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Sunday, December 17, 2017

Remember in Prayer

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9:30 am Worship
3:00 pm Festive Worship
5:00 pm Festive Worship
10:30 pm Candlelight Worship
(Holy Communion at all services)

Farewell Celebration **for Pastor Mary Hovland** **Sunday, December 31** **9:30 am Worship**

Join us for Pastor Mary's last Sunday. We will celebrate Pastor Mary's ministry and give thanks to God for the many blessings that we have received through her presence with us. Following worship there will be a card shower and brunch in the fellowship hall. During this time there will also be a chance for us to share stories of Pastor Mary's impact on our lives and wish her the best in her retirement.

2017 Donations

2017 offerings need to be brought to the church office by noon on Dec. 29. You may also have it post-marked or make a donation on line until Dec. 31. The IRS requires individuals that are age 70 ½ or older and have an IRA, an inactive SEP or Simple IRA to make a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) which is taxable. However, a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) to the church satisfies this requirement and reduces the taxable income. This QCD must be paid directly to the church from the IRA account. The result is the church receives the contribution and the parishioner doesn't have to pay tax on the distribution.



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- 8:30 am Faith Formation Sunday School—Pre-K drop off & pick up in Room 302; K-5 drop off & pick up in Room 102
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- 12:00 pm Open House 90th Birthday for Betty Dubrosky @Vinje in Room 102
- 4:00 pm Advent Jubilee

Monday, December 18

- 12:00 pm Faith and Finance Meeting
- 5:30 pm Loving Arms Parent Advisory Meeting—Room 413
- 6:00 pm Youth Committee
- 7:00 pm Church Council Meeting—Room 102

Tuesday, December 19

- 9:00 am Men's Bible Study
- 10:30 am Pastors Text Study—Room 102
- 12:00 pm Congregational Care Coordinators @ Gretta Kray's

Wednesday, December 20

- 10:30 am Staff Meeting
- 3:30 pm Grace Notes
- 5:00 pm Meal
- 5:00 pm JuBellation Junior
- 5:25 pm Nova Voices
- 6:00 pm Shalom Singers
- 6:00 pm Worship
- 6:45 pm Faith Formation—Confirmation
- 6:45 pm High School Youth Meeting—Room 208
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- 9:15 am Chapel Time
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