

OUR MINISTRY TOGETHER

	Saturday, January 6	Sunday, January 7
Accompanist	Sue Lekwa	Dave Blumer
Altar Care	Marilyn Nelson	Jeanie Gibson
Ushers	Chuck and Bert Ann Ray	Ron and Gloria Jacobson
Lector		

December 30 and 31

We Worship	Saturday	35
God	Sunday	43

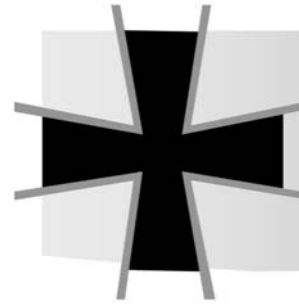
General Fund Giving Report

December Offerings through 12/31	\$81,758
2018 General Fund Offerings	\$515,046

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The
SUNDAY MESSENGER

Epiphany of Our Lord
January 7, 2018

TODAY

Welcome, Pastor Jen Andreas! Pastor Jen Andreas serves as our pastor for this weekend's worship services. She is called to serve the congregations of the University Lutheran Center and Lord of Life in Ames. Please make Pastor Jen feel welcome.

Annual Council Retreat. The Church Council, Pastor Myron and Deacon Jodi are on the annual retreat. Please keep them in your prayers. They will be holding the first council meeting of 2018 today which includes the election of officers.

Sunday School Resumes. Sunday school classes resume for the spring session. The teachers are excited to be with the students again to be part of their faith formation journey.

THIS WEEK

Care Center Devotions. Memorial leads devotions this Wednesday at two of Nevada's Care Centers. The devotions are about twenty minutes in length at 9:30 am and 10:00 am. If you would like to be part of this ministry, sign up on your Sent to Serve slip. Memorial serves as devotion leaders about two Wednesdays each month.

Confirmation Winter Session for 7th and 8th Grade and Parents Begins. Confirmation class begins this Wednesday at 6:30 pm in fellowship hall.

Music Rehearsals Resume This Wednesday. There is always room for more in the Memorial Choir. Come to rehearsal this week at 7:30 pm and give it a try.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank You For Your Faithfulness in 2017. In our Sending we say the words, "There are different ways of serving, but the same Lord is served." The people of Memorial showed this in 2017 as the Gathered and Scattered Church. This includes your stewardship of your financial resources and sharing those resources with Memorial's General Fund in response to God. Now, we join together in a new year of ministry and appreciate your attention to the funding needed to do God's work in 2018.

2018 Weekly Envelopes Are Here! If you did not receive monthly envelopes by mail, please check the media cart for weekly envelopes. If you do not have any envelopes and would like a set, please contact Deacon Jodi and she will provide a set of monthly envelopes for your use in 2018. 2017 Giving Statements will be mailed by January 20.

Communion Minister Training, Sunday, January 14. Join Pastor Myron immediately after worship on January 14 and be equipped as a communion minister. This is a ministry that can be done by anyone who currently comes to the Lord's table. Families are invited to be trained to serve together.

Haiti Mission Group Offers Sermon January 20 and 21. Come for worship on January 20 or 21 and hear more about the most recent mission trip to Haiti. This will be offered as our sermon on January 20 and 21. We are all part of the mission work done in Haiti through our General Fund mission support sent monthly to Many Hands Haiti.

Join In Thanking Pastor Bob Edwards January 27 and 28. Receptions will be held after worship to show our appreciation to Pastor Bob and Kris Edwards. Pastor Bob steps away from serving as our Visitation Pastor.

Church Office Closed January 15. In observance of Martin Lutheran King, Jr. Day, the church office will be closed on Monday, January 15. Regular office hours resume on January 16.

January 27 and 28 Worship Services Include Healing Services. Both worship services the weekend of January 27 and 28 will include a Service of Healing. There will be an opportunity for private prayer, lighting candles and prayer at the altar. This service is for the whole assembly, but please invite someone you know who might be in need of this special time for healing.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday Jan. 7	9:00 am 10:15 am 10:30 am	Worship All Ages Fellowship Sunday School
Monday Jan. 8	4:30 pm 5:30 pm	Harmony Clothing Closet Open Food at First Nevada
Tuesday Jan. 9		
Wednesday Jan. 10	5:45 pm 6:30 pm 7:30 pm	Handbell Rehearsal 7th and 8th Gr and Parents Confirmation Memorial Choir
Thursday Jan. 11	8:00 am 6:30 pm	Staff Meeting Threads of Love
Friday Jan. 12	9:00 am	Bulletin Assembly
Saturday Jan. 13	5:00 pm	Evening Communion
Sunday Jan. 14	9:00 am 10:15 am 10:15 am 10:30 am 10:30 am 10:30 am	Worship Communion Minister Training All Ages Fellowship Sunday School 5th Gr and Parents: The Ten Commandments Book of Faith