



Fourth SUNDAY OF ADVENT



DECEMBER 18, 2016

LOVE

TODAY WE JOIN

WITH ST. MARTHA'S CONGREGATION

IN THEIR

LESSONS AND CAROLS

WORSHIP SERVICE

All are Invited to join in

Annual Christmas Celebration Feast

Following Worship,

Hosted by St. Martha's for Word of Hope

For Whom Shall We Pray

For those in need:

Julie McEwen, Richard Saunders, Dion Parker,
Karl Knapp (Floro), Natalie Anderson,
Makenzie Webb, Walter & Patricia Finger
(Brown),

Margaret and Michael DeCarlo (Campbell),
Corrie Fosson (Whitehead), Carl Bowen (Black),
Steve DeWitte, John Ege

For those serving our country:

Hunter Schultz, Matthew (Sorrell)

In a special way:

St. Martha's Episcopal Church, as we share our
church home and look forward to sharing
Pr. Sandy Stone.

Do you have a need for Prayer?

Let us know of your concern. Contact the Care
Team by calling Colleen Black 859-223-3877

Or call the Word of Hope office

859-272-8515

Or email: wordofhopeoffice@gmail.com

**Welcome to Word of HOPE
Lutheran Church, ELCA !**

We are Saved by God's Grace

and

Called to Share the Love of Jesus with ALL.

Please Visit our WELCOME Center...

We are glad you're here!

Holy Communion is God's gift to us and we're
happy to share it with you. There are gluten free
wafers available. White grape juice is available in
the inner ring of the tray of individual cups if you
prefer. We invite all who trust in Jesus' presence in
the bread and wine to participate in this holy meal.



If you are a VISITOR, please sign our GUEST BOOK in the Welcome Center.

We want to get to know you better and help you get to know us! We have a warm, family-like congregation and we love welcoming others to it. Please write down the best way to get in touch with you.

THANKS AGAIN FOR JOINING US AND PLEASE COME AGAIN SOON!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

7:00 PM



Word of Hope and St. Martha's will Share in the
Worship Service.

Join us for Communion, Candles, and Carols

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

December 21 6 pm Hanging of the GREENS.

December 24 CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP SERVICE 7pm

***SHARED WORSHIP SERVICE WITH ST. MARTHA'S

December 25 CHRIST IS BORN!! NO WORSHIP
SERVICE: CELEBRATE WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

JANUARY 1, 2017 9:30 am Christmas Lessons & Carols.

THIS WEEK

HANGING OF THE GREENS Wednesday, December 21
at 6:00 PM, we will be decorating the church in our
annual "Hanging of the Greens". Bring a Christmas
goody to share and we will enjoy them while we
decorate for our Christmas festivities.

ONGOING

CARE AND CONVERSATION Wednesdays at 7:00 pm.
Share our thoughts and show concern for each other
and the world around us. You are invited to join the
group any Wednesday. All are welcome.

PRAISE BAND will **NOT** practice this Wednesday or next.
December 22 is our next practice, a joint practice with
St. Martha's at 7pm. A final practice for Christmas
service will be joint with St. Martha's on December 24
at 10 am. All are welcome!

REMEMBER

THE GIVING TREE is set up in the entryway. Items will
be going to Natalie's Sisters. Take a tag and bring back
the unwrapped items and put it in the box next to the
tree. We will be collecting items through to Christmas.
Psalm 82:3 MINISTRIES. During Advent, as part of our
offering each Sunday, we are taking up a **NOISY CAN
COLLECTION.** If you would like to hear more about this
ministry, please see Jen Polnisch.

TODAY

ADVENT LESSON AND CAROLS with St. Martha's TODAY
at 11 am. Afterwards, we will be joining them for their
annual Christmas Celebration Feast in Fellowship Hall.
Thanks to all who brought food to share!!

TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO DONATE POINSETTIAS to
ADORN OUR SANCTUARY FOR CHRISTMAS. Please see
the sheets in the entryway to order your poinsettia in
honor of loved ones and to help decorate our worship
area during the Christmas season. Next Sunday will be
last time to put in your request. \$12 per plant per
name. THANKS!!

WEEK AT A GLANCE December 18-25

TODAY

9:30 am Abbreviated Communion Service

11:00 am **ADVENT LESSON AND CAROLS with St.
Martha's**

12:00 pm **St. Martha's hosts annual Christmas
Celebration Feast for Word of Hope**

Monday

7:30 pm Narcotics Anonymous

Tuesday

Wednesday

6:00 pm **Hanging of the Greens**

Thursday

7:00 pm **Combined WOH and St. Martha's Praise Band
Practice**

Friday

Saturday

**7:00 pm Christmas Eve Service with St. Martha's
Church**

Next Sunday

**MERRY CHRISTMAS. NO Worship Services today.
CELEBRATE THE BIRTH OF JESUS WITH FAMILY AND
FRIENDS.**

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO TURN IN ALL ANNOUNCEMENTS BY
TUESDAY AT NOON VIA EMAIL, WRITING, OR PHONE CALL.**

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