

This Week at Antioch Lutheran Church

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Please wear your nametags and sign the "Welcome & Registration booklets. Check your church mailbox.

In Our Prayers

Don Bobolts, Andrew Briggs, Mary Ann Brown, Jean Chisolm, Jeannine Eisenhauer, Stan Haller, Denise Head, Moraig Keller, Linda Marks, Betty Robinson, Lorraine Sloan, Dottie Smyth, Barbara Bladecki, Bob Britton, Sharyn Cannon, Shirley Clayson, Jerry Cunningham, Diane Dinsmoor, Shelly Ellison, Nancy Haapaniemi, Andrew Halttenun, Karl Hamina, Jr., John Kober, Linnie Krauland, George Kreiss, Eric Kuuttila, Renee LeClair, Jane Levi, Bobbie Mallory, Marjorie, Susan McCleen, Brendan Mulcahy, Alice Nagano, Nancy Peters, Helen Pickard, Jeanette Ponter, Lloyd Rausch, Marilyn Rausch, Linda Raynish, Craig Schauder, Sarah Schultz, Jennifer Shea, Kris Sivertson, Gen Snearly, Mike Snearly, Chris Spike, Susanne Stark, Harry Steusloff, John Thornhill, Edith Vollstedt, Lillian Von Thaden, Greg Wise, and Joe Wood.

Flowers in the Chancel

Are given to the glory of God by Pat Stolnack in loving memory of Jim, and by Marilyn and Charlie Orr in celebration of their 25th anniversary.

Staff

Donald P. Kreiss, Pastor; R. Adam Berndt, Intern; Amy Studt, Cantor; Susanna Muzzin, Director of Christian Education and Family Ministry; Secretaries: Barbara Scott (M/T/Wp.m.), Tammy Sawyer (Wa.m./Th/F); Carol Kurth, Office Manager; Sharon Noonan, Building Manager; Dave Lueker, Building Caretaker; Sharon Detter, Preschool Director; Lynne Gagner, Preschool Teacher; Sandra Lieberman, Nursery Attendant

Serving Today

Preaching and Presiding: Intern R. Adam Berndt
Assisting Minister: Carole Salowich (8:30)
Margie Kober (11:00)

Readers: Karin Pickard (8:30), Muriel Manecke (11:00)

Lay Assistants: Carla Marymee, Karin Pickard (8:30)

Haukur Asgeirsson, Leif Asgeirsson (11:00)

Acolytes: Evan Marymee, need one more (8:30)

Emily George, Alex Garlinger (11:00)

Greeters: Lyn Maylone (8:30) Carol Heron (11:00)

Evangelism Greeter: Judy Abar(8:30) Brian George (11:00)

Choirs: Joyous Voices, Chancel Choir,(11:00)

Council: Brian Beals (open) Dave Copp (close)

This Week at Antioch

Sun. Nov. 30	8:30 & 11	Worship
	9:45 am	Sunday School
Mon. Dec. 1	7:30 pm	Christian Education
Tues. Dec. 2	9:30 am	Prayer Group
	6:00 pm	Book Club – A. Pettersson's
Wed. Dec. 3	10:45 am	W.a.m.O.
	6:15 pm	Joyous Voices
	7:00 pm	Bells' Angels
	7:45 pm	Chancel Choir
Fri. Dec. 5	9:30 am	Quilt 'n' Share
	10:00 pm	High School Youth Lock-in
		Until Sat. 6:00 am

Next Week at Antioch

Sun. Dec. 7	8:30 & 11	Worship
		Receive new members
	9:45 am	Sunday School
	12:15 pm	Hanging of the Greens
	6:15 pm	Confirmation #6
Mon. Dec. 8	1:00 pm	Women's Fellowship-M. Friess
Tues. Dec. 9	10:45 pm	Lunch Bunch-McCormick & Schmick's
	7:00 pm	Finance Team
Wed. Dec. 10	10:45 am	W.a.m.O.
	6:00 pm	Joyous Voices
	6:30 pm	Bells' Angels
	7:00 pm	Choir and Friends Caroling
Sat. Dec. 13	9:30 am	St. Pat's Lunch
	12:00 pm	Scrapbooking
	7:30 pm	Detroit Lutheran Singers

Worship Notes

There are copies of the bulletin in **large print** in the Narthex, as well as assistive listening devices. Ask an usher. Special music before each service in Advent – songs by Choir, Congregation, vocal, instrumental, and more. Join us!

Welcome Home

Bible Readings and Prayers for the week of November 30:

Sunday Isaiah 64:1-9 Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

Advent 1 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 Mark 13:24-37

Monday Zechariah 13:1-9

Tuesday Zechariah 14:1-9

Wednesday Matthew 24:16-35

Thursday Micah 2:1-13

Friday 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Saturday Psalm 80

Sunday Isaiah 40:1-11 Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13

Advent 2 2 Peter 3:8-15a Mark 1:1-8

A prayer throughout the day: Let your face shine on us, O Lord, and we shall be saved. *See Psalm 80:3*

A prayer for the week: Lord Jesus, we do not lack any spiritual gifts as we wait for your coming. Keep us awake and help us use our gifts to serve those who look for the dawn of your justice and mercy. Amen.

Choir Caroling to the Shut-ins*

It's not too late to jot down Wednesday, December 10, as the date we go Christmas Caroling. Won't you join us? Be ready to leave promptly at 6:58 p.m. from the Choir Room with carol book in hand.

High School Youth

Please add these events and dates to your calendars!

Lock-in – December 5, 10 p.m. – December 6, 6 a.m.

Christmas Treats Baking Party – Sat., December 20

Youth Bake Sale after Worship – Sun., December 21

Family Pancake Breakfast – Sun., January 11 – during the Sunday School hour (We host this event!)

Watch your e-mail, Facebook, TWAA, or Antioch website www.antiochelca@sbcglobal for details on times and places. We look forward to seeing you at these events!

Angel Tree Posters are up in the Narthex

Please choose an angel and shop for the gift. Bring the gift back and put it on the table in the Narthex with angel attached (wrap for adults, don't wrap children's gifts).

Navajo and quilting items go in bins. Deadline: December 14. Thank you!

Hanging of the Greens

Once again, we will be decorating the church next Sunday, December 7, immediately following the 11:00 service.

Lunch (\$5.00) will be available, and then adults decorate while children do a craft project. St. Nicholas will visit. Everyone is welcome. Sign up in the Narthex so we'll know how much food and craft supplies to buy.

Tickets Are Still Available for...

...the Detroit Lutheran Singers Christmas Concert hosted by Antioch a week from this Saturday, on December 13 at 7:30 p.m. One interesting feature: Singers will proclaim "Hodie Christus Natus Est," (Christ Is Born Today) in four distinctly different styles, by four composers, ranging from Palestrina to contemporary.

The audience will join in singing carols, and the program will conclude with audience members being invited to sing Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus" followed by refreshments. Bring your family, friends, and neighbors to hear this awesome group at our own Antioch. Cost \$10/\$7. See Cantor Amy.

Poinsettias for Christmas Eve

There is a sign-up sheet available to purchase poinsettias for Christmas. Please sign up, note color, and put your payment (\$8.50 each) in a flower envelope. Deadline is December 14. Thanks.

Grocery Cards

We have reloadable cards from *Hiller's* (no money on them) and from *Kroger* (reloadable cards \$5.00). Each one of these plans gives us 5% of reloads – for free. *Meijer* – Sign up to give us a percentage of your purchases. 1% if you pay with a Meijer credit card or ½% if you pay with cash or debit card.

Contemplate...meditate...regenerate...

God says, "Stop. Wait. Come. Sit. Think. Listen. Be. Here. With. Me." Come ten minutes early to revel in some rare time for yourself, renew your spirits, and prepare your heart and soul for worship during an extended gathering time. Yes, you will find God here...and in your heart.

Some Thought:

Please turn off your cell phones during worship. Please keep beverages and food out of the Sanctuary.

This Week at Antioch Articles

Please have *This Week at Antioch* articles to the Church Office by **Thursdays no later than 10:00 a.m.** Notify the Church Office of **any** additions or changes to prayers, meetings, or activities by phone, e-mail, or fax.

Lost and Found

Please check the box in the office for your missing items. We have clothing, umbrellas, gloves, jewelry and more. We will be giving away unclaimed items.

General Fund - October 2008 Report

Actual Year-to-Date:

Income \$327,275.78*

Expenses \$358,322.27^

Year to Date balance (+/-)
(\$ 31,048.49)

**This income includes contributions for current funds, holidays, flowers, loose offerings, grocery certificates, Antioch Preschool, benevolence, and miscellaneous income.*

^The October mortgage payment was made on November 3, so does not show in October expenses.

Contribution Statements

If you would like a copy of your current giving statement, please contact the Church Office. Check your pledge and see if you need to catch up!

Flower Chart for 2009

The new flower chart is on the big desk in the Narthex. Please sign up for dates when you'd like to donate flowers for worship in the next year. There are two arrangements per Sunday, at \$20.00 each. Please write your name and reason for commemoration in **one** box. Thank you.

Cantata Academy Chorale Concert

Cantata Academy will present their "Glorious Holiday" concert on Sunday, December 14, at 4:00 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 26165 Farmington Road. Tickets are \$15 (\$12 for students and seniors) and can be purchased in advance or at the door. Details: 248-358-9868 or www.cantataacademychorale.bravehost.com, or CantataAcademyChorale@msn.com.

***Change in Choir Rehearsal Times: December 10**

See above. Joyous Voices 6:00-6:28 p.m.

Bells' Angels 6:30-6:57 p.m.

Carolers meet at 6:58 p.m.

Please mark your touch screen agendas. Thanks!

Worship Assistants for Christmas Eve

We need ushers, readers, greeters, communion assistants and acolytes for the 4:00, 6:00, and 10:00 p.m. services. Please call or e-mail the office if you can help. Thank you!