

# OUR SAVIOUR LUTHERAN CHURCH

## NEWSLETTER

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January 2020



### Church Council

Church Council meets Sunday, January 5th, following service.

### Ladies' Guild

Ladies' Guild meets on Thursday, January 9th, at 7:00 PM at the church.

### Voters' Meeting

There will be a Voters' Meeting after church on Sunday, January 19, 2020. Officer election and budget adoption are on the agenda.

### Potluck

There will be a potluck following service on Sunday, January 19. Please bring a dish to pass.

### Thank You

Thank you to Sharon Klinger and Tracie Popejoy and to all who helped for doing such a beautiful job of decorating the church for Christmas.

### Thank You

Thank to all who bought gifts that helped to provide a Christmas for the needy children. Thank you to Roger and Diane Sholl for delivering the gifts to the school.

### Epiphany's significance

The church season of Epiphany begins on January 6 each year. The name comes from the Greek word epiphaneia, meaning "to appear, to show or to manifest." The ending date of the Epiphany season is determined by Ash Wednesday, which is determined by the date of Easter.

Traditionally, Epiphany Day marks the arrival of the Magi, or wise men, to worship the infant Jesus. The significance of Epiphany for Christians is that it symbolizes the first recognition of Christ by Gentiles, or non-Jews.

The season of Epiphany emphasizes the divine nature of Jesus, the light of the world. Symbols for the season include light, a star and the color green, which represents life, growth, hope and eternity.





The Family of Lou Ann Lyons  
The Family of Sharon Sutherland  
D.J. Padden—great surgery outcome  
Carolyn Myer—broken nose, migraines,  
fibromyalgia  
Donna Klinger—healing from broken hip  
Mary Boehk—healing from surgery  
Julie Rupley—heart problems  
Scott Jackson—congestive heart failure  
Helen Meyer—healing of wound on foot  
Dee—going through a divorce and needs a  
place to rent  
George Bridge—continuing recovery of  
cancer  
Dr. Leland Wolf—heart attack  
Anthony Turowski—congestive heart  
failure

Dawn Nichols—flesh eating bacteria on her  
arm  
Ray & Cathy—to have a healthy baby  
Gloria Spencer—recovery from stroke  
John Boehk—strength  
Juanita Kunkle—dementia & physical  
problems  
Grayson Rupley—sensory disorder  
Margaret Runnells—broken leg  
complications and cancer  
Allison Stickel—health & anxiety issues  
Jim—dementia  
Diane Jackson—blood clots  
Pat Waldfogel—broken wrist and knee  
problems  
The safety of the unborn  
Our Saviour Lutheran  
Missionaries

## Thank you

I want to thank everyone who has been so kind and helpful in the past year. I could not have made it thru the year without your help and prayers. God has truly sent me all of you as my Guardian Angels. I am so glad Elwood and I chose this church when we moved from South Lyon. We may be few in numbers but you are mighty in heart. God bless all of you and I can never thank you enough!

Love, Gloria

## Love in action

Martin Luther King Jr., whose life and legacy we honor this month, spoke often about the power of love. In fact, he equated the practice of nonviolence with “absolute commitment to the way of love.”

Love, declared the minister and activist, “is the only force capable of transforming an enemy into a friend.” And, he said, anyone who’s “devoid of the power to love” is “devoid of the power to forgive.”

King distinguished between true love and “empty sentimentalism,” however. He taught — and showed — that love is “the active outpouring of one’s whole being into the being of another.”

Jesus’ sacrifice on the cross is the ultimate “active outpouring” of love, and we can choose to follow his example daily.

“Because of Calvary I’m free to choose,” writes Max Lucado in *When God Whispers Your Name*. “No occasion justifies hatred; no injustice warrants bitterness. I choose love. Today I will love God and what God loves.”



6 Kandyce Butts  
13 Norma Stratton  
18 Jason Perkins  
    Tamina Klinger  
21 DeWayne Elledge  
    Frank Styron

24 Rose Butts  
25 Melissa Westgate  
26 Lori Butts  
    Koreen Houser  
30 Craig Anderson

## **GOD’S RICHEST BLESSINGS TO ALL!!!**



### **Always doing a new thing**

In 2015, scientists discovered more than 18,000 new species — some ancient and extinct, others contemporary. They include a cartwheeling spider; fossils of a “feathered dinosaur”; a beautiful sea slug that photographs in brilliant blues, reds and golds; a Christmas-colored plant that grows in near isolation in Mexico; and a pufferfish whose males make intricate seafloor “crop circles” as spawning nests.

Such discoveries — regardless of how old or new the species are — demonstrate the ongoing creativity of God, who both does new things and gives people new abilities to discover them.

Recently, we began a new church year with Advent. At Christmas, God did a new thing by becoming human. Now we launch into a new calendar year, in which scientists will surely discover *more* new creatures. The newness all around us reminds us that God is always doing a new thing in *our* lives, too!

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*Happy New Year* ♪ *Happy New Year* ♪ *Happy New Year*

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# January 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b>  New Year's Day Office closed	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b>  2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Christmas 9:00 AM Bible Study 9:00 Kingdom Kids 10:15 AM Worship Service Church Council meets	<b>6</b>  The Epiphany of Our Lord	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>  Ladies' Guild meets at 7:00 PM	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>  MOPS at 10:00 AM-Noon
<b>12</b>  The Baptism of Our Lord Joint service at St. John's in Adrian at 11:00 AM	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b>  2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany 9:00 AM Bible Study 9:00 AM Kingdom Kids 10:15 AM Worship Service Potluck following service Voters' Meeting after service Coins for Compassion Newsletter deadline	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>  MOPS at 10:00 AM-Noon
<b>26</b>  3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany 9:00 AM Bible Study 9:00 AM Kingdom Kids 10:15 AM Holy Communion Special One Offering	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	