

MVLC Newsletter December 2019



JOIN US for CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP

Tuesday, December 24, 2019

7:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.

LIVING HOPE: PAST, PRESENT, and FUTURE

The season of Advent has always provided a mechanism to deal with multiple themes simultaneously. In Advent we focus on waiting for the Lord, we contemplate our own mortality, we meditate on the forthcoming celebration of God in the flesh while we ponder Christ's promised return. Advent is thick with varying levels of meanings, all given for our faith journey considerations.

This year, because Advent is also a season marked by hope, we are beginning to unfold the theme for our capital campaign, "Living Hope: Past, Present, and Future." During the initial part of the Advent season, you will be given the opportunity to sign up for cottage meetings (which will take place from mid-January through mid-February 2020). There will be twelve meetings in all, the purpose of which is to engage the conversation regarding the stated priorities of the capital campaign. We will gather as God's beloved in a spirit of gratitude for what God has done, is doing, and will do in our midst. We will give thanks for the living hope we share as the body of Christ, from a solid foundation as a church built on the rock. I hope, in a living hope, you will sign up to be present for one of the meals and fellowship.

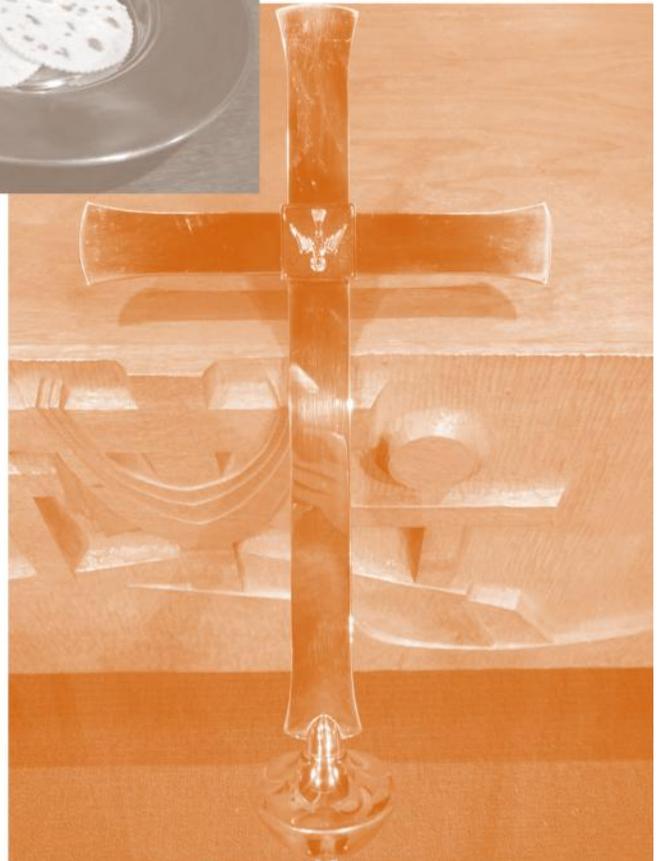
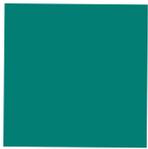
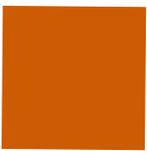
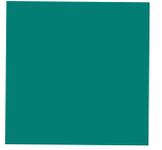
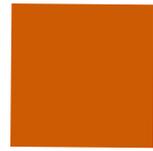
As we enter into this Advent season, in its many textures, we do so with hope as central to who we are as a people of God. We abide in this living hope—past, present, and future—as those who have lived from generation to generation in the light of Christ. While December's darkness is unmistakable, we are persuaded of the light which no darkness will ever, can ever, overcome.

A blessed Advent journey and a Christmas celebration of the Word who indeed became flesh,

Pastor John

There are two ways you can sign up to attend a cottage meeting:

1. Sign up on the sheets in the Gathering Space on Sunday mornings.
2. Sign up via the online links by visiting the MVLC website at www.mtviewlutheran.org, going to the Living Hope • Cottage Meetings page, and selecting the link for the meeting you wish to attend.



Advent

Quiet

Morning

You Shall

Call Him

Emmanuel

Join Communications Director Troy Kehm-Goins as we gather for a time of quiet near the start of Advent. A time to reflect upon the season of Advent in prayer and poetry and art. A time to “narrow down and focus in” on texts of anticipation and hope of the coming of our Lord, Jesus the Christ, “God with us,” Emmanuel.

Bring a sketchbook and your art supplies, or a journal and your pen, or your Bible and a mind turned toward meditation, as we hear stories and poems of Advent and then respond to them in prayer, in silence, or in the act of creation.



Saturday, December 7, 2019

9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Gathering Space
and Sanctuary

Advent for Everyone

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ADVENT 2019 Narrowing Down, Focusing In

“Narrowing down, focusing in,” says the author Isabel Anders in *Awaiting the Child: An Advent Journal*. What she means by the phrase is two-fold. She calls us during the Advent season to contemplate the beauty of the birth, the child born for us. Simultaneously, she also asks us, during the season, to “narrow down, focus in” on the promised second coming of the Christ child, the Lord of life. Essentially, Anders calls us to ponder the birth while considering a day when God will bring about a new creation fully realized.

We will be considering Anders’s call to listen to Advent’s dual themes of birth and rebirth during both our midweek worship services and our Sunday adult education. We will explore the wondrous paradox of God in the flesh and God the ruler of the universe. As a congregation, we have historically employed the Advent season for good and wondrous purposes. This year, “narrowing down, focusing in,” we will use the Advent season to listen deeply, pray faithfully, and, amidst all of December’s gods, quiet our souls in the child born to die, born to be raised, born to set us free.

ADVENT • SUNDAY ADULT EDUCATION

Narrowing Down, Focusing In

Sunday, December 1, 2019

1 Peter 1:12-21

Narrowing Down, Focusing In: Pay Attention

The author of First Peter believes his death is imminent. Simultaneously, it is his belief that he is received as an “eyewitness of Christ’s majesty” to remind his audience of the voice heard from the holy mountain. During our adult education time today, we will explore mortality, faith, and a hoped for future, reminding one another of the confident hope we live in and by.

Sunday, December 8, 2019

John 1:1-5, 14-18

Narrowing Down, Focusing In: Incarnation

As Isabel Anders accentuates the themes of incarnation and hoped for divine presence in the flesh; as she probes the themes of birth and rebirth, God in Christ entering time, God in Christ at the end of time; she would remind us today of the mystery and marvel of God deep in the flesh. As she prepares herself to give birth, she ponders the Virgin’s womb and the Word of creation residing in the flesh of Mary, the God-bearer. And in this child we would experience the heart of God.

Sunday, December 15, 2019

Revelation 21:1-6; 22:16-20

Narrowing Down, Focusing In: Christ Coming Again

As we arrive on this Third Sunday in Advent, and draw closer to the Celebration of the Incarnation, we do so with an eye toward the future. Awakened by Advent’s hope, we cling to the promise of Christ coming again in glory. Such a coming, anticipated by a babe born to die, is our source of confidence in the current moment. Advent waiting is fraught with holy expectations and allows us to “narrow down and focus in” on the important amidst the exceedingly unimportant.

SUNDAY ADULT EDUCATION • 9:30 a.m. in the Life Together Hall

ADVENT • ADVENT MIDWEEK WORSHIP

Narrowing Down, Focusing In

Wednesday, December 4, 2019

Romans 15:4-13

Narrowing Down, Focusing In: A Call to Hope

At this evening's Advent midweek gathering we will hear from the compelling voice of the Apostle Paul a call to hope. The scriptures are written for encouragement that "we might have hope," says the Apostle. Our hope in Christ Jesus is from birth to rebirth to death to rebirth in a resurrection promise. As a community of faith living into such hope we strive for justice, peace, and harmony.

Wednesday, December 11, 2019

Luke 1:10-15 + Luke 1:26-30 + Matthew 28:1-6

Narrowing Down, Focusing In: Do Not Be Afraid

As we ponder the Incarnation during this season of Advent, as well as the "promised coming again," we hear the word of the angel to Zechariah, to Mary, to the woman at the tomb, each alarmed—"Do not be afraid." As an Incarnation/Resurrection people, we are often perplexed and fearful in a world seemingly bent on its own destruction. Fear seems at the center of people's lives these days. The angelic word during this midweek worship is a word spoken for our hearts today. Living in a confident hope, our faith dispels the fear-laden world we live in and brings us peace as the storms are quieted, peace as we narrow down and focus in.

Wednesday, December 18, 2019

1 Corinthians 15:12-26

Narrowing Down, Focusing In: The Light That Shines

As we prepare the way of the Lord for both the celebration of the birth and the hoped for judgment, we trust in the light that shines in the distance but reflects on our daily lives. Such a resurrection light brings us life. Absent the same, we are surely the most to be pitied. On this, the final Advent midweek, we proclaim Christ as raised from the dead—from manger to cross to empty tomb to holy promise for a future—"Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ" (1 Corinthians 15:23). In joy we anticipate the resurrection from the dead as we proclaim he has been raised.

ADVENT MIDWEEK WORSHIP • 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

ADVENT ADVENTURES

for Rock Ministry

All Rock Ministry classes gather in room #2 (5/6/7 grade classroom) at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays 12/1, 12/8, and 12/15. Each Sunday will be a different activity that helps us learn about the themes of Advent.

Sunday, December 1, 2019

HOPE

Kids and youth will pack boxes for Tacoma Seafarers Center.

*Those who **hope** in the Lord will renew their strength. —ISAIAH 40:31*

Sunday, December 8, 2019

JOY

ELCA Good Gifts. This event will have a lesson, a game, and live animals! Come see how your gift can transform lives and bring joy to those around the world.

*You fill me with **joy** when I am with you. —PSALM 16:11*

Sunday, December 15, 2019

LOVE

Planting paperwhite bulbs. Each child will decorate a can and plant bulbs in it. If the plant is given the proper love and care then it will bloom during the Twelve Days of Christmas.

*Do everything in **love**. —1 CORINTHIANS 16:14*

ADVENT ADVENTURES • 9:30 a.m. in the Education Building

EPIPHANY CELEBRATION

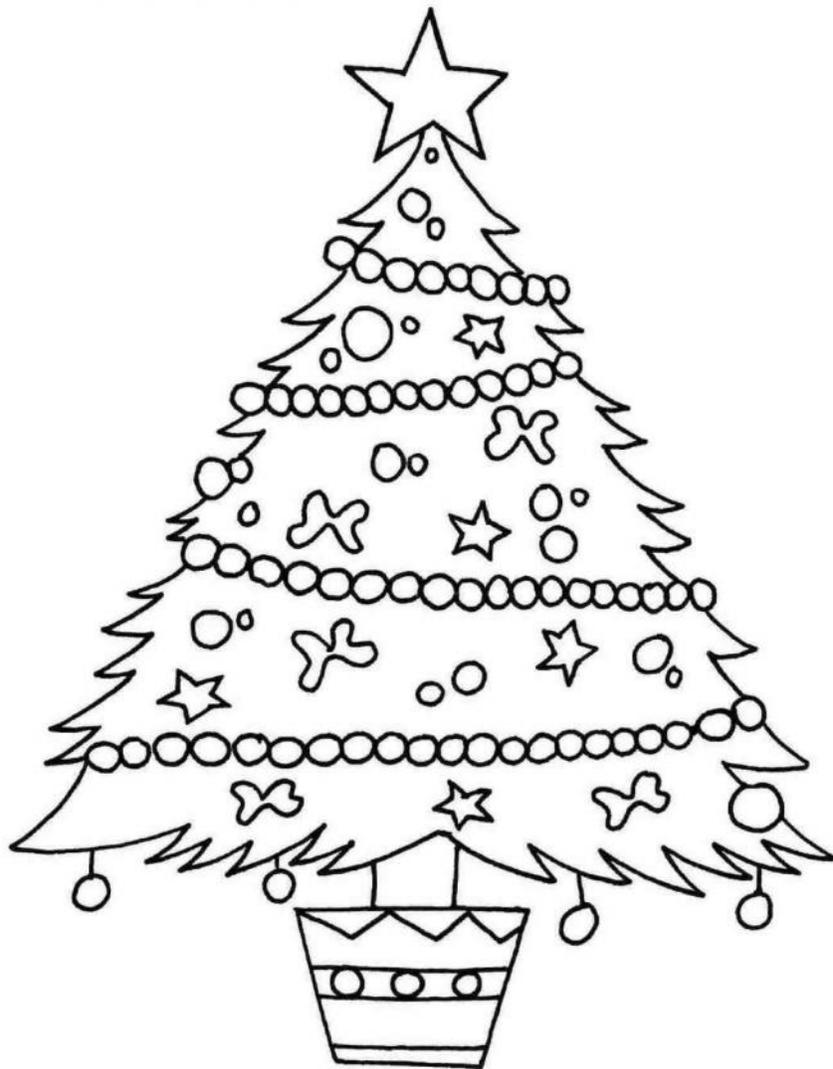
Sunday, January 5, 2020

Rock Ministry will celebrate Epiphany during the last half of class with a fun processional parade behind Mary and Joseph in the Gym, as well as eat “king cake.”

MVLC Families
Join in a fun Advent Tradition!

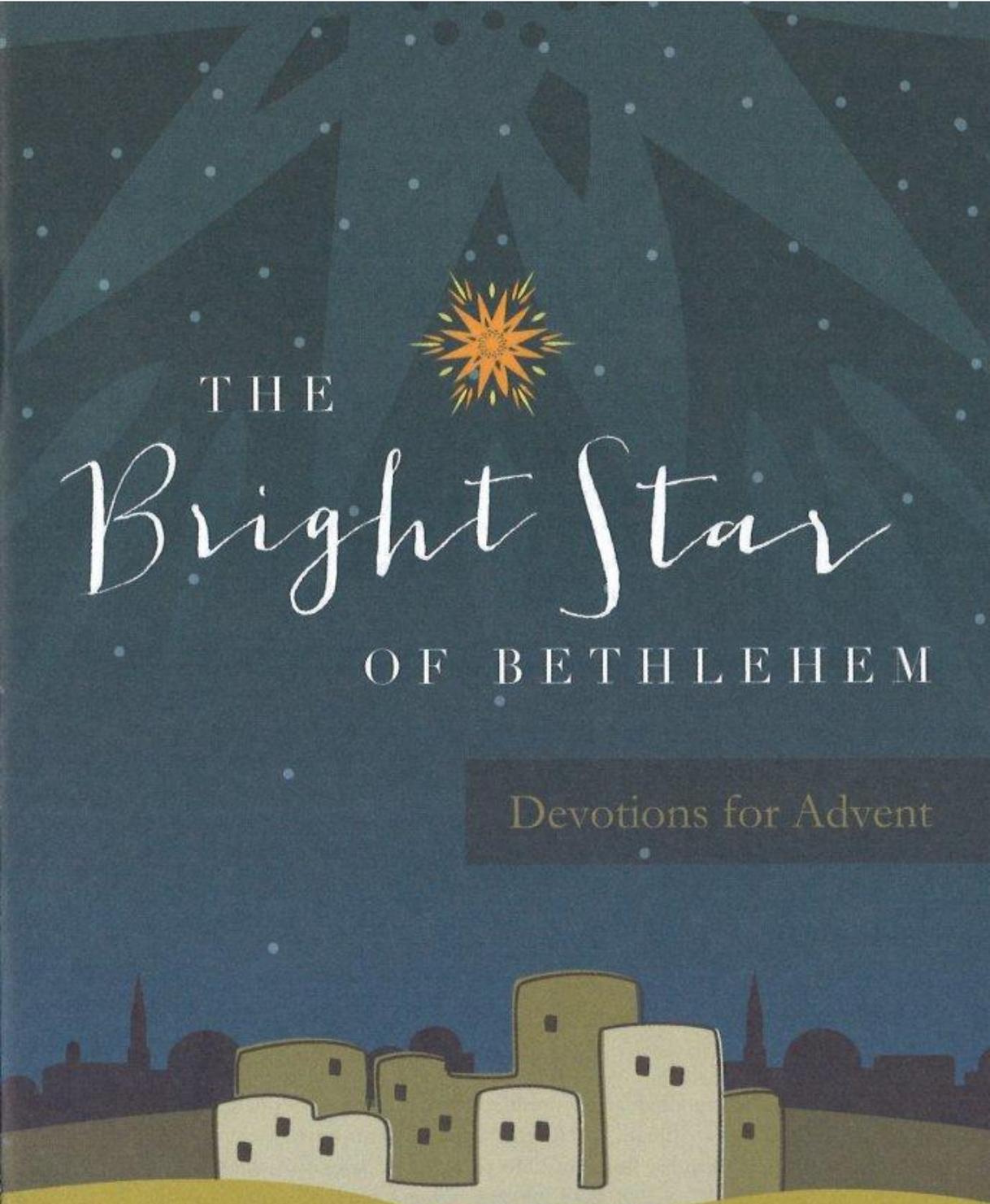
Decorating the Church Tree

Saturday, Dec. 14th
12:30—1:30pm



Kids will get to: Put ornaments on the tree • Do a fun craft •
Take home a Christmas cookie—or two!

RSVP to Pastor Bri by Dec. 8th: bmerkle@mtviewlutheran.org

The background of the top half of the page is a dark blue night sky filled with small white stars. A large, bright, multi-pointed star with a yellow and orange glow is positioned in the upper center. Below the star, the words "THE" and "Bright Star" are written in a white serif font, with "Bright Star" in a larger, more decorative script. Below that, "OF BETHLEHEM" is written in a smaller, white serif font. At the bottom of the sky section, there is a silhouette of a city with various buildings and domes in shades of brown and tan. The bottom half of the page has a solid yellow background.

THE
Bright Star
OF BETHLEHEM

Devotions for Advent

“See the birthplace of Christ in a whole new perspective this Advent through the eyes and experiences of Mitri Raheb, pastor of Christmas Lutheran Church, Bethlehem, Palestine. Each week in these daily devotions for Advent, Pastor Raheb and other staff and board members of Bright Stars of Bethlehem share faith-stories of their ministries among the ‘living stones’ in Bethlehem and create a vision and opportunity for you to prepare for Christmas through the eyes and challenges and hopes of the people who are living in the ‘little town of Bethlehem’ today!”

Pick up your copy today in the Gathering Space or Church Office!

THIS
CHRISTMAS,
*there is a place
for you here*



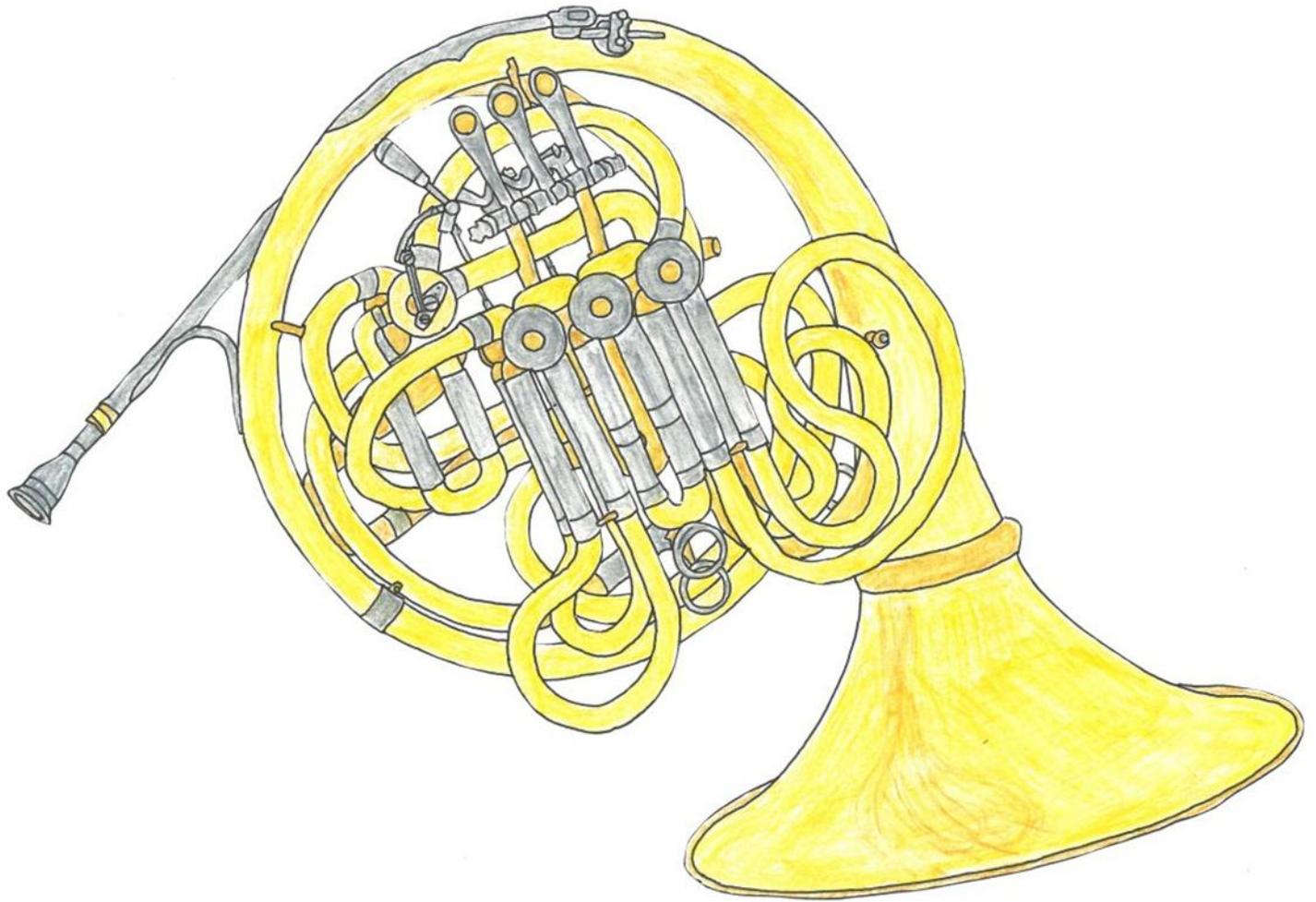
Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship

Tuesday, December 24, 2019 • 7:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.

Christmas hymns • Christmas proclamation • Holy Communion

Isaiah 9:2-7 • Titus 2:11-14 • Luke 2:1-20

“Silent Night, Holy Night” sung by candlelight



Sing with us on Christmas Eve!

Do you like to sing? Have you always wanted to play handbells? Then join us for special music on Christmas Eve!

Don't read music? No problem! Can't make a long-term commitment? No worries! All that is required is a commitment to attend rehearsals in December.

Choir rehearsals will be held on Wednesdays December 4, 11, and 18 from 8:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Handbell rehearsals will be determined by the participants.

For more information or to RSVP, please contact Susan Bloomfield, Director of Music Ministries: sbloomfield@mtviewlutheran.org

Mountain View Lutheran Church



Altar Guild Poinsettia Sale

This is an opportunity for you to participate in beautifying the sanctuary for Christmas. Please Fill out this form, attach \$9.00 per plant, and return it to the Church Office or place it in the offering plate.

Your Name: _____

Number of Plants: _____

Given in memory or honor of: _____

Donation Enclosed: _____

(Please note that this is considered a donation and does not guarantee that you will receive a plant.)

*Thank you,
Mountain View Lutheran Altar Guild*



PRAYERS of the CHURCH

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for the newly baptized.

) Eli Lyric Lockhart, child of God.

We pray for those in the midst of transition.

-) Pastor Seth Hecox, as he begins his new call at Our Savior Lutheran Church of Sun Prairie, Wisconsin.
-) Carmen Van Soest, as she ends her time as MVLC Music Director.
-) Susan Bloomfield, as she begins her time as MVLC Director of Music Ministries.

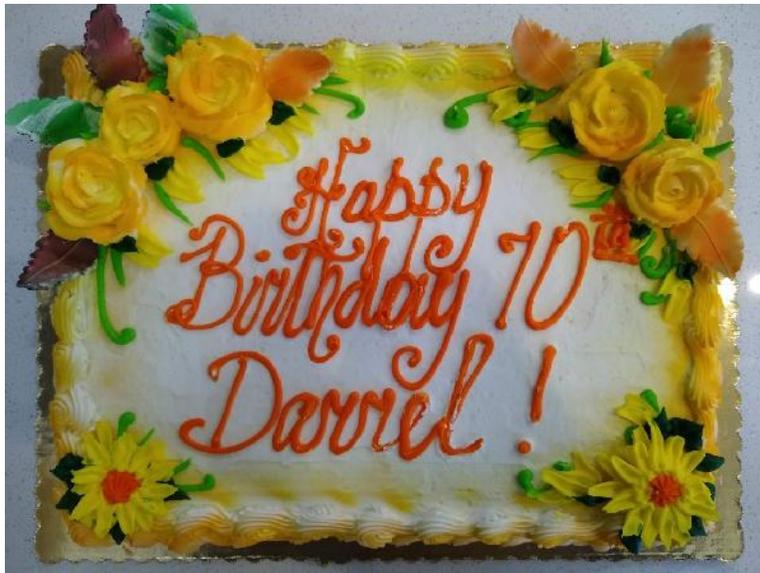
We pray for members of our congregation in need of healing.

-) John Bachner.
-) Darrel Hagen.
-) Stewart Luckman.
-) Doug Mandt.
-) Don Mott.
-) Ken Sturgeon.
-) Pete Thibadeau.

We pray for our family and friends in need of healing.

-) Brandon, friend of Evan Reece.
-) Sue Baker, mother of Diane Tyler.
-) Delores Chapel, sister of Lois Stark.
-) Gary Cornell, father of Jason Cornell.
-) Marylyn Dicoski, cousin of Phil Edlund.
-) Cathy Ghiglione, friend of Kathy Harris.
-) Joyce Goad, sister-in-law of Jay Holland.
-) Stacey Hailey, daughter of Ed and Lois Stark.
-) Dianne Kimble, sister of Darlene Thompson.
-) Chase Massey, great-nephew of Helen Harwood.
-) Wendell Nascimento, friend of Mervina Sturgeon and Pili Wolfe.
-) Jim Stark, son of Ed and Lois Stark.
-) Ron Thompson, son of Darlene Thompson.

Amen.



HIGH SCHOOL ROCK MINISTRY

Grades 8-12

RSVP: Summer Trip 2020, Champ Camp with Lutherhaven Ministries, June 27- July 2

The youth will spend the week partnered with a youth with disabilities--helping to make sure everyone has a chance to go to camp and experience it fully. We've done this trip before and it was a favorite of the youth. RSVP to Pastor Bri by December 8 with a \$50 deposit. Friends are welcome too. The rest of registration will be due in the Spring. Cost is approximately \$330/youth (scholarships available).

RSVP: May Holden Youth Weekend, May 22-24

This trip is for all students in grades 8-12. Youth will leave early Friday morning (missing that day of school) and return Sunday evening. It is an experience not to miss. Cost is \$205/person (scholarships available as needed). Please RSVP by January 19.

Sponsoring two families for Christmas with MVCC Shopping Trip on December 8

High school youth are getting a \$250 Thrivent Grant to sponsor two families through the Mountain View Community Center for Christmas. However, further donations are welcome to make sure we can generously provide for the needs of these families. After church on December 8, the youth will get lunch together then go shop for gifts and supplies as requested by the two families we're sponsoring.

MIDDLE ROCK ROCK MINISTRY

Grades 5-7

Trampoline Sportz Hangout, 6:30pm at MVLC, Friday, December 20

We'll do pizza at the church and then head to a trampoline jump center (the one in Federal Way), along with youth from other Puyallup-area churches. Friends are welcome. Pick up at 10:00 p.m. from MVLC.

There will be a safety release form to fill out. When you RSVP, I will send parents the form to print and bring with.



TRANSFORMATION

MAY YOUTH WEEKENDS
HOLDEN VILLAGE
2020

MAY 15-17 & MAY 22-24

CHANGE IS CONSTANT AND TRANSFORMATION IS SACRED. HOW CAN WE EXPRESS OUR CHANGING HEARTS AND MINDS TO SPEAK OUT AS CHANGE MAKERS IN GOD'S WORLD?



Rev. Dr. Megan Rohrer

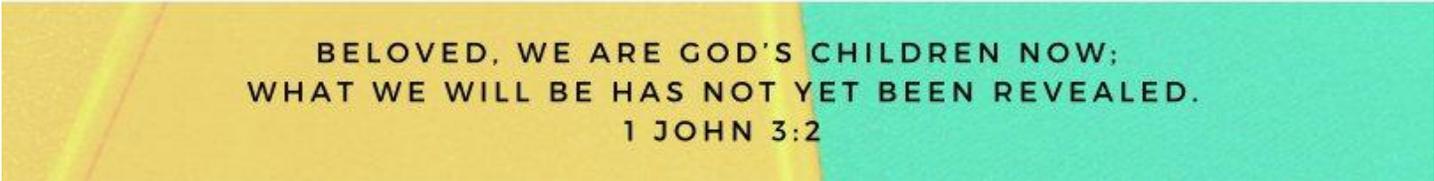
(they/their/them) is an award winning musician and historian and the first openly transgender pastor ordained in the Lutheran Church, currently called to serve at Grace Lutheran in San Francisco. Megan received an honorable mention as an Unsung Hero of Compassion by Wisdom in Action, with His Holiness the Dalai Lama and was recently featured both at Martin Luther's house in Wittenberg, Germany for the 500th Celebration of the Reformation and in Cosmopolitan.



Andy Potsko

(he/him/his) is a singer, songwriter, and storyteller based in Columbus, Ohio. His travels have led him throughout the U.S. and around the world to places like India and Turkey, Venezuela and Nigeria, Denmark and Nepal. As a recent graduate of Trinity Lutheran Seminary, he and his family are awaiting their first call.

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BELOVED, WE ARE GOD'S CHILDREN NOW;
WHAT WE WILL BE HAS NOT YET BEEN REVEALED.
1 JOHN 3:2



Santa Breakfast

Saturday, December 14 | 9:00 am—12:00 pm

Mountain View Community Center

**Come and enjoy:
Free Breakfast, Games, Crafts
And a picture with Santa!**

Children's warm winter clothing will also be available



For more information, or to volunteer, contact Gretchen Johnsrud
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Like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/mtviewcc/

Edgewood NOURISH Food Bank

October 2019 Statistics

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| 9 | Number of distribution days. |
| 1,366 | Families served. |
| 6,072 | Individuals served. |
| 110,880 | Pounds of food distributed. |
| 57 | New clients. |
| 84 | Individual volunteers who served. |
| 1,654 | Total volunteer hours. |

Food Bank donation requests

Pasta of any kind.
Macaroni and cheese.
Cereal.
Tomato sauce, canned, 15 ounce size.
Personal care items.

Food Bank closed

The Edgewood Nourish Food Bank will be closed on Tuesday, December 24 (Christmas Eve) and Wednesday, December 25 (Christmas Day).

Help needed

Make volunteering your new holiday tradition and get into the NOURISHing spirit! Help distribute groceries to your neighbors in need at the Edgewood Nourish Food Bank on Thursday, December 26, 2019 from 2:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. For more information or to sign up for a shift, please contact Haley McClure at volunteer@nourishpc.org or 253-383-3164.

Learn more / contact

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JANUARY 2020 • ExALT

Eyes to See and Ears to Hear: Guided Meditations on Art, Scripture, and Other Spiritual Texts

facilitated by MVLC member Rev. Dr. Ronald Rosenau

Did you know that you have all the qualifications you need to be a connoisseur of fine art? Did you ever have a conversation with a painting? What did it say to you? What did you say in reply? Did you know that the most artful images can be *treacherous*? Or that no two people can ever look at the same painting? Or that there is always more to great art than meets the eye? Is a painting a “thing” or is it an “event?” Where do paintings go when the lights in the museum have been turned off? Have you ever heard of a tradition within Christian spirituality in which distortion is used to pull you into an encounter with God? Is it possible for a painting to interpret the Bible in new and profound ways? Did you know that Martin Luther’s dread of rainbows drove him to a new way of looking at Christ and the good news of the gospel? If I told you that time travel was a key component not only of Christian spirituality, but also of great paintings, would you believe me?

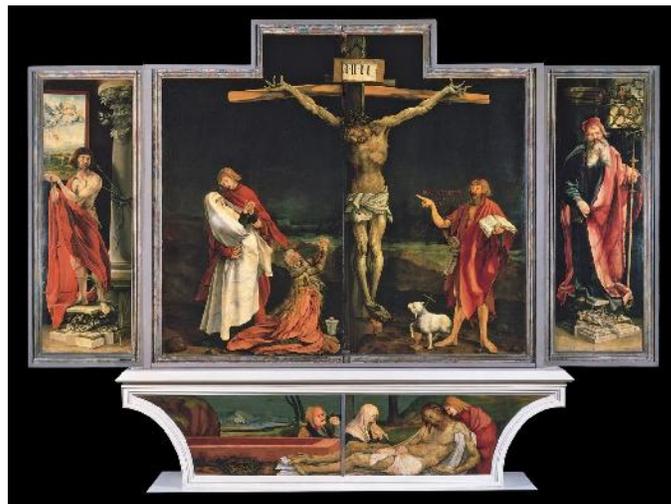
Each Wednesday evening in January, ExALT will focus on these questions and others. We will contemplate great works of art (Picasso, Rublev, Rembrandt, Delacroix, Rubens, Chagall, Grünewald, Bosch, Kandinsky, and others), great stories from the Bible (the Ten Commandments, the Flood, the Good Samaritan, the Last Judgment, the Crucifixion), and readings from great thinkers and theologians.

You don’t need to know a thing about art history or the Bible to appreciate the experience. You already have all the qualifications you need: Eyes to See and Ears to Hear.

Wednesday evenings
dinner at 5:45 p.m. in the Life Together Hall
class at 6:30 p.m. in the Education Building

January

- 8 “You Lookin’ At Me?”
- 15 “Somewhere Under the Rainbow”
- 22 “Mad Men”
- 29 “Selfies at the Cross”



DECEMBER 2019

First Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 2:1-5 • Psalm 122 • Romans 13:11-14 • Matthew 24:36-44

1 SUNDAY

8:15 a.m. Worship
9:30 a.m. Advent Adventures and Adult Education
10:45 a.m. Worship

2 MONDAY

3 TUESDAY

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
6:30 p.m. Church Council

4 WEDNESDAY

9:30 a.m. MVLC Quilters
1:00 p.m. Grief Group

Advent Midweek #1

6:00 p.m. Soup and Bread Dinner
7:00 p.m. Advent Midweek Worship

5 THURSDAY

8:30 a.m. Honey Doers
9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Lutheran-Catholic Dialogue
1:00 p.m. Property

6 FRIDAY

7 SATURDAY

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study
9:00 a.m. Advent Quiet Morning

DECEMBER 2019

Second Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 11:1-10 • Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19 • Romans 15:4-13 • Matthew 3:1-12

8 SUNDAY

8:15 a.m. Worship
9:30 a.m. Advent Adventures and Adult Education
10:45 a.m. Worship

9 MONDAY

10 TUESDAY

9:00 a.m. Women of the ELCA
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
1:00 p.m. Book Club
6:00 p.m. Peace and Justice Ministry Group

11 WEDNESDAY

9:30 a.m. MVLC Quilters

Advent Midweek #2

6:00 p.m. Soup and Bread Dinner
7:00 p.m. Advent Midweek Worship

12 THURSDAY

8:30 a.m. Honey Doers
10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawls

13 FRIDAY

14 SATURDAY

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study
9:00 a.m. **Santa Breakfast at MVCC**

DECEMBER 2019

Third Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 35:1-10 • Psalm 146:5-10 • James 5:7-10 • Matthew 11:2-11

15 SUNDAY

8:15 a.m. Worship
9:30 a.m. Advent Adventures and Adult Education
10:45 a.m. Worship
12 noon Peace and Justice Film Festival

16 MONDAY

17 TUESDAY

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
12:30 p.m. Rebecca Circle

18 WEDNESDAY

9:30 a.m. MVLC Quilters

Advent Midweek #3

6:00 p.m. Soup and Bread Dinner
7:00 p.m. Advent Midweek Worship

19 THURSDAY

8:30 a.m. Honey Doers
9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study

20 FRIDAY

6:30 p.m. Middle Rock 5/6/7 Hangout

21 SATURDAY

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study

DECEMBER 2019

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 7:10-16 • Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19 • Romans 1:1-7 • Matthew 1:18-25

22 SUNDAY

8:15 a.m. Worship
10:45 a.m. Worship

Fair trade coffee, tea, and chocolate

23 MONDAY

24 TUESDAY • CHRISTMAS EVE

7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Worship

10:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Worship

25 WEDNESDAY • CHRISTMAS DAY

**Christmas Day
Church Office Closed**

**Edgewood Nourish Food Bank Closed
Mountain View Community Center Closed**

26 THURSDAY

27 FRIDAY

28 SATURDAY

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study

DECEMBER 2019

First Sunday of Christmas

Isaiah • Psalm 98 • 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 • Luke 21:5-19

29 SUNDAY

8:15 a.m. Worship
10:45 a.m. Worship

30 MONDAY

1:00 p.m. Mary Circle

31 TUESDAY

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

1 WEDNESDAY • NEW YEAR'S DAY

**New Year's Day
Church Office Closed**

**Edgewood Nourish Food Bank Closed
Mountain View Community Center Closed**

2 THURSDAY

8:30 a.m. Honey Doers
9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study

3 FRIDAY

4 SATURDAY

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study

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Many thanks to those who help make this newsletter a reality by submitting photos, fliers, articles, and information—staff, ministry group chairpersons, ministry partners, and members of the congregation.

Would you like to submit something for consideration? It needs to be emailed to MVLC Communications Director Troy Kehm-Goins by the 15th of the month prior to publication. And preferably in an editable electronic format!

Items for the January 2020 newsletter need to be sent to Troy at tkehm-goins@mtviewlutheran.org by 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 15.

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