

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF December 2nd THROUGH December 9th**

**WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES**

<b>DAY</b>	<b>STUDY</b>	<b>TOPIC/TITLE</b>	<b>WHEN &amp; WHERE</b>
Today	Adult Study	<b>Stewardship Basics</b>	10:30 AM – Fellowship Hall
Today	Youth Study	<b>Finding the Christ in Christmas Movies</b>	10:30 AM – Martin Room

**STEWARDSHIP NOTE: Luke 19:31** – *[Jesus said:] “If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ you shall say this: ‘The Lord has need of it.’”* Consider the faithfulness of that man who owned the donkey and colt. All he needed to hear was, “The Lord has need of it,” and he willingly gave. The Lord has given each of us various callings in life – in our homes, in the Church, and in our communities. In each calling we have good work to do, and that comes from the Lord’s hand. The Lord has need of us in each calling. How is He calling you to generous giving in each of your vocations?

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**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God by the Memorial Committee.

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**HOSPITALIZATIONS:** Please notify me if you (or a loved one) is in the hospital so that I can visit and pray for you. Because of federal HIPAA privacy rules, doctors, hospitals, and other health care providers cannot and do not release this information. Therefore, I need you to tell me so that I can visit you. And, please know that it is not a bother or inconvenience for me to visit. One of my joys as a pastor is to visit and share the comfort of God’s Word with His people. Thank you for your help and understanding! – Pastor Crane

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**UPDATE CONTACT INFORMATION:** Stop by the Office Equipment Room to update your contact information. You can note any changes directly on the directory located there or you can place a note in the secretary’s mailbox. You can also call or email the church office. If you have moved recently or changed your phone number, have a child who is in college, who has graduated college, or is in the military, please let the office know. We want to keep our records as accurate as possible, especially as we prepare an updated directory. Thanks for your help!

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**GRACE COOKBOOKS:** 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Cookbooks by Morris Press are available for sale before and after the worship service. This is a fundraising project with all proceeds going to the elevator fund. Thank you for your participation and support!

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**PENS FOR SALE:** The Grace Youth Group is selling stylus pens with Grace’s name and address on them. The pens are \$1.50 each and are on sale in the Office Equipment Room.

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**CHRISTMAS CRAFTS FOR SALE:** A Grace member has donated a variety of homemade Christmas ornaments and crafts for the elevator fund. The cost is \$3.00 each. They are on display in the Office Equipment Room.

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**TURKEY PLATTER & GRAVY BOATS FOR SALE:** \$5.00 each in the Office Equipment Room. Ruth Anger is collecting the money with proceeds going towards the elevator.

**NOTE FROM MARION EILERS:** It seems unreal that a year has passed since John has gone to be with his Savior. I want to thank you again for all your prayers, love, care, phone calls, listening, cards, hugs, and gifts. I know Jesus has carried me and will continue to do so. In Christ, Marion Eilers.

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**FURNITURE FOR NEW ELEVATOR FOYER:** We are looking for a large **winged-back chair** (non-reclining) and a round or rectangle mahogany or cherry hardwood **end table** to be used in the foyer of the new entrance for our elevator addition. The chair does not need to be in perfect condition, but its structure should be sound so that we can reupholster it if necessary. Likewise, the table should be in good condition. If you have either of these items and you would like to donate them for this purpose, please contact Nancy Lockrem at 262-554-1835.

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**THANK YOU!** The Grace Youth Group would like to thank all those who attended our Fiesta Luncheon on Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. Around 60 people attended, and the proceeds totaled slightly over \$650. Thank you to those who donated blankets, afghans, and other items for the raffle. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR YOUTH GROUP!**

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**CHRISTMAS CAROLING:** On **Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>**, the Youth Group invites the congregation to join them to go Christmas caroling to our shut-ins. We will have a light lunch at church around **11:45 AM**. After lunch, we will carpool to our shut-in members' residences. It is always a fun time to bring some cheer and happiness to our shut-ins during this season of preparing for our Savior's birth!

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**SUNDAY SCHOOL AND YOUTH PARENTS:** On **Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup>**, from **9:00 AM – 10:30 AM** we will be having a Christmas service practice at church. It is important that the children are there to practice. Please continue to work on the hymns and recitations with your children at home.

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**YOUTH CHRISTMAS SERVICE:** On **Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>**, at **4:00 PM** the Sunday School and Youth will be having a Christmas service. The service is based on the familiar hymn, "What Child Is This?". We encourage you to invite your family and friends to this service as we celebrate the birth of Jesus! Following the service, there will be a light reception that all are invited to. The congregation is encouraged to join us for this Christmas service and to hear the younger members of our congregation share the wonderful news of CHRISTmas with you!

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**RACINE LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL LADIES GUILD:** Our next meeting is **Tuesday, December 4<sup>th</sup>**, at **7:00 PM** in the cafeteria. Please join us to help support our high school.

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**SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS:** Racine Lutheran High School presents a service of lessons and carols at **7:00 PM** on **Fri., December 7<sup>th</sup>**. Pre-concert music begins at **6:30 PM**.

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**CHRISTMAS CONCERT:** St. John's Lutheran Church, 1501 Erie Street, **Sun., December 9<sup>th</sup>**, at **7:00 PM**. Pre-concert music at **6:45 PM** will feature guest organist Frederik M. Bach.