

Announcements for December 14th, 2025

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Office hours are Monday – Thursday 9am-1pm
Pastor Katie's day off is Friday

Mon. Dec. 15th Counting Team 1
Tues. Dec. 16th Bible Study 10am; Council meeting 6pm
Thurs. Dec. 18th Newsletter info due
Sun. Dec. 21st Worship 10am; Blue Christmas Service 12pm

Servers for **TODAY**

Communion Assistant: Chelsea Petersen

Servers for **December 21st**

Reader: Tim Hess

Communion Assistant: Tim Hess


Altar Guild: Julie Peters

Usher: Paul Weber & Denis Friedrichsen

Fellowship: Beth Petersen

Noisy offering being collected will be given to ELCA Good Gifts.

ELCA Good Gifts is an opportunity to provide critical support to the ministries and programs all over the world, from the purchase of animals, vegetables, safe water access and so much more!

 We want to connect with you! Connect Cards are available in each pew. Visitors are encouraged to fill out their information to help us get to know you. Do you have a prayer request? Fill out the back side of the card. Cards can be placed in the offering box.



A "Prayground" is available in the back of the sanctuary for our littlest members (Kindergarten and younger) and parents for quiet, parent monitored play during worship.



The Poinsettia Tree will be on display again this year. If you would like to purchase a poinsettia, contact Kim Hess or the church office by December 14th. They are \$12.00 each. Forms can be found in the narthex.



Andover Lions will be giving away food baskets in December. Contact Pastor Katie or the church office by December 14th if you know of someone who could use a basket this Christmas season.



During Advent, we will center around a theme "What do you Fear?" Look for more information in the December newsletter, our Facebook page, and weekly announcements for artwork, prayers, and even take-home crafts.



We have some fun Advent calendars for families this year. Color, cut and put together a nativity scene during the season. Advent calendars can be found in the entry way. Grab some for yourself, kids, grandkids, or a neighbor!



Santa and Mrs. Claus will be at Andover City Hall in Saturday, December 20th from 2-4pm. This event is sponsored by the Andover Lions and City of Andover.



Join us for our Blue Christmas Service on Sunday, December 21, 2025 at 12 p.m. If you know of someone who may be hurting, bring them with you! Invitations are in the back to give to anyone who may be interested.



As you begin to make plans with your families, please notice times of worship will be 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. on Christmas Eve.



Time and Talent surveys can still be submitted and are available in the entryway. New serving lists for 2026 readers, ushers, etc. will be created soon. Hurry if you want to be included on these lists!



Fellowship sign up dates for 2026 are available! A calendar can be found on the counter at the beginning of the fellowship line or contact Julie Peters to sign up. Remember, keep it simple!!



Scan the QR code to give an offering online. Reminder: Regular offering envelopes are available. Contact the office for envelopes or if you need your giving number. Offering donations can be mailed or placed in the box when entering the sanctuary on Sunday mornings.



We continue to see various types of disasters leaving families, communities and foreign countries in need. Lutheran Disaster Relief donation forms are available in the entryway if you would like to make a donation. Donations can also be made online at www.ELCA.org/disaster



If you would like to acknowledge a family birth, death, wedding, etc. in the announcements or newsletter, please contact Jamie in the office. Due to policies set in place, you must contact the office.



If you or a loved one is hospitalized and desire pastoral visitation, **please contact Pastor Katie or the church office.** If you ask a member of the hospital staff to contact us about a hospitalization, they will often be prohibited from doing so by HIPAA laws.



We have Welcome Bags for those who are new to the area (found in the church office) and visitors at worship (found in the entryway). **ALL** members are invited to give a new or visiting family a bag. Please let the church office know if you have delivered a bag to an area family. Thank you for your help in welcoming new faces to the area!

Information found in the entryway:

- + Word in Season devotionals
- + Lutheran Disaster Response donation form
- + Council minutes, monthly newsletter, Annual Report & FLCW Program
- + Information about Braking Traffic, ELCA Good Gifts
- + Lost and Found