

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School, church basement
	6:30 p.m.	His Word My Life Bible Study, church
Monday	7:00 a.m.	His Word My Life Bible Study, church
	6:30 p.m.	Youth Group Sing/Bible Study, commons
Tuesday	2:00 p.m.	Bible Study, church
	6:00 p.m.	Worship Committee, church
	6:30 p.m.	School Board, school
Wednesday	11:00 a.m.	Midweek Advent Worship
	12:00 p.m.	Soup Supper
	4:45 p.m.	Confirmation Class (5 th -8 th grade)
	4:45 p.m.	Bible History Class (3 rd -4 th grade)
	5:30 p.m.	Bible History Class (1 st -2 nd grade)
	6:30 p.m.	Soup Supper
	6:45 p.m.	Outreach Committee, church basement
	7:30 p.m.	Midweek Advent Worship
	8:30 p.m.	Choir
Thursday	12:30 p.m.:	Ladies Aid Christmas Dinner
	1:30 p.m.	Ladies Aid Entertainment
	8:30 p.m.	Adult Christ-Light Bible Study, basement
Saturday	1:30 p.m.	Basketball vs. Maribel (3 games)
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Adult Christ-Light Bible Study, basement
	8:00 a.m.	Challenges and Blessings Study, commons
	9:00 a.m.	Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School, church basement
	11:00 a.m.	Band at Parkview Estates
	5:00 p.m.	Advent by Candlelight
	6:30 p.m.	His Word My Life Bible Study, church

Baptism Today Michaelynn Mya Wotachek will be baptized into the Christian faith. Michaelynn is the daughter of Chad and Jessie Wotachek. She was born on Nov. 18. Please remember this new child of God and her family in prayer!

Adult Christ-Light Bible Study meets in the church basement Thursdays at 8:30 p.m. and Sunday at 8:00 a.m. Join us!

Blessings and Challenges Bible Study Join us next Sunday as we begin the study, *Our Christian Response To Blessing and Challenges*. This week we will look at *When Someone We Love Is Afflicted with a Terminal Illness*. We meet in the school commons at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday.

The Daze Before Christmas is the topic of our Tuesday Bible Study. This is a video study from the Fifth Pew From the Front series. It is entertaining and enlightening. If you have not joined us before, please come and give this time-ly study a try! We meet Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m. in the church basement.

His Word My Life Bible Study meets Sunday at 6:30 p.m. and Monday at 7:00 a.m. in the church basement. We are studying *The Glory of the Gospel Ministry: A Study of 2 Corinthians*. Join us!

Advent by Candlelight There will be a rehearsal of the program on Monday: Dec 1 at school at 7:00. If you signed up as reader or musician please attend or let Amanda Humann know so she can get you information to you. If you are still interested in attending event please contact Janice Kuchenbecker.

Advent Midweek Worship will be Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Join us as we focus on how the Father sent Jesus to come in time to save us. Soup suppers will follow the morning service and begin an hour before the evening service. Please join us and bring a friend!

Soup Supper If you would like to make soup, bars, serve, or oversee the final two soup suppers, there is a sign up sheet in the church basement.

Stewardship Devotions The Stewardship Committee needs your help to complete this important booklet. Please prayerfully consider encouraging your family of faith by writing a devotion. Information is in the newsletter and was placed in your mailboxes. Thanks for your service to God and his people.

Youth group Babysitting The youth group invites you have a night out on them! They will offer free babysitting on Saturday, Dec. 13, 6:00-9:00 p.m.

Christmas cards are available in the church basement by the mailboxes.

Christmas for Kids will be Saturday, Dec. 20 (9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.). This event is for 3 year olds through 6th graders. Register your children on the sheets in the church basement. In order to make this day a success, we need volunteers to help teach, make crafts, teach songs, and make and serve food. Sign-up sheets are located in the church basement. Questions can be directed to Sarah Ihlenfeldt (jsbeam@centurytel.net or 864-2822).

Bread of Life Cookbooks There are still about 50 cookbooks (\$13.00) left for Christmas gifts. This will be the end of the cookbooks. They are located in the church basement by the cards or in the school office.

Questions/Comments about our congregation may be directed to:

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1st Sunday of Advent November 30, 2008



Prayer before worship

Lord, come to me and strengthen my faith as I prepare to celebrate your coming in time so that I am ready for your Second Coming. Amen

Lessons are on the back cover

Service

Baptism, Word (p. 12, 39)

Hymns

300, 2, 15, 218

Prayer of the Day

Stir up your power, O Lord, and come. Protect us by your strength and save us from the threatening dangers of our sins; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 24 (p. 73)

Sermon: 1 Peter 3:18-22

Prepared by Saving Water

To face judgment

To stand on the resurrection

Advent 1– Series B

God comes both to destroy and to save. Get Ready!

First Lesson: Genesis 6:1-3,5-14,17-22

When men began to increase in number on the earth and daughters were born to them, the sons of God saw that the daughters of men were beautiful, and they married any of them they chose. Then the LORD said, "My Spirit will not contend with man forever, for he is mortal; his days will be a hundred and twenty years."

The LORD saw how great man's wickedness on the earth had become, and that every inclination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil all the time. The LORD was grieved that he had made man on the earth, and his heart was filled with pain. So the LORD said, "I will wipe mankind, whom I have created, from the face of the earth—men and animals, and creatures that move along the ground, and birds of the air—for I am grieved that I have made them." But Noah found favor in the eyes of the LORD.

This is the account of Noah.

Noah was a righteous man, blameless among the people of his time, and he walked with God. Noah had three sons: Shem, Ham and Japheth.

Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight and was full of violence. God saw how corrupt the earth had become, for all the people on earth had corrupted their ways. So God said to Noah, "I am going to put an end to all people, for the earth is filled with violence because of them. I am surely going to destroy both them and the earth. So make yourself an ark of cypress wood; make rooms in it and coat it with pitch inside and out.

I am going to bring floodwaters on the earth to destroy all life under the heavens, every creature that has the breath of life in it. Everything on earth will perish. But I will establish my covenant with you, and you will enter the ark—you and your sons and your wife and your sons' wives with you. You are to bring into the ark two of all living creatures, male and female, to keep them alive with you. Two of every kind of bird, of every kind of animal and of every kind of creature that moves along the ground

will come to you to be kept alive. You are to take every kind of food that is to be eaten and store it away as food for you and for them."

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 24 (p. 73)

Second Lesson: 1 Peter 3:18-24

For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive by the Spirit, through whom also he went and preached to the spirits in prison who disobeyed long ago when God waited patiently in the days of Noah while the ark was being built. In it only a few people, eight in all, were saved through water, and this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also—not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a good conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at God's right hand—with angels, authorities and powers in submission to him.

Gospel: Mark 13:32-37

"No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Be on guard! Be alert! You do not know when that time will come. It's like a man going away: He leaves his house and puts his servants in charge, each with his assigned task, and tells the one at the door to keep watch.

"Therefore keep watch because you do not know when the owner of the house will come back--whether in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or at dawn. If he comes suddenly, do not let him find you sleeping. What I say to you, I say to everyone: 'Watch!'"

Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:

Worship: 297 (57, 239) **Communion:** 147 (22, 114)
Thanksgiving: 321 (74, 249) **Communion:** 174 (43, 131)
Bible Study: 86 (7, 22, 29, 7, 10, 10)
Youth Study: 14

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We exist to honor God as we Grow in the Gospel and Go with the Gospel

Lift up your heads,
O you gates;
be lifted up,
you ancient doors,
that the
KING OF GLORY
may come in.



Psalm 24:7

Welcome! We thank God that you have joined us at worship today. Please sign our guest book near the double door entrance. Restrooms are in the basement near the double stairs.

Today we gather together in the very presence of God. He is present among us in a special way through his Word and Sacrament. We humbly acknowledge our sin and rejoice in the good news of forgiveness through the life and death of Christ. This is the focus of all of our worship.