WORSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS December 24th, 27th & 28th, 2025

Merry Christmas! Christ the Lord is Born!

We welcome everyone to Holy Communion. Christ is present and you are welcome! Young children are welcome to receive communion or a blessing. We offer gluten-free & regular wafers, grape juice and wine options. If you are unable to come forward, please remain seated and tell the ushers you'd like communion in your seat and it will be brought to you. The ushers will direct all during communion. We hope you feel welcome here and throughout the worship services this Christmastime!

Don't forget—if you haven't worshiped with us in a while, would you please fill out a Communion **Card** and give to usher?



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CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP SERVICE: The first combined ELCA Worship service is this CHRISTMAS DAY (Thursday, 25th) at LAKESIDE LUTHERAN [3833-8TH AVE. KENOSHA, 53140] AT 9:00AM. Join your siblings in Christ for worship with Pastor Becca Laabs. If you'd like to zoom the service, here's the information. Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/ i/85630909261?

pwd=sCjNhb5EytZQ14Ne8xajLaCf4YjVpq.1 Meeting ID: 856 3090 9261 Passcode: 227259

Saturday, December 27th 4:00pm & Sunday, 28th 9:00am

Lessons & Carols Service here at St. Mary's. Both serving Holy Communion for All w/Pr. Jordan.

Notable News:

- ⇒ January Council Connection is Sandy Bear sandymbear@outlook.com or 496-4370.
- ⇒ Church office will be closed on Wednesdays, 12/24 & 12/31 Thursdays, 12/25 & 1/1/26 and Fridays, 12/26 & 1/2/26 in observance of the federal holidays.
- ⇒ **Sunday School & Fish/Fusion**: please make note of Not Meeting due to Holidays & Winter Break.

OFFERING ENVELOPES—2025 YEAR END GIVING

For our members who use envelopes for your financial contribution there will be a bin of envelopes in the East Narthex with packets of 12 envelopes throughout the month of December. Please feel free to replenish your supply. Any questions? Contact the church office 658-3555 or Cari Richter 853-2359. Thank you for your generosity!

ALWAYS CHECK THE WEBSITE/ CHURCH CALENDAR FOR REAL-TIME **UPDATES!** HTTPS:// STMARYSLUTHERAN.ORG/NEWS

YOUTH RUMMAGE SALE

Drop Off:

- ⇒ Sat. Jan. 3: Noon-4:oopm
- ⇒ Sun. Jan. 4: 8:30am-Noon

Sale Days:

- ⇒ Sat. Jan. 10: 8am-4pm
- ⇒ Sun. Jan. 11: 8am-Noon

No TVs & No Clothes, please! All sales benefit the youth mission trip programs. ~~~~~~~~~~~



2025 Christmas Memorials

<u>Monetary Christmas</u> <u>Memorials - given to The</u> Kenosha Welcome Center

Bob & Sue Van Bendegom—\$50 gift in honor of our parents.

The Raszkiewicz Family—\$30 gift in memory of David
Munchoff.

<u>Christmas Poinsettias</u> <u>Marlene Principe</u>—in memory of loved ones.

Lísa Rasmussen-Zanín—ín memory of Jo and Berger Rasmussen.

Steve & Debbie Hartfield—in honor of the Caring Ministry visitors of St. Mary's.

Julie, Mike & Alyssa Schmit— In memory of Betty Schmit

Kevín & Jackie Larsen—in memory of our parents: Bob & Lois Tudjan and Karen & Dave Larsen

Bob & Sue Van Bendegom—in honor of our children, David, Eva & Rylee and in memory our parents.

Gretchen Rasch—In honor of my family.

Sue Drake & Debbie Taylor— in memory of Danny Drake.

In memory of Mary Sjoerdsma by her loving husband, **Dick Sjoerdsma**.

Paul/Erickson Family—In memory of Robert & Bonnie Erickson, Mark Paul.

Patricia Mason—In honor of Linda Schmidt & Lily Lachman and in memory of Betty Schlater.



Poinsettias can be picked up after worship or during posted office hours. Thank you for adorning our altar with these beauties from our local Aiello's Midtown Florist.

THE SPIRIT NEWSLETTER WILL BE A COMBINATION JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2026 ISSUE.

We will not have a January, 2026 issue. We are having a combo "Jan/Feb" Spirit instead. The deadline for that Spirit's articles and pictures will be **January 19, 2026.** This is to provide some grace for all the people that include items each month. Thank you for your understanding.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON WORSHIPPERS

In the event of emergencies that might require Saturday worship service cancelation, such as dangerous snow, St. Mary's sends out an email to all the members with an email address on file with us. If you attend SATURDAY services regularly or intermittently, and WOULD LIKE TO BE NOTIFIED BY TELEPHONE, please fill out the information slip. Return the slip to Lisa Rasmussen-Zanin, or Pat Gallo, or Sue VanBendegom, or place it in the offering plate by Monday, January 12, 2026.

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From the entire staff of St. Mary's
Lutheran Church—We want to
wish you all the very merriest of
Christmases! May God bless you
and the ones you love in the
new year!

- * Deb Black, Organ & Accompanist
- * Willy Mueller, PIANO
- * Pastor Jordan Miller-Stubbendick, LEAD PASTOR
- * Pastor Debbie Hartfield, ASSOCIATE PASTOR
- * Beth Kerscher, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
- * Art Kotenko, Sound & VIDEO TECHNICIAN
- * Susan Peet, BOOKKEEPER
- * Nurse Sue Q, Faith Community Nurse
- * Kendra Richter, Youth DIRECTOR
- * Joan Oehlberg, Coordinator of Children's Ministry
- * Dr. Richard Sjoerdsma, ADULT CHOIR DIRECTOR
- * Nathan Larsen, HANDBELL CHOIR DIRECTOR