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WORSHIP SCHEDULE DECEMBER 2019

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:00 AM Taize' /Communion

Dec 1, 8, 15, 22

9:15 AM Sunday School Dec 1, 8, 22

SS Christmas Carols & Lessons Dec 15

10:30 AM LSB Setting 2/Communion

Dec 1, 8, 15, 22

ONE SERVICE DEC 29:

9:30 AM LSB Setting 1 /Communion

(No Sunday School)

OTHER WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Wednesday Advent Compline Service 7:00 PM

Dec 4, 11, 18 (Soup Supper starting at 6:00 PM)

Dec 17-Haywood Estates 3:30 PM

Dec 24-Christmas Eve 7:00 PM & 10:30 PM

Dec 25-Christmas Day-10:30 AM

SEE NEXT PAGE FOR COMPLETE ADVENT/CHRISTMAS

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

ADVENT BEGINS December 1

MONDAY-NO BIBLE STUDY DURING ADVENT

THURSDAYS-AIAnon-11-12

SATURDAYS-Organ Practice 5-6:30 PM

Dec 1-Holy Land Potluck Meeting 1:00 PM

Dec 3-Board of Elders 6:30 PM

Dec 4 & 11-Ladies #1 Bible Study 10-11:30 AM Dec 4 & 11

Dec 4-11-18 SOUP SUPPER 6:00 PM

Dec 4-11-18 -ADVENT COMPLINE 7:00 PM

Dec 8: COUNCIL MEETING 12:15 PM

Dec 10: Ladies Christmas Dinner 6:00 PM

Dec 14: Hooks & Needles 9:00—11:00 PM

Dec 15: Sunday School Carols, Lessons, & Cookies 9:15 AM

Dec 15: QUILL DEADLINE

Dec 21: St. Thomas Apostle Day

Dec 21: Winter Begins

Dec 21: Decorate Trees 9:00 AM

Dec 24: Christmas Eve 7:00 PM & 10:30 PM

Dec 25: Christmas Day 10:30 AM

Dec 26: St. Stephen, Martyr & Deacon

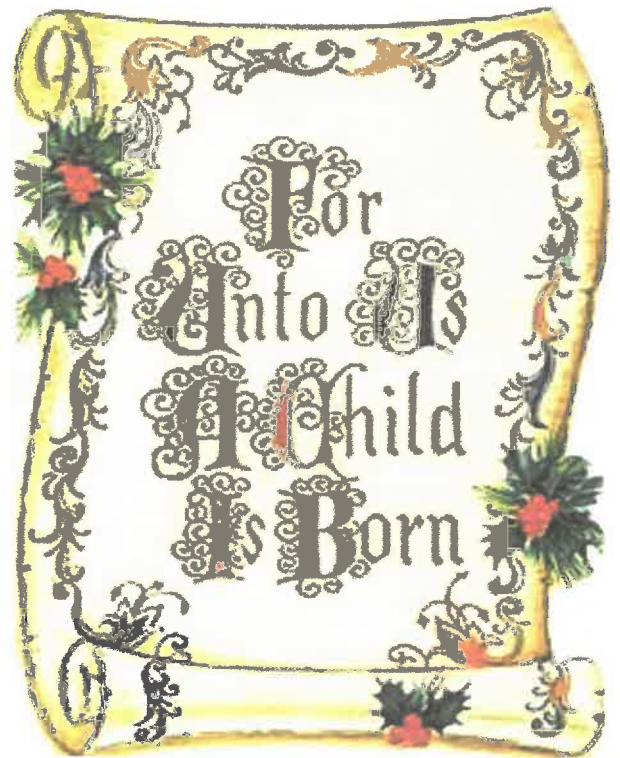
Dec 27: St. John, Apostle & Evangelist

Dec 28: Holy Innocents Martyrs

Dec 31: New Year's Eve

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

THERE WILL BE **ONLY ONE SERVICE**
ON SUNDAY, **DECEMBER 29,**
STARTING AT **9:30 AM.**
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL



**JANUARY 2020 QUILL
DEADLINE IS
DECEMBER 15, 2019**

PLEASE HAVE YOUR ARTICLES
NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 15.
THANK YOU.



SPECIAL DECEMBER 2019 SERVICES:

ADVENT SERVICES WITH SOUP SUPPERS:

6:00 PM Wednesday evenings Dec 4, 11, 18
for a Soup and Bread Supper,
Hymn sing at 6:50

ADVENT COMPLINE service starts at 7:00 PM.

SUNDAYS IN ADVENT

Advent Services

Dec 1, 8, 15, 22—8:00 AM Taizé' with Communion
and 10:30 AM—Setting 2 with Communion

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Sunday School Christmas Carols,
Lessons and dessert for Adults & Children
Sunday, December 15
9:15 AM-in Fellowship Hall

DECEMBER 24: - CHRISTMAS EVE

7:00 PM Lessons & Carols/Communion Vigil
10:30 PM Festal Communion Vigil

CHRISTMAS DAY: DECEMBER 25:

10:30 AM -FESTAL COMMUNION

SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS: DECEMBER 29
ONE SERVICE AT 9:30 AM-SETTING 1/COMMUNION

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall on **Sunday, December 15th at 9:20 am** when the **Children's Sunday School will present their Advent program**. The children will read passages from Scripture and lead us in a sing-a-long of Christmas hymns. You may also bring cookies to share and/or exchange if you wish. (The sign up form and details will be posted).

SOUP SUPPERS will be held every **Wednesday in Advent** prior to the evening Compline service. **Soup and dessert** are served from **6:00-6:45 PM** in the Fellowship Hall. Bread and beverages are provided. Please share in this time of community by signing up to bring a large pot of soup and/or a dessert. Sheets are on the bulletin board. Join us for the Hymn sing at **6:50 PM**; Compline Service at **7:00 PM**.

LADIES #1 BIBLE STUDY

The Ladies' #1 Bible Study will continue our study of Ephesians on Wednesday mornings at 10 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All ladies are welcome to join us!

Please note, we will not meet on December 18 or December 25.

LADIES LUNCH:

Dec 3-Panera Bread—6015 Wade Hampton Blvd; Taylors (In front of Target)

Dec 10-Ladies Christmas Dinner 6:00 PM

Dec 17- Red Lobster-1940 Wade Hampton Blvd

Dec 24-No Lunch (Christmas Eve)

Dec 31-No Lunch-(New Year's Eve)

You are invited to join us for lunch. Call Karen Meyer if you will join us so we know how many to seat.

There is **NO LWML meeting** during the month of December, as our group is hosting the LCGS Ladies Christmas Dinner on December 10th. Our next meeting will be on January 19, 2020.

HOOKS & NEEDLES will meet on **Saturday, December 14th**, from 9:00-11:00am in the Fellowship Hall. There is so much "busy-ness" during this season that one more thing on the calendar may seem overwhelming. But this is the true "business" we should be attending to - helping those in need. This is actually a time to sit calmly and enjoy one another's fellowship while giving of your talents. Please consider joining us!

The **2020 Offering Envelopes** are now available for you to pick up. Please check the table in the Narthex for yours and begin using them in January 2020.

If you have corrections to your information or have any questions, please contact Karen Carson, Financial Secretary at (864) 850-1115 or jchomekc@charter.net.

CHECK THE BULLETIN BOARD in the Narthex for information regarding ordering Poinsettias for the Christmas services.

LAST CALL... your reservation to the LCGS Women's Christmas Dinner is due to Barb Kilpatrick or Leslie Weirmeir by December 1.



LCGS Womens Christmas Dinner

Tuesday, December 10 , 2019

Appetizers and beverages at 6:00pm

Buffet dinner at 6:30pm

Cost is \$15.00 per person

*Reservation is made upon payment
to Leslie Weirmeir or Barb Kilpatrick*

Deadline for payment is Sunday, December 1st

*May your holidays
Be happy days,
Filled with love
And laughter.*

*And may each day
Bring joy your way
In the year
That follows after!*

A very special time for us Christians is approaching, Christmas! As we prepare for the Birth of our Savior Jesus Christ many are preparing their gift lists. LCGS members who wish to participate in gifting a monetary gift to our Pastor are asked to directly bless our pastor during this season. (Please make all checks payable to: Steven Saxe. We do this to avoid any semblance of "Pass Through" of gifts. IRS rules state that no gift presented to an employee should ever pass through the employer. Put another way, the IRS does not allow you to designate a gift to Pastor and receive it on your Statement of Contributions).

As is our tradition here at LCGS, the first three Sundays in December are designated for collection. A box will be made available directly before and after each service. Please do not place them in the collection plate and only use the box for your gift. The preferred and more defensible option is for members to address their gifts to Pastor and have them collected by the designated Council Members to be presented to Pastor before the Congregation. Traditionally the President of the congregation has presented the gifts to Pastor at the Christmas Eve Service. Any questions can be directed to Amy Dammers ajdammers11@gmail.com Text 864-404-0887. Thank you!

A revised list for **Cards of Compassion** is on the table under the bulletin board. Please take one. It is useful for all holidays and the birthdays listed and to remember to pray for them. We try to keep the information updated so they are valid year round.

Thank you for sharing in this ministry.

DATE	OCCASION	TIME	#	TIME	#	Total Attend.	Offering
Oct 20	SUNDAY	8:00 AM	47	10:30 AM	123	170	5,763.31
Oct 23	WEDNESDAY			7:00 PM	106	149	4428.00
Oct 27	REFORMATION	8:00 AM		10:30 AM	38		
Oct 30	WEDNESDAY			7:00 pm			
Nov 3	SUNDAY	8:00 AM	53	10:30 AM	113	166	
Nov 6	WEDNESDAY			7:00 PM	41	41	
Nov 10	SUNDAY	8:00 AM	50	10:30 AM	118	1163	
Nov 13	WEDNESDAT			7:00 PM	?		
Nov 17	SUNDAY	8:00 AM	60	10:30 AM	108	168	
Nov 20	WEDNESDAY			7:00 PM			
Nov 24	SUNDAY	8:00 AM		10:30 AM			
Nov 27	WEDNESDAY			7:00 PM			

REMEMBER YOUR UNITED MINISTRIES DONATIONS:

FOOD: CANNED Fruit, Beef Stew, Canned Tuna, Treet, Ramen Noodles, Powdered Milk, Peanut Butter, Mac & Cheese, Canned Potatoes, Canned Green Beans, Canned Green Peas, Canned Soup, Cereal, Canned Corn, Dried Beans, Rice, Canned Pasta, Grits, Saltines.

PERSONAL ITEM: Spray Deodorant, Hotel-Size Soap, Shampoo, Lotion, Vaseline, Hydrogen Peroxide, Toothbrushes, Shaving Cream, Razors, wash Cloths, Laundry Detergent.

CLOTHING DONATIONS AND OTHER ITEMS may be taken to SOS Thrift Store—110 S. Pleasantburg Drive, Greenville or 3555 Ruth-erford Road, Taylors SC. Mention Untied Ministries and they receive vouchers to provide participants for clothing needs.

In honor of Giving Tuesday, a day celebrating the collective spirit of generosity that brings change and spreads hope to our communities, we hope you will join with us to provide a path to stability for our neighbors in Greenville facing crisis.

We are asking you to give up \$5 or more on Tuesday, December 3rd for #GivingTuesday.

Our goal is \$10,000.

Your donation of \$100, \$50, \$5, or even \$1, helps to serve and empower those on their transformative journey to financial self-sufficiency. Every act of generosity counts, and each means even more when we give together.

Think of what \$10,000 could provide: 834 birth certificates, 77 GEDs, 223 bags of groceries, 200 pairs of work shoes, 8 individuals with CNA training, or 3 individuals with CNC Machining training.

Give on December 3rd by texting GIVEUP5 to 243725, giving online [here](#), or mailing in a gift to 606 Pendleton St, Greenville, SC 29601.

Join us December 3rd.

Let's break it down!

\$10,000 GOAL

- 2,000 people giving \$5**
- 1,000 giving \$10**
- 500 giving \$20**
- 250 giving \$40**
- 100 giving \$100**

TOGETHER, WE CAN DO THIS!

The graphic features a yellow border and a background image of several hands holding small bowls of different foods, including what appears to be rice, beans, and a dark sauce. The text is centered and uses a mix of bold, sans-serif fonts and a cursive script for the opening phrase.

November 10, 2019 LCGS Voter's Meeting Minutes

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) A. Dan Elias called Voter's meeting to order at 9:25am. 50 people in attendance.
- 3) 2) Opening Prayer
 - A. Led by Pastor Steve Saxe
- 3) Additions/Changes to Agenda
 - A. There were no proposed additions or changes to the agenda.
- 4) Previous Voter's Meeting Minutes
 - A. Motion to enter the 9/8/19 Voter's meeting minutes into the record approved. 1st: Al Weirmeir, 2nd: Thomas Greinke. Motion passed unanimously. Minutes attached.
- 5) Financial Secretary's Report
 - A. Frank Meyer outlined the different reporting timeframe and requirements between the Financial Secretary and Treasurer reports.
 - B. Weekly Contributions are up.
 - C. Motion to approve Financial Secretary's Report for period 1/1/19 through 11/3/19 submitted by Frank Meyer. 1st: Gary Meyer, 2nd: Al Weirmeir. Motion passed unanimously. Report attached.
- 6) Treasurer's Report
 - A. Contribution amounts are higher due to increased giving with operating expenses static with an increase in insurance costs.
 - B. Motion to approve Treasurer's Report for period ending 10/31/19 and Statement of Financial Position for period ending 10/31/19 submitted by Amy Dammers. 1st: Thomas Greinke, 2nd: Al Weirmeir. Motion passed unanimously. Report attached.
- 7) Superintendent of Christian Education Report
 - A. October Sunday School attendance averaged 22. Year to Date average is 23.
 - B. Lutheran Study Bibles gifted to all Confirmands.
 - C. There will be 7 Summer Sundays starting 6/14/2020 using the "Enduring Faith" curricula.
 - D. Holy Land trip informational meeting to be held on 12/1/19. E. Motion to approve Christian Education Council Report dated 10/13/19 and Sunday School attendance sheet submitted by Jennifer Johnson. 1st: Al Weirmeir, 2nd: Frank Meyer. Motion passed unanimously. Reports attached.
- 8) Pastor's Report
 - A. Listed Synod/District/Circuit updates.
 - B. Dr. Gene Vieth will visit our parish June 5-7, 2020. Housing and meals will need to be provided.
 - C. Pr. Beaton's interview with Synod's Colloquy Committee scheduled for 12/19/19.
 - D. Pr. Timothy Cartwright will conduct services while Pr. Steve is in the Holy Land.
 - E. Visiting organist scheduled 12/29/19.
 - F. There will only be 3 Advent services due to Christmas Day occurring on Wednesday this year.
 - G. Motion to approve Pastor's Report dated 11/10/19 submitted by Pastor Steve Saxe. 1st: Al Weirmeir, 2nd: Jennifer Fluge. Motion passed unanimously. Report attached.
- 9) Board of Elders
 - A. Christmas preparation underway.
 - B. Contact Monica Santiago if willing to be greeter.
 - C. Motion to approve Board of Elder's verbal report submitted by Gary Meyer. 1st: Amy Dammers, 2nd: Jeff Skeris. Motion passed unanimously.
- 10) Board of Finance
 - A. No report from Board of Finance submitted.
- 11) Board of Trustees
 - A. Fall cleanup day scheduled on 11/16/19 from 9am-12pm.
 - B. Building repair and maintenance issues continue to be identified and addressed by the Trustees.
 - C. Motion to approve Trustee's Report dated 11/10/19 submitted by Jeff Skeris. 1st: Al Weirmeir, 2nd: Frank Meyer. Motion passed unanimously. Report attached.
- 12) AD Hoc & Standing Committees & Coordination Reports
 - A. No report submitted
- 13) Announcements -
 - A. Dan Elias suggested all members utilize the pictorial directory to meet fellow congregants.
 - B. Encouraged members to attend monthly Council meetings. C. Inclement weather closure updates will be posted on WYFF by 6am.
- 14) New Business
 - a. Motion: Approve increase paid vacation from one (1) to two (2) weeks for the church secretary. There were no discussions. Motion passed unanimously
 - b. Motion: Approve a net \$150.00 Christmas Bonus to church staff. There were no discussions. Motion passed unanimously
- 15) Next Council Meeting is scheduled for December 8th. Next Voter's meeting is scheduled for February 9th, 2020.
- 16) Adjournment
 - A. Motion made to adjourn at 9:57am 1st: Al Weirmeir, 2nd: Keith Jones. Motion passed unanimously.
- 17) Benediction
 - A. Led by Pastor Steve Saxe.

Respectfully submitted by Molly Skeris, Recording Secretary

