

First Evangelical Lutheran Church of Redlands

Enewsletter

*The telephones at the church are not working properly.
We hope to have them working soon.*



Gods Work. Our Hands.

Sunday Worship - 9:00 AM

Lessons for the Epiphany of Our Lord

January 6, 2019

Isaiah 60:1-6, Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14, Ephesians 3:1-12, Matthew 2:1-12

Word



Epiphany means "manifestation." On this day we celebrate the revelation of Christ to the Gentiles - that is, to all nations. Some Christian traditions celebrate three great epiphanies on this day: the magi's adoration of the Christ child, Jesus' baptism in the Jordan River, and his first miracle, in which he changes water into wine. The word and sacraments are for us the great epiphany of God's grace and mercy. We go forth to witness to the light that shines brightly in our midst.

Life in Christ

The church does not have a mission, God's mission has a church.



The Day of Epiphany celebrates the arrival of the magi with gifts for the baby Jesus. This year it falls on a Sunday, January 6, so that calls for a party! Epiphany games and crafts and king cake for all ages! We need a few to make a hot dish and the rest please bring a salad and or your leftover Christmas goodies.



Sunday School for preschool through 6th grade takes place during worship. Kids leave the sanctuary after the Children's Sermon and return in time for communion. Thank you to our leaders for loving our youth.



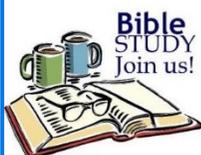
Confirmation for those in 6th grade and older resumes on Sunday, January 13, at 10:15 a.m. We'll meet for our regular class and check in with our mentors.



Adult Forum resumes on January 20 at 10:15 a.m. "With God's Help and Guidance: Living Our Baptisms" is our topic. What does it look like to live as a baptized child of God? A great refresher on the meaning of baptism and being a part of a church.



"Skeletons in the Closet" is our focus for Wednesday Night Bible Study and Holy Communion resuming January 30 from 6:30-7:45 p.m. Jesus also had a few questionable relatives in his family tree whose stories are a delight to hear. All are welcome!



Monday Morning Bible Study will start back up on January 14. We are looking at the Gospel texts for the upcoming Sunday. Old hands and newcomers to the Bible Study are welcome.



Senior Luther League is held on the first Monday of the month and starts next Monday, January 7, 11 a.m-2 p.m. Join us for a guest speaker, lunch, and games.



Game Night is Friday, January 11, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Fun and fellowship for all ages. Invite a friend. Look for the sign-up sheet on the rolling cart.

Thank You to those who helped with the Children's Christmas and the Christmas for the Homeless, both at Central City Lutheran Mission in San Bernardino. The faces of the kids as they received gifts and of the homeless men as they put on new warm clothes was thanks enough to those who donated time and goods.



Redlands Family Service donations for **January** are **canned vegetables**.

Offering Envelopes



The 2019 offering envelopes and flower chart are available in the narthex.

Book Club meets again on Friday, February 4. Our next selection is "Tattoos on the Heart: The Power of Boundless Compassion" by Father Gregory Boyle, founder of Homeboy Industries.

*If you would like to recycle your white poinsettia pot lids, please bring them to the church office.
Thank you!*

Flowers on Altar Openings

If you would like to honor someone's birthday, anniversary or special occasion or honor the memory of a loved one, there are plenty of openings on the 2019 flower chart that is now posted on the bulletin board in the narthex and out on the plaza during worship.

Please sign the flower chart on the date you want and be sure to put the reason for the flowers.

The cost is \$35 for a bouquet of altar flowers. If more than one person signs up for the same Sunday, one will be designated a pulpit bouquet at a cost of \$22. Hockridge Florist of Redlands is our florist. They will be you at the end of the month in which the flowers are ordered.

For more information, contact Mike Murphy at 909-862-2526.



Altar Flowers

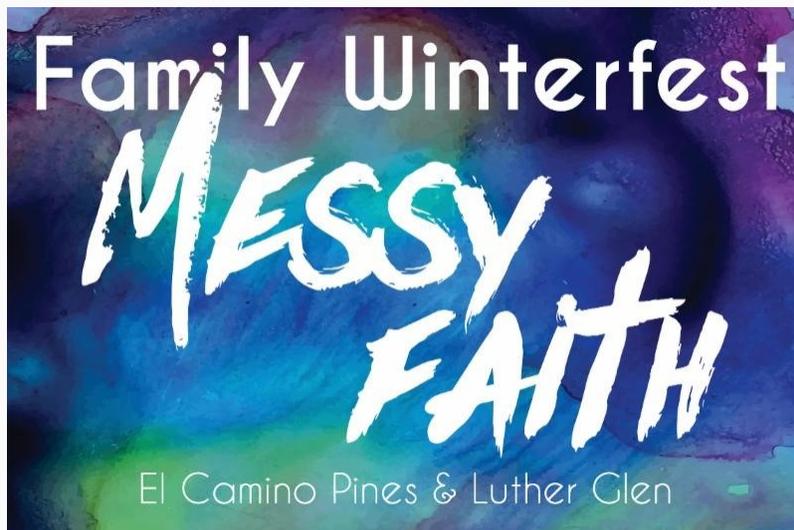
Upcoming Events

Mark your calendar



calendar

Friday 4	7-9:30 PM	SDA Vespers – Chapel
Saturday 5	9:00 AM 1:00 PM 6:00 PM	SDA – Sanctuary SDA – Parish Hall AA – Parish Hall
Sunday 6	9:00 AM 10:15 AM 12:00 noon 3:00 PM	Worship – Sanctuary Epiphany Party – Parish Hall ELCA Batak Church – Sanctuary/PH ELCA Batak Church – Parish Hall
Monday 7	11:00 AM 6:30 PM	Senior Luther League – Parish Hall Altar Guild, take tree down – Sanctuary
Wednesday 9	10:00 AM	Quilters – Fireside
Thursday 10	7:00 PM	Choir rehearsal - Sanctuary
Friday 11	5:30 pm 7-9:30 PM	Game Night – Parish Hall SDA Vespers – Chapel
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Sunday 13	9:00 AM 10:15 AM 12:00 noon 3:00 PM	Worship – Sanctuary Confirmation – Chapel ELCA Batak Church – Sanctuary/PH ELCA Batak Church – Parish Hall
Monday 14	11:00 AM	Bible Study – Conference Room
Tuesday 15	10:00 AM	Prayer Shawl – Fireside



Get away for the weekend with a family trip to El Camino Pines Family Winterfest or Luther Glen Family Winterfest!

Come with your whole family, or come alone and meet some new friends! Children will have their own activities led by the LRCC staff. Enjoy a weekend of family, fun and fellowship! Adults meet separately with a keynote speaker.

El Camino Pines Family Winterfest begins Saturday January 19, 2019 with registration at 2pm. The retreat ends on Monday, January 21, after worship and an early lunch.

Luther Glen Family Winterfest begins Friday February 8, 2019 with registration at 5:00pm. The retreat ends on Sunday, February 10, after worship and an early lunch.

Pricing information is listed below:

Adults (12 and up): \$105.00

Youth (4 -11): \$95.00

Children under 3: Free

Family Max: \$350.00

A non-refundable deposit of \$75 per family is due at the time of registration. The balance is due two weeks prior to the retreat date. Registration as a group: If you are attending with your church group please have the leader register all attendees

We are hoping to see you all at camp for another great Family Winterfest.

[Register your family today!](#)



January 1 Janet Stanfield
January 2 Claire Hester
January 6 Andom Ephraim
January 6 Susan Wade
January 9 Meron Andom
January 12 Saba Tesefaselase
January 14 Linda Reinhard

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James & Janet Fink Jr.
January 19
67 years
Ray & Susan Wade
January 27
52 years

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