



# Abiding Peace NEWS & NOTES

December 1, 2013

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## *Prepare for His Coming*

Wednesday, December 4

### **The Advent Message**

*Pastor Joshua Free*



Wednesday, December 11

### **The Advent Life**

*Pastor Philip Schupmann*



Wednesday, December 18

### **Our Advent Task**

*Pastor Joshua Free*

In the weeks before Christmas, let's take some time to reflect on the coming of Christ our Savior. How will we prepare for his coming?



Our midweek services will be held at 7:00 p.m. Also plan to join us at 6:15 p.m. on Wednesday for family soup supper and dessert after the service.

## *Advent Tea Approaches*

Ladies of Abiding Peace, this year's Advent Tea is on **Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> @ 3:00 p.m.**

We encourage all of you to attend to take a moment to slow down and reflect on the message of Christ's coming during this



hustle and bustle season! There is an invite in your mail box in the communications center and there are extras available for you to send or hand out to friends and family.

Questions? Please see Gwynn Manzel or Kim Bruemmer.

## *Church Decorating*

We will be decorating the church – inside and out – for Christmas on **Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>**, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Let's meet and beautify our worship space together.



## *Christmas Caroling*



Share the joy of our Savior's birth by joining us for some Christmas caroling **Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 4:30 p.m.** All are most welcome to join in!

A gathering at the Miller home will follow caroling. There is a sign up in the entryway - please bring an appetizer or dessert to share.

## *Birthday and Anniversary Greetings*

This week, birthday greetings go to Mary Rose Hogan (December 6). Anniversary wishes are extended to Mark & Sandy Jones and Brian & Shica Povich (December 1).



## *Christmas Worship at Abiding Peace*

**Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 p.m.**

Children's Christmas Service

**Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 a.m.**

Christmas Day Festival Service

## *Women's Bible Study*

Our Women's Bible Study will be meeting at the home of Nancy Baird on **Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup>**. The following week, **Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup>**, we will move to the Grossmans' home. All ladies are welcome to join the group.



## *Ladies' Christmas Party*



All ladies of Abiding Peace are invited to a Christmas party on **Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, @ 6:00 p.m.** at the home of Caryn Grossman. We will have an appetizer dinner, reveal of Prayer Partners, and select new ones for the coming year. You are also welcome to participate in a White Elephant Gift Exchange or just come and share a few laughs and some Christmas cheer!

## *Sunday School Christmas Practices*

Two practices have been set up in preparation for the Children's Christmas Eve Service this year. The first practice will be on **Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup> / 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.**

The second one will be on **Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>** from Noon - 2:00 p.m. We will serve lunch to the kids on that Sunday, so we can all stay after second service. Please make every effort to have the children here for these important rehearsals. Thank you.



## *Weekly Mission Prayer*



*WELS ministry in 2013* - God, as we stand together as a synod at the end of another year of grace with you, our hearts are filled with thanks and praise to you alone. We would love to take credit for the ministry work that is going on, but you don't need any help from us. You have allowed us to be a part of your ministry plan and have blessed our work only because of your unconditional love through your Son, Jesus. Lord, please lead us to follow your will in the coming year. Keep us faithful to your Word and secure in your love. Amen.

## *Service to Our Lord*

	<b>Nov. 25 - Dec. 1</b>	<b>December 2 - 8</b>
<b>Pianists</b>	Dave Frick	Margaret Schubring
<b>Ushers - 8:00</b>	Dave Kammerer Jon Kammerer	Sean Hogan Reilly Hogan
<b>Ushers - 10:30</b>	Trent Whitney Amy Whitney Earl McCormack	Mark Jones Dan Schoenbeck Rosie Schoenbeck
<b>Refreshments</b>	Kacer Free	Schubring Baird
<b>Cleaning</b>	Hogan Kreklow	Baird Woltman

## *Give Thanks to the Lord!*

Worship Attendance: 63  
Bible Study Attendance: 18  
Sunday School Attendance: 18