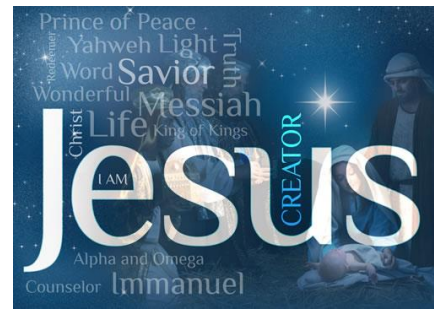




**HAPPY NEW YEAR
2017**

**Today is our
Joint Service of
CHRISTMAS
LESSONS AND CAROLS**
with
**Word of Hope Lutheran
And
St. Martha's Episcopal**

***We are Saved by God's Grace
and
Called to Share the Love of Jesus with ALL.***



January 1, 2017

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

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, visit our Welcome Center and please sign our GUEST BOOK.

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

TODAY: Christmas Lessons & Carols.

JANUARY 8 EPIPHANY SUNDAY/ BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

CHRISTMAS EVE REFLECTIONS

Our Church looked beautiful for our Christmas Eve Service. Thanks to all who helped with hanging of the greens. The joy of our combined communities in shared celebration made for a special worship service on this the holiest of nights. It was truly a "place of amazing grace" to welcome our family and friends on Christmas! A special thanks to all who contributed to the preparations of the service, especially all of the musicians from Word of Hope and St. Martha's. Much gratitude also, to those who brought food to share. It was a special night and we all look forward to the new year of sharing in more celebrations and community spirit.

ONGOING

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE DINNER THIS TUESDAY AT 5 PM. Contact Sue Cook at 859-421-9064 for more information and to contribute to food and/or money.

CARE AND CONVERSATION meets again this week and every Wednesday at 7:00 pm to 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 meet for rehearsals on Wednesdays at 7pm, starting this week, January 4. All are welcome to join.

THANK YOU

THANKS TO PRAISE BANDS of Word of Hope and St. Martha's for the extra time and effort put into preparing our Christmas Lessons and Carols Worship to be so special today.

THANKS TO ALL WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE GIVING TREE to help with Natalie's Sisters.

THANKS for THE CONTRIBUTIONS IN THE "NOISY CAN" Collections. Psalm 82:3 ministry is grateful for your generosity and support.

THANKS FOR THE BEAUTIFUL POINSETTIAS which adorn our church this Christmas. A special list of all who contributed in honor of their loved ones is available in the welcome center.



WEEK AT A GLANCE January 1-8

Sunday

9:30 am Christmas Lessons and Carols Joint Worship
10:30 am Fellowship of Word of Hope and St. Martha's

Monday

7:30 pm Narcotics Anonymous

Tuesday

5:00 pm Ronald McDonald House Dinner

Wednesday

7:00 pm Praise Band Practice
7:00 pm Care and Conversation

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Next Sunday

9:30 am Epiphany Sunday/Baptism of our Lord.
10:30 am Coffee and Conversation
11:00 am St. Martha's Worship Service
6:00 pm Al Anon
7:30 pm AA

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING JANUARY 15, 2017 at 9:00 am.

ALL are strongly encouraged to attend and participate in the planning of our church life at this exciting time! For information or questions contact Julie McEwen 859-552-0062.

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

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