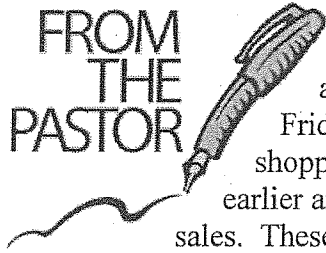


Our Saviour's Messenger

December 2011

FROM
THE
PASTOR



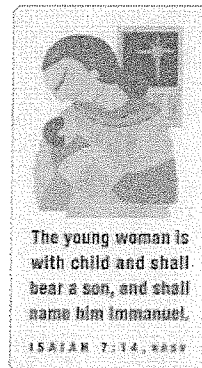
Christmas is coming! It cannot be ignored with the bombardment of news and advertising promoting the Christmas shopping season that has begun with Black Friday. This day following Thanksgiving has become known for its efforts to attract shoppers with fantastic bargains. And, this year the shopping hours have been pushed earlier and earlier, even encroaching on Thanksgiving Day itself in order to garner more sales. These are exciting days, and there are bargains to be had. Yet, where is the focus of this energy?

In the calendar of the church, we are entering the season of Advent. This is a four week period that calls us to prepare our hearts and lives for the coming of Christ. It is a time to welcome the Christ child born in Bethlehem: "God with us," Emmanuel. It is also a time to call us to prepare for the Risen Christ's coming again in glory as he has promised to do.

Too often, and our modern Christmas culture accentuates the fact that, we mortals seek to find life and security and hope and joy apart from God. We do this with things and relationships and activities. But, we are created in the image of God to be in relationship with God, and only God can fill our deepest desires and needs.

Lutheran pastor and hymn writer, Paul Gerhardt (1607-1676) rightly asked the question of how we will prepare for the coming of Christ, at Christmas and in glory:

*O Lord, how shall I meet you,
how welcome you aright?
Your people long to greet you,
my hope, my heart's delight!
Oh, kindle, Lord most holy,
your lamp within my breast
to do in spirit lowly
all that may please you best.*



God has given himself fully to us in Christ, showing mercy, compassion, grace and forgiveness. This greatest of all gifts will never go out of style, wear out, or break down. As we receive Christ by faith, we are called to live in Christ by showing that same mercy, compassion, grace and forgiveness to one another. We meet Christ aright as we live out this hope and faith day by day. May our Christmas preparations keep our focus on the One who is the "reason for the season." In doing so, there is a double blessing for us and for others.

God's blessings for a meaningful Advent and Merry Christmas –
Your fellow servant – *Pastor Jeff*

“So here's what I want you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking around—and place it before God as an offering. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for Him.”

--Romans 12:1-2 (The Message interpretation)



Blessings and Greetings!

The youth and I would like to extend a great thanks to those in the congregation who've helped outfit the youth room! We now have a newer television, a surround system, DVD player, a collection of board games, and a new couch. The youth room is starting to look lively again! We could still use a couple chairs to replace the ones that are falling apart.

The Bake Sales the youth have done are now going to be a monthly event done on the third Sunday of every month, so if you feel like getting some tasty baked goods and helping the youth at the same time, they're a great chance to do so!

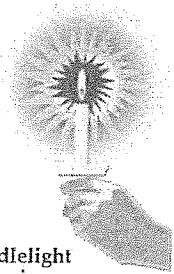
On December 17th, the youth will be holding a Spaghetti Supper fundraiser to raise funds for our upcoming mission trip. It's still in the rough planning phase so keep an eye out for more details as the month goes on!

Speaking of the mission trip, during the week of July 22-28 the youth currently in 8th-12th grade will be going to the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation to minister through Youth Works. The cost per student before transportation is \$258 for the whole week. That includes meals and transportation at the site. A total cost will be figured out soon once transportation and other costs have been figured out. If a student is interested in going on the mission trip, a deposit of \$60 is needed by December 12th to secure their place on the roster. If you would like to help with the mission trip or have fundraising ideas for us to use, please let Tynan know. Anything is appreciated!

Have a blessed Christmas Season!

Tynan Nelson
Youth Director
(701) 331-4047

Thank You to those who helped with the 'Holiday Gift Baskets'. We were able to pass out 20 baskets to people in our community. Also, **Thank You** to Gaylin Moe for donating potato chips for our youth snacks. We're always hungry! ☺



Candlelight
Services

Come & Celebrate Christ's birth!

Saturday, December 24th ~ 4:00 pm

Saturday, December 24th ~ 5:30 pm

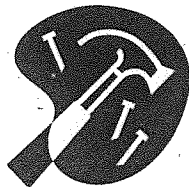
Offering Envelopes will be out soon. If your name is not there and you would like envelopes, please contact the office (I do have extras). Also, if you would rather not receive envelopes in the future, please let the office know that too. Thank You! If you have any questions, call 284-6197.

When parking near the church, please be mindful not to block access to our neighbor's driveways. They would appreciate it! Thank You!

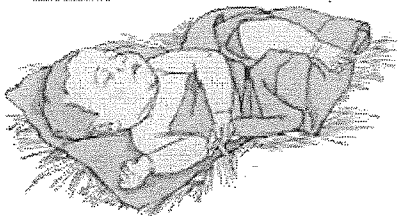
Bldg/Grounds Update

The Nursery repair is coming along. Painting will be done next and then everything put back together. Our hope is to have it all done by Christmas. Thanks for your patience!

OSLC Building/Grounds Committee



"A little child will lead them."
Matthew 23:12



The True Meaning of Christmas

A few years ago, my Christmas season centered on the arrival of a baby — our second child, due December 23. Exhausted with pregnancy, I skipped out on holiday gatherings, did less decorating and baking than usual, didn't send cards and didn't plan a holiday dinner, assuming — correctly, it turned out — I'd be in the hospital then.

It was a strangely quiet Christmas season, with our focus on the impending arrival. But once our baby was born, in the last hour of Christmas Day, all the missed parties, caroling, cookie-indulging and even present-opening paled in comparison. All that truly mattered was God's gift to our family of this one very special baby.

Isn't this how Christmas should always be? Seasonal activities are fun, but they hold meaning only if they deepen our focus on the coming of one very special Baby — the Christ-Child. Hold him in your heart this season, as I held my newborn that Christmas night. If the hustle and bustle distracts you from the Baby, put an end to it. If traditional activities prove more stressful than joyous, consider what you can let go of to embrace the true meaning of Christmas — the birth of Jesus, God's gift of love.

—Heidi Mann

Treasurers Report

Well here is how it is in November with one month left in this year.

The good news is — we have taken in \$40,950 more YTD than we did in 2010 YTD. Expenses are \$27,659 more YTD than in 2010 YTD. So our net loss YTD is only - \$1,321 vs -\$11,696 2010 YTD. This is very good, since we have spent \$27,490 on the church maintenance, roof, etc.

The bad news is, the source of the water problem is almost fixed and paid for, but the second phase of the problem, repairing the inside that we have estimated at about \$15,000, still has to be done. This is repairs to the kitchen, overflow room, child care area, etc. where we have water damage. So, as I look at the budget for 2012 and have to include this expense I would like to see some Church Maintenance financial support in December so we end 2011 in the black and have a little cushion to start 2012 with. I promise to put a little extra in the collection plate this Sunday to help start the 2011 Christmas Fund Drive. Thank you all for all the help you have given us in 2011 and I hope everyone has a very happy & healthy Christmas Season.

Working with you to help do God's work,

John Blair
OSLC Treasurer



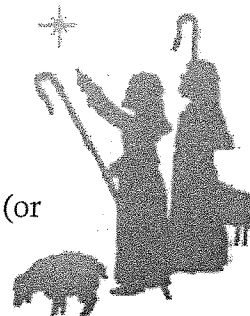
Finance Update

Bible Quiz

Some parts of the Christmas story, as commonly told, aren't actually recounted in Scripture. Which of the following details *is* recorded in the Bible?

- A. Mary rode a donkey to Bethlehem, and Joseph walked alongside her.
- B. Angels announced that a Savior, the Messiah (or Christ), had been born.
- C. There were three wise men.
- D. Shepherds and wise men (or Magi) worshiped Baby Jesus together.
- E. None of the above.

(see Matt. 1:18—2:12 and Luke 2:1-20)



ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

Dec. 4	Natalie Bellmore & Cole Clemetson
Dec. 11	Daman Flaten & Emily Frovarp
Dec. 18	Cadyn Hunter & Dylan Kachena
Dec. 25	Savannah Jerome & Andy Moe
Jan. 1	Emily Laaveg & Anne Welch

WEDNESDAY PARENT HELPER

(4:30 – 5:30 pm)

December 7	Parents of Callan Hunter
December 14	Parents of Logan Syrup
December 21	NO Worship Wednesday
December 28	NO Worship Wednesday



'Noisy Offering' Sunday.
Our offering totaled \$105.53.
Thank You for your help to
the mission work in the
Central African Republic.

Our next 'noisy' offering will be on
December 18th.

PARK RIVER BIBLE CAMP

Saturday, December 17, 2011 ~ 5:00 pm

The Anoka High School Chamber Orchestra
with the Seventh Avenue Carolers

December 31, 2011 – January 1, 2012

Senior High New Year's Blast

'All Things New'

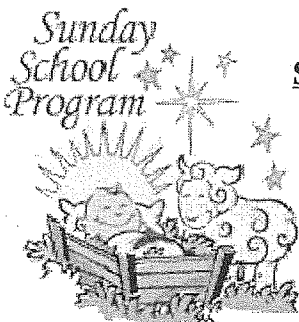
"For behold, I create new heavens and a new
earth and the former things shall not be
remembered or come into mind." Isaiah 65:17

Cost: \$20.00 before Dec. 22; \$25.00 after
(registration forms on entrance table)

Junior/Senior High Choir Christmas Program

"A Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens
(cut & adapted for church performances)

Wednesday, December 7th ~ 7:00 pm



Primary & Junior Sunday
School Christmas Program
(pre-school thru grade 6)

"The Program of Our
Dreams"

Wednesday, December
14th ~ 7:00 pm

SUNDAY SCHOOL

There will be NO Sunday School on December
25th or January 1st due the holidays.

Board of Education ~

Mary Martin – 284-6884
Judy Troftgruben – 284-6428
Mandy Hagen – 229-3223
Shannon Markusen – 284-7329
Susan Degner – 284-7482

"Education is an investment, not a cost." -- Eddie Basha

**There will be NO choirs or confirmations on
Wednesday, December 21st or December 28th.**

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and
do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven
belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14, NIV

Thank You to everyone who participated in filling
a shoebox for Operation Christmas Child. We sent
42 boxes from our congregation. Also, 'thank you'
to Gary & Diane Greicar and Gaylin Moe for
delivering the boxes to Grand Forks.

The '**Sock, Hat &
Mitten**' tree has been
set up and will go
through **Sunday,
December 11th**. This is
a mission project we are
encouraging students
to give to. These gifts
will be delivered to Walsh County
Social Services in Grafton, where they will be
distributed to those in need.

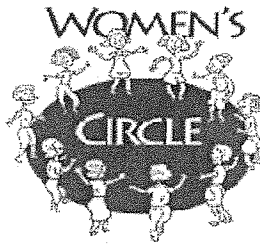


Any college students who will be home on **Sunday,
January 1, 2012**, please let Sheryl Kjelland know,
as she is looking for helpers for the service for
Young Adult Sunday. Thank You!

The Christmas Heart

"Let us remember that the Christmas heart is a
giving heart, a wide open heart that thinks of
others first. The birth of the baby Jesus stands as
the most significant event in all history because it
has meant the pouring into a sick world of the
healing medicine of love which has transformed
all manner of hearts for almost 2,000 years ...
underneath all the bulging bundles is this beating
Christmas heart."
—George Matthew Adams

OUR SAVIOUR'S



MARTHA CIRCLE

NOVEMBER HOSTESS: Phyllis Loftsgard

BIBLE STUDY: Marsha Johnson

PRESENT: 6 members

BUSINESS: Reminders ~ WELCA potluck on Nov. 15th @ 5:30 pm; Women's Christmas Party on Dec. 5th @ 6:00 pm; discussed what items were needed to complete kits at church.

DECEMBER HOSTESS: Out for noon luncheon after Bible study

BIBLE STUDY: Group participation @ Church

RUTH CIRCLE

NOVEMBER HOSTESS: Met @ Good Sam w/Margaret Winther

BIBLE STUDY:

PRESENT: 9 members

BUSINESS: New officers were elected:

Pres. ~ Dorothy Eklund

V. Pres. ~ Dorothy Ramsey

Sec./Treas. ~ Evelyn Flaten

Stewardship Sec. ~ Corinne Ramsey

Quilting on Nov. 14 & 15 with a WELCA potluck supper on Nov. 15 @ 5:30 pm;

We will attend the Christmas Party on Dec. 5th which will take the place of our circle party ~call to let know if you are attending; we will give our Dec. offering at the Bible study.

DECEMBER HOSTESS: Christmas Party

BIBLE STUDY: All members attend Circle Leaders Bible Study on Tuesday, Nov. 22nd @ 5:00 pm

LYDIA CIRCLE

NOVEMBER HOSTESS: Met @ Church w/Susan Phelps

BIBLE STUDY: Kay Alkofer

PRESENT: 11 members

BUSINESS: Purpose Statement was read; Sec./Treas. Report was given; discussion about the Christmas Party~we will meet after the Advent service on Wed., Nov. 30th to practice for the program; on Sunday, Dec. 4th, we will meet @ 2:30 pm to set up and decorate the Fellowship Hall; call the office if you plan to attend. Reminders of upcoming events.

DECEMBER HOSTESS: Meet @ church after Advent service on Nov. 30th

BIBLE STUDY: All members attend Circle Leaders Bible Study on Tuesday, Nov. 22nd @ 5:00 pm

Christmas is just around the corner and Our Saviour's is planning a Christmas party again this year for the women in our community. It will be held on: **Monday, December 5th @ 6:00 pm.**

The evening will include supper, a program and a \$5.00 gift exchange. Ladies, please plan to attend and bring friends from our church and/or from the community for a night of fun and fellowship. If possible, we would appreciate a call to the church office @ 284-6197 by **Friday, December 2nd** with the number planning to attend to help in determining how much food to make. However, if you decide at the last minute that you would like to attend, please come.

We would love to see you there!

If anyone would like to donate some Christmas baking for the party, please call Sheryl Kjelland @ 284-7586. Thanks!

Let it Shine

Whatever else be lost among the years,
Let us keep Christmas still a shining thing.
Whatever doubts assail us, or what fears,
Let us hold close one day, remembering
Its poignant meaning for the hearts of men.
Let us get back our childlike faith again.

—Grace Noll Crowell



Sunday, December 18

Meet at the Church
4:00 pm

Join us for an evening of singing, fun and fellowship and enjoy a potluck supper at the home of Orville & Sheryl Kjelland afterwards.

LIBRARY NEWS

The library committee met on November 8th. Several new books have been donated.

The Incomparable Christ by J. Oswald Sanders ~ this is a study of Jesus that starts with his pre-existence and goes through his time on earth leading up to the second Advent. It includes a set of CD's that should be checked out with the book.

Heart of a Mother by Wayne Holmes ~ this book is not light reading. The author gives practical advice on how to pray for your child and how to teach your child about God.

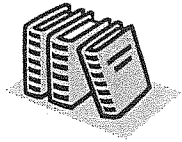
Reunion by Karen Kingsbury and Gary Smalley ~ this is the last book in the Redemption series.

Oceans Apart by Karen Kingsbury ~ this book is a novel about human failure and forgiveness.

Several booklets and pamphlets have been donated to the library. Rather than catalog each of these, we have listed them alphabetically by title in a three-ring binder, which is available on the library desk. The booklets are located on the bottom shelf of the moveable book cart.

Thank You for your interest in our church library.

OSLC Library Committee
Phyllis Loftsgard
Mavis Nelson



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**Thank You** to the Decorating Committee for the beautiful job in decorating the church for the Advent and Christmas season:



**Decorating  
Committee**

Jeff & Patty  
Dahlen  
Kevin & Mary  
Skavhaug  
Toby & Cheryl  
Welch

**We sincerely appreciate all those who share their time and talents by volunteering their services to Our Saviour's. Thank You!**

### What's on Your List?

A little smile, a word of cheer,  
A bit of love from someone near,  
A little gift from one held dear,  
Best wishes for the coming year ...  
These make a Merry Christmas!



--- John Greenleaf Whittier

## WELCA NOTES

WELCA Movie Night was held on Tuesday, November 15 at Our Saviour's. Marsha Johnson led us in devotions based on Psalm 46 and then we enjoyed a potluck supper. We watched the movie "Pray the Devil Back to Hell", which was about the Women's Peace Movement in Liberia. It told of their struggle for peace and made us all thankful for the peaceful place where we live.

A short business meeting was held. The Soup and Sandwich Luncheon and Bazaar were very successful and we are happy to be able to pay all of our budgeted charities with a little bit left over. Thank you to all who worked so diligently with this project!

The Nominating Committee reported that their job is complete, because all of the slots are filled. The Candidates nominated for the 2012 Offices are as follows: President-Sheryl Kjelland, Vice-President-Monica Simon, Secretary-Phyllis Loftsgard, Treasurer-Susan Phelps. We will have the Election of Officers at the January meeting.

The Committees are as follows: Mission Action (Stewardship) Committee - Janice Englerth, Elaine Hagen, Lyla Paulson, Dorothy Ramsey, Diane Greicar. Altar Committee - Monica Simon. Library Committee - Phyllis Loftsgard, Mavis Nelson, Janet Leith. Auditing Committee - Audrey Blair, Lori Onstad. Brass Committee - Marion Onstad, Joyce Torgerson, Joanne Anderson. Budget Committee - Executive Committee. Funeral Coordinators - Janice Englerth, Sharon Laaveg. Faith/Care Coordinators - Cheryl Welch, Marcie Weisz. Christmas Decorating Committee - Toby & Cheryl Welch, Jeff & Patty Dahlen, Kevin & Mary Skavhaug. Wedding Coordinators - Elaine Byron, Sarah Thompson. Soup/Sandwich Chairpersons - Lorie Clemetson, Pearl Kotaska. Outreach - Linda Seim. Nominating Committee - Kay Alkofer, Connie Johnson.

We look forward to the Ladies' Christmas Party which will be held on Monday evening, December 5 at 6:00 p.m. All women are welcome! Please call the Church Office to register for the party by December 2. Also, please bring a \$5 gift to exchange.

Have a blessed Thanksgiving!  
Sheryl Kjelland

# MEMORIAL GIFTS

## RADIO FUND

Listed weekly in Our Saviour's bulletin.

If anyone is interested in sponsoring a radio broadcast, please contact the church office @ 284-6197. Thank You!

## BLDG/MAINTENANCE

IMO Vern Seboe ~ from Ron & Kelly Anderson

## GENERAL FUND

IMO Milt Hjelmstad ~ from Earl & Marcie Weisz

IMO Frankie Bjornson ~ from Earl & Marcie Weisz

IMO Hal Dipple ~ from Earl & Marcie Weisz

*Thank You for your donations and gifts!*



Please be a part of our poinsettia fund. The forms are available on a table in the narthex. The names of donors will be acknowledged in the bulletin. Donations for poinsettias will go through Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$20.00.

### What to Give?

- To your enemy, forgiveness.
- To an opponent, tolerance.
- To a friend, your heart.
- To a customer, service.
- To all men, charity.
- To every child, a good example.
- To yourself, respect.

--- Oren Arnold

The Western Walsh Ministerium will be sponsoring a Christmas Nativity Display during the Super Santa Saturday event on Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. A variety of Nativity sets will be displayed during *The Nativity – It Began with a Family* event at the Federated Church, located on 4<sup>th</sup> Street West in Park River.

### 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Tree of Light Memorial Ceremony

Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup> @ 4:00 pm

Park River Ambulance Building

The Tree of Light memorial ceremony provides a way for families and friends to remember their loved ones during the holiday season. To symbolize the remembrances, a tree will be lit and the names of the loved ones will be displayed at First Care Health Center throughout the holiday season. Names of those whom you wish to remember and your donation can be mailed to: Tree of Light Memorial

Altru's Hospice - PO Box I - Park River, ND 58270

### Candlelight Memorial Service

Altru's Infant and Child Bereavement Program invites you to their annual candlelight Memorial Service on Tuesday, December 6, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. This event, sponsored by Altru Hospital and Altru Alliance, will take place in the lobby of Altru Hospital in Grand Forks.

The memorial service is dedicated to all babies who have died before or shortly after birth, or in early childhood. Ornaments will be placed on a tree in the Altru Hospital lobby. You may have an ornament inscribed with your baby's name by calling Altru's Pastoral Services office, 701-780-5300, by Thursday, December 1, or you may have them inscribed before the service from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

If you have an inscribed ornament that was on the tree in previous years and wish to participate again this year, please call Pastoral Services at 701-780-5300.

## DECEMBER 2011

| Sunday                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Monday                                                                                                 | Tuesday                                                                                                                                                                      | Wednesday                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Thursday                                                     | Friday    | Saturday                                                                                              |
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| <b>27</b><br>9:00 AM Coffee/NO Sunday School or Adult Study<br>10:00 AM Worship<br>2:30 PM Good Sam Service<br>7:00 PM Bible Study                                                                                                                                      | <b>28</b><br>9:00 AM Bible Study<br>7:00 PM Scout Pack                                                 | <b>29</b><br>10:30 AM Text Study @ Langdon                                                                                                                                   | <b>30</b><br>9:00 AM Knit/Crochet Group @ OSLC<br>3:30 PM Children's Choir<br>3:45 PM 8th Gr. Confirm.<br>4:30 PM 5th & 6th W.W.<br>5:00 PM 9th & 10th Gr. Confirm.<br>5:30 PM Junior Choir<br>6:00 PM Senior Choir<br>7:00 PM Advent Service w/choirs<br>8:00 PM Lydia Circle @ Church | <b>1</b><br>2:30 PM Good Sam/Communion                       | <b>2</b>  | <b>3</b><br>11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Jr. & Sr. High Christmas Program practice                             |
| <b>4</b><br>9:00 AM Sunday School/Adult Study/Coffee<br>10:00 AM Worship/Communion/Jr. & Sr. High Choir<br>11:00 AM Jr. & Sr. High Christmas Program practice<br>11:00 AM Youth Committee Meeting<br>2:00 PM Grade 4-6 Youth Group @ OSLC<br>7:00 PM Youth Blitz @ OSLC | <b>5</b><br>6:00 PM Ladies Christmas Party<br>7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop<br>7:00 PM Cub Scout Leader Mtg. | <b>6</b><br>Ruth Circle-NO meeting<br>10:00 AM Martha Circle @ Church<br>10:30 AM Text Study @ First Lutheran in Hoople<br>6:00 PM Jr. & Sr. High Christmas Program practice | <b>7</b><br>Lydia Circle-NO meeting<br>9:00 AM Knit/Crochet Group @ OSLC<br>3:30 PM Children's Choir<br>3:45 PM 8th Grade Confirmation<br>4:30 PM 5th & 6th Worship Wed.<br>5:00 PM 9th & 10th Gr. Confirm.<br>5:30 PM Junior Choir<br>7:00 PM Jr. & Sr. High Christmas Program         | <b>8</b><br>7:30 PM Elementary School Christmas Concert      | <b>9</b>  | <b>10</b><br>9:00 AM - 10:30 AM Primary & Junior Christmas Program practice                           |
| <b>11</b><br>9:00 AM Sunday School/Adult Study/Coffee<br>10:00 AM Worship/Children's Choir<br>1:00 PM - 2:30 PM Primary & Junior Christmas Program practice<br>7:00 PM Youth Blitz @ OSLC                                                                               | <b>12</b><br>7:00 PM Boy Scout Committee<br>7:00 PM Scout Den<br>7:30 PM High School Christmas Concert | <b>13</b><br>9:30 AM Library Meeting<br>10:30 AM Grafton Conference Pastors @ Walhalla                                                                                       | <b>14</b><br>9:00 AM Knit/Crochet Group @ OSLC<br>3:30 PM Children's Choir<br>3:45 PM 8th Grade Confirmation<br>4:30 PM 5th & 6th Worship Wed.<br>5:00 PM 9th & 10th Gr. Confirm.<br>5:30 PM Junior Choir<br>7:00 PM Primary & Junior Christmas Program<br>8:00 PM OSLC Council Meeting | <b>15</b><br>11:00 AM Western Walsh Ministerium @ St. Mary's | <b>16</b> | <b>17</b><br>5:00 PM The Anoka High School Chamber Orchestra with the Seventh Avenue Carolers @ PRBC. |
| <b>18</b><br>9:00 AM Sunday School/Adult Study/Coffee<br>10:00 AM Worship/Communion/'Noisy' Offering/ Junior Choir<br>11:00 AM Youth Bake Sale<br>4:00 PM Family Caroling                                                                                               | <b>19</b><br>NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE!<br>7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop                                       | <b>20</b><br>10:30 AM Text Study @ Fordville<br>5:00 PM Circle Leaders Bible Study                                                                                           | <b>21</b><br>NO Choirs, Confirmations or Worship Wednesday<br>NO Knitting/Crocheting Group                                                                                                                                                                                              | <b>22</b>                                                    | <b>23</b> | <b>24</b><br>4:00 PM Candlelight Christmas Eve Service<br>5:30 PM Candlelight Christmas Eve Service   |
| <b>25</b><br>Christmas Day<br>9:00 AM Coffee/NO Sunday School or Adult Study<br>10:00 AM Worship/Communion                                                                                                                                                              | <b>26</b><br>OFFICE CLOSED<br>7:00 PM Scout Pack                                                       | <b>27</b>                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>28</b><br>NO Choirs, Confirmations or Worship Wednesday<br>NO Knitting/Crocheting Group                                                                                                                                                                                              | <b>29</b>                                                    | <b>30</b> | <b>31</b><br>Senior High New Year's Eve Blast @ PRBC                                                  |

# December



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|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1: Karl Blake<br>Mark Mecham            | 13: Shelle Berg<br>Marcie Weisz    |                                      |
| 2: Jennifer Holand<br>Jonathan Markusen | 14: Jill Bjerke<br>Lona McCoy      | 24: Art Flaten<br>Russell Lien       |
| 4: Mike Eidenschink                     | Daryle Nickerson                   | 26: Hannah Frovarp<br>Oivind Helland |
| 5: Cass Heigaard<br>Laura Munoz         | Sandra Welch                       | David Jeffery<br>Sarah Jeffery       |
| 7: Daman Flaten<br>Pearl Kotaska        | 16: Harriet Erickson<br>Gavin Hell | Denise Seboe                         |
| 8: Savannah Jerome<br>Jake Larson       | Arvid Knutson<br>Marlene Paulson   | 27: Judy Papenfuss                   |
| Charles Nelson                          | Linda Ramsey<br>Lynette Swartz     | 28: Nikki Pokrzywinski               |
| 9: Barry Clemetson<br>LJ Flaten         | 17: Sandy Daley<br>Susan Phelps    | 29: Chris Frier<br>Willard Frovarp   |
| Steve Heigaard                          | 18: Kegan Munoz                    | DeeJay Johnson                       |
| 12: Myles Flaten<br>Isabella Machart    | 19: Cody Waslaski<br>Kris Waslaski | Orville Kjelland<br>Heather Leith    |
| Barret Spoonland                        | 20: Tynan Nelson<br>Lynne Torfin   | Noah Skavhaug                        |
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## Baptism

Rowan Lorraine Meberg Ewald, daughter of Michael & Jessica Meberg Ewald and granddaughter of Luther & Linda Meberg, was baptized on Sunday, November 13, 2011.

Her sponsors were Daniel & Stacey Godin.

*May God Bless Rowan as she grows in the faith!*

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