

Sermon Notes

ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN CHURCH

January 1 & 2, 2022



Greetings Friends,

Jesus grows up fast. Last week we saw Him as an infant in the manger. Now, just one week later, He is 12 years old in the temple. He is asking and answering questions. There have been lots of questions in Luke's Gospel in the first 2 chapters—Mary and Zechariah both have questions for the angel, Elizabeth questions Mary, Jesus questions the religious leaders, Jesus' parents question Him. I think we are being reminded today that questions are a part of faith. Today we will look at the role of questions in our faith.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Bill Hugo

WORSHIP NOTES: Our thanks to pianists Diane Lightbody (5:30 p.m. service) and Andrew Wagner (10:00 a.m. service) for sharing their keyboard talents with us, and to all worship assistants for their leadership throughout the weekend. To God be the glory!

Prayers for the Week of January 2

Julie Kyseth and Lisa Neaderhiser's cousin Rhonda passed away

GIVING TO THE LORD

Weekly Worship Attendance: 37
December Tithes & Offerings to date: \$31,938
December Budgeted Offerings: \$28,885

Bill Hugo, Pastor † Carol Blase, Coordinator of Music
Brenda Hugo, Coordinator of Children's Ministries † Faustina Allen, Director of Teen Ministries
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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Tuesday, January 4

7:30 AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY ONLINE

Wednesday, January 5

1:00 PM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

4:30 PM CONFIRMATION

5:30 PM BYO SUPPER

5:30 PM CHILDREN'S CHOIR

6:00 PM YOUTH /ADULT CHOIR

6:45 PM HAND IN HAND

6:45 PM LAY MINISTERS

7:00 PM TEEN MINISTRY

Thursday, January 6

9:30 PM WOMEN'S GROUP

Saturday, January 8

1:00 PM THE CHOSEN S2 E1&2

5:30 PM WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, January 9

8:30 AM ADULT BIBLE CLASS *live and on ZOOM*

9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL—CHILDREN/YOUTH

10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE (*online and in-person*)

11:15 AM CHRISTMAS UNDECORATING

11:30 AM GRIEFSHARE

12:00 PM "BRIGHT STAR" AUDITIONS

REGULAR CHOIR REHEARSALS resume this week! Children's Choir meets at 5:30 p.m., and St. Matthew Singers meet at 6:00 p.m., both in the choir room. Both of these groups are open to and would welcome new members. Please speak with Carol Blase (763-788-9427) if you have any questions.



TAKE HOME DETAILS AVAILABLE IN NARTHEX

Pick one up today!

Children's Ministries: (contact: brenda.hugo@stmatthew-ch.org)

It's back!! Wed., Jan. 5 – Set 2 of Confirmation, Hand in Hand, Children's choirs, gym, etc., resumes (through Feb. 23).

"The Chosen" Season 2 episodes will be shown & discussed in the Fellowship Hall on **Saturdays at 1:00, beginning Jan. 8.** Please sign up if you plan to attend, for weather postponement notification purposes. You can also sign up if you are interested in a later Zoom discussion of the episodes after you have watched them on your own. Additional info is on the sign-up board and in the January *NewsScene*.



CHURCH UNDECORATING will take place next Sunday, Jan. 9, immediately after worship. Plan to stay and the job will get done quickly and efficiently!

AUDITIONS for our 2022 spring musical, "Bright Star" start this coming weekend, Sunday, Jan. 9. See the enclosed flyer for audition information. Also, please visit the St. Matthew Community Theater Facebook page for more details about audition songs, etc. You can call Carol Blase with any questions you may have (763-788-9427).