

Weekly Calendar

Monday, December 30 NEW CREATIONS CLOSED 9 am-3 pm Office Open

Tuesday, December 31

9 am–12 pm Office Open; End-Of-Year Gifts Due by Noon

Wednesday, January I

Happy New Year! Facility Closed

Thursday, January 2

10 am Staff Meeting6:30 pm Journey Toward Justice

Saturday, January 4

10 am Alcoholics Anonymous



Announcements December 29, 2024

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 gathering area. Please take one home.

Merry Christmas! The 12 days of Christmas began on Christmas Day. Today is the First Sunday of Christmas, with carols and lessons from Martin Luther. After worship, stay for the Congregational Fellowship Hour with coffee, Bogart's Doughnuts, and great company! Return next Sunday for the Epiphany of our Lord with Star Words.

Youth Musical Auditions Next Sunday!



Auditions, casting, AND the first read-through of *Songs from the Bible:* Return to Camp Hosanna are set for Sunday, Jan 5, 2025, at 11 am, with director Frank Anderson. Parents will have an info session at the same time with Lacy Tooker-Kirkevold. The Youth Musical is for all kids and youth, fourth grade and older. **Performances are the weekend of February 21 and 22!**

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Keeping in Prayer

Jane and Alva Pingel
Anne Groskreutz
Family and friends of
Ashley James and Darrell
Gerber, including Melissa and
loe Plummer

This Week's Birthdays

Dec. 29 Miles Patt

Dec. 31 Lizzy Roberts

Jan. I Jan Michaletz; Barb Swanson

Jan. 3 Barbara Ruckes

End-of-Year Office Hours and Giving

To ensure your end-of-year giving is recorded for 2024, please note these special office hours as the year draws to a close. Diamond Lake Lutheran's final, year-end bank deposit will be made at noon on December 31. To be safe, please don't count on timely mail delivery the last couple days of the year. You can drop off end-of-year giving until noon on Tuesday, December 31. Thank you!

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Diamond Lake Lutheran is seeking office volunteers

for mail deliveries and occasional tasks like stuffing bulletins through the end of January. Volunteers are needed for two shifts: 9 am—12 pm and 12 pm—3 pm, Monday through Thursday. You are welcome to bring along a book or other hobbies/work to help pass the time. Please fill out the sign-up in the Commons Area to indicate your availability and we will get back to you to schedule exact days/times that work for you. Thank you!

looking Ahead

January 5 Epiphany; Undecorating Party; Youth Musical Auditions, Casting, and First Read-Through

January 8 Lakeview Forum: 6 Weeks on Money–Values; Youth Musical Rehearsal

January 12 Baptism Information Session; Confirmation Class, 5-8 pm

January 26 Annual Congregational Meeting; Sunday Supper

January 29 Lakeview Forum: ABCs of LGBTQIA2S+

February 5 Lakeview Forum: *Survivors*, a Six Points Theater production

February 21 & 22: Youth Musical

March 21–23 Congregational Spring Getaway



Information Sessions

Sunday, January 12, following worship: Baptism Information Session Sunday, January 19, following worship: Membership Information Session

Would you like information on holding a baptism or becoming a member of Diamond Lake Lutheran? Attend one of these information sessions! They start after worship and usually wrap up within an hour. A light brunch will be served. Attending does not commit you; you can gather information and then decide later. An RSVP is not required but does help with planning—email or call the office: dllc.office@dllc.org or 612-866.2579.



NEW LAKEVIEW FORUM SERIES! Beginning on Wednesday, January 8, Diamond Lake Lutheran will present "Six Weeks on Money," an ELCA initiative designed to help participants better understand the role money plays in our lives through the lens of Christian faith, providing practical guidance and spiritual reflection. The course is open to everyone, regardless of background or financial experience. You will gain the tools and support needed to make better financial decisions while staying grounded in your faith. No personal details about income, debt, or savings will be required. Let's learn together how we can live out the principles of stewardship and generosity in every area of our lives!

Please Note: Six Weeks on Money does not take place on January 29 or February 5. Alternate programming will occur on those dates.