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THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sun., December 4
• 8:45 AM Sunday School & Coffee Fellowship
• 9:30 AM Worship w/Holy Communion & Live Stream on YouTube
• 4:00 PM Just for Kix

Mon., December 5
• Pastor Austin's First Day in the Office!
• 5:00 PM Just for Kix
• 8:00 PM Monday Night Fellowship @ Brau Brothers

Tues., December 6
• 11:30 AM Second Harvest Heartland
• 5:00 PM Just for Kix
• 7:00 PM Adult Children of Alcoholics

Wed., December 7
• 12:00 PM 12@12
• 5:30 PM Confirmation
• 7:00 PM Sr. High Youth Group
• 7:00 PM Advent Worship (Holden Evening Prayer Service)

Thurs., December 8
• 9:00 AM Senior Coffee
• 10:00 AM Worship on Studio 1
• 5:00 PM Just for Kix

Fri., December 9
• 6:30 PM Alcoholics Anon.
• 7:00 PM Worship on Studio 1
• 8:00 PM Alcoholics Anon.

Sat., December 10
• 9:30 AM Karen 7th Day Adventist

Sun., December 11
• 8:30 AM Coffee Fellowship served by St. Stephen Preschool
• 8:45 AM Sunday School
• 9:30 AM Worship & Live Stream on YouTube
• 10:30 AM Welcome Reception for Pastor Austin after worship in the Fellowship Hall

Proclaiming and Serving Jesus Christ



PRAYERS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We remember in prayer:

- Delores Manke (hospice)
- Ellen Wischer (in hospice)
- Phil Green (nephew of Roger Green, ALS)
- Kaylee Juutilainen (kidney)
- Don Owens (health)
- Marilee & Dennis Kraft (health)
- Adam Beussman (carpal tunnel)
- Zach Towne (son of Anton & Wendy, knee surgery)

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to add to our prayer list*

Senior Coffee

Thursdays 9:00-10:00am in the Fellowship Hall. All welcome.

Quilters

The Quilters meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays . All are welcome.

Pastor Austin Krohnke

Monday, Dec. 5th will be Pastor Austin's first day in the office!
Next Sunday, Dec. 11th a welcome reception will be held after worship in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor Austin's Installation will be on Sunday, January 15th.

Milestone Lessons

Our next milestone is on January 29th for Kindergarten families.

Noisy Offering

The next Noisy Offering date is Sunday, Dec. 18th.

Heart to Heart

Today is the last day to put gift donations under the tree.

2nd Sunday of Advent
December 4th, 2022

† Worship w/Holy Communion

1st Sunday Fellowship

St. Stephen Preschool will serve coffee and treats on Dec. 11th and Jan. 8th (2nd Sundays for December and January).

3rd Sunday Fellowship

St. Stephen Sr. High Youth serve coffee and rolls beginning at 8:30am on Dec. 18th. 100% of donations go directly to our Sr. High Youth due to a Thrivent Action Grant! Make plans to attend and support our youth!

Sunday School Christmas Program

The Sunday School Christmas Program will take place during worship on Sunday, Dec. 18th. Sunday Dec. 11th & 18th during Sunday School time rehearsal will be held (no formal classes on the 11th or 18th).

Christmas Poinsettias

If you missed the order for poinsettias you can bring your own to the church between Dec. 14th & Christmas Eve. If you'd like your poinsettia included in the bulletin please return the form (located by the office) to Wendy by Monday, Dec. 19th.

Annual Meeting

The Congregation Annual meeting will be held on Sunday, January 22nd after worship. Please save the date and plan to attend.

PRELUDE

ADVENT PRAYER WEEK 2

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING / SONG ~ *sung to the tune of O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

GATHERING HYMN ~ #249 *On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry*

GREETING

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Stir up our hearts,... .., one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

FIRST READING ~ **Isaiah 11:1-10**

SECOND READING ~ **Romans 15:4-13**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ~ *pg 142 Alleluia*

GOSPEL ~ **Matthew 3:1-12**

Prior to the reading:

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

After the Gospel reading:

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY ~ #264 *Prepare the Royal Highway*

APOSTLE'S CREED

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: God, in your mercy,

C: **Hear our prayer.**

SHARING THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Eternal God,..., We ask this through Christ our Savior.

C: **Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

All are welcome. If you wish for a gluten-free wafer please tell those serving communion.

COMMUNION RESPONSE SONG ~ *pg 207 Thankful Hearts and Voices*

Raise

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN ~ #239 *Hark, the Glad Sound!*

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

C: **We Will! Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

WELCOME
RECEPTION

Meet Our New Pastor

Join Us!

Sunday,
December 11th
at 10:30am

after Worship Service

Pastor
Austin
Krohnke

Thank you

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Leader
Assistant
Musician
Lector
Usher
Video

Erin Kuehl Acolyte
Cash Branstner Projector
Mary Hauschild Communion Team
Kirk Grannes
John DeCramer Altar Guild
Eastyn Ochocki Communion Bread

Emma Dunn
Keaton Rhea
Jason & Robin
Bednarek Family
Kari Loft
Allison Monson

Thank you