

West St. Olaf Lutheran Church

70640 260th Avenue – Hayfield, MN

November 28, 2021: First Sunday of Advent

Holy Communion

Pastor Paul Thompson Organist: Pat Nelson

WELCOME! WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE VISITING!



If you're visiting, please sign our guestbook in the narthex.
Worship times rotate monthly between East & West St. Olaf.

OFFERING: You may place your offering into the offering plate as you leave (*no offering plates are passed, due to Covid*).

DECEMBER WORSHIP SCHEDULE:



WEST 9:00 am Worship service

BOTH 10:00 am West Jam, East SS, (*BOTH-coffee hours*)

EAST 11:00am Worship service

BOTH churches will have Christmas programs on December 19 – and East will serve a brunch after their program.

THANK YOU TO THOSE SERVING US

WELCA Chair(s): Nancy P., Sharon G. (Nov.)

Altar Guild: Cindy Senjem, Donna Larsen (Nov.)

Acolytes: Ushers are covering

Readers: Nov. 28 – Carma Bjornson

Ushers: Ushers: Pete Danielson organizing volunteers

Deacon: November - Carma Bjornson

Stewardship: November - Jane Estby & Marilyn Skov

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY'S READINGS & INTRO'S: for Nov. 28

FIRST LESSON: Jeremiah 33:14-16: *In the Old Testament, "righteousness" often has to do with being faithful in relationship. God acts righteously both in punishing Israel for its sin and in having mercy. In today's reading, Jerusalem's future name – "The LORD is our righteousness" – proclaims that God is even now working salvation for Israel.*

PSALM: Psalm 25:1-10

SECOND LESSON: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13: *Upon Timothy's report from the congregation at Thessalonica, Paul is exuberant with gratitude for them. In this passage from his letter, Paul voices overflowing thanks, joy, and blessings for the people of this growing church.*

GOSPEL: Luke 21:25-36: *God will fulfill God's purposes and, already, hidden signs of that fulfillment abound. On that great day there will be dismay, perplexity, confusion, and terror, but God's people shall be given strength to stand boldly and receive God's promised redemption.*

Instructions for Communion Elements

Each person please pick-up your own cup of communion wine or juice. Every person will receive gluten-free bread.

WELCA is sponsoring two families from Crisis Nursery and one family from Stewartville, for Christmas this year.



There is a tree in the entrance of the church with tags of their needs and wishes. Please wrap the gifts and put a tag saying which family and the person it is for (Example: Family 1 boy). There are boxes in the church and chapel. Please bring them by Dec. 5. Let's make Christmas a little brighter for these families. Thank you!

Christmas Bazaar by Field Crest Auxiliary (NEW location):



Join us Saturday, Dec. 4 from 8:00 am-Noon at the Hayfield Senior Citizen's Center on Main Street.
Selling: Lefse at \$17 per dozen, baked goods, embroidered dish towels, and Christmas decorations. *All proceeds will go toward projects at Field Crest Care Center.*

WEST MEMBERS: Advent by Candlelight this Year



We will still plan to have Advent by Candlelight on **December 5th** - time to be determined - but due to COVID, it will look a little different this year. We will invite ALL of the West St. Olaf members - both women and men - to attend the Candlelight service (just like Sunday mornings!), *rather than personal invitation by each hostess.* **This will limit the service to only our West St. Olaf congregation,** while allowing individuals to make their own personal choice regarding attendance. Likewise, we will offer

coffee and dessert in the Chapel immediately following the service - offering will go to Bundles of Love. Please let Heather Bamlet or Donna Larsen know if you have any questions!

HAPPENING TODAY & THIS WEEK

TODAY	9:00 am	East worship
	10:00 am	East SS, West JAM Coffee hour at both (<u>WEST WELCA Board meets during coffee hour</u>)
	11:00 am	West worship/Communion
Monday	9:00-Noon	Pastor at office
Tuesday	_____	<u>NEWSLETTER Volunteer Day (9:10-print, 9:30-fold, 9:45-collate)</u>
	10:00 am	East quilting/sack lunch
Wednesday	7:00 pm	BOTH-Confirmation class at WEST
	7:30 pm	<i>Deadline for bulletin info</i>
Thursday	9:00-noon	Pastor at office
Friday	-----	<u>East deadline to order Lefse</u>
	-----	Pastor's day-off
Saturday	8:00am-Noon	<u>Christmas Bazaar by Field Crest Auxiliary (at Senior Center on Main Street of Hayfield)</u>

NOTE: Dec. communion dates for BOTH: only Dec. 5 & Dec. 24

Dec. 5 (Sun.):	9:00 am	West worship & communion
	10:00 am	West JAM / East SS (practice prog.) East coffee hour <u>No West coffee after church</u>
	11:00 am	East worship & communion
	5:00 pm	<u>West Advent by Candlelight with coffee/dessert after the service</u>

COMING UP AT EAST & WEST

DECEMBER:

Dec. 6 (Mon.):	9:00-noon	Pastor at office
Dec. 7 (Tue.):	10:00 am	East quilting/sack lunch
	-----	<u>JOINT Council meeting at EAST</u> 6:00 pm Separate council meetings 7:00 Joint meeting begins
Dec. 8 (Wed.):	10:30 am	<u>West WELCA Christmas program & Potluck lunch (men invited too!)</u>

	7:00 pm	BOTH-Confirmation class at WEST
Dec. 9 (Thur.):	9:00-noon	Pastor at office
Dec. 10 (Fri.):	-----	Pastor's day-off
Dec. 12 (Sun.):	9:00 am	West Worship
	10:00 am	West JAM / East SS (practice prog.)
		BOTH coffee hour
	11:00 am	East worship

TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

West Prayers: Martha Beaver, Mike Peterson, Ron Dolezan (*Heather Bamlet's dad*), Marian Larson, Diane Himle, Scott Larsen (*friend of Tina Baudoin*), Darlene Hanson, Kelly Keckhafer, Boyd Pew, Joann Tiegen, Cindy Senjem, Philip Senjem, and Matt Miller (*nephew of Carma Bjornson*). Those serving in our military: Erika Smith - (*granddaughter of Carma & Ardean Bjornson*), and Tully Hovda (*son of Todd & Cathy Hodva*).

CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

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OUR WEBSITES: eaststolaf.org OR weststolaf.org

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COUNCIL CONTACT INFORMATION:

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Vice President: Dee Rabehl - Cell: 696-0796

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