



BULLETIN

BRINGING GOD'S MESSAGE OF LOVE IN CHRIST JESUS TO ALL THE WORLD

The Lutheran Church–International

and the

Lutheran World Parish

ADVENT – CHRISTMASTIDE 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ in the LC-I Family,

In this Advent season, the time of hope and expectation, the LC-I can look forward to a bright future full of grace and peace. We can look back upon the blessings of God's grace that he has allowed us to serve Him in Word and Sacrament with love for one another and the whole world. It is my fervent prayer that all of us in the LC-I will continue to be blessed as we continue to bring God's Word of salvation to a needy world. As we endure with faith the challenges of this world, we have hope for the world to come (Luke 21:25-36).

During this Advent time the world faces special challenges. As we enter the season of loving expectation of the birth of Our Savior, we are surrounded by selfishness, war, and disaster. We feel the pain and sorrow of those around us who have lost their commitment to true Christian belief and practice. They have not been nourished with the solid food of edifying liturgical practice and sound Reformation-inspired theology. It is my sincere belief that we have a special mission to bring the understanding of the evangelical catholic position that is at the core of Lutheran theology and practice to a world sorely alienated from the true meaning of Christianity.

Without denying there are things that we in the LC-I can and should improve, we can be thankfully confident in God's grace as we move forward through the hope and expectations of Advent into the new year. We continue to strive to have a firm foundation in clear Lutheran teaching and practice as the original reformers intended.

I am blessed to be able to report that as we enter the new calendar year of 2025 the membership of the LC-I is relatively stable. On-going ministries are proceeding, and we look forward to new opportunities to spread the good news of Jesus Christ to others. We are particularly interested in strengthening and growing ministries in the United States and Canada as well as in Latin America, Asia and Africa.



++Robert W. Hotes, Archbishop

We continue to engage in important ministries of Word, Sacrament and pastoral care, not only within the congregations that are officially part of the LC-I, but with ministries that aid other orthodox Christian bodies that need Word and Sacrament ministries. In these ministries we remain consistent in maintaining our identity as an evangelical catholic church body.

To adequately fulfill the responsibilities of our commission, we need contributions and participation from all members. Advent season is the customary time for remitting dues for clergy and communities of faith.

Please remember that keeping up with dues and being in contact with your bishop is a responsibility for remaining in good standing for clergy in the LC-I.

While having funds for the ministries of the church body is essential, money is not the most important consideration. Dedication to the mission and principles of the LC-I through communication and attendance at the annual Synod meeting is key to our life as an apostolic segment of the Church Universal.

Participation in the ministries of the LC-I is important for the life of the church. Certainly, it is recognized that ministries may not always take a traditional form. At this time in the history of the Church it seems clear that not all our clergy members will be called to parochial ministry on a full-time basis. But that does not mean that there aren't other ways in which the Kingdom of God can be served. As an apostolic and dynamic church, our members may be called to a variety of ministries that do not seem to fit with practices in earlier decades. Many of these ministry opportunities may seem new but can be traced to apostolic times. Of course, it is important that all our ministries fit with the evangelical catholic identity that is the foundation of the LC-I.

Communication among its members is essential for any corporate body. Attendance at the annual synod is the most effective way to accomplish this level of communication. Synod attendance is required for LC-I clergy and communities of faith unless excused.

Our 2025 Synod gathering will once again be held in Maryland but at a different site outside of Frederick. Information regarding the Synod meeting is provided in this edition of the BULLETIN, including an update on expenses which will be of special interest to couples attending.

Please make plans to attend the 2025 Synod. Remember, if you have a problem with Synod attendance or any other matter, you may be excused by your Bishop Ordinary or the archbishop's office. Just ask! Limited funds to help with attendance may be available as well.

God has blessed the LC-I with many opportunities that are important for the growth and survival of the church catholic. Your participation in these opportunities for ministry is cherished and expected.

May God continue to bless and keep us in faith and Joy throughout the coming year!

Peace
++Robert



SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS

These prayers have been requested through communication to the Archbishop's office. Please include them in your personal prayers and in the prayers of your congregation. Prayers, thoughts, and joyful remembrances may be sent to the Archbishop: dbldoc@sbcglobal.net

WE PRAY FOR...

- All those who have returned to school during this season, and for the families who support them.
- For those still suffering the loss of loved ones and their homes in North Carolina.
- For those suffering from illnesses in mind, body or spirit, especially those in the LC-I family.

- For all those who are traveling during the winter holiday season. May God keep them safe in His care.
- For those suffering through wars and natural disasters in other parts of the world.
- For all who suffer persecution for the sake of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, especially those in the LC-I family in Asia.
- For those planning the 2025 LC-I Synod Assembly.
- For the people of Ukraine, as they continue to fight for their freedom and independence.
- Those who mourn the deaths of loved ones from disease and disaster, from violence and war.
- For those who continue their struggles to return to normal life after the devastating effects of hurricane Helene, especially those who have lost loved ones.
- For Deacon Eric Frank and the members of Zion, W. Jefferson, Ohio.
- For those who seek freedom from repression, torture and death, as they seek asylum in the United States.
- For firefighters and other first responders in lives of service that they be protected from all danger and harm.
- For those who are traumatized by events beyond their control and ability to “normalize” their response.
- For all victims and families who continue to suffer from the devastating consequences of 9/11.
- For those experiencing turmoil in the recent events in Syria, that the freedom and safety of all may prevail.
- For all people following our elections, that a spirit of tolerance, integrity and honesty and reconciliation will prevail.
- For our newly re-elected President that he might be strengthened in his faith and that his actions will bring wholeness and healing to our nation.

WE PRAY WITH THANKSGIVING...

- For Bishop Richard Horn's recuperation and strength following his surgery.
- For our Synod officers and members of our Executive Board as they work to further the mission and ministry of our Synod.
- For all of our rostered LC-I pastors and deacons, that they may be blessed as they work with us for the building of the Kingdom.
- For all the saints in the Church Militant, and in thanksgiving for all the saints in the Church Triumphant.
- For all members of the Lutheran World Parish.

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Ready...Set...GO!

Annual Synod XXVI

Preliminary Dates and Location

At the September 13th meeting of the Synod Executive Committee, the dates and location for the Annual Synod XXVI were approved.

In keeping with having our Annual Synods being held in very beautiful and meaningful locations, our gathering will be held as follows:

DATES

June 23-25, 2025

The Synod will start with dinner on Monday evening, June 23rd and end after the Closing Pontifical Eucharist on Wednesday, June 25th.

LOCATION

The Claggett Center
3035 Buckeystown Pike
Adamstown, Maryland

Nestled in the rolling hills of Frederick County, this center has wonderful views of Sugarloaf Mountain and the Monocacy River Valley!

The added bonus is that it is only an hour's drive from three international airports!

COSTS

CHRISTIANE INN

1 Queen Bed
Private Bath

2 Nights Lodging, 6 Meals

One Person: Lodging & Meals \$348.00

Two Persons Sharing the Room:
Lodging & Meals \$530.00

Registration forms are available in this issue of the BULLETIN newsletter! Take a look at the Claggett Center online:

www.claggettcenter.org

To Our Readers

The Editors of the LC-I and Lutheran World Parish BULLETIN are always eager to receive news of interest to the friends, members, and ministries of the LC-I. Articles in this BULLETIN reflect the opinions of their authors and are not to be understood as official statements by the LC-I. All items must have relevance to the identity and mission of the LC-I as expressed in our Constitution. A copy of the Constitution is available on the LC-I website. The LC-I reserves the right to approve all content as well as the right to copyright any material published with permission of the authors.

The deadline for articles for our Lent/Easter issue of the BULLETIN is February 15, 2025.

Please help us with relevant materials to make the upcoming season more meaningful than ever for our readers.



When the angels went away from them and into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us.”

And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger.

St. Luke 2:15-16 ESV

Frequently Asked Questions

From time to time we will publish answers for some of the questions that are asked about our Synod. A few of the most recent ones are included here.

How do I keep my status with the Lutheran Church—International up to date?

The very best way to keep one’s status with the Synod is to: (1) read and be familiar with our Synod’s Constitution and Bylaws. Copies are available from our Synod Secretary, Bishop Jeffrey D. Bischoff; (2) attend meetings of the Synod held in the various dioceses and especially the Annual Synod each year; (3) visit the Synod’s web page which will be updated soon; (4) stay in contact with the Bishop of your diocese; (5) keep financial obligations up to date by paying dues on time. (6) Pray! Daily! Keep God’s grace and blessings in your heart by taking time to recall who you are and WHOSE you are: a child of God.

Remember that the success of our mission and ministry’s continued success and growth depends upon the active participation by everyone who is part of our family of faith. There are many ways you can participate in our efforts. Why not start by telling family and friends about our Synod and even better: make copies of our BULLETIN to share! All you need is a willing, Spirit-filled heart and you will find a way!

What happens if I have financial difficulties with regard to attending the Annual Synod or other activities? No problem! Please contact your bishop and speak with him. In addition to your local diocese, the Synod Office may be able to help!

What is the Annual Synod meeting really like? If you like wonderful worship in the Lutheran tradition; if you like fellowship with wonderful, Spirit-filled bishops, priests, deacons, and lay people, you’ll love joining our Synod family at some of the most beautiful and inspiring places you can imagine.

What is the responsibility of clergy regarding attendance at Synod gatherings? Attendance at as many synod gatherings as possible is an important responsibility of clergy membership. Exemptions from this requirement are liberally granted for good reasons upon contacting the local bishop or the Archbishop’s office. Participation in synod meetings is a privilege of membership, not a burden.



Advent Thoughts to Ponder

With this issue of the BULLETIN we have finished the Church Year season of Pentecost and have celebrated the Feast of Christ the King. At that celebration we proclaim that God in Christ Jesus truly is Lord of lords and King of kings. We close out the “green season” of Pentecost, the season that calls us to grow in our understanding of the great Christ event for our Lives, and begin our faith journey in the faith with a new church year.

Coming four weeks before Christmas, Advent is a season of preparation. The world’s distractions keep us from properly understanding the gift for our salvation that we have received. During this time we seem to be more concerned about worldly things. In contrast, the proper observance of Advent helps us to relive the wonderful fact that Christ came as the infant Savior at Christmas. Although it is not on par with Lent as a penitential season, Advent calls us to hear the Word, pray, sing praises, and reaffirm our understanding of *who we are and whose we are* as believers and children of God.

As the holidays approach a lot of time and effort is given to who will be where, and when. Will the holidays be spent at home, or somewhere else? With whom will the gifts be exchanged this year? What should I wear to the office gathering, or the neighborhood holiday party? Do I have the right sizes and colors for purchasing gifts? Is “so-and-so” going to be happy with this gift? Do I have all of the ingredients to make the special family holiday meal, or special desserts and cookies? What will we do if the weather is bad this year, and people can’t get to the gathering?

These questions are important ones in the sense that they are part of the ingredients that make the holidays special, but they are examples of the distractions that pull us away from the true meaning of the season.

The word “holiday” has as its root the Old English word *haligdaeg*, “holy day.” In Advent we are preparing for a holy day. The sad truth is that we often overlook the root meaning of the season and its importance for our lives.

As we prepare for the Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord, take some time to ask yourself a few important questions:

Rather than being consumed by frustration and doubt or fear of failure, do I enjoy making that special meal for my family and loved ones?

Do I feel warmth in my heart when someone finds the unexpected joy of a special present in his or her stocking, or under the tree?

Do I feel the special love that comes from sharing the spirit of the season with those I love as I gather at the table in my home or someone else’s home?

Is that love expressed through these things rooted in the love of God in Christ Jesus?

If you look forward to these things; if you take great joy in knowing you have brought meaning and happiness to someone else at this special time of the year; if you feel in your heart of hearts that there just isn’t anything like celebrating Christmas and you want it to be as loving and meaningful as possible, please take time – **often** – to remember the source of the joy you experience and share, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Give yourself a wonderful, Spirit-filled “time out” each day to pray, worship, and fill yourself with the love of our Lord and experience how he abides with us and comforts us with the presence of the Holy Spirit.

If you consider yourself blessed as you take great care in your preparations for Christmas, make sure you stop to give thanks to God, the source of all blessings, and goodness and love.

A good way to put all of this together is to start by making a special effort to attend worship with your parish family during Advent, even if you haven’t been consistent in your worship. Too often people feel embarrassed or shy about worshipping at church when they have been absent for a while. My comment to parishioners who have felt this way was, “In our church family, we don’t look back; we look to the future with the hope and joy and love of Jesus Christ. The important thing is that you are here and we have the joy of your presence.”

When you extend your hand to give a gift, or shake a hand, or share a hug in friendship and love during the Advent season, remember it is God’s love in Christ Jesus that gives meaning to your life as well as the season. God’s love was shown in the form of the infant Jesus, born to a poor family in a small town and not through an elaborate party or with a great show of wealth. God’s love was ultimately shown by our Lord humbling himself as he suffered and died on the Cross in fulfillment of God’s mission to save us sinners. If we take time to refocus our hearts and minds during Advent, our Christmas experience will be much more fulfilling than ever.

What God gave at Christmas can’t be measured by the size of a box, the color of a bow or wrappings. God’s gift can only be felt by sharing his love and asking ourselves whether or not we are ready to receive our Savior again not only at Christmas, but at his final coming when he will call us to himself.

In hearing the Word and receiving the Sacrament during the Advent season, we share the good news that God’s reign has begun, and we want to share that news with everyone! Through the Incarnation, God has broken into our world through time and space not only to proclaim that the establishment of his kingdom has already begun here on earth, but also to prepare us for the final time when Christ “will rule all in all.” Why wouldn’t one want to hear that over and over again? Why shouldn’t we all be together not only for the holidays, but also for every holy day?



Rev. Gary V. Ettlmyer

Advent & Christmas for Me

When Advent arrives each year and preparations for Christmas are under way, I try as much as possible to avoid the commercialism and worldly attitudes that overshadow the wonderful, deep meaning of Advent hope turning into Christmas joy. I actually avoid as much Christmas music, shows and movies as I can. I make every effort to avoid the “noise” of the media because it is too distracting in contrast to the image of the arrival of a child, born in a lowly stable of humble parents. I simply try as hard as I can to keep Advent and Christmas with their beauty and meaning in their proper place in my heart.

Over the years I have repeatedly asked myself how I can get others to understand the fact that God in Christ Jesus humbled himself to dwell among us? Summoning faithful people to search for the deeper meaning of the season is often very difficult. Our visually oriented lives have taken precedence over our minds and hearts in most important matters!

One way I have found to reach back, pull out the true meaning, and enjoy what Advent and Christmas are all about has to do with socks!

My maternal grandparents were humble, somewhat poor farmers who lived in Alabama. My grandfather built their brick farmhouse and the other utility buildings on the farm, and possibly even their barn. He also built a small brick house on the property for my uncle when he returned from the Navy in the early 50s.

Granddaddy Glass was a carpenter as well as a farmer. He worked at Ft. McClellan. Each day at first light he could be found out in the field, working until it was time to leave for the “Fort.” When he got home at the end of the day, he would walk into the house, put his lunch pail and thermos on the kitchen table, and head out to the field to work again until dark. Such was his life as long as I knew him.

Granddaddy was a small guy in stature but a giant when it came to work. As a young boy I would sometimes work in the field with others of the family picking cotton by hand. The same was true of other crops as they “came in.” It was hard work. Granddaddy had no farm equipment other than an old Chevy flatbed truck. No tractor. No machines. He did his farming by hand; he plowed with a mule! From exposure to the sun, the back of his neck had all the characteristics of a fine, expensive women’s alligator handbag.

I mentioned all the above to show what life in the Glass family was in those days. The family worked hard. My grandparents and my mom’s three sisters and two brothers knew the life and meager living that came from farming. They had very little

by today’s standards, yet they were faithful, loving people to the very depth of their being. They attended the Baptist church up on the hill behind the farm, and I learned later in life that he often played piano “by ear,” as they say for worship. Here’s where the return to the meaning of Advent and Christmas and their link to socks come in.

One Christmas at the farm, it was time to exchange Christmas gifts. I don’t remember who gave what to whom, but I’ll never forget my gift from Grandmother Glass. It was the item that gave me a special understanding of Christmas that I’ve kept in my heart all of my life: a pair of socks!

To be truthful, I don’t remember if the socks were wrapped. They were rolled into a ball as one might make with them to place in a drawer. What I remember most of all is Grandmother reaching her hand out with the socks, and saying as she grabbed me with both arms, “I can’t give you much for Christmas but a lot of love, and a big hug.”

Wow, could she hug! She was a farm wife with arms that had seen many hours of using a churn, milking the cow, feeding the pigs, or hoeing and picking in the fields. One thing she could do was squeeze a little guy half to death! (Those arms could also swing a very effective “switch” when she needed to do some punishing!)

Many Christmases have come and gone over the years, many glitzy holiday programs, parties, and celebrations as well. I can remember fancy decorations in towns and cities and the holiday music that filled the air, usually too early. All of those things are memories that have faded somewhat.

What hasn’t faded in my heart is the love from one simple humble offering of a pair of socks, the warm and loving hug of a strong, yet gentle woman who offered much more than a TV show, or a commercial, or a store display could offer.

That feeling and memory is the basis for my being better able to understand the love, the “hug,” and the selfless giving that our wonderful God has given you and me in the form of our Savior, Christ the Lord. I hold on to that memory because it reminds me that meaningful things often come from simple words and actions that move the heart.

We cannot ask for anything more. We cannot do anything to earn or deserve the love and the perfect gift we have been given in our Savior.

Take time to ponder the depth and breadth of what Advent and Christmas are all about. Worship with friends and family. Sing and pray with joy knowing that you’ve been given the best of what our gracious and loving God offers us as we join the hosts of heaven proclaiming, “Hosanna in the highest!”

Rev. Gary V. Ettlmyer



From St. Augustine's House Newsletter December 2024

And Mary said, "Behold, I am the Handmaid of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." (Luke 1:38)

When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; (Matthew 1:24)

My grandfather was 62 when he retired. There is nothing outstanding about that; at that time 62 was a standard retirement age. My grandmother, who was the same age as my grandfather, retired at the same time. From the time of their mid-teens, they had done most everything together, so retiring together most likely seemed like the thing to do.

What brings this to mind at this time is that I am now 62, the age my grandfather was when he retired, and as I find myself more and more speaking like him, acting like him, and even looking like him, I spend quite a bit of time considering what it was like for him to be 62 years old and going through this major life transition.

From my perspective of 20 years of age at that time, my grandparents retiring was the first major shift from normalcy that I remember in my family. Grandpa had always farmed and worked on trucks, school buses, and farm equipment, as a diesel mechanic. Grandma had always run the chicken noodle soup filler at Campbell's Soup Co. Yes, if you opened a can of Campbell's chicken noodle soup during those 30 odd years she worked there, there was a good chance it had been filled by my grandmother. My whole life, that had been my grandparents' life. But then, at age 62, they began to live their life in a very different way.

I had gone through my own major changes by that time, graduating high school, going off to college a whole 30 miles away, getting married, having a child, all in the span of a few years' time, but this was the first major shift in my familial context, which up until then had been uncharacteristically stable. Of course, I did not realize at that time that it was uncharacteristic; it was just the way things were. All of a sudden, my grandparents were living a totally different life than I had ever known them to live, and, surprisingly, it was all right.

It was all right because of the stability they had provided for everyone in my family, which was a precious gift for all of us. Even more precious, theirs was a stability born from a life of the faithfulness that comes from Faith: faithfulness to each other, their family, and their community, grounded in Faith in Jesus Christ, their Savior Who had forgiven them of all their sins.

I speak of them as a unit, because they truly were one flesh in every way. Out of that one flesh, as they gave themselves to each other, God produced both physical and spiritual life, first for children, then for grandchildren, then for great-grandchildren, then for great-great-grandchildren. This life for so many others came about through great self-sacrifice on their part. Because of their Faith in Jesus Christ, they knew what it was to put themselves aside for

the sake of others. Not that either one of them was an "angel". There were plenty of instances of selfishness rather than selflessness, particularly in the necessity of caring for their aging parents in their young years and dealing with one another in their physically difficult later years, but, because of their Faith, the selfishness occurred within a context of greater selflessness rather than the other way around. Since they knew that God in Christ Jesus had died for them and forgiven them, they were able to forgive others and die to themselves for the sake of living for others. In the Holy Spirit atmosphere of the Love of God in Christ Jesus, out of the death of self comes life for others. When we, in the Obedience of Faith, follow the Holy Spirit's lead for us instead of following our own way, God is able to create and provide life for others.

This life producing obedience of Faith is seen most clearly from a human vantage point in the responses of Joseph and Mary to the commanding Grace of God. What a difficult situation, which so easily could have resulted in death. A young, engaged woman found to be with child before she comes together with her husband in marriage. Scandalous. Yet, both Joseph and Mary, by the Power of the Holy Spirit, willingly entered into this societally shameful situation, bearing societal shame that is not their own, for the sake of producing and raising the Savior of God's People and the world, Who in His ignominious end would also bear the shame of sin that was not His to bear, bringing forgiveness of that sin to the world.

Remarkably, in His Birth is Death, and in His Death is Birth. In Christ, birth and death are not two separate points on each individual's earthly time line, but rather birth and death come together in Him so that in all of our births throughout life is death, and in all of our deaths throughout life is birth. The foundation of this principle is in the forgiveness of our sins, so that the death that we bring about for ourselves and others through our sin does not result in ultimate death, but rather ultimate Life as we receive and share His Mercy and Grace.

This is the foundation of Faith upon which the Lord was able to construct a secure habitation through my grandparents for all around them. I realize that not everyone had this type of familial security growing up. However, my own upbringing was not necessarily safe overall, and I would further challenge all of us, instead of being upset that we did not have whatever we needed growing up, to forgive, and to follow the example of Mary and Joseph that my grandparents did: answer the call of God in the Obedience of Faith to look around them and follow the Lord's lead to create safe space for others to thrive through the knowledge of the forgiving Grace of God.

In that way, Jesus Christ will truly be born in us today, even as we expectantly await Him in His Final Coming to set all things right, even our own selves.

Peace,
+Jeffrey

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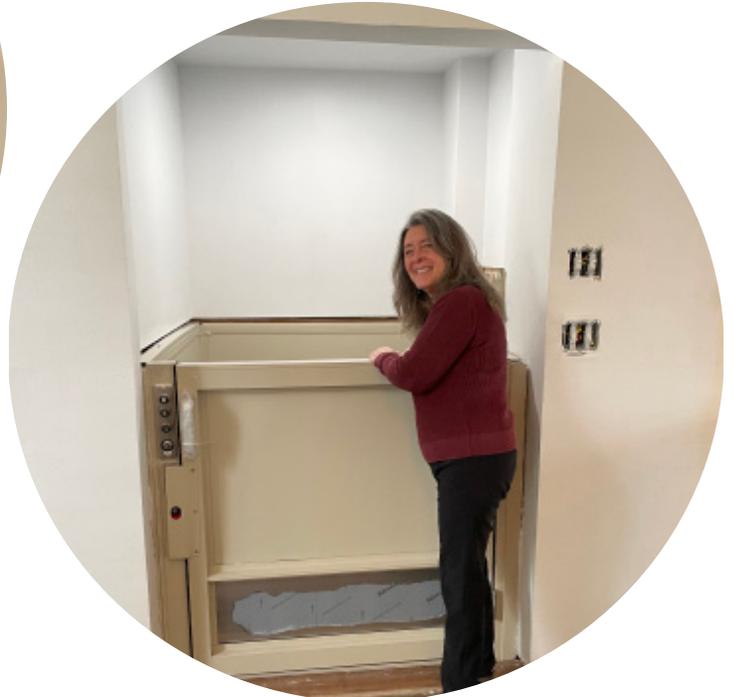


A Lift for Zion, West Jefferson!

Zion West Jefferson has been working on completing the installation of a lift so that those who cannot negotiate stairs can reach the sanctuary for worship. Until the lift is functional, worship has been held in the Lower Church. Here are photos of Bishop Jeffrey's wife, Cherie, anticipating the grand opening.



Cherie checks out the construction so far.



She's all smiles. Things are looking good!



This will be a wonderful "lift" for worshippers!



Thank you for the tour, Cherie!

CHRISTMAS IS HOMEMADE ORNAMENTS, CARDS
LOVE SHARED & WORSHIP



This was the first night when the Spirit of God came upon the people, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit. And they began to sing and praise the Lord, and the people were all glad and rejoiced. And the Spirit of God came upon the people, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit. And they began to sing and praise the Lord, and the people were all glad and rejoiced.

*A Very Merry and Blessed Christmas
Pastor & Ginny Ellmeyer*

12/18 - 12/19

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Synod XXVI Registration Form

LUTHERAN CHURCH INTERNATIONAL REGISTRATION FORM – ANNUAL SYNOD XXVI

Annual Synod XXVI of the Lutheran Church – International
Monday, June 23, 2025 to Wednesday, June 25, 2025
Annual Synod Registration Includes Room and Meals
Single - \$348
Double - \$530

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Hosted by the LC-I Southern Diocese
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3035 Buckeystown Pike
Adamstown, MD 21710

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Synod Dues and Thankofferings



*First Lutheran Church, Lyons, New York
LC-I Headquarters Church and Archbishop's Office*

Reminder –2025 Dues

FOR CONTINUING SUPPORT OF THE LIFE AND MISSION OF THE LC – I
Clergy and Lay Minister Membership Dues: \$75.00 U.S.D.
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Please maintain your good standing and credentialing! The dues are required for ordained and lay members and communities of faith who have been received and included on the official ministerial roster of the LC-I. All additional contributions, gifts, and bequests are gratefully received.

LUTHERAN CHURCH – INTERNATIONAL

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