

November 26, 2023



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Int'l Student Ministry

# CHAPEL CHATTER

*Christ - Students - Community Coming Together*

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Martin Luther Chapel is collecting non-perishable items for the Greater Lansing Food Bank. Drop



*Give Thanks*

off any donations near the cornucopia by Sunday Nov. 26.

## Thought for the Day

God is a good worker,  
but He loves to be helped.

~Spanish proverb

**We are collecting gently used coats** to keep everyone warm this winter season. Coats will go to St. Luke's Coat Bank.

We are adopting **Haven House Homeless Shelter** for our Christmas giving this year. List of items is available. Items can be brought in and placed under the Christmas Tree. Bring your donation by Dec. 17 Questions? Contact Dian at 517-420-3124.

**Food donations** may be dropped off under the Christmas tree by Dec. 17.

## **Christmas Play Rehearsals**

The play rehearsal is Sunday at 9:00 a.m. Music rehearsals at 11:45 a.m. The dress rehearsal is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 16, 9:00 a.m. We warmly welcome family and friends to join us for the play on Sunday, December 17, during both services.



## **Council Meeting** **Nov. 30 at 6:30 p.m.**

See Good News email for a link to the meeting

## **Church Treasurer ~**

We're seeking a volunteer to assume the role of Treasurer for the congregation and serves as one of the congregation's officers. Experience in accounting and familiarity with Quick-Books are preferred qualifications. Questions? Contact Pastor Curt.



## Advent Schedule

Dec. 13, 7:00 p.m. ....Blue Christmas Service  
Dec. 17, 10:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. ....Children's Christmas Program  
Dec. 24, 10:30 a.m.....4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent  
Dec. 24, 7:00 p.m.....Christmas Eve Worship

## **Blue Christmas Service, Wednesday, Dec. 13, 7:00 p.m.**

The Stephen Ministry team is hosting a "Blue Christmas" service. The holidays can be challenging for those coping with grief and separation from loved ones, this gathering honors the sadness we may carry while finding solace in the impending arrival of the Savior. Open to everyone, this service aims to provide support during this sensitive time.

This Week at

## Martin Luther Chapel

### SUNDAY - 11/26

9:00 am Christmas Play Rehearsal

9:30 am Bible Class (Fireside Lounge)

9:30 am Choir Practice

**10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)**

11:45 am Christmas Play Music Rehearsal

**7:00 pm Worship (Sanctuary)**

### Monday - 11/27

6:00pm Spiritual Care & Growth Team (Fireside Lounge)

### Wednesday - 11/29

1:00 pm LSO weekly lunch (Landon Hall cafeteria)

### Thursday - 11/30

1:00-5:00pm Christmas decorating the Chapel

6:30 pm US News & Conversation Group (MLC)

6:30 pm Council Meeting (Zoom)

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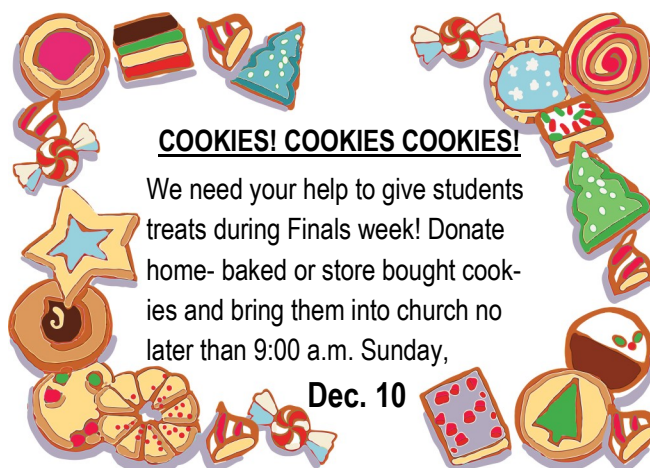
Advent devotionals are available on the table by the office

### 55+ Group Events

>The last 55+ Bible study of 2023 meets **Thursday, Dec. 7, at 1:30** in Fireside Lounge to wrap up our discussions on chapters 10, 11 and 12 of our book where we have learned about the aging process and God's plan for our transition to new life. Thank you to everyone who has participated. Please bring comments of interest regarding the chapters that will not be covered in class. We will take a break during the holidays and begin a new study **Thursday, February 1, 2024**. Mark your calendars for the first and third Thursdays of the month. Watch for an announcement in Chapel Chatter about the next book.

>Reminder - Boarshead trip on Dec. 3

>Friendship House is hosting lunch on Dec. 13. More information to follow.



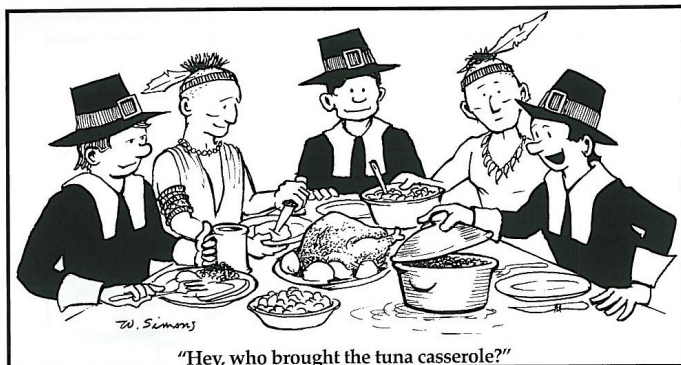
### COOKIES! COOKIES COOKIES!

We need your help to give students treats during Finals week! Donate home-baked or store bought cookies and bring them into church no later than 9:00 a.m. Sunday,

**Dec. 10**

### Spring Break Servant Event Trip!

Martin Luther Chapel is sponsoring a servant event trip to Newland, North Carolina, to work with the Avery County Habitat for Humanity affiliate. The trip will take place from Feb. 25 - Mar. 2 where we will spend time building a home, getting to know one another, gathering for devotions and prayer, and experiencing the beauty of North Carolina. For more information or for an application, see Pastor Curt or Pastor Robinson!



"Hey, who brought the tuna casserole?"

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### Martin Luther Church Lunch ALL WELCOME

Join us for lunch hosted by Thrivent on Sunday, Dec. 10 after the morning worship service. Representatives from Thrivent Financial will be on hand to talk about how to access and utilize the Thrivent member benefits. Everyone is welcome to stay for the meal, regardless of their membership status. RSVP's are helpful, but not required.