

Parish Newsletter **January 2021**



FROM THE DESK OF PASTOR DEB STAVE

Greetings oh favored ones!!! I'm listening to the strong wind howl as I write this. Here we are, a brand new year 2021. And if we read the church calendar year, by the end of this month of January we will be entering the third season of the six seasons of the year! Whichever calendar- Time flies - right? We move from the 2nd Sunday of Christmas in the first week to deep into the Epiphany season by month end. EPIPHANY the word meaning to manifest or to appear.

The Light of the world is here. God in the flesh in Christ. Blessed Light! Did any of you watch the great conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter on Dec. 21, celebrate winter solstice, or are planning on celebrating Twelfth Night on Jan. 5th or Three Kings Day on Jan. 6? May the light be with you all. May there be light amidst the bleakness of cold and blustery times this month, amidst the everyday busy-ness like chores and annual meetings plans, the return to book learning after the December break. I'm looking forward to "seeing" you as the days get longer, as hopefully this pandemic season flies away all across God's big world.

May light shine for you and yours, Pastor Deb Stave

THANK YOU

It is humbling to receive the cards, goodies and gifts you have blessed me and my family with this Christmas. We thank you very much.

Blessings, Pastor Deb, Luther, Kirsten and Linden

PASTOR DEB CONTACT INFORMATION

To contact Pastor Deb Stave – 701/550-9830, deb.stave@gmail.com .

PARISH COUNCIL

The next Parish Council Meeting will be January 27th, 2021 over Zoom.

SUNDAY LESSONS FOR JANUARY 2021

- Jan. 3 - 2nd Sun. of Christmas - Jer. 31:7-14, Ps. 147:12-20, Eph. 1:3-14, Jn. 1:(1-9)10-18
- Jan. 10 - Baptism of our Lord/1st Sun. after Epiphany - Gen. 1:1-5, Ps. 29, Acts 19:1-7, Mark 1:4-11
- Jan. 17 - 2nd Sun. after Epiphany - 1 Sam. 3:1-10 (11-20, Ps.139:1-6,13-18, 1 Cor. 6:12-20, John 1:43-51
- Jan. 24 - 3rd Sun. after Epiphany - Jonah 3:1-5,10, Ps. 62:5-12, 1 Cor. 7:29-31, Mark 1:14-20
- Jan. 31 - 4th Sun. after Epiphany - Deut. 18:15-20, Ps. 111, 1 Cor. 8:1-13, Mark 1:21-28

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation Schedule for January. Jan. 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th. We meet in the Hatton Community Center after school. Confirmation lasts for minimally 1.25 hrs. If school is cancelled there will be no confirmation that day. PLEASE alert Pastor Deb via text or email if there will be an absence. 701/550-9830, deb.stave@gmail.com

NEWSLETTER

Newsletter items can be sent to Tracy Foss at Tracy.L.Foss@gmail.com. Newsletter deadline is the Tuesday before the last Sunday of the month. February newsletter deadline is 1-26-2021.

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ANNUAL MEETING

Our annual meeting is scheduled for January 31st.

Bethany News

JANUARY READERS

- Jan. 3 - No Church
- Jan. 10 - Brynley Coleman
- Jan. 17 - Karen Naastad & Lorrie Aamold
- Jan. 24 - Alicia Foss
- Jan. 31 - Shelby Johnson

BETHANY COUNCIL

The new web site is up. The new printer is on its way. Next council meeting will be January 20th at 7:00 PM.

WEB PAGE

Check out our new web page: BethanyRuralHatton.com Thank you Mark Aamold for all your hard work. Mark created it and will be maintaining it. If you have anything you would like to put on the website contact Mark.

SUNDAY SCHOOL 2020 CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Thank you to the Sunday School kids and to all the adults who worked on the Christmas program. You shared a wonderful Christmas message called The Signs Of Christmas with our congregation. It was very apparent that much planning, cooperation, time, and effort were put into it. We thought it was wonderfully touching and memorable; and it was sincerely appreciated by everyone! THANK YOU!

A link to the program can be found on our web page.

MESSAGE FROM PAT AND ARNE

Wow! Arne and I sat on the couch in AZ and watched the whole SS Christmas program. What a production! We are so proud of all of you! The production crew was amazing, YOU could take over "Hollywood"! That piano player knows how to "tickle the ivories", she didn't miss a beat. She would be happy to play for anyone wanting to sing for a church service. 🤗. And lastly, you KIDS never cease to amaze us, you have so much talent. You are using them as God intended, to glorify HIS name. We are so grateful to be part of Bethany Family and looking forward to seeing other terrific productions from the SS, maybe Mothers's Day?? We hope the whole Bethany Family can be together soon. We miss the contact. Thank you for being YOU and a Happy New Year to everyone.

ELIZABETH CIRCLE

Elizabeth Circle will meet at 7:00 January 9 at Bethany Church.

NOVEMBER FOOD DRIVE

Thank you to Charlotte Lee for the Thrivent card for the Hatton Food Pantry. Thanks also to all who donated items during November for the Hatton Food Pantry. At least 500 items were donated! Thanks to you, many area needy folks were able to have a more festive holiday. They are so appreciative.

BETHANY QUILTING

Bethany ladies are looking forward to quilting again on January 11 & 12 and 18 & 19. All are welcome to join us at 9:00 or any time after. Please remember a sack lunch because we wouldn't want any starving quilters.

QUILTING REQUEST

The quilters are asking for donations of new or gently used pillowcases. They will be used to “package” the quilts before they are given away.

SUNDAY OFFERING

During this time of the pandemic, if you will not be attending worship service in person, you can send your offering directly to Richard Moen at 15159 14th St NE, Mayville, ND 58257.

BULLETIN

Bulletin announcements can be sent to Lorrie Aamold Loaamold@hotmail.com or by leaving a message at 543-3806. Deadline for the bulletin is Thursdays.

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