

# Abiding Peace NEWS & NOTES



January 10, 2016

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## *Choir Rehearsals*



The Abiding Peace Choir will be starting rehearsals for Lent and Easter music. All are welcome to participate! Even if you have never been in choir before or you just want to sing for a season, please join us. We will have our first rehearsal on **Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup>** @ 7:00 p.m.

## *Women's Bible Study*

Ladies, we will be resuming our Bible Study on **Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup>** at Abiding Peace. We will continue with the study of Luke, taking a closer look at the life and ministry of Jesus.



## *Baptism Luncheon*



All members of Abiding Peace are cordially invited to a luncheon here at Abiding Peace on **Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup>** after second service. Dan & Joy Symonds will be hosting the luncheon, catered by Boston Market, to celebrate the baptism of their new daughter, Emily Elizabeth!

**Please RSVP** to: [joyesymonds@gmail.com](mailto:joyesymonds@gmail.com) by Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, so they can give a final count for the food to the caterer. Thank you!

## ***Offering Envelopes***

The Offering Envelopes for 2016 are on the table in the entryway for members to pick up. We also have a new supply of Children's Offering Envelopes. Please inquire in the church office if anyone is in need of them.



You will also find your 2015 offering statements for tax purposes in your mailboxes!

## ***An Encouraging Word***

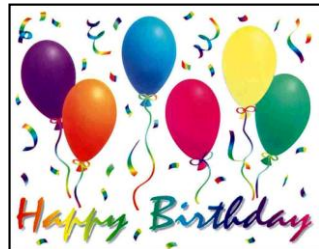
### **Vision for Christian Living - Titus 3:4-7**



Strictly speaking, our Savior did not need to be baptized. He had no sins that needed to be forgiven. We, on the other hand, desperately need baptism. Paul's words crush our sinful pride that tries to take at least partial credit for our salvation. At the same time his words comfort us that God, in mercy, gave us what we could never earn or deserve. Through something seemingly so simple as water applied in the name of the Triune God, God's "not guilty" verdict becomes our own. Now we have a wonderful inheritance: heaven!

## ***Birthday Greetings***

This week we extend birthday greetings to Nolan Kacer (January 10), Penny Lush (January 10), Liam Schultz (January 13), Stuart Engelke (January 16), and Jeremiah Erickson (January 16). Enjoy your special days!



## ***Craft Night***



Beginning **Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup>**, we will be implementing a craft night to begin at 6:30 p.m. All women that would like to attend our Craft Night are welcome! We will be working on centerpiece items for the LWMS

Convention that evening. You can also bring a sewing, knitting, or craft project of your own to work on or just come to socialize. There will be refreshments available as well.

## ***Daily Devotions***

If you would like to receive Daily Devotions by e-mail in 2016 - please speak to Pastor Free or Caryn Grossman to be added to our list.



## ***53<sup>rd</sup> Annual LWMS Convention***

**Come join us** as we gather in St. Charles, IL for the

### **LWMS Convention June 23-26, 2016**

Everyone, both men and women alike, young and old are invited and encouraged to attend! The convention will feature missionaries from all over the world. Charge your spiritual battery with zeal to share the Gospel!



## ***Weekly Mission Prayer***



*Japan* – Lord of the Church, we praise you for allowing Aganai Lutheran Church to proclaim your saving gospel in Japan for 50 years. Thank you for your grace to this church in the past. Sustain them in their faithful witness to Jesus in the future. Spur us in our zeal for mission work as we see once again how you richly bless our prayers, support, and offerings in carrying out your Great Commission. Amen.

## ***Service to Our Lord***

	<b><i>January 4 - 10</i></b>	<b><i>January 11 - 17</i></b>
<b><i>Pianists</i></b>	<i>Marge Schubring</i>	<i>Becky Miller</i>
<b><i>Ushers—8:00</i></b>	<i>Mark Kreklow</i>	<i>Jim Stumpner</i>
<b><i>Ushers—10:30</i></b>	<i>Dan Woltman Earl McCormack Freda McCormack</i>	<i>Geoff Grossman Caryn Grossman</i>
<b><i>Refreshments</i></b>	<i>Lush DeHaan</i>	<i>Kalenowski Bruemmer</i>

## ***Give Thanks to the Lord!***

Worship Attendance ~

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