Our Saviour's & Balsamlund Lutheran Church; ELCA E-News



For December 31, 2023

DAILY BIBLE READINGS 12/31/23-1/6/24



SUNDAY Revelation 22:1-21 MONDAY Romans 1:1-417 TUESDAY Romans 1:18-32 WEDNESDAY Romans 2:1-16 THURSDAY Matthew 1:1-17

FRIDAY Matthew 1:18-25 SATURDAY Matthew 2:1-23

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

12/31 First Sunday of Christmas

9am Fellowship 9am Sunday School 10am Worship

Join us after church to celebrate Marlys Schoon's 80th Birthday!

1/3 Wednesday

9am Quilters 11am WELCA 1-5pm Janet Eckman SAM in office

1/7 First Sunday after Epiphany — Lectionary 1

9am Fellowship 9am Sunday School 10am Worship / Holy Communion

Balsamlund Announcements:

If you know of someone who would like a visitation please let the office or Janet Eckman SAM know and we will accommodate the request in the best possible way.

January 21, 2024 10:30am Annual Meeting

OSLC Announcements:

For any changes to service times or activities due to weather or last minute changes, please watch our Facebook page and/or listen to the office phone greeting.

All year-end reports for the 2024 Annual meeting are due to the office by January 15th. Please make a note of it.

<u>Join us for a Northern Lights Chorale Christmas Concert at 2pm on Jan 7, 2024!</u> This is a 'Must-See, Must-Hear' event! Bring a friend, or two.

<u>W/ELCA is looking for 2024 funeral coordinators.</u> 3 ladies per quarter are needed to serve in a time of need.

<u>Altar Guild 2024 is partially signed up for. Seven more months to fill.</u> A sign-up sheet is on the Fellowship Hall table.

<u>Let's help Marlys Schoon celebrate her 80th Birthday!</u> Stick around after today's church service to wish her well.

What a glorious celebration on Christmas Eve. My favorite part at both Balsamlund and OSLC services was singing "Silent Night" and the lighting of the candles.

"Silent Night, Holy Night! All was calm and all was bright. Shepards quaked and glories streams from heaven afar. Christ the Savior is Born!!!"

Jesus is the center. The center of all of our lives. Although Jesus is center let us remember that he has asked us to make room for more. To remember that there is always room for one more.

In this Christmas time Jesus is asking us to make room and to share his love for all of us with all of those around us near and far.

That cold winter's night, beneath the star's light

A Little One came for the world and was God's Gift to us.

Let us cherish that gift and share it will all the world.

In Faith Janet Eckman Synod Authorized Minister

