

Weekly Calendar

Today!

Following Worship: Children's Program Reception, Bell Carols, and Welcome Home Wrap-a-Thon I pm Ignite Multi-Church Youth Group Christmas Party at Diamond Lake Luthran 6 pm Gather Twin Cities (Young Adult Ministry) Bevies with the Bishops at Norsman Distillery

Monday, Dec 15

3 & 5 pm Serve at New Creations5:30 pm Children's Bells Rehearsal6:30 pm Scouts; Carillon Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, Dec 16

10 am Quilting, Staff Meeting

Wednesday, Dec 17

10 am Bible Study 5:30–6:15 pm Community Dinner 6 pm Youth Musical Rehearsal 6:30 pm Holden Evening Prayer 7:30 pm Youth Group

Thursday, Dec 18

5 pm Book Club

Friday, Dec 19

10 am Deliver Every Meal at Barton

Saturday, Dec 20

10 am Alcoholics Anonymous11:30 am Safe Hands Adoptable Dog Meet & Greet6 pm Blue Christmas Worship

Announcements December 14, 2025

Do you receive our Thursday eNews in your email inbox? Contact the office to get on the mailing list. You may also visit our website for service opportunities and more activities. Find the latest issue of The Ripple (our monthly magazine) in the narthex just outside the Sanctuary or in the Commons Area. Please take one home!

Today!

After worship, all are invited to the Lakeview Room for a special performance of the **Handbells Choir** with **cookies, cocoa, and gift wrapping** for the families in the Lutheran Social Service apartments we support through the Welcome Home ministry!

This afternoon! **Ignite Youth Group** meets at Diamond Lake Lutheran for the annual Christmas party! At 6 pm, **Gather Twin Cities** (a ministry for Young Adults) meets at Norsman Distillery for Bevies with the Biships!









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Keeping in Prayer

Bud Benson
Jane and Alva Pingel
Dr. Bruce Gleason

Would you like to be added to the email list for notifications of those in need of prayer? Please contact Parish Nurse Parker Webster: parker.webster@dllc.org

This Week's Birthdays

Dec 14 Jake Yockers; Logan Mastroianna

Dec 15 Sharon Hegna; Colleen Webber

Dec 16 Dan Miller; Charlotte Plummer

Dec 17 James Powell

Dec 19 Kathi Gallup; Sam Falk

Dec 20 Niklas Johnson

Final Holden Evening Prayer is Wednesday



Wednesday, Dec 17, 6:30 pm Community Dinner 5:30-6:15 pm

We'll gather once last time in the Sanctuary after dinner on Wednesday for a time of song, candlelight, poetry, and stillness in the midst of a busy season. Together we'll sing through the Holden service, including Mary's Magnificat, as we wait for the coming of Emmanuel, God-With-Us. All ages are invited to attend; Kids Club is not running concurrently during these services.



Saturday, December 20 6 pm

Christmastime can be hard for those who are grieving, those struggling with depression, those feeling isolated or alone, and those for whom the future seems bleak. The Blue Christmas service makes space for these feelings not usually acknowledged during this season. This quiet, candlelit service is designed especially for those who need a moment of stillness amid the holiday rush. All are welcome to come and experience God's light and hope on this winter solstice weekend.





Year-End Giving

If you plan to give by check for any year-end gifts and it's important that the check by deposited by December 31, the check needs to be at the church **no later than 12 pm on December 30.**

End-of-Year Office Hours

Dec 24: Office Closed

Dec 25 and 26: Office (and Building) Closed

Dec 29 and 30: Office Open 9 am-12 pm

Dec 3 I-Jan 2: Office (and Building) Closed

Wine & Dine Basket for Luther Park

Thanks to a Thrivent Action grant, we are able to purchase the grocery items on the Luther Park wish list, so all we need from YOU are donations of wine and restaurant gift certificates. You may drop them off in the church office no later than Thursday, December 18. The basket will be auctioned off at the Morpheus Benefit Concert for Luther Park on January 3. Your help in packing a BIG basket is greatly appreciated! Questions? Reach out to Kathi Gallup, Diamond Lake Lutheran's representative on the Luther Park Board of Directors: kathigallup@gmail.com.

Looking Ahead

Dec 21 Sunday Supper with Holiday Buffet

Dec 22 and 29 New Creations Closed

Dec 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship (4 pm)

Dec 25 and 26 Building Closed (Merry Christmas!)

Dec 30 No Quilting

Dec 31-Jan 2 Building Closed

Jan 3 Luther Park Morpheus Fundraiser Concert

Jan 4 Epiphany and the Not So Jolly Undecorating Party;

Youth Musical Auditions

Jan 6 All-Committee Night