

OUR MINISTRY TOGETHER

	Saturday, February 9	Sunday, February 10
Accompanist	Emily Dalthorp	Dave Blumer
Altar Care	Bert Ann Ray	Denise Rehor
Ushers	Chuck and Bert Ann Ray	Jim, Ana Paula and Emilia Stage
Lectors	Sandy Christian	Kathy Jo Johnson

February 2, 3 and 6		
We Worship	Saturday	31
God	Sunday	130
	Wednesday	cancelled

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 Fifth Sunday after Epiphany
February 10, 2019

TODAY

Fifth Grade Students Offer Prayers. Despite the weather cancellations, our fifth grade students have completed their studies at home and written prayers about the Ten Commandments.

Generations: Being Church Together-Discussion Forum Concludes This Morning. 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.

Sign Up To Be A Synod Assembly Voting Member. You will find a spot on your Sent to Serve slip to indicate an interest in being a voting member to the 2019 Synod Assembly on May 10 and 11 at Lutheran Church of Hope in West Des Moines. The Church Council will elect our voting members at the March meeting. Youth and young adults are especially encouraged to consider the opportunity.

THIS WEEK

A New Four Week Session of Faith Time Continues Wednesday. Our new theme for this Faith Time rotation will be "Saying Hello and Saying Good-bye." We welcome Justin Rasmusson from Rasmusson-Bacon Funeral Home as learning lab leader for the "practices" lab. Justin and Scott Huffman will share this rotation for all ages on practices for saying good-bye at the end of life. 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 Mexican lasagna.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Support for Jaylee Anne Bartleson. Fundraising is underway for Jaylee and her parents Brandon and Kelli (Neal) Bartleson to help with expenses related to her hospitalization at the University of Iowa Stead Family Children's Hospital. Jaylee is 7 months old and is in need of a heart transplant. She will be hospitalized for many months. Meanwhile your donations will help Kelli and Brandon financially. A "Go Fund Me" effort is underway. Simply type "go fund me + Jaylee Strong" in your browser and it will take you to the page. "Jaylee Strong" wristbands are available for \$5. Contact Cindy Bartleson 382-3949 or Arlys Neal 460-0954 to get your wristband. Thank you for your prayers for Jaylee and her parents.

Council Gathering Your Questions About the Pastoral Transition. At next Sunday's council meeting the council will work on answers to your questions. You are invited to ask questions throughout the coming months. There is a table near the entrance of the sanctuary with slips to write down questions and a basket for you to use. Watch Facebook, the website, bulletin boards and guest table for this upcoming document and subsequent updates.

Be Part of Lutheran Day on the Hill. This is an opportunity for Lutherans to advocate for families in need at the Iowa Statehouse. It will be February 19, from 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. This free event, sponsored by Lutheran Services in Iowa and the three Iowa synods of the ELCA is open to anyone who wants to learn more about citizen advocacy. This year, participants will be focusing on three critical issues facing Iowa families: (1) Increased funding for Iowa's child welfare services; (2) Accountability and oversight for Iowa's Medicaid Managed Care Organizations (MCOs); and (3) Support for services that empower refugees. To register, or for more information, go to <https://Iowa.org/ldh/>.

Share the Weight Workshop in February. Share the Weight is an organization providing weighted blankets for special needs children. Thanks to a Ministry Endowment Grant and other sources, Memorial holds workshops to construct weighted blankets. No experience is needed and there are sewing and non-sewing tasks. The workshop will be held on Friday, February 22, from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm and Saturday, February 23, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Come for an hour or stay all day. For more information contact Kathy Bergmann.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday Feb. 10	9:00 am 10:00 am 11:30 am	Worship Generations: Being the Church Together Executive Committee
Monday Feb. 11	4:30 pm 5:30 pm 7:00 pm	Harmony Clothing Closet Open Food at First Nevada Turning Point Learning Team
Tuesday Feb. 12		
Wednesday Feb. 13	9:00 am 5:45 pm 6:00 pm 6:45 pm 7:30 pm	Harmony Clothing Closet Open Handbell Rehearsal Faith Time 4: Saying Hello and Saying Good-bye 9th Grade and Parents: Orientation to Confirmation Memorial Choir Rehearsal
Thursday Feb. 14	9:00 am 5:30 pm 6:30 pm	Staff Meeting Food at First Nevada Threads of Love
Friday Feb. 15	9:00 am	Bulletin Assembly
Saturday Feb. 16	5:00 pm	Evening Worship
Sunday Feb. 17	9:00 am 10:15 am 10:30 am 11:30 am	Worship All Ages Fellowship Sunday School Teachers' Meeting Council Meeting