

# **Good News!**

### FROM PASTOR DAVE.....

## Recognition of Orma Lou

2016 marked Orma Lou Jacobsma's 35<sup>th</sup> year as St. John's organist and choir accompanist. We will publicly acknowledge her many years of faithful service, at both services, on Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup>. I hope that you will take this opportunity to personally thank her for the gift of music that she has shared with our congregation; and that you will honor her with a card, a personal note, and/or gift.

## Coffee and Conversation

In January I tried something new – every Thursday from 2-4pm I went over to our local McDonald's and was available for anyone who want to stop by and chat about anything and everything. I am grateful for those who did stop by, and for the rich conversations we shared. In February, I will be there ONLY on February 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> (due to a couple of Continuing Education events that I will be attending the other two Thursdays). I hope that you will stop by and visit on the 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> (it can be about something at church, or what God is up to in your life, or anything at all). I would welcome the opportunity.

## Season of Epiphany

The season of Epiphany continues through the month of February. The season of Epiphany is a time of our church year when we are reminded that the gift of Jesus is for all peoples - and so we recall the global nature of God's mission. Therefore, once again, we are building our worship services throughout the Epiphany season around a variety of global songs that reflect different cultures of our world! Together, with brothers and sisters around the world, we are the body of Christ. Together, we are called to be a blessing to all peoples, to all races, to all nations! The first Sunday in February (the 5<sup>th</sup>) we will celebrate our FOURTH annual "Spiritual" Sunday - recognizing the rich wealth of music that has come out of our African American brothers and

sisters in Christ. We also intend to specifically "lift up" our connections with Matamba, Tanzania; and our Synodical Companion Synod, the Southeastern Lutheran Church of Southern Africa.

## **Equipping Congregation's Day**

Our SW Minnesota Synod will be hosting its annual Equipping Congregation's Day on Saturday, February 25th in Willmar. This year's keynote speaker will be Rozella Haydee White who is a coach, creator and consultant. Her theme will be: "The (Ongoing) Work of Reformation: Uncovering, Recovering and Discovering the Call of 21<sup>st</sup> Century Disciples. In addition, there will also be about 30 practical workshops from which to choose from - offered at three different times during the day. In order to accommodate the growing numbers of participants that this event is drawing, the event will be held at two different sites – at both Vinje and Bethel Lutheran Churches. Both locations will have the same program elements, the schedules will just be in a different order.

Our Church Council is once again planning on attending this event. If you would like to join us, please contact the church office as soon as possible. The registration fee is based on our congregation size, and for that fee we can register any number of participants (so there would be no cost to you individually). We will pre-register a certain number of slots, but we can always increase that number if need be - that is, until the event reaches its "max" of 1000 registrants; so if you are interested, please contact the church office. We will once again carpool to and from the event.

In Christ, Pastor Dave

## **UPCOMING SUNDAY WORSHIP READINGS**

February 5 – Luke 7:1-17

February 12 - Luke 7:18-35

February 19 – Luke 7:36-50

February 26 – (Transfiguration Sunday) Luke 9:28-45

## 20 Child-sized chairs/ 6 Tables available

First come, first serve please contact the church office for more information.



## THANK YOU

To St. John's Lutheran Church:

Thank you for the donation of \$225.00 and for your continued support.

Your donation is greatly appreciated and will be cautiously spent.

The Annandale Food Shelf

## INSTALLATION OF ELECTED LEADERS

We will be installing our newly elected leaders at our worship services on Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup> – at the end of our first service and at the beginning of the second. Please keep your elected congregational leaders in your prayers throughout the year!



tacklehunger.org

<u>Souper Bowl of Caring</u> Sunday, February 5th is not only Super Bowl Sunday but it is also, more importantly, Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday! Once again we will be receiving a special offering at the door, following each of our worship services, and all the money collected will go towards feeding the hungry through our local Annandale Food Shelf. This is a national effort that last year (2016) raised \$10,510,979.00 that all went to local charities serving the hungry! Here at St. John's we raised over \$700 dollars that all went to our local food shelf. So, please give generously on February 5th!

## CHURCH COUNCIL CHANGES IN FEBRUARY

The Church Council will NOT be meeting this month at its regular time -the third Monday evening, but rather will be attending our Synod's "Equipping Congregational Leaders Day" on February 25<sup>th</sup>. We will have a brief Council meeting over lunch that day! The Executive Council WILL meet – but will meet one week later, February 21st.

## THE GUSTAVUS ACADEMY FOR FAITH, SCIENCE AND ETHICS

We are looking for high school students from St. John's with high academic and leadership potential (who will have completed 9th-11th grades this spring) who would be interested in being nominated to participate in Gustavus' second annual Academy for Faith, Science and Ethics. Forty-five students will be selected to participate in this weeklong summer program on the Gustavus campus from June 24-30. The cost is \$300 but generous scholarships are available to assist students to participate in this program that is designed to deepen their faith and to strengthen their leadership capacities in both church and society. Please let the church office know if you are interested so that we can submit your nomination by the January 31, 2017 deadline. The students who are selected will explore the intersections among faith, science and ethics around the theme: "Evolution, Cancer, and Reproductive Medicine." Please see the poster in the hallway near the bathrooms. If you have questions, please contact Pastor Dave.

## UPDATE FROM THE CROW RIVER CONFERENCE/UMNGENI CIRCUIT PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE

Four people from the Crow River Conference will travel to South Africa in February as part of a group of people from three conferences in the SW MN Synod. They will visit our sister Circuit (comparable to our Conferences) within our Companion Synod. The travelers from the Crow River Conference are Pr. Marlaine Doidge and Paul Grimm of Peace Lutheran in Cosmos and Trinity Lutheran in Hector, and Kate and Jenna Nordstrom, a mother and daughter who are part of the Mount Herman congregation in Annandale.

Please keep these, and all our synod travelers in your prayers. If you are interested in knowing more about this partnership, please contact Pastor Dave.

**TEC WEEKENDS** Youth interested in attending a Teens Encounter Christ weekend, or serving on a TEC Team, are encouraged to check out the Metro TEC website at: <a href="www.mmltec.org">www.mmltec.org</a> or talk to Pastor Dave.

## From Pastor Tom's Desk...

Dear Friends,

Through the years, three books have had a special place in the hearts and minds of Lutherans; the Bible, the Hymnbook and the Catechism. As this nation was forming, all three had an important position. The Dutch settlers arrived in New York in 1623, only a few years after the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth Rock. Amongst their treasured possessions was Luther's catechism. In 1638 the Swedish settlers arrived a little farther down the coast in Delaware. One of them. Johann Campanius, dedicated the first Lutheran Church in America and translated the Small Catechism into the language of the Delaware Indians.

As the flow of immigrants increased, so did the different translations of the Catechism. In 1748, Peter Brunnholtz, a pastor of the newly founded Ministerium of Pennsylvania, wrote a standard German catechism for all Lutherans in America. The following year Brunnholtz and Peter Koch, a Swedish layman, published an English edition, likely from the press of Benjamin Franklin. The Catechism shaped the faith and piety of the early Lutheran Church in America. During this 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Reformation it deserves a fresh look. When Luther wrote it, he hoped that it would soon be encrusted with toast and jam from the family discussions at mealtime. Still a good idea.

During this Anniversary year, there will be many opportunities to get in touch with your Lutheran heritage. I hope they will be a blessing to you.

**Germany reformation trip.** Ten people have expressed interest in a tour to Germany to see the Lutheran sites. We are getting close to a viable group. Let me know if I can add your name to the list.

In Christ. Tom Hevd **INDNJC** 





FIRST COMMUNION MEETING FOR PARENTS Here at St. John's, children are welcome to begin communing whenever their parents feel they are ready to participate. If a child has not begun communing at an earlier age, we strongly encourage that every child would begin communing in either third or fourth grade. On Sunday, February 26th, there will be a brief meeting, following each worship service, in the church library, Communion for all parents of children who want to prepare for their First Communion. This meeting

is for parents only. The purpose of this meeting is to outline the process, and distribute some materials that we will have you work through, with your son or daughter, at home in preparation for our First Communion class on Saturday, April 1st from 9am-11am. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

## **Precious Gifts Preschool Fundraiser**

If you cannot join us, a donation JAR will be on the Welcome desk. Thanks for your support.



## Join us on February 6th:

at the Monticello Pizza Ranch from 5:00 to 8:00 PM. A percentage of all proceeds and TIPS ao to Precious Gifts.



**J.O.L.T. (JOY OF LEARNING TOGETHER)** Our Adult Education classes meet in the Library from 9:30am to 10:15am. All are welcome! Last fall a number of us gathered to discuss the Lutheran Social Services of MN resource: "My Neighbor is Muslim." In February, as part of our Sunday morning JOLT classes, we will be using material from LSS's new re-

source: "And Who Is My Neighbor? Talking about Race and Racial equality."

Come and join us as we discuss this vital and important issue.

February 5: God Made Us Different on Purpose

February 12: What is Race? February 19: Racism is a Sin February 26: Privilege You are invited to gather with us in the Library at 9:30am for some good discussion about matters of faith and life. All are welcome!

## **MANY THANKS**

- To all who helped take down and put away our Christmas decorations.
- To this year's Nominating Team as they have worked diligently to call forth new leaders to serve our congregation.
- To the Church Council, and especially our Treasurer: Steve Miller, for their diligent work on preparing the proposed budget for 2017.
- To Penny Hogberg, Nancy Berg, Ed Mader and Celeste Froehlich who are completing their terms on the Church Council thank you for your faithful leadership.
- To our snow removal teams for doing a great job keeping our sidewalks shoveled, and to Lonnie Baack for creating drainage channels.
- To all who submitted reports for our annual report, and to Lisa for all her work in assembling the report.
- To Matt Treichler for completing his year as Council President.
- To all who helped with preparing and serving the lunches for the Michael Gunnerson funeral and the Don Nelson funeral.
- To Bonnie and Mike Schmidt for hosting our Staff Holiday Gathering, and for Bill Berry and Janelle Nilson for hosting our Council Holiday Gathering.
- To the members of the Church Council for hosting and providing the Annual Meeting lunch.
- To Cindy Sprague and Pat Sanderson for helping assemble the Annual Report.

**ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE NEWS** We are grateful for each and every gift given to the St. John's Endowment – no matter the size. And we would encourage you to include the St. John's Endowment in your estate planning. Please know that any gift given to the Endowment is a gift that will keep on giving! Such gifts allow us to support worthwhile ministries within and beyond our congregation!



**VALENTINE'S DINNER** Wondering how to celebrate Valentine's Day this year? How about joining with other couples from St. John's and participating in a special Valentine's Dinner to be once again held downstairs at Southbrook "Four Seasons" Restaurant? It will be an evening to celebrate your love, but also to strengthen your marriage. The dinner will be held on Friday, Feb. 10th - at 6:00pm with 6:30p meal. The cost is \$21.00/person (includes tax & gratuity) which includes: **Choice of Two** 

Entrées/Couple - entrée details will be listed on the sign-up sheet, please call the office for more details. Dinners include table served dinner salad, freshly baked dinner rolls & butter, potato and vegetable. Also provided is complimentary Champagne or coffee, and dessert. Come and enjoy a night of good food, good fellowship, plus something to encourage you in your marriage. Please sign-up at the Welcome Desk and indicate your entrée choices by Feb. 6th.

**SYNOD SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GATHERING** This event is for youth in grades 9-12, and it will be held March 10<sup>th</sup>-11th at the Lake Geneva Christian Center in Alexandria, MN. This year's theme is "Rooted In Faith" based on Colossians 2:7(NIV). Rachel Kurtz will be the band, and Rev. Brian Konkol will be the speaker. The cost is \$95.00 (includes room, programming, a Gathering t-shirt, and two meals). Contact the church office for more information.

D-WAY SCHEDULE FOR 7TH - 9TH GRADERS:

February 1 - Normal Schedule: Luke 7:1-17 Raising of

the Widow's Son

**February 8**– Normal Schedule: Luke 7:18-35 Are You the One?

**February 15** – Normal Schedule: Luke 7:36-50

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**February 22** – Normal Schedule: Luke 9:28-45 Transfiguration

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

**Feb 5** - Sunday School

**Feb 12** - Sunday School; Sunday School sings at 10:30 service

Feb 19 - No Sunday School - President's Day

Weekend

Feb 26 - Sunday School

## 2017-2018 Preschool Registration is now open!

Your child ages 3 through 5 is invited to Precious Gifts Preschool Enrolling for Fall 2017

www.stjohns-annandale.org/Precious Gifts Preschool
Call 320-274-9722 or 612-730-0158

Excellent kindergarten readiness program!
We have learning to do, stories to tell and fun, fun!

# Don't miss this opportunity.



All Registrations received by April 1st, 2017 are only \$20.00 (1/2 price)

## GRIEF GROUP-ALL ARE WELCOME

If you are grieving the loss of a loved one, you are invited to come to our grief support group, which is facilitated by Linda Hall, Bereavement Coordinator of Heartland Hospice. The next meeting will be held on Feb. 9th at 3:00pm in the Library. Contact the church office with any questions.





Precious Gifts Preschool and Butter Braids *They're* back! The board and staff will be selling Butter Braids

Sunday **March 5th** and Sunday **March 12<sup>th</sup>**. We hope you will help support the preschool by enjoying Butter braids for Easter.

All butter braids will be at the church on Sunday April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**VBS ANNOUNCEMENT** We're looking for a St. John's member who is interested in the VBS Director role. If you are interested, have questions, or would like to see a description of what's involved, please contact Michelle Wang - thank you!

**IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER** When the weather is questionable, and we have something scheduled at church, we will:

- 1) Put an announcement on our voice mail indicating whether events are still on or are cancelled,
- 2) Put an announcement on the website at <a href="www.stjohns-annandale.org">www.stjohns-annandale.org</a> indicating whether events are on or are cancelled, and
- 3) If an event is cancelled, we will also notify the following radio/television stations: KRWC Buffalo (1360AM), KTIS Minneapolis (98.5FM)-(broadcast on webpage), and WCCO (830AM) (broadcast on webpage).
- 4) Post it on Facebook.

In all cases, please make wise and safe choices.

## Calling All Ladies - Many Items of Interest:

## Spring Gathering -

April 29, 2017 at Gethsemane Lutheran in Dassel,

with speaker "Martin Luther" - celebrating 500 years of Lutheranism!

\*\*Baby Care Kits - Please need not be new items, watch for the bassinette in the gathering area.

## \*\*Baby Care Kits

- † Two lightweight cotton t-shirts
- † Two long- or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers (without feet)
- † Two receiving blankets, medium -weight cotton or flannel, or crocheted or knitted with light weight yarn, up to 52" square
- † Four cloth diapers, flat fold preferred, 25" x 27"
- † One jacket, sweater or sweatshirt with a hood or include a baby cap
- † Two pairs of socks
- † One hand towel, dark color recommended
- † Two bath-size bars (4 to 5 ox.) of gentle soap, in original wrapping
- Two diaper pins or large safety pins

<u>Septuafest</u> - Thursday, July 20th, 2017 at 10am, with speaker Humorist Janet Letnes Martin, creator of the Church Basement Ladies - books will be for sale. Ladies, please come and enjoy a free morning of friendship, humor and complimentary brunch!

<u>Fall Gathering</u> - Saturday, September 30th, 2017, with speaker Gaye Lindfors, author of "God, Girlfriends, & Chocolate". Location to be determined; mark your calendars.

These events offer great speakers, and great opportunities for spiritual growth, humor,

		Monthly Income	Monthly Expense	<b>General Fund Balance</b>	Page 6
General Fund (1)	December 2016	\$53,056.84	\$27,772.53	\$40,173.57	
Building Fund (2)	201 <u>5</u> Monthly Average	\$33,801.72	\$34,810.34 Monthly Mortgage	Building Balance	
_		\$13,607.44	\$9,587.00	\$11,030.70	
Precious Gifts Preschool			PG Expense	PG Balance	
(3)		\$2,075.50	\$1,948.79	\$5,690.09	
1 For December 2016 the Congrel Fund had \$25,004 mere in income than expenses (VEDV COODII)					

## Notes:

- For December 2016 the General Fund had \$25,284 more in income than expenses.(VERY GOOD!!) Congregation approved budgeted expenditures for 2016 total approximately \$453,000 and for the year, we expended \$37,000 less than the budgeted amounts. At the beginning of 2016 we had a positive balance of \$20,400, and with December this balance has grown.
- We still maintain a positive balance; our next mortgage payment will be \$9,587.00.
- 3. Precious Gifts Preschool balance is still positive.

Remember our mission at St. John's is supported by your talents and generous gifts. THANK YOU!

## IN NEED OF PRAYER?

People at St. John's are ready to pray for and with you --- in times of joy, and in times of need. To activate this prayer ministry please contact the church office. Only the information you choose to share will be passed on to the Prayer Ministry participants. But please understand that if you are calling on behalf of another person, in order to respect the right of privacy, and for the sake of confidentiality, you must have that individual's permission before we can activate the prayer ministry and pray for them by name.

Also, please know that our prayer ministry is ALWAYS open to additional participants. If you would like to be included in either the Prayer Chain (where you would receive a telephone contact) or the email prayer group please contact the church office.

### **PASTORAL VISITS**

Please call the church office and let us know if you desire a pastoral visit – especially if you are going to be hospitalized. If it is an emergency feel free to call Pastor Dave at home.

## VIA DE CRISTO

Adults interested in a weekend experience that is sure to bring a new added depth to your faith are encouraged to consider attending one of the upcoming Via de Cristo weekends. For upcoming weekend dates and places, and additional information concerning Via de Cristo weekends, please check out the website at www.mnviadecristo.org or talk with Ardis Nelson or Pastor Dave.

**EMAIL** If you would like to receive the newsletter and/or weekly bulletin and announcements as an e-mail just let office know at Idietrich-blocker@stjohnsannandale.org. It works great and is very cost-effective!

CHANGING ADDRESS: MOVING AWAY??

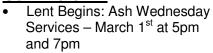
For every piece of returned mail or updated address we are charged a .57 fee from the post office. In addition, for those who will be moving and are leaving the area permanently, please notify the office at 274-8827. Thank you.

## FIRST FRIDAY COMMUNION SERVICE AT ANNANDALE

**CARE CENTER** Our monthly service of Holy Communion will be February 3rd at 1:30pm. While this worship service is intended for all St. John's members who are residents at the Care Center and Centennial Villa apartments, it is open to ALL (both residents and family and friends).

MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISERS: ALUMINUM CANS/ **POINTS:** There is a collection area for bagged aluminum cans (no used aluminum foil please) in the outdoor garbage area. We also collect COBORNS/CASH WISE points throughout the year—there is a collection bucket located outside of the office.

### COMING UP...





- First Friday Communion Service at Care Center March 3<sup>rd</sup>
- SW MN Synod Senior High Youth Gathering March
- Crow River Conference Assembly March 5<sup>th</sup>
- Midweek Lenten Soup Suppers and Worship beginning March 8th
- Pre-marriage Seminar March 11th
- "Spring Ahead" One Hour before you go to sleep on March 11th
- Sunday Care Center Service March 26<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm
- First Communion Class April 1st from 9am to 11am
- Palm/Passion Sunday April 9<sup>th</sup> (Sunday school youth sing at 10:30am service)
- Maundy Thursday April 13th
- Good Friday Ecumenical Service at St. John's April 14<sup>th</sup> – 12noon
- Good Friday Evening Service 7pm
- Easter Sunday April 16th

St. John's Lutheran Church Council Meeting 01-16-17 Date: Start: 7:00 p.m. End: 8:45 p.m. Page 7
Present: Pastor Dave Nelson, Denny Abernathy, Penny Hogberg, Nancy Berg, Matt Honsey, Bill Berry, Dave Hadler, Matt Treichler, Shelly Mikel, Steve Miller Absent: Celeste Froehlich, Peggy Bodell, Ed Mader, Kris Nelson

TOPIC	DISCUSSON	ACTION
Faith Talk :	Matt Honsey	N/A
Scripture and Prayer:	Pastor Dave	N/A
Approval of Agenda	Motion to approve January Agenda	M/S/P Exec./Denny A.
Secretary's Report	Motion to Approve December Council Minutes	M/S/P Exec./Denny A.
Treasurer's Report	Motion to Approve December Treasurer's Report	M/S/P Exec./ Denny A.
Executive Committee Actions:	None	N/A
Pastor Dave's Report	Highlighted topics:  2017 Executive Committee: Following the Annual Meeting Kris Nelson will be assuming the role of President and Shelly Mikel will be assuming the role of Secretary. Vice President position is currently unfilled. Denny Abernathy and Matt Treichler are both willing to serve on Executive Council if need be.  Internet: The preschool has requested internet service. A NanoBeam dish	N/A
	will be installed in the CYF building and in a dead spot in the main building. This will provide service to the preschool and better reception in the main building. The funding will come out of the preschool budget and the technology budget.  Council 2017: We currently have all the positions for council filled with the	N/A
	exception of one 2 year term pending confirmation at the annual meeting. <u>Upcoming Events</u> : February 5 <sup>th</sup> : Installation of elected leaders. February 25 <sup>th</sup> : Equipping Congregations Day in Willmar.	N/A
Unfinished Business:	Mission Support: 10% of offerings will be placed in a designated fund for mission support. This fund will be reviewed at each council meeting. Each quarter the fund will be reviewed along with the current church finances to determine what funds should be potentially sent to the synod for mission support.	M/S/P Nancy B./Penny H.
	Thrivent Funds: Motion made to transfer \$5089.20 from the General Fund back to the Thrivent fund.	M/S/P Exec./ Shelly M.
New Business	2017 Budget: Proposed budget was approved for presentation at the annual meeting. (The Precious Gifts Preschool will continue to be a separate budget).  Annual Meeting: Lunch will be provided by the Council. Nancy Berg will be creating a sign-up sheet and sending it via email to all council members.	M/P Consensus by Council N/A
	** Motion to Extend the Council meeting 15 minutes  Building Fees: Recommend this topic put on the agenda for future discussion.	M/S/P Shelly M./Nancy B. N/A
Ministry Updates		N/A
Council Reminders	Sign up for offering collection. Respond timely to Annual Meeting food sign up email.	N/A
Adjournment	Motion to adjourn at 8:45	M/S/P Dave. H./Matt H.

Council members contact your Missions – What are you currently working on. Is there anything else you would like to share with the board. Please let your mission know to send minutes of each meeting to Bonnie as soon as possible after the meeting.

February	Greeters/ Wel- come Center	Readers	Acolytes	Coffee/Treats Servers	Audio/Video Techs
Feb 5 8:15	Herschuel & La- Donna Howell	Jo Heyd	Mason Boos Josie Jerpseth	John & Diane Swan- son	A: Jim Framstad V: Phyllis Framstad
Feb 5 10:30	Bill Berry & Janelle Nilson Family	Mary Iverson	Jack Nelson Alison Treichler	Trish Taylor Machelle Borell	A: Shelly Mikel V: Luke Mikel
Feb 12 8:15	Erling & Charlene Jerpseth	Sharon Herman- son	Brooke Bianchi Carson Wiles	Linda & Ron Dircks	A: Jim Hallstrom V: Jim Peterson
Feb 12 10:30	Matt & Tina Hon- sey Family	Peggy Bodell	Madisyn Jacobson Halle Jensen		A: Diane Nelson V:
Feb 19 8:15	Bryan & Jennifer Kulm Family		Mason Boos	Gary & Jeanne Schillinger	A: Mike Miller V: Denise Schultz
Feb 19 10:30	Dave & Penny Hogberg		Isaak Rust	Bill Berry & Janelle Nilson Family	A: Shelly Mikel V: Luke Mikel
Feb 26 8:15	Stan & Shirley Hil- lestad		Trevor Potter Ethan Olson	Kris & Rick Bauer Family	A: Diane Nelson V: Steve Niklaus
Feb 26 10:30	Dave & Sue Hadler		Halle Jensen Alison Treichler	Derrick & Amy Bian- chi Family	A: Arthur Kjaer V: Michelle Wang

## **Ushers**

## 8:15 Service

John & Diane Swanson Mary Ann Humola Steve Miller

## **10:30 Service**

John and Shelly Mikel Family Bruce and Robin Jacobson

## Altar Guild

Tina Honsey

## **WELCA Circles:**

## Sarah Circle:

Hostess:

Bible Study Leader:

Rachel Circle: Wednesday, Feb. 8th, 9:30am

Hostess: Pat Sanderson

Bible Study Leader: Shirley

Mary Circle: Wednesday, Feb. 1st, 2pm

Bible Study Leader: Frieda Gunderson

**Ruth Circle:** Monday, Feb. 13th at 2pm

Hostess: Sharon Peterson

February 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
			1 Precious Gifts Preschool 8:30-12noon 1:30pm Mary Circle 3:00pm 4th Grade D- Way 5:00pm D-Way Meal Begins 5:20pm 5th-6th D-Way 6:00pm 7th-9th D-Way 7:15pm Choir Rehearsal 7:30pm AA Meeting- Ed.Bldg.	2 9:15am Annandale Improvement Club 6:00pm Girl Scouts- Ed. Bldg.	Precious Gifts Preschool 8:30 - 12noon 1:30pm Care Center Communion Service	4	
5 Installation of Elected Leaders Souper Bowl of Caring 8:15am Traditional Worship w/ Communion 9:30am JOLT! / Sunday School 10:30am Contemporary Worship w/ Communion 12:30pm Eagle Scout Ceremony	6 Precious Gifts Preschool 8:30- 12noon 5:00pmPizza Ranch Fundraiser 5-8pm @ Monticello 6:00pm Boy Scouts	Pastors at Cokato	8 Precious Gifts Preschool 8:30-12noon 9:30am Rachel Circle 1:30pm Staff Meeting 3:00pm 4th Grade D- Way 5:00pm D-Way Meal Begins 5:20pm 5th-6th D-Way 6:00pm 7th-9th D-Way 7:15pm Choir Rehearsal 7:30pm AA Meeting- Ed.Bldg.	9:30am Annandale Christian Women's Club 3:00pm Grief Group - Linda Hall 6:00pm Girl Scouts-Ed Bldg	10 Precious Gifts Preschool 8:30 - 12noon  Valentine's Dinner at Southbrook Four Seasons Restaurant 6:30pm meal	11	
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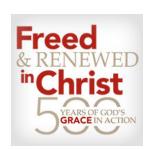
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