting. Need to determine allocation of rental property payments.

Evangelism: No meeting. Meeting scheduled for November 18 to explore ideas to provide community outreach and attract new members.

Social Ministry: No meeting. Committee agreed no further Thanksgiving project was needed due to WELCA project with Blessing Boxes.

Christian Education: Met October 16. Amy Kay shared her ideas for Sunday School and previous experiences at other churches to help us promote attendance and learning.

Property: Met November 7 to replace water heater at parsonage. Garbage disposal was also replaced at parsonage earlier in week. Discussed replacing bulbs in choir room and kitchen with LED bulbs for better lighting.

Memorial: No meeting. Notified re: purchase of laptop and software for Treasurer. Committee needs to approve use of funds for said purchase.

Security Committee: No meeting. Scott Feil reported that security cameras at front of church are working, and that the committee is working on the purchase of crash bars for church doors.

Next meeting to be held on December 2 at 6:00 p.m.

CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS AT ELIM

73rd SWEDISH SUPPER **Wednesday, December 6** **5:00 PM**



The Elim Lutheran Church continues its traditional Swedish smorgasbord the first Wednesday of December. This is Elim's main fundraiser and requires each and every member to contribute food and time to prepare and serve the traditional Swedish foods: Swedish meatballs, Lutfisk, potato sausage, Ostkaka, brown beans, rye bread, Swedish tea rings and cookies, turkey, potatoes and gravy, corn casserole, Ostbond cheese, and pickled herring, to name a few. Work and food assignments have already gone out to our members. If you are able to help during the day on Wednesday, please notify Linda Johnson at (785) 826-5544. There is always a need for more help during the day. Committee members are: Linda Johnson (chairperson), Beth Thomas, Doris Schultz, Jayleen Sellhorn, and Kayley Fleming. Thank you for all your help in making this a success each and every year.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Sunday, December 8
11:00 AM



Please join us for the annual Sunday School Christmas Program to be held during the worship service. The Sunday School department will present their small children parts and sing Christmas songs. The older children will present the pageant "Glory to God in the Highest". They are working very hard, and we know that you will enjoy seeing the children give their rendition of the birth of Jesus! We hope to see you there!!

Children will be rehearsing during Sunday School for the next 3 Sunday's (November 24, December 1, and of course, December 8). We hope you have been helping your children learn their lines and practice their songs. The Christian Education Committee will be serving a soup lunch in Fellowship Hall following the program. Free will donation will be taken for youth projects.

CHRISTMAS CAROLING

Sunday, December 15 – 3:30 PM

Hosted by the Marquette Ministerial Alliance. Please join us at Elim at 3:30 PM to go caroling throughout the community, with a stop at Riverview Estates. Meet back at Elim at 5:30 PM to share a soup supper with members of the Marquette United Methodist Church.

CHRISTMAS LESSONS AND CAROLS

Sunday, December 22 – 11:00 AM

Performed by the Senior Choir, directed by Allan Lindfors

The service of Lessons and Carols will be given on Sunday morning during worship service. This will be an hour of lessons about the birth of Jesus, as well as the congregation joining in to sing familiar Christmas carols. Songs will be presented by the Senior Choir, Men's Group, Women's Group, Mixed Quartet, and Trio, with solos throughout. We know you will be blessed by the singing and hearing of God's word. Don't forget Sunday, December 22 for a service filled with music and God's message.



CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE
Monday, December 24 at 4:00 PM

JULOTTA
Tuesday, December 25 at 6:00 AM



Julotta means Christmas morn in Swedish. This special service features the Senior Choir singing the Swedish Anthem “Ara” in Swedish, and the lighting of individual candles as the congregation sings “Silent Night”. The congregation arrives in the dark, and leaves the church to witness sunrise. Julotta reminds us that the light overcame darkness when our Savior was born. Bring family and friends and take time to remember the real reason for the season.

YOUTH GROUP

YOUTH NEWS: Congratulations to Ryenne Cunningham, a junior on the Central Plains Oilers Volleyball team. Her team won the 1A State Volleyball tournament. Ryenne was also selected for the 1A State Tournament team.

YOUTH GROUP are currently selling **Elim Lutheran Church t-shirts** with the phrase “Be the Light” printed on them as a fundraiser for their mission trip in March 2020. Ask any of the Youth Group for an order form. The t-shirts come in gray or teal, with sizes ranging from Youth Extra-Small to Adults 4XL. They are being sold for \$15 – \$23 (depending on size). Pay in advance and make checks payable to Elim Youth Group. Support our Youth Group by purchasing one or more for you and your family and friends. THANK YOU!!

The Youth Group is also selling refreshments for the Free Family Bingo following the Marquette Parade of Lights on **Saturday, DECEMBER 7**. Bingo begins at **6:00 PM**, and is held at the Marquette American Legion. The Youth Group will be selling hotdogs, chips, and drinks. Bring your family for the fun and food!

Be watching for information on another **Community Youth Sleepover/Babysitting Clinic** tentatively scheduled for **Saturday, December 21**.

And don't forget to mark your calendars for the annual **Valentines Dinner** prepared and served by the Youth Group **February 15, 2020!**

PLEASE NOTE: There will be **no Youth Group, Confirmation Class, or Senior Choir practice Nov. 27 or Dec.4** (due to Thanksgiving and Swedish Supper, respectively). The last Youth Group meeting for 2019 will be **December 11**.



A BIG THANK YOU to those members who provided Youth Meals in November:
Nov. 6 – Carylee Nelson and Patty Kolling, Nov. 13 – Kris Hudson, Nov. 20 – Marci Fox
We truly appreciate your time and generosity!

2020 Communion Set-up/Clean-up and Bread Volunteers

Please note that there are not bread bakers listed for every month. The recipe is large and the extra bread is stored in the freezer for future use. When no bread baker is listed, bread will be used from the freezer.

Thanks so much to all who have agreed to serve in this way.

January 5

Set-up: Andi Willems & Whitney Weaver

Bread: Jayleen Sellhorn

February 2

Set-up: Charlotte Knackstedt & Jayleen Sellhorn

February 26 - (Ash Wednesday)

Set-up: Jackie Larson

March 1

Set-up: Beth Thomas & Carol Jones

Bread: Carol Jones

April 5 - (Palm Sunday)

Set-Up: Sandra Myers & LeAnn Everhart

Bread: LeAnn Everhart

April 9 - (Maundy Thursday)

Set-up: Darryl & Diane Talbott

April 12 - (Easter)

Set-Up: Jackie Larson

Bread: Lois Johnson

May 3

Set-up: Dana & Julie Olson

Bread: Julie Olson

June 7

Set-up: Allan & JoAn Lindfors

Bread: Cindy Bunk

July 5

Set-up: Cynthia & Mike Hulse

August 2

Set-up: Adam & Hannah Jones

Bread: Jackie Larson

September 6

Set-up: Kayley Fleming & Gayle Nelson

October 4

Set-up: Sandy Edwards

Bread: Sandy Edwards

November 1

Set-up: Brooke Olson & Pam Morel

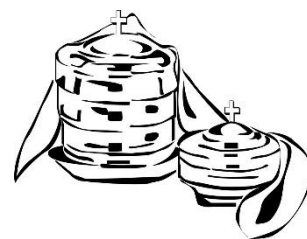
December 6

Set-up: Betsy & Curtis Patrick

Bread: Sharon Chandler

December 24

Set-up: Jackie Larson



2019 USHER SCHEDULE



JANUARY, MAY, & SEPTEMBER

Craig Larson – Captain, Peter Hamma, Brandon Hulse, Wayne McBride, John Myers, Dana Olson, Curtis Patrick, Gregory Nicholson, Don Miller, and Beau Boughfman.

FEBRUARY, JUNE, & OCTOBER

Scott Johnson – Captain, Randy Jirak, Scott Feil, Bob Jones, Monte Loder, Joel Nelson, Linn Nelson, Steve Patrick, Kenny Talbott, and Tyler French.

MARCH, JULY, & NOVEMBER

Wally Bunk – Captain, Matt Hedberg, Gail Lindstedt, Barry Nelson, Morris Nelson, Darryl Talbott, Jeremy Snapp, Brady Jones, Shayne Fox.

APRIL, AUGUST, & DECEMBER

Adam Jones – Captain, Matthew Everhart, Ken Hedberg, Greg Hopp, Terry Hopp, Mike Hulse, Ron Larson, Noah Lindfors, Fred Peterson, Brad Windholz, and Logan Windholz.

SERVING THE LORD IN DECEMBER

ACOLYTES:

- 1 – Ethan Able, Dawson Feil
- 8 – Jakob Feil, Dawson Feil
- 15 – Keira Mullen, Raven Caesar
- 22 - Lily Boughfman, Abbie Hudson
- 24 – Emma McBride, Jake Loder
- 25 – Emma McBride, Jake Loder
- 29 – Emma McBride, Jake Loder

ALTAR FLOWERS:

ALL MONTH – Silk poinsettias on the altar until Epiphany

GREETERS:

- 1 – Scott and Linda Johnson
- 8 – Kelly Larson
- 15 - _____
- 22 - _____
- 29 - _____

LECTORS:

- 1 – Hannah Jones
- 8 – Kayley Fleming
- 15 – Curtis Patrick
- 22 – Wally Bunk
- 24 – Wally Bunk (Christmas Eve)
- 25 – Gayle Nelson (Julotta)
- 29 – Jackie Larson

COMMUNION SETUP/CLEANUP:

December 1 - Setup: Curtis & Betsy Patrick
Bread: Sharon Chandler
December 24 – Setup: Jackie Larson

COMMUNION ASSISTANT:

- 1 – Wally Bunk
- 15 – _____
- 24 - _____

CHILDREN’S SERMON:

No Children’s Sermons this month (due to Sunday School Christmas Program and Lessons and Carols).

RIVERVIEW SING-ALONG:

- 15 – Jackie Larson, WELCA

RIVERVIEW BIRTHDAY PARTY:

December 27 –Donna Patrick, treat provider
_____, helper

COFFEE HOSTESS:

- 1 - _____
 - 8 - _____
 - 15 - _____
 - 22 - _____
 - 29 - _____
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COFFEE HOST/HOSTESSES ARE NEEDED! Please sign up in the kitchen if you are interested. Just bring a snack and plug in the coffeepot at 9:30 AM for fellowship at 10:30 AM. THANK YOU!

USHERS:

Adam Jones – Captain; Matthew Everhart, Ken Hedberg, Greg Hopp, Terry Hopp, Mike Hulse, Ron Larson, Noah Lindfors, Brad Windholz, Logan Windholz

GREETERS NEEDED!!!

FOR THE FOLLOWING DATES:

Dec. 15, 22, and 29. If you haven’t greeted yet this year, or are willing to do it again, **PLEASE sign up on the bulletin board. THANK YOU!**



November 3: Given by Tom and Cathy French in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

November 17: Given by Tom and Cathy French in memory of friends and family.



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1	Carly Kolling
1	Diesel Sellhorn
2	Peter Hamma
4	Marti Bauer
4	Steve Coney
6	Gail Lindstedt
6	Frankie Brown
7	Rusty Young
7	Susan Hamma
8	Matthew Larson
9	Conway Patrick
10	Randy Jirak
10	Vernon Olson
11	Jake Coney
14	Steve Patrick
14	Makaela Hedberg
16	Sandy Larson
20	Monte Loder
22	Kendall Hopp
24	Erik Weber
25	Tom Spohn
30	Beth Thomas
31	Carol Jones
31	Alan Gasper
31	Melissa Wheeler
31	Megan Loder

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

28	Mr. and Mrs. Russell Malm	16 years
28	Mr. and Mrs. Linn Nelson	29 years
31	Mr. and Mrs. Monte Loder	34 years
31	Mr. and Mrs. Jay Everhart	30 years
31	Mr. and Mrs. Kurtis Sjogren	10 years

PLEASE NOTIFY THE CHURCH SECRETARY at elimsec@gmail.com if the dates or anniversaries are incorrect, or one needs to be added or subtracted. THANK YOU.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

The Evangelism Committee needs your help! Are you willing to donate 1-2 dozen cookies to help share Elim's good news and blessings with the community? The Evangelism Committee will be passing out free coffee, hot chocolate, and cookies before and after the annual Parade of Lights on **December 7 from 3:00-6:00 PM**. They will be set up in front of 105 N. Washington Street (previously the Rusty Tin). If you would like to donate your time or your cookies, please text, call, or e-mail Kelly French at 785-643-0964 or frenchkelly@hotmail.com. THANK YOU!!

NOTE: Be watching for upcoming events that the Evangelism Committee has planned for **January and March 2020!**

Monthly Financial Report

[As presented at Church Council Meeting 11/04/19]

Beginning Balance as of 10/01/19:	\$ 28,250.96
Revenue:	\$ 7,391.45
Expenses:	\$ -6,723.70
Ending Balance as of 10/31/19:	\$ 28,928.71

LOOKING AHEAD TO 2020

ANNUAL MEETING

The Elim Lutheran Church annual meeting is scheduled for **January 26, 2020**. PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND. Your input is essential. You will have the opportunity to vote on new council members, and to sign up to participate throughout the year (as lector or greeters, or by providing altar flowers, or helping with coffee and fellowship or WELCA visits at Riverview). It's all important. All committee reports are due in the church office **January 13**. **Please put this on your calendar for 2020!** It's a great beginning.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Please notify the nominating committee if you or someone you recommend would be interested in serving on the church council. Contact Matt Hedberg, Dorine Cunningham, Hannah Jones, Scott Johnson, or Rita Brown.



Elim Lutheran Church Calendar for DECEMBER 2019



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 First Sunday of Advent Sunday School – 9:30 AM Junior Choir – 10:20 AM Coffee & Fellowship - 10:30 AM Worship w/ HC - 11:00 AM Congregational Meeting – following worship	2 6:00 – Church Council Meeting	3	4 73rd Swedish Supper 5:00-8:00 PM	5	6	7 Marquette Christmas Celebration Evangelism Booth 3:00-6:00 PM BINGO w/ Youth Group serving @ 6:00 PM
8 Second Sunday of Advent Sunday School - 9:30 AM Practice for Christmas Program Coffee & Fellowship - 10:30 AM Sunday School Christmas Program- 11:00 AM SOUP LUNCH FOLLOWING BETHLEHEM REVISITED – Leave at 3:30 PM	9	10	11 Bulletin Deadline 6:30 PM – HS Youth Group & Confirmation Class Meal 7:00 PM – Youth Group & Confirmation Class 7:30 PM – Senior Choir	12	13	14
15 Third Sunday of Advent Sunday School – 9:30 AM Junior Choir – 10:20 AM Coffee & Fellowship - 10:30 AM Worship w/ HC - 11:00 AM 3:30 PM - Community Christmas Caroling 5:30 PM – Soup Supper at Elim w/ UMC	16	17	18 Bulletin Deadline 7:00 PM – Confirmation Class 7:30 PM – Senior Choir	19	20	21
22 Fourth Sunday of Advent Sunday School – 9:30 AM Junior Choir – 10:20 AM Coffee & Fellowship - 10:30 AM Lessons and Carols - 11:00 AM	23 <i>Messenger Deadline</i>	24 CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE – 4:00 PM	25 CHRISTMAS JULOTTA SERVICE 6:00 AM	26	27 2:00 PM – Riverview Birthday Party	28
29 First Sunday of Christmas NO SUNDAY SCHOOL Coffee & Fellowship - 10:30 AM Worship - 11:00 AM	30	31 NEW YEAR'S EVE				KEY: HC = Holy Communion HS = High School