

# The Vine

DECEMBER 2018  
PRINCE OF PEACE  
LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA

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## Advent 2018 at Prince of Peace

Since we began our journey with the Narrative Lectionary, we've heard stories of how God makes promises to God's people and to all creation and is faithful in keeping those promises.

From our very first Sunday with the Noah story, God promises to work with and through God's people regardless of all that we might do to live outside of that promise. God built on this promise to Sarah and Abraham that they and their descendants would be blessed to be a blessing for all the world.

As a reminder of God's promise, a rainbow has hung in our sanctuary, under which we've gathered to hear more and more stories of God's faithfulness and of a vision for how to live in response. This promise and the vision that is born from it continues to shape our lives yet today. Even though we and the world seemingly conspire to deny the promised truth, we are called to live in the hope that God will never be separated from us.

In this Advent season, we hear the words of the prophets pointing us to another revelation, and the rainbow-colored promise will reveal something is being made new yet again. God is pushing back against the darkness that wants to overtake us. Come to this community of faith during December, bringing your hurts and longings, your questions and curiosities. Together, waiting for the promised, we might live in hope for the savior to come.

### Highlights in the Advent season:

- The Minnesota Boychoir helps to lead worship on Dec. 2.
- Join in one of the many caroling opportunities this season.
- Singer/Songwriter John Hermanson will discuss and perform from his album "Isaiah" during Adult Forum on Dec. 16.
- The Children's Program tells the Christmas story during the 2nd service on Dec. 16.
- Lightshine, Chancel Choir and the Bell Choir help to lead "Lessons & Carols" on Dec. 23.
- "A Christmas Cafe" for all-ages will take place between services on Dec. 23.
- Christmas Eve worship with candlelight at 3 p.m., 4:30 p.m., and 10:30 p.m.



# Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

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ROSEVILLE, MN 55113  
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**Sunday worship  
at 8:30 & 10:45 a.m.**

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### LOST & FOUND

Things found around the church are placed in LOST & FOUND. Where is LOST & FOUND? Look in the cabinet behind the east door in the library.

## December Worship Schedule:

**Dec. 2nd Traditional with communion**  
MN Boychoir at both services

**Dec. 9th Traditional**  
8:30 Lightshine 10:45 Chancel Choir

**Dec. 16th Band Led with communion**  
8:30 Chancel Choir.  
10:45 Christmas Play:  
*Waiting for the Promised*

**Dec. 23rd Service of Lessons and Carols**  
Chancel Choir, Bells of Peace and  
Lightshine at both services  
**Christmas Cafe at 9:40 a.m.**

**Dec. 24th Christmas Eve**  
3:00 Sunday School Choir  
4:30 Ericksen Family  
10:30 Chancel Choir

**Dec. 30th One service at 10:00 a.m. only**  
Erika Warkentien & Stephanie Hogen

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# Pastor Peter: Days Filled with Grace



As we enter into the busy holiday season, what a joy it is to have this expanded team to collaborate with on so many aspects of our shared ministry. I'm especially pleased with the work we're doing with children, youth and families, including the re-design of our confirmation program. Both Pastor Betsy and Cori, our Youth Director have really rolled up their sleeves to bring a new vitality to our efforts. Likewise, Pastor Ruth has added some welcome richness to our community's work in caring for one another.

Here are a few notes on what we've been up to this past month...

## Staff & Leadership Notes

- The Nominations Committee (Stephanie Hogen & Milt Warkentien) has begun recruiting for the next "class" of elected leaders plus continuing to look for folks to fill current vacancies. One of those vacancies is on the Nominating Committee itself. Please contact myself or any committee member if you're interested in serving in leadership role during 2019.
- Let's give thanks for the efforts of the Interview Committee for the Funeral Coordinator position. Following up on the vision discerned during last spring's "Community Conversation on Funeral Ministry," the council has endorsed the work of the interview committee in support of naming Barb Lyman as Funeral Coordinator, and to help us serve families that are experiencing the loss of loved ones from our community. This is work that Barb has already helped to facilitate in the past so her affirmed presence is a most welcome addition to this important ministry.
- Barry Brahier, long-time member and past council-president, has agreed to serve as the chairperson for our new "Generosity Committee." The work that Barry is now tasked with leading is centered on how our community will steward the recent bequest from Rose Diestler's estate. Please contact Barry or me if you are interested in lending yourself to this effort.
- On Nov. 17, the staff gathered together for a 1/2 day retreat. It was a wonderful opportunity for staff, new and old, to get to know one another and to review the work we are doing as a team in helping to realize the mission and ministry of Prince of Peace. One tool that we explored together was the "StrengthsFinder" inventory developed by psychologist Don Clifton. We look forward to digging even more deeply into this helpful resource.



## Program Notes

- Incorporating "Telling Our Story" into worship on non-communion Sundays has allowed us to highlight a spectrum of ways in Prince of Peace is being the church for the sake of the world. In October we lifted up the wonderful work and legacy now left behind by the hat knitting ministry that has come to conclusion, and we enjoyed a wonderful service of installation for Pastor Betsy. In November, our BkB partnership with our brothers and sisters in Bomalang'ombe, Tanzania, was highlighted in conjunction with our annual Tanzania dinner and fundraiser and we had a wonderful chance to celebrate and bless the work of the knitting group that supports our prayer shawl ministry.

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## **Pastor Peter: Days Filled with Grace** (continued from page 3)

- The “Cloud of Saints” has been a delightful addition to our worship space again this year and helped us properly celebrate on All Saints Day at the start of November. Thanks to Erika Warken-tien for cutting out letters, Tara Emerson for organizing volunteers to string them together and Monday Crew with Worship Committee volunteers to hang it all up.
- The new church year, starting with the season of Advent, begins on Sunday, Dec. 2. Our Advent theme, “Waiting for the Promised,” echoes what we have heard this fall from the ancestors of our faith like Noah, Sarah, Abraham, Joseph, and David as well as the prophets like Micah and Isaiah. The promises that God has made will soon take on an incarnate reality in the person of Jesus Christ. Once again our gathering spaces will be transformed and our times gathered in worship, faith formation and fellowship will help to reinforce the faithfulness of God to all God’s people.
- If you aren’t already, consider joining one of our smaller ministry groups like a monthly Women’s Circle, the weekly Old Guy’s coffee and text study, Theology on Tap at Ol’ Mexico, or any number of musical ensembles that gather to rehearse. Time spent together will also help to reinforce this life of faith we’re called to explore.

### **And finally...**

Last month, Pastor Betsy and I were blessed by the opportunity to gather with many of our colleagues in the St. Paul Area Synod at the Bishop’s Annual Theological Conference. This year’s guest and keynote speaker was ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton. As one who is called to bring the gospel truth to others to hear, it was especially helpful to hear how Bishop Eaton also struggles with the current polarized political landscape. Her encouragement to us pastors to first listen deeply to the Word and then to listen deeply to one another is a helpful reminder that, though this work can be perilous at times, if we find our truth in that Word and in those relationships, God will be revealed. I give thanks to God that you have entrusted me with such a task.

*Photo Note: These are the 34 attributes inventoried in the StrengthsFinder Assessment. My top strength is “WOO” or “Winning Others Over.” If you’ve also done this inventory I’d love to know your top five.*

## **December Women’s Ministry–**

All women are invited to participate. Call one of the hostesses for a group that fits your schedule. In December each women’s bible study circle is planning their own event. The theme “Fear not, God is at work beyond our ability to imagine”. All women are invited to participate. Please RSVP to the hostess if you can come.



**Rebecca Circle** meets for a Christmas Share-A-Meal on Monday, Dec. 10 at 6 p.m. Hostess: Linda Olson’s Home, 651-482-8543

**Lydia Circle** will meet for a Christmas Organ Concert on Tuesday, Dec. 11 at 9:30. Hostess and Organist: Ardella Norenberg’s home, 651-631-2705

**Women of the Well Circle** is attending Augsburg Vespers on Sat., Dec. 1.

**Ruth Circle** will be having a potluck luncheon on Wed., Dec. 12, at 12:30. Hostess and Program: Diane Syverson, 612-356-9568

## Pastor Ruth: Advent is a Season of Waiting



I like to think of waiting as a spiritual practice because it tends to be one of those things that we struggle with accepting and doing. Years ago I had an eye-opening experience regarding waiting. My daughter had twice weekly appointments, which for me involved a lot of driving and a lot of waiting. The waiting room was a revolving door of parents and kids and I got to observe many different styles of waiting.



There were the parents who had other kids to entertain so they were in the toy corner managing play time (I didn't need to do that). There were parents who dropped their child off and went to run errands (I didn't have anywhere to go). There were the parents who chatted loudly on their cell phones (annoying). There were parents who, through sheer necessity, took that hour-long opportunity to nap (no idea how they did that).

None of these styles of waiting fit me so I tried other things. I brought a book but it was too hard to read with all the noise. I tried to listen to podcasts on my headphones, but I liked to listen to podcasts while walking instead of sitting. I would text friends, but that didn't take up an hour. I finally brought some needlework with me to keep my hands busy and my attention focused.

One day a new woman appeared in the waiting room. At the top of the hour her cell phone rang out with a loud, clear tone and she unfurled a mat, knelt on it, and began to pray. In the midst of the kid noise, cell phone chatter, snow boots and winter jackets tumbling out of cubbies, and the revolving door chaos of that waiting room this woman prayed. She didn't need a sanctuary, a special candle, a sabbath day – the waiting room became a prayer room.

My mind lit up with the possibility of a new kind of waiting that she modeled for me and my twice weekly waiting time changed after that day. I decided that I too could pray in that space, in my head and in my heart, because prayer existed in the midst of waiting and in the midst of appointments, carpools, grocery lists, medical forms, and lost mittens. I started to pray for the other parents in that room. I prayed for their kids working on PT or OT skills to help their bodies and brains. I prayed for the staff who challenged and were cheerleading kids all day long.

I began to look forward to my waiting room time knowing that that time prayer and reflection was just waiting for me to embrace it, just like God is always there, ready to shower us with grace. And I began to see that my waiting room/prayer room time affected the rest of my day as I moved into helping with homework, dinner prep, dog walks, and bedtime routines. My new way of waiting changed me.

How will you wait during Advent? How might waiting change you this season?

May your waiting be a blessing to all your days.

In Peace, Pastor Ruth

## Pastor Betsy: Faith Formation Highlights

**Bible Sunday** — When a child is baptized, parents make promises to raise their son or daughter in the faith and part of this is teaching them God’s story as they grow in years. We as the church partner with families, praying for them and helping them to nurture children in faith. On November 18, we presented Bibles to 15 of our children who are 3-year-olds, 3<sup>rd</sup> graders and others who have not yet received them. Pastor Betsy met with 3<sup>rd</sup> graders and their parents during Faith Formation time on how to look up verses in their new Bibles.



## Community Nights Have Returned! Friday, Dec. 14 @ 5-8 p.m.

Come enjoy a meal and fun activities with people of all ages from our church community on a Friday evening – when people don’t have to get up early the next morning for work, school or daycare.

Join us Friday, Dec. 14 from 5-8 p.m. for a potluck, dress rehearsal for the Christmas play and “Charlie Brown Christmas.”



***And mark your calendars for a Potluck and Game Night on Friday, January 11 from 5-8 p.m. People of all ages are invited!***

## November Intergenerational Event –

More than 60 people joined the fun on Sunday, Nov. 25, as we made fleece tie blankets for Southside Family Nurturing Center, Christmas cards for prisoners, star ornaments and Advent Prayer Chains.

**Advent Prayer Chain Kits** —Didn't have a chance to join us? Pick up an Advent Prayer Chain kit from Pastor Betsy or when you're at church on Sunday morning! You get a prayer suggestion every day as we wait for the Promised One. This is a fun and simple activity for people of any age.



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# “Waiting for the Promised”

## Christmas Play

**Sunday, December 16 at 10:45**

Our children tell us the story that leads to the birth of Jesus, the one who is Promised.

### Rehearsals:

**Sun., Dec. 2, 9, & 16, at 9:40 a.m.**

**Dress Rehearsal 12/14  
during Community Night**



## Confirmation Reimagined



Confirmation looks a bit different this year! Instead of meeting weekly on Wednesday evening, we're trying something new. 7th and 8th graders meet for a 4-hour "mini retreat" one Sunday afternoon a month with Pastors Betsy and Peter and Cori, our youth director.

This more intensive time together includes a variety of activities and learning techniques – storytelling, digging into the Bible, drawing, skits, games, discussion time, highs and lows, quiet reflection, discussion, and sharing a meal together.

This year students are focusing on the biblical narrative with the goal of being able to "Tell our Story" on a deeper level and understand how faith applies to life. We'll also look at parts of the catechism.

Each month we'll generally have one other activity. In November that was attending "The Lutheran Plot to Kill Hitler," a play about Dietrich Bonhoeffer set during World War II.

Also new this year are Confirmation Journals. Faith is not something that you just learn from a book; faith is something that we need to practice. Rather than a required number of sermon notes and service hours, students are encouraged to participate in and write about a variety of faith experiences. This can include learning activities, service projects, worshipping, service in worship, and teaching younger children.



## Asante sana

(thank you very much),  
from the Tanzania committee,

to everyone who helped support our Tanzania dinner—by helping prepare, attending and donating! So far we've raised over \$7,700, and are well on our way to our \$11,000 goal for scholarships and other needs. The average scholarship is \$400.

Through your generosity, Prince of Peace supported 19 students during the 2018 school year! If you'd still like to donate, you can mark 'Tanzania' on your check memo or envelope.



## From Milt: God's Promises

This year's Advent theme is "Waiting on the Promised." We've been hearing about God's promises all fall, and now we're waiting for the ultimate promise, Jesus Christ. This year's Lessons and Carols Service will be looking at God's promises and our promises from the beginning thru Jesus: God's Promises bringing hope, Living Faithfully in God's Promise, God's Promise for Peace, Having Faith in God's Promises, God's Promise of Jesus and, finally, the Promised Savior has come.



December brings us to the season of Advent. This year's advent season will be a bit different at Prince of Peace, since we're now using the Narrative Lectionary. We won't be specifically using Hope, Peace, Love, Joy, etc. ... and will be using some different texts, but for me, that is making Advent even more intriguing. We'll be hearing texts from Habakkuk and Esther, 2 books of the Bible we rarely hear.

I hope everyone remembers the various promises God made to God's people, and the various promises God's people made to God. We will be remembering the God's promise thru the rainbow among other things. What text, image, hymn etc... has helped you remember God's promise to you, or your promise to God?

Verse 7 of ELW 257 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" is

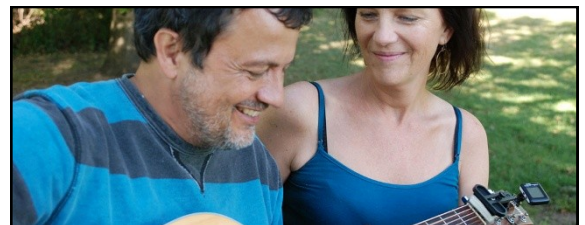
O come, O King of nations, come,  
O Cornerstone that binds in one:  
refresh the hearts that long for you;  
restore the broken, make us new.

This verse seems so appropriate in today's world filled with way too much darkness. We WAIT for the promise Jesus brings to the world: unity and peace, renewal of our faith, healing for those in need. I guess Peace, Hope, Joy, Love, etc. ... will still be around. No matter how you phrase it, "Waiting for the Promised" is about waiting for Love, Hope, Peace, Joy, etc. ... that Christ brings to the world.

May we all find Love, Hope, Peace, Joy, etc., this year, in all we do, say, live and dream.

Milty

**OK's** Thursday, December 13,  
11:30 social hour,  
luncheon served at noon,  
with the program following.



**Cost is \$15 which includes the luncheon and entertainment.**

**Make your reservations in the narthex after worship on**

**Sundays, Oct. 28 or Nov. 4.**

**You may also call Helen Danielson at 651-765-1940**

**or Vera Ista at 651-484-4443, by Monday, noon, December**



## President's Report from Deb Cordes

Are we there yet? We're done! The pastor team is in place, just as we wanted and agreed to support. So, we're done! Right?

Some days I wish I could kick back and just let the Pastors do it. Then reality hits... WAIT... NO... OUR work has just begun. We promised God, each other, and the pastors to be a presence with God in the church, in the community, and in our homes.

So, with that in mind... I am requesting you think about the stretch to ensure our congregation lives into its commitment to God and ourselves. We are asking you to commit to weekly/monthly/annual giving to meet the vision we created. Why? Because now more than ever:

- We need the community of Christ called Prince to Peace – a place where we are accepted just as we are, who will help when needed, and are a created and a chosen family for each of us.
- The community needs our presence. Whether it's the RAMS food shelf, the weekend food packets, RAHS food shelf contributions, Tanzania scholarships, Iringa Hope, Angel Fund, or space we provide for blood drives and voters. Our community needs us more than ever to show God's grace and love.
- The world needs us. It needs our prayers, voices and commitment to make a difference. Together we hold up those who need us most and we can engage in conversations about our differences that cannot be held only in our heads.

We also give because we want to – in some instances, because we need to.

When I was a little girl, my grandmother made me give up a coat I was wearing on a cold winter's day because the little girl I handed it to "needed it more." I didn't understand what that meant until many years later and now, I am grateful for the lesson learned.

OK – I never thought I'd write a Stewardship message....I HATE asking for money.... just thought you should know.

One last request, there are many people out there who are searching for God. Some know it – some only feel something is missing in their lives. The hope they seek, the need for something different may be filled, may be here, at Prince of Peace and only an invitation away.

Over this Holiday season, I invite you to reach out and invite someone – a friend, acquaintance, colleague to join us. It might be an invitation to sing carols, pasta with pastors, sing in the Lessons and Carols service or just come and be – at a Sunday service.

Thank you for reading. I appreciate all you do here at Prince of Peace!  
I am glad for your presence in my life.

BLESSED CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEARS!!  
Blessings, Deborah Cordes, President

## 11/24/18 Property Update

### Matt Hogen, Property and Deb Cordes

It's timely to provide an update on many things property related. Some big projects and some small.

**PARKING LOT** – It would be wonderful to say the parking lot is done...but as we all know, it isn't. Delay after delay was caused by the significant rain-fall and then the cold. The underlayment (soil) was too soft for the equipment to lay the last part of the base course. Some damage was done during the hard rains that will need to be repaired.

- Spring will see the completion of the parking lot project. (This also allows time for the Parking Lot Funding to ramp up for the final payments that will be due.)
- Temporary striping is planned and I am working out the timing.
- Dumpsters have been moved back and will remain in place until the final work next spring.
- There is an issue with access that may or may not be worked out on a temporary basis. All current options would be affected by snow plowing and likely ripped off. We don't have an answer but will keep on looking at options.

**PLOWING** – Gunard will be the company providing plowing this year. Payments will be made on an as used basis. While I checked for a fixed fee contract, the quote was approximately \$1,700 more than the average paid on an as needed basis.

**SIDEWALK** – Salting or other snow chemicals may be used on the new concrete sidewalks. If you see salt, know it's safe to use and will not damage the newly laid concrete.

**STOVE** – not many people even knew the stove had issues. Four top burners (out of six) were so warped that pots could not make appropriate contact. One of the oven's thermostats was also not working properly. The thermostat has been replaced and all six top burners have been replaced thereby, extending the life of the oven. There were concerns about the griddle not working....well, it is fine but it needs at least 20 – 30 minutes to heat up. This is a solid piece of metal so it takes additional time to heat up BUT holds heat for long periods of time.

It's a matter of patience and timing.

Last, the Property Committee is back up and meeting on a monthly basis. The intent is to gather ALL projects – whether the Monday Morning Crew is handling or Brian/Dan/Russ. It meets the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30. If you have something that the committee needs to address, please let Brian Wolf or Matt Hogen know. There are likely many, numerous little items that are not included here. The Monday Morning Crew does a fantastic job of taking on and completing the projects that need immediate attention. Prince of Peace is lucky to have such a group, and we thank them.

## Adult Forums -- December 2018

### Sunday mornings @ 9:40-10:40 Please join us!

**December 2**– *We all have stories of faith...*some may seem routine and some more unusual.

Some have a message of discouragement or trial while others tell about victory and hope. Simple stories of faith build us up as a body of Christ as we hear each other tell stories of God's work among us, in us, for us and through us. Our eyes may become more open to God's work in us and in those around us as we share together. With a few questions to enable discussion, we will encourage each other to see God's work, support one another and celebrate our faith through **intergenerational conversations**.

**December 9**–*We hear that Esther must plead for her people in today's lectionary.* Come learn more about the book of Esther, why its inclusion in Scripture was seen as controversial and its significance for both Jews and Christians today. And what is the festival *Purim* about? **Scott Tunseth** and **Carol Swanson** will be our presenters.

**December 16**– *Setting Isaiah to music:* In the sanctuary, come hear **John Hermanson** sing Isaiah 42 and hear him tell how he works with texts from the prophets in his music. (John's CDs will be available for purchase.)

**December 23**– *Christmas Café Time!* There is no Adult Forum this week. The Forum will return January 6, 2019.

## December Birthdays

Dec. 1 Audrey Henningson	Dec. 17 Curt Norenberg
Dec. 1 Dana Jacobson	Dec. 18 Enna Wold
Dec. 1 Andy Kimmes	Dec. 19 Dick Jacobson
Dec. 2 Lauren Duncan	Dec. 19 Amy Olander
Dec. 2 Marie Hanson	Dec. 21 Paul Bernards
Dec. 2 Sue Tungsvik	Dec. 21 David Johnson
Dec. 5 Amanda Jackson	Dec. 21 Savita Oberdorfer
Dec. 7 Diane Dodge	Dec. 22 Lucy Lewandowski
Dec. 8 Dave Syverson	Dec. 22 Gregory Osborne
Dec. 9 Deb Mosby	Dec. 22 Brian Wolf
Dec. 9 Lois Swartz	Dec. 24 John Hoops
Dec. 10 Jim Lunderoff	Dec. 27 Charlotte Brooks
Dec. 12 Erin Oberdorfer	Dec. 27 Anne Christ
Dec. 13 Sally Bigalke	Dec. 27 Haley Eagon
Dec. 14 Morganna Oberdorfer	Dec. 27 Ann Marie Johnson
Dec. 14 Grant Pettinelli	Dec. 29 Justin Pettinelli
Dec. 14 Carol Swanson	Dec. 30 Chris Belz
Dec. 14 Kaelyn Wold	Dec. 30 Derek Moore
Dec. 16 Mickey Ojard	Dec. 31 Shirley Anderson
Dec. 17 Bart Nelson	Dec. 31 Bonita Eliason

Monetary donations and gift cards will be collected to have Lyngblomsten staff purchase gift items for residents. Suggested stores for gift cards are: \* Target \* JCPenney \* Walmart \* Kohl's For monetary donations, please make checks payable to "Lyngblomsten FND."

Bring to the church or mail donations and gift cards to:

*Spirit of Giving, c/o Leigh Emmerich*

*Lyngblomsten Care Center*

*1415 Almond Avenue*

*St. Paul, MN 55108*

Sunday, Dec. 9, is the last Sunday to give at Prince of Peace.



For the Annual Children's Gift Sale, the Plymouth Christian Youth Ctr. Campus is transformed into a Christmas department store; so for just \$1.00 North Minneapolis children can pick out five new gifts for their loved ones – mom, dad, grandparent, sibling, cousin, etc., and experience the "joy of giving" as they shop with a caring volunteer. Churches and businesses provide the gifts. ***If you would like to contribute a monetary donation, please mark your check or an envelope with PCYC, and send it to the office at 2561 Victoria St. N., Roseville, MN 55113.***

# December at Prince of Peace

## **Saturday, December 1**

9:00am Decorate for Advent  
6:30pm Meditative Drumming

## **Sunday, December 2**

MN Boychoir at both services  
8:30am Worship Service  
9:40am Children and Youth Faith Formation  
9:40am Adult Forum  
10:45am Worship Service  
1:00pm Worship Service - Eternal Life Church  
4:00pm Confirmation

## **Monday, December 3**

9:30am Monday Morning Crew  
5:00pm Worship Committee  
7:00pm Basketball with Milt

## **Tuesday, December 4**

8:45am ECFE Drop in & Play  
9:30am Old Guys -at Perkins  
2:30pm Yogadevotion

## **Wednesday, December 5**

8:45am ECFE Drop in & Play  
1:00pm Staff Meeting  
6:00pm Bell Choir Rehearsal  
6:30pm PoP Rocks Youth Group  
7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

## **Thursday, December 6**

7:30pm Theology on Tap

## **Friday, December 7**

2:30pm Cookie Baking

## **Sunday, December 9**

8:30am Worship Service  
9:40am Children and Youth Faith Formation  
9:40am Adult Forum  
10:45am Worship Service  
1:00pm Worship Service - Eternal Life Church

## **Monday, December 10**

9:30am Monday Morning Crew  
6:00pm Rebecca Circle  
7:00pm Basketball with Milt

## **Tuesday, December 11**

8:45am ECFE Drop in & Play  
9:30am Old Guys -at Perkins  
9:30am Lydia Circle  
2:30pm Yogadevotion  
6:30pm Building Committee  
7:00pm Council Meeting

## **Wednesday, December 12**

8:45am ECFE Drop in & Play  
11:00am Ruth Circle  
6:00pm Bell Choir Rehearsal  
6:30pm PoP Rocks Youth Group  
7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

## **Thursday, December 13**

11:30am OKs Luncheon & Program

## **Friday, December 14**

2:30pm Cookie Baking  
**5:00pm Community Night: Dinner, Christmas Play Practice, Movie Night**

## **Saturday, December 15**

6:30pm Meditative Drumming

## **Sunday, December 16**

8:30am Worship Service  
9:40am Children and Youth Faith Formation  
9:40am Adult Forum  
**10:45am Children's Play in Worship**  
1:00pm Worship Service - Eternal Life Church

## **Monday, December 17**

9:30am Monday Morning Crew  
6:00pm Girl Scouts  
7:00pm Basketball with Milt

## **Tuesday, December 18**

8:45am ECFE Drop in & Play  
9:30am Old Guys -at Perkins  
2:30pm Yogadevotion  
6:00pm Cub Scouts meeting

## **Wednesday, December 19**

1:00pm Staff Meeting  
6:00pm Bell Choir  
6:30pm PoP Rocks Youth Group  
7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

## **Friday, December 21**

**1:00pm Christmas Cafe set up**  
2:30pm Cookie Baking

## **Sunday, December 23**

8:30am Worship Service  
**9:40am Christmas Cafe**  
10:45am Worship Service  
1:00pm Worship Service - Eternal Life Church

## **Monday, December 24**

**Office Closes at 12pm**  
Monday Morning Crew  
not meeting  
**3:00pm Christmas Eve Worship - Family Service**  
**4:30pm Christmas Eve Worship - Candlelight**  
**10:30pm Christmas Eve Worship - Candlelight**

## **Tuesday, December 25**

**Christmas Day**  
**Office Closed**

## **Friday, December 28**

2:30pm Cookie Baking

## **Sunday, December 30**

**10:00am Worship Service**  
**10 a.m. only**  
1:00pm Worship Service - Eternal Life Church

## **Monday, December 31**

**Office open til 3 pm**  
**Accepting year end contributions**  
Monday Morning Crew  
not meeting

# Christmas Caroling at area care centers

Go Christmas Caroling at Roseville Area Care Centers with Prince of Peace Lutheran Church. We invite all to gather for caroling at the centers listed below at these dates and times. We'll bring the song sheets and you can take a break from shopping and eating to spread Christmas cheer through Roseville. Please contact Peter Haugan 651-484-3856 for more info.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Place</b>	<b>Address</b>
Mon., 12/3	5 p.m.	Presbyterian Langton Place	1910 West Co. Rd. D, 2nd flr.
Wed., 12/5	5:30 p.m.	Eagle Crest "Commons"	2945 Lincoln Drive
Wed., 12/5	6 p.m.	Eagle Crest "Terrace"	2945 Lincoln Drive
Thurs., 12/6	5:30 p.m.	New Perspectives	2750 Victoria Ave.
Mon., 12/10	5 p.m.	Cherrywood Pt.	2680 Lexington Ave.
Tues., 12/11	5:30 p.m.	Cherrywood Pt.	2996 Cleveland Ave.
Thurs., 12/13	5:30 p.m.	Good Samaritan/Heritage	563 County Rd. B
Fri., 12/14	10 a.m.	The Estates	2727 Victoria Ave.
Mon., 12/17	3 p.m.	Rose of Sharon	1000 Lovell
Thurs., 12/20	6 p.m.	Sunrise Assisted Living	2555 Snelling Ave.



# *The Service of Lessons & Carols*

*Sunday, Dec. 23*

*at both services*

*presented by*

*Chancel Choir, Bells of Peace,*

*Lightshine Choir,*

*with organ & strings*

## *A New Christmas Café Sunday, Dec. 23, 9:40 a.m.*

This congregation has a long history of a Christmas celebration between worship services on our Lessons and Carols Sunday. This year we are calling it Christmas Café! Join us Dec. 23, at 9:40 a.m.

A big thank you to Sarah Rawitzer for stepping forward to take the lead. Sarah, and her husband TJ, who is a chef, will lead the food aspect of the morning. Barb Lyman is working with Sarah on advance planning. Pastor Betsy is coordinating decorating and activities for all ages.

You are invited to bring angels to be used as we decorate – please put your name on them and bring to church by Wednesday, December 19.

We will again have a photo booth that proved to be very popular last year. We are looking for volunteers to bring special cookies, help set up, help in the kitchen, help serve, help decorate, musicians to perform during Christmas Café and people to assist with the all ages activities.



The biggest change you may notice is the name: Christmas Café. This gives a nod to Christmas Tea and its traditions, while also expanding it to recognize the food and activities for people of all ages that are part of this congregational Christmas celebration.

**Baby Shower for Jesus on Dec. 23** --The angels announced the birth of Baby Jesus and the Wisemen brought gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. Gifts fit for a king, but not very practical for parents caring for a newborn! As part of Christmas Café this year, we are having a Baby Shower for Jesus. You are invited to bring the following baby items that will be donated to Lutheran Social Services: Diapers (all sizes), Baby Wipes, Infant Formula, Bottles and Sippy Cups, Baby Wash, Baby Lotion  
Hope to see you December 23!



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*for the promised*

## *Christmas Eve Worship Services*

at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, ELCA

**Monday, December 24**

***Candle light at every service***

3 p.m. Family Service

*Childcare available*

4:30 p.m. Service

*Childcare available \* Anthem by the Ericksens*

10:30 p.m. Service

*Anthem by the Chancel Choir*