

OUR MINISTRY TOGETHER

| | Saturday, January 5 | Sunday, January 6 |
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| Accompanist | Sue Lekwa | Dave Blumer |
| Altar Care | Marilyn Nelson | Jeanie Gibson |
| Ushers | | |
| Lectors | Jim Atkinson | Jim Stage |

December 29 and 30

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| We Worship | Saturday | 23 |
| God | Sunday | 60 |

Our 2018-2019 Ministry Goal

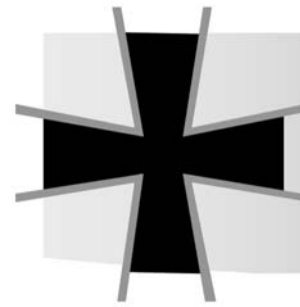
To focus our personal and congregational energies in 2018-2019 on three groups of people for the purpose of a connection with God:

- Community members who are living insecure;
- Empty-nesters or newly retired persons;
- New members or seekers.

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The SUNDAY MESSENGER

The Epiphany of Our Lord
January 6, 2019

TODAY

Welcome and Thank You Pastor Robin. Pastor Robin, our Visitation Pastor, is presiding and preaching this weekend while Pastor Myron and Deacon Jodi are with the Church Council on Retreat. We are grateful for Pastor Robin's service to Memorial both in make visits to our elderly and homebound, and in providing worship leadership once a month.

Check Out the Sunday School Bulletin Board and Facebook. When the Faith Formation Study Group first began their work in early 2018, they made a list of core values. They named knowing the key stories of our faith. During Epiphany you will find a new story each week. How well do you remember these stories? How does your relationship with God connect in and through these stories? Your thoughts are welcome on Facebook where you will find more.

THIS WEEK

The Winter Session of Faith Time Begins This Wednesday. A great team of folks are busy planning for conversation and activities for all ages around the theme of "Tending Neighborhood." Wednesdays kick off with dinner at 6:00 pm that includes worship with Holy Communion. At 6:45 pm participants rotate through a new learning lab each week. We gather for a sending blessing and depart by 7:30 pm. This week's dinner will be chili and corn bread.

Music Rehearsals Resume. The Handbell and Memorial choirs resume rehearsals on Wednesday. Anyone high school age or older is invited to be part of the Memorial Choir. Rehearsals are 7:30 pm to 8:45 pm each Wednesday in the Sanctuary. For more information, visit with Lois Theesfield.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Generations: Being Church Together-Discussion Forum Starts January 27. "Generation: Being Church Together" is a forum series designed to stimulate conversation across generations on how we practice our faith, why it's important and what really matters to us all. Join high school students, young adults, boomers and seniors for a video-based discussion with Pastor Herzberg Sundays January 27, February 3, and February 10, from 10:00- 11:00 in the Fellowship Hall. This series hopes to foster meaningful conversations among people of different ages at Memorial as we think about the transitions ahead for our congregation. Child care with fun activities for children will be available during the forum. We hope you will plan to attend.

Special Guests for January Worship Services.

- On January 19 and 20 we welcome Pastor Erika Uthe from the Southeastern Iowa Synod. Pastor Erika serves as deployed staff from the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America as the Director for Evangelical Mission and as an Assistant to the Bishop. In addition to preaching at worship, she will offer an adult forum on Sunday morning during the fellowship hour.
- On January 26 and 27 the 2018 Haiti Mission Trip group will share a report of their recent trip. The report will include pictures and information about the home that was built thanks to a grant from Memorial's Endowment Fund and your generous contributions.

YSS Seeking Mentors. There are currently more Central Elementary students desiring mentors than adults ready to serve. If you would be interested in becoming a mentor to meet weekly with an elementary aged student, contact Emily Easton at escmentoring@yss.org or 291-2402 to begin the application process. This opportunity is open to high school age students through adults. Mentors typically meet with their students over the lunch hour during the school day.

Healing Services Scheduled for February 2 and 3. A healing service happens as part of our regular worship service. During the service there will be special prayers for healing. There is also time to light a candle and be in quiet prayer or to come to the altar for a laying on of hands and personal prayer for healing. If you know someone that would like to participate, please invite them to one of these services.

THE WEEK AHEAD

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| Sunday Jan. 6 | 9:00 am 10:15 am | Worship All Ages Fellowship |
| Monday Jan. 7 | 10:00 am 12:00 pm | Harmony Clothing Closet Open Food at First Nevada |
| Tuesday Jan. 8 | 5:30 pm 6:00 pm | Finance Team Faith Time 4 Planning Team Meeting |
| Wednesday Jan. 9 | 9:00 am 9:30 am 5:45 pm 6:00 pm 6:45 pm 6:45 pm 7:30 pm | Harmony Clothing Closet Open Care Center Devotions Handbell Rehearsal Faith Time 3: Tending Neighborhood 5th Gr & Parents: The Apostles' Creed 7th & 8th Gr and Parents Confirmation Memorial Choir Rehearsal |
| Thursday Jan. 10 | 9:00 am 5:30 pm 6:30 pm | Staff Meeting Food at First Nevada Threads of Love |
| Friday Jan. 11 | 9:00 am | Bulletin Assembly |
| Saturday Jan. 12 | 5:00 pm | Evening Worship |
| Sunday Jan. 13 | 9:00 am 10:15 am 10:30 am 11:30 am | Worship w/Installation of the Council All Ages Fellowship Haiti Mission Team Meeting Executive Committee |