

**OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE AT BLESSED REDEEMER**

**Saturday Jan 16-** 5:30pm Worship  
**Sunday Jan 17-** 9:00am Worship w/Communion  
 10:15am Adult Bible Study/Sunday School  
**Wed. Jan 20-** 6:30am Men of Brandon (MOB)  
**Saturday Jan 23-** 5:30pm Worship w/ communion  
**Sunday Jan 24-** 9:00am Worship w/Communion



**OUR RESPONSE LAST WEEK:**

**General Offering for Week of 1/10/2021:** \$7,479.26

**Church Attendance for Week of 1/10:** 68

*Weekly General Offering Needs:* \$5341.00

*General Fund Checking Balance as of **December:*** \$24,028.06

**ALTAR GUILD**

**January**

Renee Fick & Karla Podhradsky

**Altar Flowers:** You may provide flowers to beautify our sanctuary.

Please speak with the Altar Guild.

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**PRAYING FOR THOSE CURRENTLY SERVING/DEPLOYED IN OUR MILITARY:**  
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Nate Holm, Jackie Berg, Jessica Berg, Matt Eigenberg, Sarah Callies,  
 Jarod Ruud, Kyleigh Sorensen, Noah Holm, and Joe Johnson.

**ATTENDANCE RECORD**

We ask that visitors please sign the guest book and that both members and visitors fill out the attendance record in the pew rack and pass it to the person next to you so that we may be aware of your presence with us today. If your attendance record is empty, please use one from a nearby pew and alert the Elders after the service. May the Lord, your God, bless your time of worship!



**In Our Prayers**

**Celebrating Birthdays this week:** August Callies, Robert May, Karli Oye, Stefanie Schmidt, William Stueven

**Anniversaries this week:** Rod and Dorothy Warne

**For those ill, hospitalized or recovering at home:** JoAnne Schultz, Kinsley Wagner (Daughter of Dustin and Michal Wagner), Glen Baden, Kevin Smith

**Those with Covid:** Sharyn Klatt, Denise Gray, Bea Heismeyer

**For those mourning the loss of loved ones:** The family of Coba Schmal, sister of Evelyn Berg



**Preschool Corner: Spread the Word!**

Please help us advertise to friends, families, neighbors and coworkers that our community registration will be Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup> @ 1:30. BRLC congregational members, check your mail-boxes. Please turn the form and \$100 by Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> to reserve your spot. "Teach me knowledge and good judgment, for I trust your commands." Psalm 119:66

**Adult Bible Study Enjoys Christmas Songs**

Yes, we just finished the Christmas season and are now in Epiphany, but in Sunday's Adult Bible Study we are going back to the beautiful Christmas story in Luke, as well as discussing what makes Luke different from the other three Gospels. We will focus our study on the beautiful songs recorded only in Luke, Zechariah's song, also known as the Benedictus, and Mary's song, the Magnificat. We will also debate if Jesus was born in a barn or a guest room. Please join us after Sunday worship and prolong your Christmas joy as we study more "Stuff They Didn't Teach Me in Sunday School."

**Live Stream**

We are looking for volunteers to help live stream Sunday mornings. Please sign up on the sheet or contact Cathi in the office for details.

**MOB Learns Gory Details of "Civil War in Israel"**

If the American Civil War was tragic and it took years before the wounds healed, the Civil War in Israel was worse in its implications. This week the Men of Brandon will study Judges chapter 20 and discuss if this war could have been avoided, and why it even had God's blessing at first. We are nearly done with our study of Judges, and we look forward to beginning a new study in February, one titled, "Man Up!" Men, look for details in the February newsletter and join the MOB.

**College & Military Care Packages**

As we begin a new year, we are looking for the following items to send to our fellow college members busy with studies and to our military members who are actively serving. Ideas include: microwave popcorn, granola bars, Ramen noodles, cheese and crackers, hard candies, flavored drink packets, pop tarts, gum and other small food/drink items. Items should be brought to the church no later than Sunday Jan 24<sup>th</sup>.

Please bring 30 of each item. FAST will be assembling the packages on Wed. Jan 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:15pm. Thank you for your generosity!

### Sunday School is Back

We are excited to announce the return of Sunday School! Kids can report to their classrooms as per the start of the year. 3-4 year olds through Kindergarten are in the Preschool room; Grades 1-4 are upstairs; Grades 5-8 are in the Conference room. We are looking forward to seeing all of the kids again and helping them grow in their Christian Education!

### BRLC: Bagger, Rack, Lanes, Chop

Are you familiar with these bowling terms? Spare us and bring on the turkeys! Come and join in the fun as BRLC family bowls together today. From professionals to novice, we accept everyone! Cost is \$10.99 per person and includes two hours of bowling plus shoe rental. Sign up on the bulletin board and let us know how many are in your party.

### FAST

Thanks for all those who attended the Nerf Gun and Pizza Fun! What a great time was had by all! Join us for our next event Jan 27th as we organize the Military and College Care Packages.

### Confirmation Planning Meeting Coming January 20<sup>th</sup>

Confirmation is just around the corner, and we need to make plans for it now. If you are the parent of an 8<sup>th</sup> grade student, please be sure to attend the planning meeting after confirmation class on Jan. 20<sup>th</sup>. We will make decisions about flowers, pictures, and gowns, as well as let you know what information we need for the memory frames each student will receive. Please plan on attending this 7:45 pm brief meeting so that this year's confirmation day will go smoothly!

### Thank You- Angel Tree

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Angel Tree supporting the Banquet and their "Showering Our Guests with Care" project. We appreciate all who took time out of their busy schedule to shop for someone else's needs. Galatians 5:13-14 "You, my

brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love. For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one commandment: "Love your neighbor as yourself."

### Voter's Meeting Coming Sunday, Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>

Our next quarterly Voter's Meeting will be immediately after the worship service on Sunday, Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>, and besides reports, which will be kept brief, we have important business to discuss. One of our main items includes setting priorities for our next capital improvements projects. We will also get an update on the reason we need to vote on postponing the SD District and national LCMS conventions due to the pandemic, and vote on these items and dissolving the former Lutheran High of Sioux Falls officially. New Voters are always welcome!

### BRLP Brings Joyful Noises

Please be sure to join us Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup> as the BRL Preschoolers will be adding their adorable voices to our service. We will be singing three songs: "God is so good", "Love in a Box" and "If You're Happy and You Know It". We are blessed to have a supporting church and thank you BRLC for your continuous support of this mission. "Shout out praises to the LORD, all the earth! Worship the LORD with joy. Enter his presence with joyful singing.

### Christmas Tree Decoration

O Christmas Tree O Christmas Tree  
How lovely were our helpers  
O Nativity Scene O Nativity Scene  
How blessed we are for the helpers.

How lovely were those who stayed!  
Your boughs so green were put away,  
With service projects underway.  
O tannenbaum, O Christmas Tree  
We thank those all who put away!

# Opportunities for Prayer and Service

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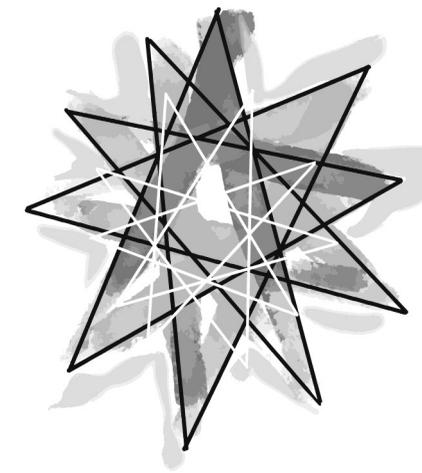
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**January 17th, 2021**



## The Second Sunday After the Epiphany

### *Jesus' First Miracle Reveals God's Glory*

The coming of the Messianic kingdom means the restoration of creation. The sign of this restoration is that "*the mountains shall drip sweet wine*" (Amos 9:11-15). When the elements of a fallen creation fail and run short at a wedding feast, our Lord Jesus steps in to restore creation and miraculously changes water into an abundance of the very best wine (John 2:1-11). With this sign, Christ manifests His glory. The "*back*" of God (Ex. 33:12-23) is revealed to those who believe. The hour will come when Jesus will again manifest His glory by taking creation's curse into His own body to release us from its power. The Bridegroom will give His life for the Bride (Eph. 5:22-32), and from His side will flow water and blood, the holy sacraments by which she is cleansed and made one with Him. Through this sacrificial love of Christ we are enabled to "*love one another with brotherly affection . . .*" and to "*outdo one another in showing honor*" (Rom. 12:6-16).

**Please take this folder with its inserts home today to remind you of opportunities for prayer and service in the upcoming weeks.**

*If you have information for this publication, please submit it to the office no later than the Wednesday prior to the Sunday edition.*