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SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE	9:30 a.m.
THURSDAY: Nehemiah Prayer Group	10:00 a.m.
Adult Bible Study	11:00 a.m.
Men's Bible Study	1:30 p.m.





# October 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 9:15 am Prayer in Nursery 9:30 am Worship w/Communion Fellowship following the service	3	4	5	6 10:00 am Nehemiah Prayer Group 11:00 am Bible Study 1:30 pm Men's Bible Study	7	8
9 9:15 am Prayer in Nursery 9:30 am Worship LOYALTY SUNDAY	10 6:00 pm Advisory Board Meeting	11	12	13 10:00 am Nehemiah Prayer Group 11:00 am Bible Study 1:30 pm Men's Bible Study	14	15
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## SEPTEMBER REPORT

	ATTENDANCE	VIEWS	OFFERING*
9/4	44	12	\$2,878.00
9/11	41	21	\$1,482.64
9/18	38	20	\$1,015.00
9/25	37	10	\$2,381.45

2022 Year to Date received: \*107,196.85

2022 Budgeted Amount: \*105,700.53

Amount Needed Per Sunday: \*\$2,710.00

\*These figures are for General Fund and Missions only.

### USHERS FOR OCTOBER

James Best & Ronnie Tieman



Ladies, the book of the month  
For **OCTOBER** is **II SAMUEL**.

### LAMPLIGHTERS



Lamplighters meeting was held September 16 at Eastside Lutheran church. We sang a couple of songs. Devotions were given from Ephesians 4 by Assistant Pastor Joel Pakan. President Darlene Frueh opened the meeting with roll call of all churches involved in the mission. **Our next meeting will be at Faith Baptist, Sioux Falls, October 21.** The Love Gift is money for the clothing project from Volunteers of America. Eric gets better deals on clothes, jackets, hats, gloves, boots, blankets, etc. than we do. This is why the donation of money. He bought 4 pallets of new toys for Christmas. David Glader closed in prayer. We enjoyed an assortment of bars.

Helen Peters. Delegate

### OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Phyllis VanWyk
- 2 Matthew Vis
- 6 Sandy Sherman  
Connor James Nelson
- 7 Karen Waldner  
Darin Carlson
- 14 Ezekiel James Kruse
- 16 Bill Nelson
- 18 Pat Kruse  
Nancy Ellenbecker
- 19 Riley Brewer  
Becky Thorstenson
- 31 Kari Graham (Hoover)

### OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 8 Jay & Kristi Hoover
- 17 Jerry & Carol Bender

**IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
THOSE WHO HAVE  
PASSED AWAY IN  
THE LAST FIVE YEARS**

10/29/2020 Cynthia Lundberg



### QUILT RAFFLE

The ABW Ministries are once again selling raffle tickets for a quilt. The proceeds go to the Church of Hope that is inside the Women's Prison in Pierre, SD.



The tickets are \$5 each or \$20 for five tickets. The tickets are available from Val Thompson or Joan Cleveland.

### CHURCH OF HOPE

Copies of the Church of Hope (inside the Women's Prison in Pierre) Summer Newsletter can be found on the bulletin board downstairs. Feel free to take a copy. If they aren't any there, contact the office and one will be made available.



### Why All This Talk About CHRISTMAS?

Time will tell all the after-effects of the pandemic, but in the short term, perhaps you have noticed, as I have, that attendance is down all around our country. People aren't attending work, sporting events, concerts, and church in the way we did before covid. Before the pandemic we talked about "cocooning," the tendency of people to retreat into their homes, but the pandemic has got cocooning beat all hollow!

Our policy has, from the beginning, centered on the individual. You decide who you trust for pandemic-related information and advice. You decide, based on your unique situation, whether in-person attendance is right for you. That has not changed.

At the same time, our church's leadership has decided to be proactive about the end of the pandemic. The situation has changed so much, we must recognize the unique opportunity provided us. People are going to return to the community. They are going to seek as much a return to pre-pandemic life as possible. They are going to return to the Church and may be more open than ever to find a new church home.

We hope to open Emmanuel's doors to our community during this year's Advent season. We are scheduling additional activities to provide more opportunities for our members and friends to attend AND invite others to come with them.

The schedule below is one aspect of this outreach. Another important aspect is postcards we are having printed to facilitate the invitations we want everyone to make.

We hope to have the postcards ready for distribution starting on Loyalty Sunday, October 9. We're asking everyone to use these postcards to...

...mail them to folks near and far.

...hand them out to family, friends, and neighbors.

...post them on a bulletin board in the lobby of your apartment, at Active Generations, or other places around town.

...email a digital copy to loved ones.

If you end up receiving multiple postcards, take that as an indication of how much you are loved and how much we look forward to having you COME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS! Pray over the postcards you hand out, post, and send. Ask God to make every invitation fruitful for His Kingdom. Ask Him to bless every service with lives changed into the image of the One we celebrate at Christmas. Ask God to use you to bring someone home.

## **"COME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS"**

**Nov. 26 - "Christmas Cookie Bake & Caroling"**

**Nov. 27 - Advent Sunday #1 Worship & Fellowship (Cookie Social)**

**Dec. 1 - Advent Prayer & Bible Study (11:00 am)**

**Christmas Concert with "Larry Lang's Gang" (7:00 pm)**

**Dec. 4 - Advent Sunday #2 Worship & Fellowship (Pie Social)**

**Dec. 8 - Advent Prayer & Bible Study (11:00 am)**

**Dec. 11 - Advent Sunday #3 Worship & Fellowship (Candy Exchange)**

**Dec. 15 - Advent Prayer & Bible Study (11:00 am)**

**Christmas Concert with "Short Notice" (7:00 pm)**

**Dec. 18 - Advent Sunday #4 Worship & Fellowship (Donut Social)**

**Dec. 21 - Longest Night Service (aka "Blue Christmas")**

**Dec. 22 - Advent Prayer & Bible Study (11:00 am)**

**Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve Worship (Noon & 5:00 pm)**

**Dec. 25 - Christmas Morning Worship w/ Communion**