



DECEMBER, 2024

Sun, Dec 1 – 1st Sunday of Advent Hanging of the Greens 9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship 10:15 Bible and Brew 10:15 Board of Worship NO SUNDAY SCHOOL	Sun, Dec 1: Scripture: Larry Koehn Month Altar Guild: Janis Heeren Month Acolytes: Natalie Muller, Will Nibe Month Ushers: Thelen Family Month Tech Assist: Khloe Buck Greeter: Dave Lutjen Treats: M Sogard, Tjaden	Mon, Dec 2 10-am Coffee 1-2 pm Lord's Cupboard is open 3-pm Worship Service on Channel 14-CCS 5-6:30 pm Lord's Cupboard is open	Tue, Dec 3 12:00 Tuesday Together Time – for the community 12:30 Riverside Conference Pastors' Text Study 2:00 pm Worship at Timberland – all are welcome 3-pm Worship Service on Channel 14-CCS	Wed, Dec 4 3:30-5:00 Wednesday Kids 4:00-4:30 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal 4:30-5:00 pm Children's Tone Chimes Rehearsal 5:30-7:30 Confirmation meal and class 7:00 pm Advent Worship Service 6-7:30 HS Youth Group wrapping presents	Thu, Dec 5	Fri, Dec 6	Sat, Dec 7
Sun, Dec 8 – 2nd Sunday of Advent Worship with Holy Communion 9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship 10:15 Sunday School with practice for Christmas Program 10:15 Bible and Brew	Sun, Dec 8: Scripture: Dylan Miller Greeter: Linda & Marcia Wheeler SS PS-3: Heather Thelen, teacher SS PS-3: Linda Wheeler, shepherd : Marcia Wheeler, shepherd SS 4-6: Mischelle Hardy, teacher SS 4-6: Amber Widick, shepherd Treats: Ferguson	Mon, Dec 9: 10-am Coffee 3-pm Worship Service on Channel 14-CCS 5-6:30 pm Lord's Cupboard is open	Tue, Dec 10: Election polling place 12:00 Tuesday Together Time – for the community 12:30 Riverside Conference Pastors' Text Study 3-pm Worship Service on Channel 14-CCS	Wed, Dec 11: 3:30-5:00 Wednesday Kids 4:00-4:30 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal 4:30-5:00 pm Children's Tone Chimes Rehearsal 5:30-7:30 Confirmation meal and class 7:00 pm Advent Worship Service	Thu, Dec 12:	Fri, Dec 13:	Sat, Dec 14:
Sun, Dec 15 – 3rd Sunday of Advent <u>Children's Christmas Program</u> Mission Sunday: Lutheran Services in Iowa 9:00 Worship with program 10:00 Fellowship with Cookie Walk	Sun, Dec. 15: Scripture: Roma Miller Greeter: Karl & Judith Greve Treats: Cookie Walk/Miller Family	Mon, Dec 16: 10-am Coffee 3-pm Worship Service on Channel 14-CCS 5-6:30 pm Lord's Cupboard is open	Tue, Dec 17: 12:00 Tuesday Together Time – for the community 12:30 Riverside Conference Pastors' Text Study 3-pm Worship Service on Channel 14-CCS	Wed, Dec 18: 3:30-5:00 Wednesday Kids 4:00-4:30 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal 4:30-5:00 pm Children's Tone Chimes Rehearsal 5:30-7:30 Confirmation meal and class 6-7:30 HS Youth Group Movie and pizza 7:00 pm Advent Worship Service	Thu, Dec 19: 	Fri, Dec 20:	Sat, Dec 21:
Sun, Dec 22 – 4th Sunday of Advent Worship with Holy Communion 9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship 10:15 Sunday School with a fun Christmas activity 10:15 Bible and Brew	Sun. Dec. 22: Scripture: Wyatt Thelen Greeter: Dan & Jen Nibe Family Treats: Wheeler Family	Mon, Dec 23: 10-am Coffee 3-pm Worship Service on Channel 14-CCS 5-6:30 pm Lord's Cupboard is open	Tue, Dec 24: Church offices are closed 7:00 Christmas Eve Worship Service	Wed, Dec 25: 	Thu, Dec 26:	Fri, Dec 27:	Sat, Dec 28:
Sun, Dec 29 – 1st Sunday of Christmas 9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship 10:15 Bible and Brew NO SUNDAY SCHOOL – REGULAR SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL RESUME ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2025	Sun. Dec 29 Scripture: Janis Heeren Greeter: Wade & Traci Miller Family Treats: Thelen, Busch	Mon, Dec 30: 10-am Coffee 3-pm Worship Service on Channel 14-CCS 5-6:30 pm Lord's Cupboard is open	Tue, Dec. 31 12:00 Tuesday Together Time – for the community 12:30 Riverside Conference Pastors' Text Study 3-pm Worship Service on Channel 14-CCS	NEW YEAR'S DAY Church offices are closed.			



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

December Birthdays

- 1 Kayla Carlson
- 2 Karla Alanis Palomo
- 3 Jordan Lutjen
- 6 Michelle Dickerson
Johnna Moeller
- 8 Tabitha Stouffer
Kris Waugh
Kendall Erickson '16
- 9 Duane Soma
- 11 Dave Lutjen
Camryn Stouffer
Karl Corbin
Max Sogard
Sawyer Strottmann
- 12 Hayden Arnold
- 13 Brian Christensen
- 15 Roma Miller '13
- 17 Larry Koehn
Joy Corbin
Garrett Johnson
Robert Thelen
- 18 Donna Busch
- 19 Janet Alvestad
- 20 Bruce Thompson
- 25 Quinton Grove
- 28 Megan McGonigle
Wyatt Thelen '15
- 29 Joe Leahy
- 30 Leah Jacoby
Kaleb Thorne

December Anniversaries

- 2 Adam & Sheri Muller '06
- 27 Sterling & Paula Ray '69
- 31 Eudene & Susan Lund '88

TO REQUEST PASTORAL CARE IN THE COMING MONTHS:
CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 515-827-5148 or
CALL A DEACON

RICH HEEREN
PAT MELCHERT

515-520-7867
515-451-0389

SERGIO GOMEZ
JOSH HILFIKER

515-310-2096
515-460-3637



The Lunch Wagon – Jewell Residents

- **Do you need assistance with meals?**
- **Do you live in Jewell?**
- **Are you homebound?**
- **Are you recovering at home?**

If you answered yes to any of these questions, you can contact:

**Susan Lund at
515-290-3000 or
Sarah Freeman at
515-291-1528**

- **Lunches will be delivered Monday through Friday between 11:30 to 12:15.**
- **The cost of the lunch is \$5.00 per meal.**
- **Lunches will be prepared in Jewell by:**
- **JEWELL MARKET: Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs and**
- **THE MALIBU: Fri.**
- **Lunches will NOT be delivered on holidays.**

Walking with those who grieve

The holiday season can be difficult for people who are grieving a death or deep loss. As Christians, we do well to be aware that not everyone feels wholehearted joy this time of year. How can we support them?

Grief counselor Alan Wolfelt explains that walking alongside — “companioning” — one who grieves “is not about assessing, analyzing, fixing or resolving another’s grief. Instead, it is about being totally present to the mourner, even being a temporary guardian of [his or] her soul.”

Among Wolfelt’s 11 tenets for “companioning the bereaved”:

- It’s about being present to another person’s pain, not taking it away.
- It’s about listening with the heart, not analyzing with the head.
- It’s about walking alongside, not leading.

More tips are available at
www.centerforloss.com/2019/12/

May God bless you as you share the love of the Christ Child, his caring parents and his compassionate heavenly Father with people who are hurting.