



St. James Lutheran Church

Reflecting the Light of Christ in Crystal

Gospel "E"

Weekly Email Newsletter

November 26, 2014

Pastoral Devotion

Driving to work this morning, the day before Thanksgiving, a morning blanketed with heavy snow, a gray sky above and a gray, slushy freeway below, I loathed this too-early onset of winter and the countless ways in which it is disrupting the best-laid plans of family Thanksgiving celebrations. My thoughts were of foreboding, darker than the blackest Friday. Then I turned into the Minnesota Public Radio classical music station. The contrast between the powerful, evocative classical music by Sibelius and this winter morning reminded me of the coming Advent season of waiting for our lovely redeemer God to overwhelm this broken world and make all creation whole and right. To bring justice for all people, for those whose sons lie dead in the streets of Ferguson, Missouri and Fallujah, Iraq. In Jerusalem, Israel and Gaza, Palestine. To bring reconciliation and restored relationships in Crystal, and Butterfield; Green Valley and Robinsdale. Come, Lord Jesus, come.

Pastor Randy

St. James Seeks Nursery Attendant

St James is seeking a nursery attendant to create a clean, safe, and nurturing environment for young children two hours a week on Sunday mornings (8:45-11 a.m.). We are looking for someone with proven childcare experience, first aid/CPR training and able to pass a background check. This person will be expected to model kindness, compassion, and concern to families and all they encounter.

The pay for this position is dependant on experience, beginning at \$10.00 per hour. To indicate your interest in this position, please submit your qualifications and 2-3 references to romsdahl@stjamesincrystal.org.

Advent Decorating This Saturday

Volunteers are needed to help put up Advent decorations in the worship center on Sat., Nov. 29 at 9:00 a.m. It's lots of fun and many hands make light work!

Women's Christmas Brunch

Mary Circle is hosting their annual Women's Christmas Brunch, *A Nordic Noel*, on Sat., Dec. 6 at 10:00 a.m.

Tickets are now available for \$8 on Sunday mornings, or from the church office.

There will be wonderful entertainment and delicious food. Invite your friends, family and neighbors for this fun event!

Mark your Calendar

12-6 *Women's Christmas Brunch*

12-14 *Christmas Caroling & Potluck, 11:00 a.m.*

12-21 *Christmas Program, 9:00 a.m.*

Thanksgiving Eve Worship

Thanksgiving Eve worship will be a joint Bonfire Ministry event at First Lutheran Church TONIGHT at 7:00 p.m. A pie social will be held following worship.

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