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## NEW SCANDINAVIA LUTHERAN CHURCH JANUARY NEWSLETTER 2022

#### **CHILDREN'S CHAPEL**

Happy New Year!!!!!!

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

January 2 – Worship Service 9:30 AM – NO SUNDAY SCHOOL – CHRISTMAS BREAK

- January 5- Confirmation Class 6:30 PM
- January 9 Worship Service 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM
- January 12- Confirmation Class 6:30 PM
- January 16- Worship Service 9:30 AM \*\*\*\*ANNUAL MEETING Sunday School 10:30 AM
- January 19- Confirmation Class 6:30 PM
- January 23 Worship Service 9:30 AM (SUNDAY SCHOOL SPECIAL MUSIC) Sunday School 10:30 AM
- January 26- Confirmation Class 6:30 PM
- January 30- Worship Service 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM

#### This is our core curriculum before Affirmation of Baptism:

**Pre K and K:** 2 or 3 table prayers and or bedtime prayer, The Lord's Prayer and church manners.

**1st and 2nd Grade:** The Lord's Prayer, Apostle's Creed and the 1st, 2nd and 3rd The Commandments.

**3rd and 4th Grade:** The Lord's Prayer, The Apostle's Creed, The Commandments 1-10, Bible usage (looking up verses).

**5th and 6th Grade:** The Lord's Prayer, The Apostle's Creed, The Commandments 1-10, Psalm 23, John 3:16, Matthew 22:37-39, John 14:6, Matthew 7:7, Matthew 7:12, The Beatitudes Matthew 5:3-12, Isaiah 40:3,5, Matthew 7:1-2, Matthew 5:43-44, 1 John 1:7, Matthew 28:19-20.

**7th and 8th Grade:** The Lord's Prayer, The Apostle's Creed, The Commandments 1-10, Psalm 23, The Beatitudes Matthew 5:3-12, Ephesians 2:8-9, Matthew 18:20, John 11:25-26, Matthew 25:40, Matthew 6:19-21, Mark 9:23b, Psalm 100, Roman 3:28, John 8:31b, 32, 1 Corinthians 10:13, John 20:23 and Matthew 18:18.

**High School:** Be a leader and good role model, open your Bible and devotion books 3-4 times a week or daily;), read any of the above Bible verses, The Lord's Prayer, The Apostle's Creed, The Commandments 1-10, Psalm 23.

Make homemade cards for our shut-in members. Smile often and sing –Hugs to you all!

Kristal Gifford Superintendent Board of Education and Family Ministry-Shelly Shipley/Kelly Martinson, Janelle Gordon and Kris Skoug

#### **DECEMBER 14, 2021 NEW SCANDINAVIA CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

#### Pending Approval

Meeting was called to order 6:30 pm by Rick Broten. Devotions was led by Dawn Bryngelson.-

Follow the Star Matthew 2:2.

Secretaries Report: Report was read and accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Was read and filed for audit

#### Pastor's Report:

Going into the second month since arrival I am appreciating meeting so many members. Worship services are being well attended and it seems there is an appreciation for children's sermons. Last month I completed 4 home visits with Holy Communion. We have 8 students in Catechism and are finishing up on the sacraments. The class is trained in lighting candles and will start a rotating schedule in January.

Together with Rick Broten, and Dave Driver the Congregational Profile is complete.

December worship services have included the teenagers and Sunday School. The last Sunday will be a carol service of which I will be taking off.

January we will initiate a Men's Bible Study on Sunday morning in the pastor's office.

Deacon's Report: Help with worship as needed.

Trustee's Report: No Report

#### Reports of Visitors/Non-Council Members: None

#### **Children Youth and Family:**

Sunday School Program is December 19<sup>th</sup>.

Sunday School will be singing in Church January 23.

#### Old Business:

The call committee members so far are: Duane Olson. Mikala Klefstad, Chris Broten, Tom Ebler Jr. We could use one more volunteer.

#### New Business:

A M/S/C (Tom E/Rob B/) for the following Noisy Offerings:

January – Benjamin House

February – Pregnancy Center

March – Barron Back Pack Program

April – Comet Care Program

We need offering counters again.

A M/S/C (Dawn/Kris) to accept Duane and Brenda Link as members

A M/S/C (Debby/Kris) to give gift cards to Jackie Sandve, Pastor Ron and Rhonda Candler.

A M/S/C (Tom/Shelly) to give Rhonda a 3% wage increase.

Rhonda will be on vacation December 24 – January 5.

Annual reports need to be to Rhonda by December 18<sup>th</sup>.

Motion made by Janelle G to adjourn.

Next meeting is February 8th 2022

Devotions will be led by Krystal Gifford

Closed with the Lord's Prayer

Respectfully, Chris Broten NS Council Secretary

Attended: Rick Broten, Grant Gifford, Debbie Schieffer, Kris Skoug, Tom Ebler Jr, Dawn Bryngelson, Rob Bryngelson, Krystal Gifford, Chris Broten, Dave Driver, Janelle Gordon, Shelly Shipley, Eric Skoug, Pastor Ron Gerl

Absent: Billie Joe Peterson, Doug Severude, Jeff Timm

#### WELCA MET DECEMBER 9, 2021

for the Christmas Lucheon.

Devotions was led by Pastor Ron Psalm 13:5-6. Will I get everything done? Debbie Rassmussen gave a reding "J is for Jesus"



A group of ladies (Debbie R, Debbie S, Gladys, Barb, Chris) did a Litany The Real Hope of Christmas. The litnany had various songs ung by the audience. The songs sung were The hills were Bare at Bethelhem, OLittle Town of Bethlehem, Angels from the Realm of Glory,O Come O Come Emanuel,they'll Know We are Chistians by Our Love, and Silent night.

A group of ladies and Pastor Ron sang "O Holy Nght."

There was a reading by Barb Huset.

Pastor Ron closed with Prayer,

We closed with thr Lord's Prayer, and Table Prayer.

We then enjoyed a great lucheon.

#### Chris Broten - Secretary.

#### **END OF THE YEAR GIVING**

There is a special tax incentive this year to encourage charitable giving. According to the IRS website:

"The law now permits taxpayers to claim a limited deduction on their 2021 federal income tax returns for cash contributions they made to certain qualifying charitable organizations. (This includes gifts to New Scandinavia Lutheran Church.)

These taxpayers, including married individuals filing separate returns, can claim a deduction of up to \$300 for cash contributions to qualifying charities during 2021. The maximum deduction is \$600 for married individuals filing joint returns.

So, while many donors may not be able to claim their full charitable giving as an itemized deduction in for 2021, all donors can claim this deduction for their first \$300 for an individual, or \$600 for a couple. Churches may want to remind their donors of this tax incentive for giving between now and the end of 2021. Though the amount of the deduction is small, it may encourage those who have not given at all in 2021 to make a year-end contribution to the church."

While this is an incentive, the Bible remind us in 2 Corinthians 9: 6-8, "The point is this: he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will reap bountifully. Each one must do as they have made up their mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work

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**NEW SCANDINAVIA ATTENDANCE & OFFERING** 



### CHRISTMAS OFFERING

"ELCA Good Gifts" make a difference in someone's life







#### JANUARY "NOISY OFFERING" "Benjamin House"

# Remember to do your Thrivent Choice dollars



#### **NEW SCANDINAVIA LUTHERAN JANUARY BIRTHDAYS**



Visuth Sanmai	01/02
Billie Jo Peterson	01/04
Jean Ebler	01/05
Bryan Hundley	01/11
Dawn Bryngelson	01/12
Ricky Reichert	01/15
Emily Dau	01/17
Judy Ebler	01/20
Duane Olson	01/22

#### NS YouTube page

New Scandinavia has a new YouTube page. To check it out or watch our services go to:

Youtube.com

In the search box type: new Scandinavia church Hillsdale and "enter"

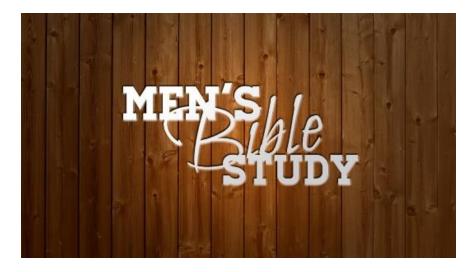
Click: <u>"New Scandinavia Lutheran Church Hillsdale WI"</u>

This will open our new you tube page. Some of our weekly services are available here.

It helps if you subscribe to our page.

#### MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Will begin on Sunday, January 2 at 10:30 a.m. in Pastor's office. Bring you coffee and join us.



#### JANUARY WORSHIP

9:30 a.m. Worship & FACEBOOK

10:30 a.m. Sunday School

Pastor Ron Gerl

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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						NEW YEAR'S DAY
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
No Sunday School (break) 10:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Christmas w/	Rhonda	a vacation	6:30 p.m. Confirmation Rhonda back from vacation			
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Baptism of our Lord 10:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study 10:30 a.m. Sunday School			6:30 p.m. Confirmation			NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Epiphany <b>10:30 a.m. Annual Meeting with food to follow.</b> NO Men's Bible Study			6:30 p.m. Confirmation			
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Installation of new Officers 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Epiphany 10:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study Sunday School singing			6:30 p.m. Confirmation			
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4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Epiphany 10:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study Baptism of Fenton Colt Giles						

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