

December 10, 2023



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CHAPEL CHATTER



Christ - Students - Community Coming Together

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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.....4th Sunday of Advent
7:00 p.m.....Pre-Service Music
7:30 p.m.....Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship

Martin Luther Chapel Lunch Everyone Welcome!

Join us for lunch TODAY, after the morning service hosted by Thrivent. Representatives from Thrivent Financial will be available to talk about member benefits. Everyone is welcome, regardless of their membership status.



COOKIES! COOKIES COOKIES!

Come and Get 'em!

Packages of cookies made especially for students taking finals. are available after the service today, A special thank you to our donors for all the goodies!

POINSETTIAS

Help us decorate the sanctuary on Christmas Eve. If you would like to purchase a poinsettia, please fill out the Interest sheet or call the office by Dec. 18. The cost is \$20.



Altar Flowers

given by Rich Rau
in memory of his wife,

Judy

Thought for the Day

What is repentance but a kind of leave-taking, looking backward indeed, but yet in such a way as precisely to quicken the steps toward that which lies before.

Soren Kierkegaard



Join us next Sunday, Dec. 17 at both services for our annual Christmas Children's Play. Invite friends and family.



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

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. Stephen Ministers will be available for those who wish to talk to someone. Open to everyone.

This Week at Martin Luther Chapel

SUNDAY - 12/10

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
 12:00 pm Thrivent Lunch (Lower Level)
7:00 pm Worship (Sanctuary)

Wednesday - 12/13

12:00 pm 55+ Lunch at Friendship House
 1:00 pm LSO weekly lunch (Landon Hall cafeteria)
7:00 pm Blue Christmas Service (Sanctuary)

Thursday - 12/14

6:00 pm Choir Practice
 6:30 pm US News & Conversation Group (MLC)

Friday - 12/15

6:00 pm Christmas Play Set-up

Saturday - 12/16

9:00 am Christmas Play Rehearsal

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9:00 am Christmas Play Rehearsal
 9:30 am Bible Class (Fireside Lounge)
 9:30 am Choir Practice
10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)
7:00 pm Worship (Sanctuary)

Christmas Play Rehearsals

Play rehearsal, Sunday at 9:00 a.m. and music rehearsal at 11:45 a.m. Dress rehearsal is Saturday, Dec. 16, 9:00 a.m. Invite family and friends to join us for the play on Sunday, December 17, during both services.



We need help with the Stage set-up

Friday Dec. 15, 6:00 to 7:00 pm.

We will move the stage pieces from lower level to the sanctuary and assemble them there.

Spring Break Servant Event Trip Feb. 25-Mar 2

Martin Luther Chapel is sponsoring a servant event trip to Newland, North Carolina, to work with the Avery County Habitat for Humanity affiliate to help build a home. We will also gather for devotions and prayer getting to know each other, and experience the beauty of North Carolina.

Questions? See Pastor Curt or Pastor Robinson!



Advent
devotionals are
available on
the table by
the office



"The Sunday school teacher says this'll be a true test of my acting ability. What does she mean by that?"

Christmas Eve Music Opportunities

Christmas Eve Choir | Handbells | Instrument or Vocal solo
 Check the interest sheet. For those in the choir on Christmas Eve, we will practice on Dec. 14 and 21 at 6:00 p.m.



The Stephen Ministers at Martin Luther Chapel pray that you experience God's love and care wrapped around you this Christmas season and in the coming year. If you would like to receive the care of a Stephen

Minister, please contact one of the Stephen Ministry Referral Coordinators:

Betsy Seeley, Stephen Leader, 517-420-5692

Rev. David Dressel, 517-285-4166



We have three opportunities for our Christmas giving this year:

1. **Haven House Homeless Shelter.** A list of items is available outside the office.
2. **Food donations**

Put items under the Christmas Tree by Dec. 17 Questions? Contact Dian at 517-420-3124.

3. **Gently used coats** to keep everyone warm this winter season. Coats will go to St. Luke's Coat Bank.