

# Hilltop Happenings

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**Our mission is to welcome, accept and encourage all people as we follow Jesus.**

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## Ministry Contacts

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## Services

Sundays 8:30 am-Devotional Service

10:30 am-Worship 1 pm-Misa en Español

Thursdays (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>) 7 pm-Rosario Luterano

## Service Attendance in person / \*online views as of 10/24

<u>Date</u>	<u>8:30 am</u>	<u>10:30 am</u>	<u>1:00 pm</u>	<u>7:00 pm</u>
December 3	8	132/*180	19	
December 10	8	124/*761	-	
December 17	7	193/*167	43/*421	
December 18 (Spanish Longest Night Service)				100/*136

\*Immanuel's office will be closed December 25-January 1.

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# Pastor's Ponderings

Just Pondering...

I am thinking about Epiphany. As in Divine revelation ... Divine revealing.

December is gone ... 2023 is history.

And now we greet January of 2024, which brings us Epiphany.

As if God taking on flesh and dwelling among us was not enough, the Divine revealing continues as the invitation to 'come and see' extends beyond the wildest imagination. Gentiles! Outsiders! Foreigners! 'Others' also coming to the realization that God has come near.

Epiphany is our reminder that the same Emmanuel {God with us} continues to come near...

Continues to invite...

Continues to swirl and unveil plans beyond *our* wildest imagination!

In the year ahead we are creating space to pray, listen and pay attention to what the Divine is up to ... in Silverton, at Immanuel, for the community whole, and for the beloveds within the congregation. It is our mission as community to think deeply about the 'what nexts' just around the corner.

What do we need to let go of?

Where is the Spirit guiding us next?

How will we get from 'here' to 'there'?

Together we will question, and brainstorm, and journey. It will take trust and honesty and creativity and imagination. It is reasonable to expect that there will be anxiety along the path, and/or struggle, and/or delight, and/or various opinions. Friends, it is likely to get messy but I ask you to faithfully commit to the work ahead, the work of Epiphany.

Pastor Leah

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## Holiday Worship Schedule

Dec. 21    Longest Night of the Year Service at 7 pm

Dec. 24    Advent 4 at 10:30 am  
            Christmas Eve Service at 8 pm

Dec. 31    Grandma's Living Room at 10:30 am {no 8:30 service}

Immanuel's office will be closed December 25 - January 1

# Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministry

With the Holy Season once again upon us, I remember how blessed I have been to be able to journey with our youth for so many years. Mahalo to all friends and family who have supported our young people. They have been growing their faith and holding on to their convictions as they navigate the so-called "real world." I pray that they will always remember their church home and family as they continue to spread their wings.

December 31 - Grandma's Living Room. Once again, we hope to enjoy low-key worship and fellowship as we share stories and songs during this intimate and informal service. Since it happens to fall on New Year's Eve, I will be adding questions about New Year traditions, experiences, and hopes and dreams past and present. I hope you'll be willing to share - it's what makes this service unique and special! I'm also looking for someone to share a Family Bible or object that might have a story or history of its own. It's a fun little side-tradition we've added into the service. Please contact me ASAP!

As always, bring your instruments and voices to our "living room" so that we can sing and praise and play together, as a family. We will also have special music by the Silverton Chime Choir!

January 14 - Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Sunday of Service. Our Youth have established strong relationships with local service organizations over the years, but this is a chance for the whole church family to get involved! Sign ups will be available in the Narthex and online soon. Let's show up for our community! The Deacons will be serving a delicious lunch immediately after worship service. Sign up as individuals, small groups, or families - we can and do make a difference, letting people know that God is here and God cares.

Aloha ke Akua! God is Love!

Mele Kalikimaka! Merry Christmas!

## Upcoming Ministry Events & Opportunities

### Seeking Sunday School Volunteers!

Winter 2024 (January - March) will be a study on Traditions and Symbolism.

Topics include the Cross, the Luther Rose, the Triquetra, Ichthys, the Dove, Communion, Baptism and more.

Want to teach only Pre K-3<sup>rd</sup> grade OR 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade? Not a problem - no prep needed, all lessons are prepared for you.

Want to help but not teach? Not a problem - we need people to help with activities and just be there for the kids! Want more information? Ready to help? Sign up in the lobby, talk to Creighton on a Sunday, or email [ilcsilvertonss@gmail.com](mailto:ilcsilvertonss@gmail.com).

### Esther Circle - January 4

Meets the first Thursday of each month at 9:30 am in the fireside room. All women are invited for social time and Bible study. For more info, contact Linda Groah at [danlindagroah@gmail.com](mailto:danlindagroah@gmail.com) or call/text 503-551-6920.

### Kitchen Cleaning - January 8, 9-11 am

Planning a deep clean, though there will be light work too. All welcome, no experience necessary.

### Listening Season - Begins January 14

In 2024 you will be provided with many opportunities to join the 'What Next' conversation. January 14<sup>th</sup> during the adult faith forum 9:30-10:15 is your first invitation.

### Birthday Celebration - January 28

Hospitality is planning our annual birthday celebration on January 28. Would you be willing to host a table (decorate the table and make two dozen cupcakes)? It will be a potluck. Pizza will be provided for kids.

### Hospitality Committee

Would you like to join the hospitality committee? Contact Kate Bush for more information.

Sunday School Proposal for Jan – Mar 2024  
Theme: Traditions and Symbols  
SS Coordinator: Creighton Helms ([ilcsilvertonss@gmail.com](mailto:ilcsilvertonss@gmail.com))

Format

1. Assembly in the choir room: songs and fellowship until 9:40(ish).
2. Transition down to lower rooms.
3. Teaching from 9:45am-10:05am (approximate).
4. Activity from 10:05-10:25 (approximate).
5. Kids grab a snack and head up to multi-purpose room to be picked up by parents/guardians.

Teaching Topics

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|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1/7: The Cross               | 2/18: Ichthys and the Dove |
| 1/14: Who was Martin Luther? | 2/25: Baptism              |
| 1/21: Lutheran Rose          | 03/03: Scripture Alone     |
| 1/28: Triquetra              | 03/10: Faith Alone         |
| 2/04: Alter Items            | 03/17: Grace Alone         |
| 2/11: Communion              | -End for Spring Break-     |

Activity

1. After each lesson, students get a 4"x4" ceramic tile (each one individually numbered and on it, 1-96) and they draw or paint something that represents what they learned. If they have a fully blank tile, they have a full canvas to work with. If they have one with partial lettering, they draw/paint around (but not over) the letter. We will have a large board, 4'x3' in size, with a border attached to it ready for the tiles. As each tile is completed, we'll glue it in its place (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, etc.) When all tiles are completed, the message below will be spelled out in full, and the entire mosaic will be colorful with their images that represent what they've learned.



2. During each activity session, we'll have a tablet set up on a tripod stand, just recording from the corner. When the whole project is done, we'll create a 2-minute video of the entire project that will be shown during a Sunday Service. When the video is over, the students will hold up and show everyone the fully completed board. We will then display the board, either temporarily or permanently, somewhere in the building.
3. There will always be secondary activity ready for those who complete their tiles early.
  - a. Secondary activity #1: writing a short message and drawing a picture for a specific resident at either Mt. Angel Towers or Trustwell Living at Davenport Place; or
  - b. Secondary activity #2: fill a SACA donation bag of non-perishable food and personal care items that we will have ready to go in the Sunday School room.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out and ask! Thanks, and blessings.

Best,  
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# Kitchen News

## Kitchen Thank You for 2023

The ILC kitchen is a gathering place for fellowship and sharing. As 2023 draws to a close, a thank you to the many who share and maintain this place.

To those who come in monthly to clean, sort and polish. You make our county kitchen inspections successful.

To the large groups serving meals out of the kitchen – the after school program, the non-profit known as Dine In and multiple groups who use the kitchen for sharing meals and fund raising. A shout out to these groups as they clean and scrub when they exit. Many in these groups maintain food handler permits, ensuring the kitchen remains a safe and healthy environment

To our members that host coffee hour, potlucks and celebrations around food and beverage shared together. And to those members who bake and prepare for those events.

To the ILC custodial staff who scrub floors and move tables for all variety of use that changes from day to day. And sometimes changes from hour to hour!

To the funds which provided for a new freezer and a new commercial refrigerator.

To the trustees who have worked to maintain an aged commercial dishwasher that sanitizes dishware and utensils and keeps us all healthy.

And finally, but not least, to the office staff who schedule and oversee kitchen use and the busy calendar.

**NEXT KITCHEN CLEANING OPPORTUNITY: Monday, January 8 at 9 am. For an hour or two, come and enjoy time together.**

PS: to those who have asked – the custom metal trays for the kitchen glassware have been located. A physical count noted only 100 beverage glasses in the cabinets. There is room for twice that many, still pending as to whether we need to purchase additional. Suspect stock has dwindled over time, as has the count of silverware.

# Prayer Ministry & Condolences

*The hungry. Foster kids. Those who battle addiction.*

*All who serve our country:* Tyler Guzman, US Navy. Gabriel Manning, US Army. Bradleigh Ronning, Naval Officer. Kenneth Adams, Phyllis Adams, Grace Allen, Nettie Donovan Austin, Kris Anne Baker, Kristie Bernabo, Jessica Bradley, Denise Childs, Kyler DeVore, Destiny Durbin-Wilson, Jamie Eby, Eileen (anonymous - not Williams), Betty Faanes, Joann Faanes, Kevin Griffin, Wayne Gwyn, Tracy Harris, Michellelisa Bradner Hegney, Dan Henderson, Marsha Henderson, Mary Henderson, Rose Marie Howell, Lucy Hupp, Ed Jacoby, Debbie Donovan Jasman, Alta Johnson, Carol Johnson, Caroline Johnson, Dale Johnson, Dee Dee Johnson, Jane Knorr, Shana Lansidel, Tanya Lawton, Pattie Loe, Loretta Luciano, Ross Mackinnon, Pamela Madewell, Delores McCoy, Shirley McHorse, Able Meyers, Shane Moore, Mark Morin, Gayle Budd O'Grady, Gayle O'Neil, Elenore Norman, Emilia Panes, Maxine Parr, Keri Peck, David Richter, Marty Ronning, Lynette Rounds, Annette Shilinsky, Heidi Schindler, Gina Shifman, Lisa Smith, Nola Stark, Linda Stolte, Bonnie Thompson, Becky Tomlin, Linda Valencourt, Iliana Vaquera, Erica Winn, Haley Woods and Nora Woodward.

*\*If a name on the prayer list should be added or removed, please tell the office.*

*Condolences to:*

Jean Johnson at the death of her father.

Janet Predeek at the death of her brother.

Ronda Rieder at the death of her brother

*Please keep these families in your prayers.*



# Ministry Celebrations & Thank You Letters

- ☆ All who helped the 131<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Celebration come together: Mark Dickman for the special old hymns we sang, Darlene Bass for the organ music, Pat Taylor for running the kitchen area, all those who brought wonderful Norwegian treats and those who added to the displays. -Marilyn Frosig
- ☆ Justine Johnson for creating the 'It's Christmas Again Bazaar' flyer.
- ☆ Elizabeth Hamblin for the 'Secret Santa Workshop' banner.
- ☆ Bill and Elaine Wilson for offering up the always popular Lefse.
- ☆ Addie and Rachel for being amazing Secret Santa shopping assistants.
- ☆ Mary and Dave Miller for cashiering.
- ☆ Amy Doerfler who had the vision for the bazaar and delivered hot coffees the morning of.
- ☆ The busy Church Angels who tidied up after the Christmas Again Bazaar.
- ☆ Gloria Garcia-Mendoza for producing tamales.
- ☆ Jim Brueckner and Sara White for setting up our outdoor nativity.
- ☆ Sarah Curtis and the faith and wisdom crew for all things Childrens' Christmas Program.
- ☆ 22 kids and 4 helpers in the Christmas Program.
- ☆ Scott & Julie have found a permanent site for their trailer and are loving it.

Know a reason to celebrate, call 503-873-8656 to report 'who' and 'what'.

Thank you! We would like to thank you for your support and hosting a coat barrel for our 2023 Coats for Kids, Coat Drive! Our second year was very successful, and we collected over 700 coats this year with all your help. We are honored to be a conduit for giving for the generosity of people and organizations like your. Thanks again for all you continued support.

Thanks, EAH Trust & the Hoke family

We can't thank you enough for your generous contribution for allowing us to use your kitchen & gym for our annual Turkey Day Feast! We were very successful again this year. We are also going to bring some mats we purchased at Costco for your kitchen. We thought these might be useful for all.

The Hoke Family

Loving Christmas wishes for all of God's blessings to all Immanuel members and friends the world over! I'm so thankful for live-streaming worship; it's meant everything to me after moving during covid!

~Kathie Curtis

# Ongoing Ministries, Reminders & Needs

**Any year-end gifts to be included in the 2023 tax year must be received in the office by December 31<sup>st</sup>. Thank you!**

## **Devotionals & 2024 Offering Envelopes**

*Christ In Our Home* Devotionals and offering envelopes are now available in the church narthex.

## **Sunday School - Sundays, 9:30-10:15 am**

Sunday School starts at 9:30am in the choir room, ages PreK through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Come and join us!

## **Youth Faith Walk - Sundays, 9:30-10 am**

Growing our beliefs and values in the real world.

## **Adult Faith Education - Sundays, 9:30-10:15 am**

Join us in person on Sunday from 9:30 - 10:15 or via YouTube at your leisure.

<https://www.youtube.com/ImmanuelSilverton/videos>

## **Tuesday Crew**

Join a team of folks who lend a hand with odd-jobs and basic maintenance to keep our building and grounds tidy and welcoming. Tuesdays at 10 am.

## **Immanuel Sisters CDs**

Available in the church office. \$10 each or 3 for \$25.

## **Thirsty Thursday - Thursdays at 6 pm**

See January calendar for locations.

## **Immanuel Choir**

Join us after church each Sunday in the choir room at 11:45 am. All are welcome.

## **Need a Ride to Church?**

Contact Jennifer Bielenberg at 503-881-5467.

## **Devotional Service**

Pastor Leah hosts a devotional service on Sundays at 8:30 am in the Fireside Room. This service may appeal to those avoiding crowds, needing an earlier service time or who want a lively scriptural conversation.

## **SACA Sunday**

The next SACA Sunday will be January 14. Food and monetary donations are always welcome.

## **Prayer Shawl**

All skill levels are welcome. We have yarn and instructions and meet Tuesdays from 2-4 pm.

## **An Artist's Corner**

This is an invitation and opportunity for artists of all ages and genres to display their work. Contact the church office to reserve your space.

~A warm welcome to our newest guest to the Fireside Art Gallery ~ Carolyn Lehl (formerly Johnson-Bell). She is a member of the Lunaria Art Gallery in downtown Silverton. The works that she has chosen to share with us at Immanuel Lutheran Church are from her "Monday Morning Walks in the Park" collection. The art pieces are mostly done with colored pencil and/or acrylic on Fabriano 90-lb Black Drawing Paper. You will also find a black binder in the Fireside Room where you can read her journal of her walks through the ancestral lands of the Kalapuya, now known as Bush's Pasture Park in Salem, Oregon. Please enjoy these depictions of wintry wonders for the next couple of months as we settle in for the journey into our colder weather and cozy season.

## **Send Christmas Cards to Pastor Dan Dowling**

Dan's family has provided a mailing address as an invitation to send Christmas cards his direction.

Pastor Dan Dowling  
15442 Columbia Ln Rm#4  
Huntington Beach, CA 92647

## Treasurer's Corner

A quick update on the financial picture at Immanuel Lutheran Church. The books are closed on November and we ended the month having spent \$2868.31 more than we brought into the church. This puts us in the red for the fiscal year (July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024) -\$31,488.74.

Even given that grim number, we remain optimistic and hopeful. A lot of financial giving happens every year in December. More people are typically at church in the holiday season, and we all have to make those year-end donations by December 31 for us to take advantage of them in our 2023 taxes. And we understand that certain people/families only give once a year, most often towards the end of the year in December. So again, we remain hopeful we will inch out of the financial hole we are currently in.

Just to make clear—even though we have spent \$31,488.74 more than we have brought into the church this fiscal year does not mean that we are not paying our bills. We have funds that sit in our checking account to ensure we're paying our bills. Those funds are not income to be spent, but rather, are allocated funds for certain committees or projects which haven't yet been spent. We just wanted to make clear that despite being 'in the hole' ILC is still able to pay our bills. However, we do need to stop the bleeding at some point during the year and we are hopeful this holiday season and end of year giving will get us over the hump. I am hopeful my message to you in January's newsletter will have much better numbers to share with you all.

Wishing you all a happy and healthy holiday season! Thank you.

Ben Johnson  
Treasurer, Immanuel Lutheran Church

## Frosig Features - Hope and the Light

For those of us with a Scandinavian heritage, Santa Lucia is also part of our Christmas season's celebration. We know her because she was a girl dressed in white with a red ribbon at the waist. She wore a wreath on her head with seven candles to light her way, and took food and hope to the Christians who were hiding from the Romans in tunnels beneath the city.

"Santa Lucia, also known as Saint Lucy, was born around 283AD in Sicily, to rich and noble parents. Her father, of Roman origin, died when she was five years old, leaving her and her mother without a protective guardian."

There are several versions of Lucia as a Christian Martyr, one being that a disappointed suitor accused Lucy of being a Christian, which led to her execution. "In actuality, Lucy was probably a victim of the wave of persecution of Christians that occurred late in the reign of the Roman emperor Diocletian."

So why do Scandinavians celebrate a girl born in Sicily, you might wonder. It is said as traders began traveling to the north, they brought with them Christianity and this legend of Santa Lucia. Sweden was first to adopt this story of Lucia, and soon a festival of lights spread to what is now Norway and to the Swedish speaking areas of Finland. December 13th became Santa Lucia Day.

"Each town elects its own St. Lucia. The festival begins with a procession led by Lucia, who is followed by young girls dressed in white and wearing lighted wreaths on their heads and boys dressed in a white pajama-like costume singing



traditional songs. The festival marks the beginning of the Christmas season in Scandinavia, and it is meant to bring hope and light during the darkest time of the year.”

For years I had gone with mom to watch Portland's Santa Lucia light the Christmas Tree at the Lloyd Center. Lucia also made appearances at many special Christmas events in the Portland area. When I was 22, my year had been sad and difficult. I decided I wanted to be Lucia and feel the joy. Little did I know there were a lot of girls who wanted to be Portland's Santa Lucia too.

Tryouts were tough. Interviews were in a huge room, by a panel of Rosarians in front of maybe 100+ other girls wanting to be Lucia. I felt so unprepared. Hopes were dashed, but those who did make it to the finalist stage seemed to all have long blond hair, and I had just cut mine short hoping to look older.

When it was time to light the Christmas tree at Lloyd Center, I was in the hospital in the pediatric ward because that is where you go to have your tonsils taken out. My hopes to be Lucia were replaced by a tonsillectomy, that kept me in pediatrics for four days. I was never in a crib like my roommates, and of course no one stayed as long as I did either. It was just before Christmas and it hurt to swallow so my eyes just cried. What a year. I wished Lucia would come visit me, bring some hope and the light, but that did not happen. Santa came. He brought lots of hard candy and a Ho Ho Ho.

Hope and the light of a bright star led the way to the manger. As Garrison Keillor tells in this Christmas story, “Mary held her baby son and wrapped him in strips of cloth and placed him in a manger. An Angel appeared to the shepherds tending their flocks in nearby fields. The shepherds were terrified, but the Angel told them not to be afraid and where they would find this newborn child.

The shepherds went and found the baby in the manger. They knelt-down and thanked God. How blessed they were, they didn't have to read about it in a book. They just came and they saw Him in the straw. Our new born King, first worshipped by common shepherds.”

Now Christmas is near. Mary and Joseph are on their way to Bethlehem.

Much of the world however is caught up in shopping and sales and shipping dates, parties and party clothes, family gatherings some with drama, many where Merry does not come with Christmas, and then those who can hardly wait for Christmas to be over.

I pray for them to feel the light, to even notice the light. Hope Love Joy Peace are all there for everyone. May the hope of Christ's coming bring light to our darkness and renew our spirits. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

May your heart be filled with the love and grace of this newborn baby in the straw we call Jesus.

With Hope and The Light, Merry Christmas everyone.



Marilyn Frosig



Santa Lucia



They just came and saw  
Him in the straw

## CHRISTMAS SHOPPING OPTIONS AND/OR END-OF-YEAR IMPACT GIFTS

### Local Ministries:

Sheltering Silverton {SS ~ a warm and safe option for our unhoused Silverton neighbors}  
Silverton Area Community Aid {SACA ~ Silverton's social services agency}  
At Risk Kids {ARK ~ food and basics for Silverton's school aged kids}  
After School Activities Program {ASAP ~ a Silverton middle school program that meets at Immanuel}  
Habitat For Humanity {building simple, decent, affordable housing}

### International Ministries:

Growing Hope Globally {GHG ~ creating food reliability in hungry places}  
ELCA Good Gifts {from goats to seedlings, helping our long-distance-neighbors help themselves}  
Lutheran World Relief {committed to sustainable development projects and disaster relief/recovery}  
Lutheran Disaster Response {brings God's hope, healing and renewal to people disrupted by disaster}

### Immanuel Ministries:

General Budget {undesignated, doing the work}  
Pastors' Discretionary Fund  
Visitation  
Latino Mission Development  
Children/Youth  
Music

## COMMUNITY INTERSECTIONS

*These are some of the ways that our building serves as outreach ministry in Silverton*

Worship Services: Devotional Worship, Holy Communion Worship, Misa en Español, Rosario Luterano, Special Services (Christmas, Easter, Lent, Longest Night, Palm Sunday Community Service, etc.)

Meetings: ASAP Board, Cemetery Board, Council, Deacons, Faith & Wisdom, Girl Scouts Service Team, Hospitality, Lion's Club, Mission Endowment, Stephen Ministry, Trustees, Worship & Music

PROGRAMS/CLASSES/MINISTRIES: ASAP (After School Activities Program), Bible/Book Studies, Citizenship Classes, Communion Classes, Compassionate Grief Recovery Classes (and Alumni), English Classes, Esther Circle, Girl Scouts, Plays and Practices, Prayer Shawl, Quilting

### MEALS/KITCHEN USE:

Coffee Hour, Community Coffee, EAH Thanksgiving Meal, Oktoberfest Prep, Potlucks, Tamales, We All Dine in Silverton

MUSIC: Choir, Larry Rivers Band Rehearsal, Marion County Citizens Band, Multiple Piano Recitals, Sax Quartet

SPORTS: Adult Basketball, Boys Youth Basketball, Girls Youth Basketball, Soccer, Volleyball

YOUTH: Confirmation, Glumps, Preschool, Preschool Recitals, Vacation Bible School, Youth Group

### FUNDRAISERS/DRIVES/EVENTS:

Christmas Again, FFA, Growing Hope Globally Auctions, Hope and Healing Celebration, Red Cross Blood Drive, Rummage Sale, Share the Harvest, Silver Falls Christian School Dinner & Auction, SoulCollage, Tree of Giving (Sign-ups, Prep, Hand Out), Zenith Bingo








Baby and Wedding Showers  
Funerals/Memorials  
Weddings

...and more!



# January, 2024

## Immanuel Lutheran Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> OFFICE CLOSED  Youth Basketball, 4-5:30 pm  Marion County Citizens Band, 6:30-9 pm	<b>2</b> <i>Weekly:</i> Staff Mtg, 9 am Dine in Silverton, 9 am-12 pm Tuesday Work Crew, 10 am <hr/> Youth Group, 6-8:30 pm Deacon Meeting, 6:30 pm	<b>3</b> Dine In Silverton, 9 am-12 pm  Sax Quartet, 1-3 pm  Stephen Ministers Meeting, 6 pm  Rue Basketball, 7 pm	<b>4</b> Esther Circle, 9:30 am  Thirsty Thursday @ Mac's, 6 pm  Rosario Luterano, 7 pm  Lion's Club Meeting, 7 pm	<b>5</b>      Larry Rivers Rehearsal, 7 pm	<b>6</b> 
<b>7</b> No 8:30 Service  Sunday School (SS), 9:30 am  Holy Communion Worship (HCW), 10:30 am  Choir, 11:45 am  Misa, 1 pm	<b>8</b> Kitchen Cleaning, 9 am  Youth Basketball, 4-5:30 pm  Marion County Citizens Band, 6:30-9 pm  Trustee Meeting, 7 pm	<b>9</b> <i>Weekly - see above</i>  Prayer Shawl Restarts, 2 pm  ASAP Restarts, 3 - 6 pm  Hospitality Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm	<b>10</b> Quilting, 9 am  Dine In Silverton, 9 am-12 pm  Sax Quartet, 1-3 pm  ASAP, 2:30-6 pm  Rue BB, 7 pm	<b>11</b>      ASAP, 3-6 pm  Thirsty Thursday @ Noble Fox, 6 pm	<b>12</b>   Larry Rivers Rehearsal, 7 pm	<b>13</b>      Girl Scouts, 10 am-12 pm
<b>14</b> SACA Sunday  Devotional Service (DS), 8:30 am  SS, 9:30 am  HCW, 10:30 am  MLK Day of Service & Potluck  Choir, 11:45 am  Misa, 1 pm	<b>15</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> <b>MLK JR. DAY</b>  Martin Luther King Jr. Day  Youth Basketball, 4-5:30 pm  Marion County Citizens Band, 6:30-9 pm  Council Meeting, 7 pm	<b>16</b> <i>Weekly - see above</i>  Prayer Shawl, 2 pm  ASAP, 3 - 6 pm  	<b>17</b> Dine In Silverton, 9 am-12 pm  Sax Quartet, 1-3 pm  ASAP, 2:30-6 pm  Girl Scout Service Team Meeting, 7-8:30 pm  Rue BB, 7 pm	<b>18</b> <b>Newsletter Articles Due</b>  ASAP, 3-6 pm  Thirsty Thursday @ Old Oak Oven, 6 pm  Lion's Club Meeting, 7 pm  Rosario Luterano, 7 pm	<b>19</b>      Larry Rivers Rehearsal, 7 pm	<b>20</b>      Girl Scout Cookie Rally, 1-4 pm
<b>21</b> DS, 8:30 am  SS, 9:30 am  HCW, 10:30 am  Choir, 11:45 am  Misa, 1 pm	<b>22</b>      Youth Basketball, 4-5:30 pm  Marion County Citizens Band, 6:30-9 pm	<b>23</b> <i>Weekly - see above</i>  Prayer Shawl, 2 pm  ASAP, 3 - 6 pm	<b>24</b> <b>Newsletter Published</b>  Quilting, 9 am DIS, 9 am-12 pm  Sax Quartet, 1-3 pm  ASAP, 2:30-6 pm Worship & Music, 6:30 pm Rue BB, 7 pm	<b>25</b>      ASAP , 3-6 pm  Thirsty Thursday @ Silver Falls Brewery, 6 pm	<b>26</b>      Larry Rivers Rehearsal, 7 pm	<b>27</b>      Girl Scouts, 10 am-12 pm
<b>28</b> DS, 8:30 am SS, 9:30 am HCW, 10:30 am Choir, 11:45 am Annual Birthday Party, 11:30 am Misa, 1 pm Grief Recovery Begins, 1-3 pm Grief Recovery Alumni, 3:30-5:30 pm	<b>29</b>   Youth Basketball, 4-5:30 pm  MCCB, 6:30-9 pm	<b>30</b> <i>Weekly - see above</i>  Prayer Shawl, 2 pm  ASAP, 3 - 6 pm	<b>31</b> DIS, 9 am-12 pm  Sax Quartet, 1-3 pm  ASAP, 2:30-6 pm  Rue BB, 7 pm			

## HAPPY JANUARY BIRTHDAYS TO:

1	Pattie Loe	13	Lisa Garrett	18	Shirley Wertz
2	Shirley Murata		Joey Haugen	20	MaCherie Doerfler
4	Evan Bosch	14	Norma Pritchard	21	Kate Heinlein
	John Schaber	15	Marilyn Frosig		Dave Miller
5	Rolaine Rupp	16	Pat Taylor	22	Blinn Carstensen
7	Evvie Durbin-Wilson	17	Heather Bielemeier	23	Laura Johnson
	Lucas Rue		Tony Kraxberger		Sophia Stolte
	Andrew Sprauer		Leah Stolte-Doerfler		Adrian Stolte
8	Geovana Cedillos		Carrie Terrell	25	Briana Hupp
9	Elle Carstensen	18	Debbie Eder	28	Diana Kleinschmit
12	Garrett Mosher		Wendy Haugen	30	Joe Medley

## HAPPY JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES TO:

7 Evan & Denise Leland

10 Ralph & Donna McColly

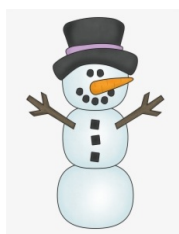
*If you have a birthday or anniversary in January that is unlisted, please let us know!*



# JANUARY



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