

The First Sunday of Advent



Saint John Lutheran Church

Hattiesburg, Mississippi

December 2, 2018

Welcome!

"How great is the Love the Father has lavished on us!" (1 John 3:1).

We are thankful that you are joining in the worship of the people of God this day. Ushers at the door are glad to assist you at any time.

- Please check that cell phones are silenced.
- Restrooms are located down either hallway to the right.
- Prayer requests may be written on the white cards in the pew rack and given to an usher before worship begins, or as you leave.
- A nursery is available to parents as needed, past the double wooden doors on the left.
- Activity bags to help keep young children occupied during the message are provided in the back right corner of the sanctuary.
- Please tell us a bit about yourself on the *Record of Friendship* during the collection of the offering.

About the Offering

An offering is gathered today during the worship service. Here the people of God bring their tithes and sacrificial offerings as an expression of their discipleship, and for the continuation of Jesus' mission work, both in this community and to the ends of the earth. Guests are not expected to bring financial gifts, but are welcome to join the congregation in offering their prayers and praises.

About Holy Communion

Today we celebrate Holy Communion. In this, we remember that the divine is united with the created as one in the person of Jesus.

This altar is the Lord's table. Here all are welcome who acknowledge their need for a Savior, and look to Jesus. We believe what he simply says about the bread – "This is my body, given for you." – and about the wine – "This is my blood, shed for you." Thus, the Lord Jesus is truly present for his redeemed people in this holy meal. In this we retain the divine mystery in the midst of his ordinary creation. From the many seeds of wheat come one loaf. From the many grapes are pressed one cup. His many diverse people constitute one body and community of faith.

Young children are welcome to this altar to receive a blessing, as are those who have not been instructed in the Christian faith. Please indicate your desire for a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest or by simply asking for a blessing.

Alcohol-removed communion wine is available for those who desire it. The individual communion cups in the center of the tray contain denatured wine, which contains less than ½% alcohol. This wine is pink in color. Gluten-free wafers are available at distribution upon request.

We are imperfect people and we live in an imperfect world. We are all in this together. So when we believe or act wrongly towards someone, or when we feel that another has wronged us, we commit ourselves to the humble teaching and forgiving pattern of Jesus in Matthew 18.

Prepare the Way of the Lord

Order of Worship

Prepare the Way of the Lord

Advent is the four-week season that begins the Church's liturgical year. This penitential season prepares us both for Christmas, the first coming of the Messiah in human flesh, and for the Second Coming of our Lord in glory. Advent's somber side reflects this message of repentance: Prepare to meet your Maker! Advent's joyful side reflects its message of grace: Prepare to receive God's gift...Himself! This Advent, let God speak to you and satisfy your needs for deeply-felt repentance and rejoicing.

Our preparation for worship follows an ancient custom of the Church. We turn our backs to the Lord's altar to match symbolically what we have done to the Lord spiritually in our sinning. Once forgiven by the Lord, we then turn to him with joyful singing.

+ GATHERING +

Prayer As We Begin — *Please stand.*

C Heavenly Father, as we come before you this morning in Jesus' name, we pray all that we say and do in our worship will give you glory. Help us, Lord, to focus our thoughts on you, so your Word will find fertile ground in our minds and hearts. May the worship service today accomplish in us the purpose you desire. Amen.

The Invocation, Confession, and Absolution

P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's word and for self-examination. Then the confession.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

The minister pronounces the Absolution.

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to

become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C Amen.

Chant – Prepare the Way of the Lord

The image shows a musical score for a chant. It consists of three staves of music in a single system, all in a treble clef and a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The tempo/mood is marked 'Calmly'. The first staff begins with a circled 'A' and contains the lyrics 'Pre - pare the way of the Lord, pre -'. The second staff begins with a circled 'B' and contains the lyrics 'pare the way of the Lord, and all peo-ple will'. The third staff begins with a circled 'D' and contains the lyrics 'see the sal - va - tion of our God. Pre -'. The music features a mix of quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, with some rests and a final double bar line.

Kyrie

- P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C Amen.**

Salutation and Collect Prayer

- L** The LORD be with you.
- C And also with you.**
- L** We pray together...
- C Let us pray: Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Please be seated for the readings from the Scriptures.

+ WORD +

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 33:14-16

L The Old Testament Reading for the First Sunday in Advent is from Jeremiah, chapter 33. The prophet foretells how God himself will bring his justice and righteousness to earth, the fulfillment of his promise so that his people may dwell secure.

¹⁴“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’”

L This is the Word of the LORD.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

L The Epistle is from First Thessalonians, chapter three. Saint Paul writes with great anticipation and longing for the day of celebration which our Lord Christ arrives with all his saints.

⁹ What thanksgiving can we return to God for you, for all the joy that we feel for your sake before our God, ¹⁰as we pray most earnestly night and day that we may see you face to face and supply what is lacking in your faith? ¹¹Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you, ¹²and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, ¹³so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

L This is the Word of the LORD.

C Thanks be to God.

Magnificat — Please stand. “Magnify the Lord, O My Soul!”

Ma - gni-fi-cat, Ma-gni-fi - cat, Ma-gni-fi-cat a-ni-ma me-a Do-mi-num.

Ma - gni - fi - cat, Ma - gni - fi - cat, Ma-gni-fi-cat a-ni-ma me - a!

Holy Gospel — First Reading

Luke 19:28-40

℣ The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the twenty-eighth chapter.

☩ Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁸ When Jesus had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹ When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰ saying, "Go into the village in front of you, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you shall say this: 'The Lord has need of it.'" ³² So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them. ³³ And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴ And they said, "The Lord has need of it." ³⁵ And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶ And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. ³⁷ As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, ³⁸ saying, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" ³⁹ And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples." ⁴⁰ He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out."

℣ This is the Gospel of the LORD.

☩ Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

ℙ The holy Church throughout the world confesses this faith:

☩ **I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,**

who spoke by the prophets.

**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**

Please be seated.

355 O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide

1 O Sav - ior, rend the heav - ens wide;
2 O Fa - ther, light from heav - en send;
Come down, come down with might - y stride;
As morn - ing dew, O Son, de - scend.
Un - lock the gates, the doors break down;
Drop down, you clouds, the life of spring:
Un - bar the way to heav - en's crown.
To Ja - cob's line rain down the King.

6 Sin's dreadful doom upon us lies;
Grim death looms fierce before our eyes.
O come, lead us with mighty hand
From exile to our promised land.

7 There shall we all our praises bring
And sing to You, our Savior King;
There shall we laud You and adore
Forever and forevermore.

Holy Gospel — Second Reading

Luke 21:25-36

℣ The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the twenty-eighth chapter.

☩ Glory to You, O Lord.

℣²⁵“And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves,²⁶ people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken.²⁷And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

²⁹And he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree, and all the trees.³⁰As soon as they come out in leaf, you see for yourselves and know that the summer is already near.³¹So also, when

you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all has taken place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁴“But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. ³⁵For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

L This is the Gospel of the LORD.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

The Message — *Palm Branches in December*

The Prayers of the Church — *Please stand.*

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings — *For the continuation of Christ’s work, both in this place and to the ends of the earth.*

Get Connected — *We are grateful to worship together today. Please note your attendance in the Record of Fellowship. New and updated contact information is always helpful. Thanks!*

+ MEAL +

This is Christ’s table. Our Savior invites those who trust in him to share the feast which he has prepared. In this meal we truly receive the body and blood of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ. This is a great and divine mystery! Here we are joined with God and all the saints, and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation. Young children and those who would prefer to receive a blessing are welcome to come forward.

Alcohol Removed Communion Wine — *The individual communion cups in the center of the tray contain denatured wine, which contains less than ½% alcohol. Gluten-free wafers are available at distribution upon request.*

The Preface and Hymn of Praise — *Please stand.*

P The LORD be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the LORD.

P Let us give thanks to the LORD our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Sanctus

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C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Our Father

C Our Father who art in heaven,

hallowed be Thy name,

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;

give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Institution

Agnus Dei

C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;
 have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the
 sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of
 God, You take a - way the sin of the world;
 grant us peace, grant us peace.

Please be seated.

331 The Advent of Our King

1 The ad - vent of our King Our prayers must now em - ploy,
 2 The ev - er - last - ing Son In - car - nate deigns to be,
 3 O Zi - on's daugh - ter, rise To meet your low - ly King,
 4 As judge, on clouds of light, He soon will come a - gain

And we must hymns of wel - come sing In strains of ho - ly joy.
 Him - self a ser - vant's form puts on To set His ser - vants free.
 Nor let your faith - less heart de - spise The peace He comes to bring.
 And His true mem - bers all u - nite With Him in heav'n to reign.

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| <p>5 Before the dawning day
 Let sin's dark deeds be gone,
 The sinful self be put away,
 The new self now put on.</p> | <p>6 All glory to the Son,
 Who comes to set us free,
 With Father, Spirit, ever one
 Through all eternity.</p> |
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334 O Lord, How Shall I Meet You



1 O Lord, how shall I meet You, How wel - come You a - right?
 2 Your Zi - on strews be - fore You Green boughs and fair - est palms;
 3 I lay in fet - ters, groan - ing; You came to set me free.
 4 Love caused Your in - car - na - tion; Love brought You down to me.



Your peo - ple long to greet You, My hope, my heart's de - light!
 And I too will a - dore You With joy - ous songs and psalms.
 I stood, my shame be - moan - ing; You came to hon - or me.
 Your thirst for my sal - va - tion Pro - cured my lib - er - ty.



O kin - dle, Lord most ho - ly, Your lamp with - in my breast
 My heart shall bloom for - ev - er For You with prais - es new
 A glo - rious crown You give me, A trea - sure safe on high
 Oh, love be - yond all tell - ing, That led You to em - brace



To do in spir - it low - ly All that may please You best.
 And from Your name shall nev - er With - hold the hon - or due.
 That will not fail or leave me As earth - ly rich - es fly.
 In love, all love ex - cel - ling, Our lost and fall - en race.

5 Sin's debt, that fearful burden,
 Cannot His love erase;
 Your guilt the Lord will pardon
 And cover by His grace.
 He comes, for you procuring
 The peace of sin forgiv'n,
 His children thus securing
 Eternal life in heav'n.

6 He comes to judge the nations,
 A terror to His foes,
 A light of consolations
 And blessed hope to those
 Who love the Lord's appearing.
 O glorious Sun, now come,
 Send forth Your beams so
 cheering,
 And guide us safely home.

+ SENDING +

Concluding Prayer, Benedicamus, and Blessing

L Let us prepare the way of the LORD.

G We go forth in Jesus' name.

L We speak the Romans 15 blessing to one another:

**May the God of HOPE
fill you with all JOY and PEACE
as you TRUST in him,
so that YOU may overflow with HOPE
by the POWER of the Holy Spirit.**

- L** The LORD bless you and keep you.
The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The LORD look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen

443 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna



1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, The lit - tle chil - dren sang;
2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed Mid an ex - ul - tant crowd,
3 "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song we sing;



Through pil - lared court and tem - ple The love - ly an - them rang.
The vic - tor palm branch wav - ing And chant - ing clear and loud.
For Christ is our Re - deem - er, The Lord of heav'n our King.



To Je - sus, who had blessed them, Close fold - ed to His breast,
The Lord of earth and heav - en Rode on in low - ly state
Oh, may we ev - er praise Him With heart and life and voice



The chil - dren sang their prais - es, The sim - plest and the best.
Nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren Should on His bid - ding wait.
And in His bliss - ful pres - ence E - ter - nal - ly re - joice!

Would you like to pray with someone following worship?

A Prayer Servant will be stationed at the right sanctuary window following the sending hymn today. They will gladly serve you in prayer. Anything you share with them will be kept confidential. Our heavenly Father delights in the prayers of his people.

Serving the Lord Today

Pastor	John Karle 318.332.3352 johnkarle17@gmail.com
Altar Guild	Thomas and Brenda Hesselgrave
Accompanist	Sandy Barnett
Communion Assistant	Dennis Smith 601.329.6806
Ushers	Warner Boortz and Jerry Frederick
Nursery	Gabby Bulger
Sunday School	Lillian Smith, John Karle, and Ethan Potesta

Office Hours:

Wednesday and Thursday, 9am-1pm

Sunday Bulletin Deadline:

Wednesday at 10am.

Altar Flowers: Jim and Jocelyn Cupps

Eternal Candle: Brenda Hesselgrave in
Memory of B. William and Arlene Olsen

Today's Theme

Behold, the days are coming—judgement, justice, and righteousness are imminent with the incarnation of Jesus. We are seized with Advent anticipation as we wait, hopeful for Him—the righteousness of David, Judah, and Jerusalem—to split the heavens open and come down. We are bold to proclaim Christ, the king who comes in the name of the lord, for He is the one who creates, nourishes, and sustains our faith that in turn, we may abound in love.

Birthdays

Daniel Liverett	December 5
LaToursha Ezell	December 8
Scott Hollingswoth	December 8
Geraldine Wheeler	December 8

Baptisms

Mark Keyl	December 3
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Scriptures for Next Sunday

Malachi 3:1-7b

Philippians 1;2-11

Luke 3:1-20

Hearing Assistance Devices are available from the ushers upon request.

Live Streaming of Worship Services — www.saintjohnhattiesburg.com.

Online Giving — Online giving is available to members and friends of Saint John via the 'Give' tab on our webpage. Thank you for supporting our work together in Jesus' name.

LUTHERAN CAMPUS MISSION

Campus Mission — Welcome to all college students! We're glad you're here. Please check in with Pastor John after worship today (or text/call at 318.332.3352).

Thank You! to Sandy Barnett for filling in for organist Jason Sims while he is on leave.

LWML Christmas Party — TODAY, at the home of Debbie Geroux & Shirley Thone, 2 Bluebeard Pt., Hattiesburg, Mississippi from 4:00-6:00 p.m. All women are welcome and invited (carpool if possible)! Call 228-324-6697 for directions. What to bring? Dirty Santa Gift (if desired), finger food to share, new members, friends, and neighbors. Let's start the Christmas holidays sharing the JOY of our Savior's birth!!!

Christmas Breadbaskets — The Breadbasket organization provides 100 families with food for Christmas dinner every year including a turkey or a ham and several sides. To help with this, Saint John will begin collecting at least 10 boxes of cereal and 100 cans of corn through NEXT SUNDAY, December 9th. Thank you for helping others in this holiday season. If you would like more information on assembling (Dec. 18) or delivering (Dec. 20) Christmas Breadbaskets please speak with Gabby.

Sunday School — We have classes and activities at 9:15am for ages five years to 95 years. For school age kindergarten through fifth graders generally, we have Dig In Sunday school. For youth, college, and adults we have a class on **Making Marriage Work** based on a book by John Gottman or a class on Dietrich Bonhoeffer's book "**Life Together.**" We'd love for you to make your spiritual growth a priority by joining one of these interactive groups to exchange ideas, learn from trusted experts, and encourage one another.

The Avenues Bible Study meets the second and fourth Thursday of the month at 10:30am in the Fellowship Hall. For more information, please contact Pat Davenport at 769.223.2889. The next meeting will begin a study of *The Screwtape Letters*, Thursday, December 13th.

The West Hattiesburg Bible Study is taking a break from meeting. We will make an announcement when it resumes.

THIS WEEK						
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<u>MITES Breadbasket</u>	<u>12pm AA</u>	<u>12pm AA</u>	<u>12pm AA</u>	<u>12pm AA</u>	<u>12pm AA</u>	<u>9am Hanging of the Greens</u>
<u>9:15am Sunday School</u>			<u>1:15pm Advent Prayer</u>			<u>10am AA</u>
<u>10:30am Worship</u>			<u>2pm Choir</u>			<u>10:30am BOD</u>
						<u>2pm FH Reserved</u>

BOD Meeting — Saturday, December 8th at 10am.

Elders Meeting — Monday, December 10th at 6pm.

2019 Altar Flower Calendar — The new calendar is now on the wall by the foyer mailboxes. Cost of flower sponsorship is \$40 per Sunday. You may take the flowers home or give them to another after worship. To help keep our finances in good order, please do not remit 2019 flower sponsor money until after January 1st.

— Community Activities —

What's Happening? Check out the Events page at www.saintjohnhattiesburg.com

Prayers Needed			
Chris Thiel	Serving Stateside (S.C.)	Son of Norbert and Trenia Thiel	10/1/16
Kelly Thiel	Serving Stateside (N.C.)	Son of Norbert and Trenia Thiel	11/20/16
Cory Thiel	Serving Overseas	Son of Norbert and Trenia Thiel	12/4/16
Matt Geroux	Serving Overseas	Son of Kerry and Debbie	12/13/17
Joey Kahrs	Serving Stateside	Family of Cheryl Webb	2/18/18
Scott Chaney	Serving Stateside	Member	5/6/18
Bailey Walters	Serving Stateside	Member	10/31/18
Darrin Torrey	Serving Overseas	Son in Law of Helga Herrington	10/31/18
Bill Lowry	Serving Overseas	Member	11/7/18
Edward Curry	Cancer	Brother of Shelia Curry	2/11/18
Jerry Frederick	Cancer	Member	4/29/18
Nelson Cubley	Lymphoma	Brother of Bob Cubley	5/15/18
Charlotte Walsh	Cancer	Family of Bill Coll	6/3/18
Dale McClanahan	Cancer	Cousin of Virginia Rosenberger	7/11/18
John Krahling	Cancer	Son of Joyce Coll	7/15/18
Michelle Karcher	Cancer	Cousin of Bill Coll	8/3/18
Richard Radavich	Health and Strength – Tumor	Member	1/31/18
Warner Boortz	Cancer – Radiation/Chemo	Member	9/2/18
Joshua “Scooter” Floyd	Brain Cancer – Radiation/Chemo	Friend of Lawrence Family	11/18/18
Lisa Nause	Chemo/Radiation	Daughter of Rita Wilson	11/18/18
Edith Pierce	Health and Strength	Member	7/1/18
Mary Gohlke	Health and Strength	Member	8/23/18
Doug Taylor	Health and Strength	Friend of Don Shields	9/16/18
Tom Richards	Starting Radiation	Family of Dot Richards	10/14/18
Geraldine Wheeler	Health and Strength	Member	10/21/18
Mrs. Jo Davis	Health and Strength	Sister in Law of Lorhetta Lawrence	10/28/18
Skylar Chaney	Health and Strength	Member	10/28/18
Phyllis Guysinger	Knee Surgery Rehab	Member	10/28/18
Andrea Herrington Torrey	Health and Strength	Daughter of Helga Herrington	10/31/18
Paula	Car accident	Friend of Lisa Spradley	11/11/18
Sherry Lawrence	Health and Strength	Mother of Steve Lawrence	11/18/18
Diane Whitchurch	Health and Strength	Aunt of Patrice Lovdahl	11/18/18
Chris Noffke	Recovery from Knee Surgery	Member	11/20/18
Sojourner Family	Baby Recently Died	Friend of Susan Perkins	11/16/18

 Advent and Christmas Worship Schedule 	
Sundays in Advent , 10:30am	December 2, 9, 16, 23
Wednesday Advent Prayer , 1:15pm	December 5, 12, 19
Christmas Eve Candlelight Services , 1:15pm and 6pm	Monday, December 24
The Christ Mass , Christmas Day Worship, 10:30am	Tuesday, December 25
Christmas Program , Date and Time TBA	

Surprise the World!
Love. Like. Jesus. + Hope for the City.



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