

THE ECC WEEKLY NEWS: A COMMUNICATION TO THE WHOLE CHURCH FAMILY

Fall Sunday Schedule

Worship Celebration 9:00-10:10 a.m.

Children's Worship (Age 4 – 1st Grade) & Nursery Services (Children up to Age 4) are Available

Coffee & Conversation Break 10:10 a.m.

Sunday school Hour 10:30 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THIS WEEK:

Today – Sunday, January 22nd

- 9:00 a.m. – Worship Celebration Service
- 10:15 a.m. – Coffee & Conversation
- 10:30 a.m. – Sunday School Hour
- 11:30 a.m. – Israel Slides & Potluck
- 3:30 p.m. – Children's Ministries Family
Bowling & Pizza Night
- 7:00 p.m. – Joppa North (Young Adults Group)

Tuesday – January 24th

- 9:30 a.m. – MOPS
- 6:00 p.m. – Tuesday's Table @ Peace Lutheran
- 6:30 p.m. – Joppa @ Epik

Wednesday – January 25th

- 6:30 a.m. – Men's Fellowship Breakfast
- 5:30 p.m. – Supper
- 6:00 p.m. – Awana
- 6:00 p.m. – "Fusion" (Jr. High Group)
- 6:00 p.m. – "Parent Connection"
- 6:15 p.m. – Sanctuary Choir Practice
- 7:00 p.m. – "Journey" (Sr. High Group)

Next Sunday- January 29nd

- 9:00 a.m. – Worship Celebration Service
- 10:15 a.m. – Coffee & Conversation
- 10:30 a.m. – Sunday School Hour
- 11:30 a.m. – Youth Chili Dinner Fundraiser for CHIC
- 12:30 a.m. – Annual Congregational Meeting
- Don't forget your report!**
- 7:00 p.m. – Joppa North (Young Adults Group)

Today's Worship Celebration Service Notes

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Verse for Reflection:

Psalm 89:1-2, 14-15 (NIV)

¹ I will sing of the LORD's unfailing love forever! Young and old will hear of your faithfulness.

² Your unfailing love will last forever. Your faithfulness is as enduring as the heavens.

¹⁴ Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne. Unfailing love and truth walk before you as attendants.

¹⁵ Happy are those who hear the joyful call to worship, for they will walk in the light of your presence, LORD.

Prelude

Opening Hymn

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" - 68 in Cov blue hymnal

Welcome/Spoken Call to Worship/Opening Prayer/Announcements

Jeff Koelher

Worship Songs

Worship Team

Scripture Reading:

Luke 19:1-10 (NIV)

Karen Koelher

Offering

Jeff Koelher

Prayers of the congregation

(Children are excused for Children's Church)

Message:

"The Most Significant Thing About Me" Luke 19:1-10

Pastor Merrill Kindall

Hymn

"I Will Sing the Wondrous Story" - 219 in Cov blue hymnal

Two Adult Life Training classes are offered... Check them out by participating today, 10:30-11:30am

-**"Explore the Bible"**; Winter Series – Numbers and Deuteronomy, held in the Library.

- **"The Invisible War" a Chip Ingram DVD series**; First 3 weeks will be an introduction to the study, followed by the DVD series and group discussion. This will be held in the back fellowship hall.

Picture taking for the directory has begun! Available days are Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Sunday. Check out the signup sheet located on the windows by the office to pick a specific time or just drop by. The committee hopes to have the directory ready to print and hand out at the end of this month, but they still need about 40 more pictures so put you're bright smiles on and say cheese as soon as you can.

Tax Statements are ready and may be picked up at the Information Center after the morning service.

The Annual Report Book is ready! If you did not have a church box pick one up at the information center. **DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR BOOK WITH YOU NEXT WEEK TO THE ANNUAL MEETING (limited extras).**

If you do not have a church box where you can receive church communications, such as the bulletin, every week and you would like one there is a signup sheet located on the office window. The following week you can pick up your box number at the information center.

Reminder: Covenant Women Dues (\$15) are due. Please turn them in to Louise Hofstad or put them in the Covenant Women's box in the office. Thank You!

Any women who are not currently in the Women's Ministries Directory and who would like to be, please turn your information in to Jana Cole, Judy Kulset, or the church office. Thank You!

Dear Church Family, How do we begin to thank you for the generous Christmas love offering that you have shared with us? We have been blessed through your giving hearts. We are so grateful to be a part of this family and for the constant encouragement and support that you have given us. It is truly a privilege to serve the body of Christ together as His sons and daughters. - Love in Christ, John, Paula, Caleb and Jacob Holmen -

Today, January 22nd Pastor Kindall will be showing pictures of Israel after the Sunday school hour followed by a potluck dinner. Don't miss this!!

Today, January 22nd Children's Ministries is having a Family Bowling and Pizza Night for any families with kids ages 0-6th grade! We will be meeting at the Kandi Entertainment Center at 3:30 p.m. followed by Pizza at Pizza Ranch at 5:00 p.m. See the Bulletin board for more details.

Adult Fellowship will be meeting this Thursday the 26th at 6:00 p.m. at McKales.

Next Sunday, January 29th, following the Sunday school hour the Sr. High Youth will be serving a Chili Dinner as a fundraiser for CHIC. This is a great opportunity to support the youth and enjoy good food and fellowship. **Please plan to stay for the Annual Congregational Meeting at 12:30 p.m. DON'T FORGET YOUR ANNUAL REPORT BOOK (limited extras).**

March 23rd & 24th is the Women's Ministries Renewal Conference "Uniquely U". Registration is due by Monday, March 19th. See the bulletin board for more information.

Community Events:

***Joppa Young Adult Ministry:** Pastor Miles Rohde is speaking at Joppa this week. Come on out to Epik this Tuesday (Behind the AG Church in Willmar). Doors open at 6:30pm. Grow in faith. Get connected. Have fun. For more info on Joppa, podcasts and calendar, visit JoppaOnline.org, or call Jeff at 320-905-0345.

***Joppa North is tonight at 7pm.** Join us at the River of Hope Youth Center (North Shore Drive). We're on our third week going through the book of Colossians.

***February 5th – Community Folk Dancing!!** 1:00 -3:00 p.m. in the Selvig Room at Willmar Community Center. There will be instruction and live music. All ages are invited to attend. The New London Coffee House Fiddlers will be playing. There is no charge to come and listen or to dance. See Bulletin Board for more info.

***Saturday, February 11th, from 9:00 a.m. to 12 p.m. St. Mary's Church is having a bereavement workshop** entitled "Care for the Caregiver: Coping with Chronic & Terminal Illness." See bulletin board for more information.

***February 18th Faith @ Work in Willmar** will present an opportunity where Christians can rub shoulders with local Somalis, love them, get to know them and bless the starving in Somalia at the same time! This event is called **Food for Kidz 2012**. Food for Kidz is a humanitarian organization that organizes groups to package meals for starving kids all around the globe. More information can be found on the bulletin board.

Take a look at our bulletin board for more events happening in our community

WEEKLY PRAYER CALENDAR

TODAY Ken and Lynnae Hess
MONDAY Dave and Kathy Hofstad
TUESDAY Willard and Louise Hofstad
WEDNESDAY Janice Hofstad
THURSDAY John and Paula Holmen & Family
FRIDAY Len and Alice Isdahl
SATURDAY Maria Jeseritz & Family

MISSIONARIES: Carl and Karen Groot

MINISTRY: Church Planting; Evangelism and Outreach; Business as Mission

ASSIGNMENT: Thailand

Greeters – January 22nd – Rick & Char Erickson
January 29th – Troy & Pam Haverly

Nursery – January 22nd – Barb Swanson & Kim Toops
January 29th – Andrea Swenson & Alison Werder

Children's Church – January 22nd – Jennifer Nelson
January 29th – Paula Holmen

Sound System – January 22nd – Dan Adams
January 29th – Steve Gronli

Last Sunday's Attendance:

General Fund Offering: (January 15th, 2012) – **\$4,736**
(Weekly General Fund Budget Needs for 2012) -

Building Fund: (January 15th, 2012) – **\$550**
(Weekly Building Fund Needs for 2012) -

Sunday Worship Attendance: January 15th, 2012 – **144**