



The monthly Newsletter of:

January 2026

Agnus Dei Lutheran Church

Gather in Grace

Grow in Faith

Go in Service



Evangelical Lutheran
Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

The congregation of Agnus Dei Lutheran Church celebrates the amazing diversity of God's beloved children. We welcome all, regardless of age, ethnicity, abilities, faith background, race, family configuration, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression. We enthusiastically invite you into this worshiping congregation as we strive to share God's inclusive love with everyone in our community and in our world.



Dear friends in Christ,

As the calendar turns and a new year stretches out before us, many of us feel a familiar mixture of hope and hesitation. A fresh start can be energizing, but it can also feel heavy, as if we are expected to become brand-new people overnight. Scripture offers us a gentler, more grace-filled vision of beginnings.

In the Bible, God is constantly doing something new, but rarely from scratch. God works with what already exists: imperfect people, unfinished stories, weary hearts. The new year does not erase the past; instead, it invites transformation within it. As the prophet Isaiah proclaims, "See, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?" (Isaiah 43:19). God's new thing often emerges quietly, patiently, and in community.

In the life of the church, a new year is not about self-improvement or spiritual resolutions we must keep at all costs. It is about renewal rooted in grace. We begin again not because we failed last year, but because God's mercy is new every morning. Each Sunday, each prayer, each act of care becomes a small but holy restart.

This season invites us to ask different questions than the world often poses. Instead of "How can I do more?" we might ask, "Where is God already at work?" Instead of "How can I fix myself?" we might ask, "How is God calling me to trust more deeply?" Instead of "What should I leave behind?" we might ask, "What love is God growing in me now?"

As a congregation, we step into this year together—carrying our joys and our griefs, our questions and our hopes. May we be open to God's renewing work among us. May we notice the quiet beginnings. And may we remember that every fresh start is grounded not in our effort, but in God's steadfast love that never runs out.

Grace and peace as we begin again.

Pastor JT



Pastor JT Burk



Please let Pastor JT know if you are in need of pastoral care. If you would like to be contacted, please call the church office at 253-851-6222 or Pastor JT at 701-969-0809 or email jt@agnusdeilutheran.org

Congregation Meeting January 18

Please plan to attend the congregation meeting on Sunday, January 18 directly after worship. We will hear the financial report from our treasurer and the audit report. Voting members will be asked to approve the budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, approve members of the Nominating Committee and approve the amendments to the Model Constitution approved by the 2025 Churchwide Assembly.

President's Message

Gary Gemar

I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another. John 13: 34-35



Gary Gemar
Council President

As we begin a new year, I can't help but reflect back on last year and how difficult it was to be an immigrant, poor, brown or black, LGBTQIA +, homeless, living in a war zone, living in the unknown and in fear, or just trying to live a normal life making a difference in the world serving our families and others. Unfortunately, in our current environment, I suspect we are going to see much of the same in 2026. Continue to show your love for each other, our neighbors in our community, and the world as God loves us. We need to continue to be a shining light of hope to everyone we serve.

Our first congregation meeting of the year will be on January 18. The agenda will include a report on how we are doing financially for fiscal year 2025-26, voting on a budget for fiscal year 2026–27, hearing a report from the Audit Committee, electing a Nominating Committee, and approving amendments to the model Congregation Constitution that were approved by the Churchwide Assembly last summer. The amendments to the constitution will be sent to you electronically. The majority of the amendments are on sections that are **required provisions** and must be adopted. They are indicated by an [*] by the section numbers. There are a few sections that are **recommended provisions** (not marked by an [*] that we also need to approve.) Please review these amendments before the meeting so we don't need to go through each one individually.

We need to elect a Nominating Committee during the meeting. The committee consists of six (6) members and are not eligible for consecutive re-election. If possible, two members are outgoing council members. Four (4) more congregation voting members will need to be recruited. If you are interested in serving on this committee or have any questions on the duties of the committee, please contact me or any council member before January 14th.

Highlights from the November and December Council Meetings:

- ◇ Heard a report from Little Lambs on concerns that toys outside and inside the church are getting damaged and their request to provide secure storage. This request was referred to the Property Committee. Little Lambs board approved a 4% increase in tuition for all age groups. Year-to-date at the end of November they have a net income of \$4,578.20.
- ◇ Accepted reports from the Council Committee Liaisons and acted as necessary on requests.
- ◇ Reviewed the ADLC financials for February–November for the fiscal year. Unrestricted offerings continue to track lower than what was budgeted. Another \$20,000 was moved from the Operating Reserve Fund to cover the shortfall in giving to cover expenses. *Please review the complete financial report on page 3 and review the comments from the Treasurer.*
- ◇ Heard a report from the Faith Land Discernment Cohort members who concluded their initial meetings in November. No decisions were made for ADLC. The members will continue to meet in 2026.
- ◇ A motion was approved to accept the recommendation from the Endowment Committee to withdraw \$500 in 2025 and another \$500 in 2026 from the Endowment account to donate to the Reconciling in Christ organization.

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- ◇ Heard an update from the Green Team on how the composting trial is going in December. The council will receive the final results of the trial for the January council meeting to decide if getting a composting bin is warranted.
- ◇ Finalized the procedure for managing unknown vehicles in the church parking lot.
- ◇ Approved a motion to insert 10% in the recommended provision 10.2 in the constitution on the proportion of voting members that are needed to call a special congregation meeting. This percentage will need to be approved by the congregation in the January 18, 2026, congregation meeting.

Happy New Year!!

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

AGNUS DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH					
FEBRUARY-NOVEMBER 2025 FINANCIAL REPORT					
	FEB-NOV Actual	FEB-NOV Budgeted	% of FEB- NOV Budget	Endowment Fund	
				ADLC Endowment Fund	90,673
OPERATING INCOME:					
Unrestricted Offerings	350,207	389,994	90%		
Community Donations	1,798	1,479	122%		
Designated Funds	200				
Miscellaneous Income	14,971	4,950	302%		
TOTAL INCOME	367,176	396,423	93%		
OPERATING EXPENSES:					
Administrative Expenses	120,639	126,303	96%		
Ministry of Education	2,136	3,401	63%		
Ministry of Mission	23,294	25,333	92%		
Ministry of Programs	6,751	7,903	85%		
Miscellaneous Expenses	250				
Staff and Services	298,227	313,501	95%		
TOTAL EXPENSES	451,297	476,441	95%		
NET OPERATING INCOME	-84,121	-80,018	105%		
	NOVEMBER Actual	NOVEMBER Budgeted	% of NOVEMBER Budget	WHERE ADLC STANDS FINANCIALLY AS OF 11/30/2025	
				By the end of November we had spent \$84,121 more than our income and had used up a significant portion of our operating reserve to meet our budget. Our operating reserve is the lowest it has been in several years which will greatly impact our budget for next year. Our ability to create a budget that meets our needs for next year will rely on what happens with our giving in December and January. (This is being written in the middle of December so we do not know the final numbers for December or what will happen in January.)	
OPERATING INCOME & EXPENSES:					
Unrestricted Offerings	32,300	34,725	93%		
Total Income	32,949	35,245	93%		
Total Expenses	44,192	47,857	92%		
NET OPERATING INCOME	-\$11,242	-\$12,612			
Giving to Others 2025-2026					
Associated Ministries	2,000		So far this year, individuals from Agnus Dei have given \$18,249 to organizations that help those in need both here and around the world. In November alone, members of our congregation gave \$1,709 FISH to help people in our community and another \$1,874 to ELCA World Hunger to help those around the world.		
FISH	3,163				
ELCA World Hunger & Disaster Relief	5,469				
Food Backpacks 4 Kids	2,081				
Key Peninsula Foodbank	950				
Monthly Outreach*	4,586				
Total Giving to Others from Individuals	18,249				
ELCA Mission Support (Budgeted)	21,018				
Total Giving to Others from ADLC	39,267				

Treasurer, Mike Snowden



Grief Thoughts for January

Debbie Waite

Wisdom from Anne Lamott

"Although there is suffering, there is also new life. We learn to dance again, with limps, after our hearts break their legs. That is why people with big hearts show up with almost unfathomable caring and life force – volunteering to clean up beaches after an oil spill or make casseroles for neighbors when they are mourning the loss of a loved one. Stitch by stitch we patch things together.

"I remind them of something my buddy Ram Das once said, that we are all just walking each other home. We look to see who around us most needs help. Often, all we can do is not turn away, and that is so brave and inspiring." *(excerpt from post on FB December 16th)*

I think of all the people at Agnus Dei who look around, see a need, and do the one next thing. So many quiet acts of kindness happening every day. Yes, the days are slowly getting longer, but there is still more winter to get through. January is the beginning of a new year. I trust our community to look forward and do the small things that can mean so much.

We remember in prayer:

For comfort and healing:

- * Barbara Ausich
- * Paul Borg
- * Marlene Bridgforth
- * Robert Bridgforth
- * Beverly Buster
- * Beverly Buster Jr
- * Chiarra Buster

- * Audrey Clinton
- * Margaret Duncan
- * Charlene Franz
- * Connie Hummel
- * George Mitchell
- * Jack Oakes
- * Michi Ouchi
- * Joannah Powers
- * Ellis Rousseau

- * Johnny Tierny
- * Neal Van Der Voorn
- * Trudy Wagner
- * Eunice Werner
- * Gloria Witt



In service to our country:

- * CAPT. Jenny Nussbaum, US Public Health Service

Properties Team Invitation:

Our Properties Team is now meeting in person and would love to welcome new volunteers to help care for our church building and grounds. As the saying goes, "Many hands make light work!"



The team meets on the first Friday of each month at 10:00 AM in the Front Room. Gathering in person allows time for fellowship, the opportunity to complete tasks together, and a better understanding of future needs. The next meeting will be held on January 2 at 10:00 AM in the Front Room.

You do not need to attend every meeting to be involved, and there are tasks available for a variety of abilities. To learn more, please contact the church office or speak with Bob Beals or Bob Nussbaum.

ADLC Care Team

These services are offered by our care team volunteers. If you or another need assistance, please contact the group coordinator, whose phone numbers and e-mail addresses are in the church directory. Please also check out the Care Team Bulletin Board across from the Parish Hall for further information. Any questions, or to sign up to help, please contact us.

*Gwen Daugs and Marlene Bridgforth,
Care Team Co-chairs*

ADLC CARE TEAM SERVICES AND COORDINATORS:

- ♥ TRANSPORTATION: GWEN DAUGS
- ♥ HOME VISITS: GHITA LORENZ AND CHARLENE FRANZ
- ♥ CARDS/TELEPHONE CALLS: MARY MARQUARDT
- ♥ GRIEF SUPPORT: DEBBIE WAITE
- ♥ BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS: DAVID SALGE
- ♥ HOME COMMUNION: MARLENE BRIDGFORTH
- ♥ HOSPITALITY: DEBBIE SNOWDEN
- ♥ MEALS: ANN ROUSSEAU
- ♥ MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES: ANN ROUSSEAU
- ♥ PRAYER CHAIN: CINDY BEALS

We Celebrate January Birthdays and Anniversaries!



January Birthdays

- 3 Terri Schinkel, Maria Beaudette
- 4 Denny Sapp, Katie Dobszinski
- 6 Ronnie Kulman
- 7 Linda Olson, Peter Liljengren, Gene Kuest
- 10 Sue Horton, Shinho Park
- 12 Robert Beals

- 20 Robert Bridgforth
- 26 Barbara Deák, Jim Ribary, Heinz Malon
- 27 Paula Davis
- 29 Inessa and Bryna Hay Wiren

January Anniversaries

- 29 John and Sherry Stava
- 31 Daryl and Gwen Daugs

SUNDAY MORNING FAITH FORMATION

Forum

January 4, 2026: Have a Happy HOPEFUL New Year

Please join us as **Carol Dana** leads us in a talking circle that considers the value of seeking a **Hopeful** New Year instead of the longstanding cultural emphasis on making resolutions that are frequently abandoned by the end of January. There is something profoundly hopeful about the calendar flip to a new year with its fresh blank slate. Join the discussion as we ask ourselves, "How do we step into the new year with hope?"

January 11, 2026: Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery

Please join us as **Sarah Augustine** presents her work advocating for change for Indigenous peoples. Augustine, who is a Pueblo (Tewa) descendant, is co-founder and Executive Director of the Coalition to Dismantle the Doctrine of Discovery. She is also the co-founder of Suriname Indigenous Health Fund (SIHF), where she has worked in relationship with vulnerable Indigenous Peoples since 2005. She has represented the interests of Indigenous community partners to their own governments, the Inter-American development bank, the United Nations, the Organization of American States Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, the World Health Organization, and a host of other international actors including corporate interests. She is a columnist for Anabaptist World and co-hosts the Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery podcast with Sheri Hostetler. She has taught at Heritage University, Central Washington University, and Goshen College. In Washington State, where she lives, she serves in a leadership role on multiple boards and commissions to enable vulnerable



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peoples to speak for themselves in advocating for structural change. She is author of the book *The Land Is Not Empty: Following Jesus in Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery* (Herald Press 2021), and co-author, with Sheri Hostetler, of *So We and Our Children May Live: Following Jesus in Confronting the Climate Crisis* (Herald Press 2023). For those who wish, these books will

be available for purchase for \$20 each.

January 18, 2026: Congregational Meeting. No Forum

January 25, 2026: Bridging Divides Between Us

Our country is as divided as it has ever been. There are splits and fractures economically, socially, culturally, politically, and religiously. In today's Forum **Heidi Giles and Phil Waite** will look specifically at the divides between the religious right and the religious left. Phil will address the characteristics of the religious right, what they believe and why, and what it means for someone to leave the right. Heidi Giles will conclude the session by sharing resources (books, magazines, online content) that provide helpful information about how Americans arrived at this painful divide **and** how we might engage in productive and meaningful dialogue to achieve greater unity. Phil and Heidi will discuss these and other questions about the religious divide in America.

FRONT ROOM KIDS—Sundays During Worship Resumes January 11

Children ages three through ten are invited to the Front Room after Storytime to enjoy a Bible story and related activities. They will return to the sanctuary around the time of the Offering to be present for Communion and the remainder of the service. Our little ones love this time together learning from members of our faith community.

Front Room Kids Little Free Pantry Collection

The Front Room Kids thank everyone for the donations for the food pantry in our parking lot; please keep the donations coming. This pantry is available to anyone in need as well as open to anyone who would like to contribute. If you can help stock the pantry with non-perishable food and personal care items, you may place them directly in the pantry or you may place your contributions in the box next to the donation station.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation classes for middle school students are with Pastor JT on the third Sundays at 10:45am in the Front Room. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor JT.



LITTLE LAMBS PRESCHOOL

Our Little Lambs wrapped up December with their Christmas Program. They sang, danced, and rang their bells with gusto! Thank you to all of you that attended. We are looking forward to coming back in January, healthy and ready to

learn. Our January topics are hibernation, polar animals, and space. January should be a very fun month!

If you would like to help support LL and you shop at Fred Meyer, you can link your Rewards Card to Little Lambs, and Fred Meyer will donate once a quarter to us. It doesn't affect your reward and gives us a percentage of what you spend.

Visit [https:// www.fredmeyer.com/topic/community-rewards-4](https://www.fredmeyer.com/topic/community-rewards-4) and enter our **code QD154**.

Shannon Moore, Preschool Director



Christmas Program, Dec 17, 2025



NEWS FROM OUR SERVICE COMMITTEE: GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS

January Outreach Project: Toilet Paper Drive for the FISH Foodbank

It is a time-honored tradition for Agnus Dei to collect packages of toilet paper for our local foodbank in January. The folks at FISH have come to rely on Agnus Dei to stock their shelves of this very necessary but often overlooked donation item. To monitor our collection's progress we build an ever-growing "Mighty Fortress" of TP in our narthex. Help us continue our reputation of being the "Toilet Paper Church"! bring any sized packages of TP to the narthex and we will build the "Mighty Fortress" once again. Can we top the 2025 all-time-record of 2,426 rolls? We can DOO it!



December project update: ELCA Good Gifts

Every year in December, we encourage gifts to the ELCA Good Gifts Program. Giving a gift in someone's name is a wonderful way to honor your loved ones, and we will print their names in our Christmas Eve bulletin. There is a display in the narthex with catalogs, ornaments, and cards. ELCA Good Gifts make a monumental impact in the lives those in need worldwide.

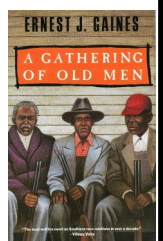
Lutheran World Relief Quilts and Kits, Do you have sheets to donate?

We made more than 200 quilts in 2025 and now are running out of sheets for quilt backs. If you have spare used sheets of any size, please consider donating to the cause. We can use cotton sheets for the quilt backs but if you have spare flannel sheets we will take them too. Our team cuts up the flannel and sews diapers for the baby kits. Many thanks!

Thanks from Ann, Jerry, Phyllis, Charlene, Linda R, Linda Z, and Ronnie

ADLC Book Group

Book group will be meeting in the front room on Sunday, January 18th following the forum to discuss: *A Gathering of Old Men* by Ernest J. Gaines. This book is a powerful depiction of racial tensions arising over the death of a Cajun farmer at the hands of a black man—set on a Louisiana sugarcane plantation in the 1970s. All are welcome to join us, whether or not you've read the book!



Hospitality: Sunday Morning Coffee Hosts Needed

Please consider joining with others to provide light treats and make coffee for our Sunday fellowship after worship. Have fun and team up with a friend.

*If you have any questions call Debbie Snowden or Linda Ribary.

Providing Hospitality on Sunday Mornings is Easy to Do!

- Simple treats are all you need to provide. They can be homemade or purchased.
- Hesitant about making coffee? Someone will help you and our coffee machine is EASY!
- Fearful of running the dishwasher? Someone comes on Monday to run the dishwasher. Just do a little clean-up in the kitchen.



Green Team News

Food Waste Pilot Program

Thank you to all for participating in the proper food waste disposal pilot. We hope you have learned the reasons for this policy in Pierce County. End of the month data on volume of food waste collected will be shared with council, and we are hoping council will approve a solution for our congregation to continue to care for creation with generating beneficial soil instead of generating methane in the landfill in Graham.

You may recall that in the last newsletter we mentioned that there is a new state law called the Recycling Reform Act, passed in 2025, that will unify recycling practices statewide by 2030. This law requires producers of products to join and fund a nonprofit Producer Responsibility Organization (PRO) that will work with local governments and solid waste service providers to harmonize lists of recyclable materials to be accepted in programs throughout the state. The PRO will invest in recycling system improvements including expanded access for curbside recycling and more convenient drop off locations. According to Kari Ann Elling, Pierce County Recycling Analyst, this will not apply to food waste/yard waste but will apply to recyclables that we now put in the big blue recycling carts. You can sign up for email updates about the Recycling Reform Act at their website:

<https://ecology.wa.gov/waste-toxics/reducing-recycling-waste/our-recycling-programs/recycling-reform-act>

Hard-to-Recycle Event

On January 18th the Green Team is sponsoring another “hard-to-recycle item drop-off day.” On that day you can drop off any items listed below (sorted by the categories listed) to the church. Green Team members will then transport those items to the appropriate Recycling Center. We will have containers to drop the respective items into. Sorting them in your own bags, cardboard boxes, etc. will help your and the Green Team’s separation process. This is one way we can reduce the load on our landfills and get items back into the useful cycle of our lives. One of the three R’s (Reduce, Reuse and Recycle). Mother Earth, God’s creation, deserves that sort of care. Join us to make this happen.



Plastics labeled 1 through 7 (look for the triangle symbol with the number in it). Separate by number (but keep clamshells separate from other #1 items)

Fluorescent lightbulbs

Batteries (separate by alkaline, Ni-Cad, Lithium; further separate corroded batteries in baggies)

Plastic lids

Styrofoam blocks and foam blocks

Loose metal - e.g. screws, nails, lids, etc. – can include small metal tools and scraps

Printer and toner cartridges

Cell phones and chargers

Electronic cords, Holiday lights

Glass bottles of any color – separate by color

Shredded paper (in a paper bag)

Plastic bags, bubble wrap

Cardboard

FDS and LDPE foam blocks

Also: Undamaged...

Televisions

Computers

Laptops

Monitors

Tablets

E-readers

Portable DVD players

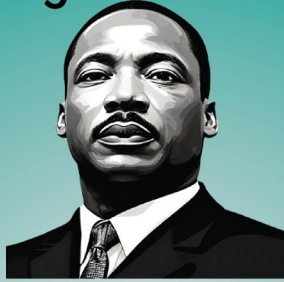
Keyboards

Printers

Small metal appliances

Home phones

Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Gathering



Sponsored By:

Sunday, January 18th

3:30 - 5:00pm

Hosted at:

Gig Harbor United Methodist Church
7400 Pioneer Way Gig Harbor, 98335

Registration Required



Experience uplifting music & spoken word.
Hear Bishop Cedrick D. Bridgeforth share a
powerful message centered on our theme,
This Moment.

Please bring non-perishable food items to donate to local food
banks in honor of Dr. King's birthday.



Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth

DR. MLK, Jr. EVENT ON JANUARY 18, 2026 SPONSORED BY GIG HARBOR 4 RACIAL JUSTICE

Spoken words by local high school students, music, and a message from Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth will highlight the annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. event in Gig Harbor. Bishop Bridgeforth is the first openly gay Black man elected as a bishop in the United Methodist Church. His area is the Greater Northwest, covering WA, OR, ID, and AK. He wrote his story in the book, *Grandson of Alabama*.

The afternoon of January 18, 2026 from 3:30-5:00 is the time for the event held at the Gig Harbor United Methodist Church, located at 7400 Pioneer Way. Here is the link for registration:

<https://bit.ly/11826eventGH>

Donations of food for the Key Peninsula area food banks will be accepted to honor Dr. King's memory.

A JOYOUS AND HEARTFELT THANK YOU!

To You!

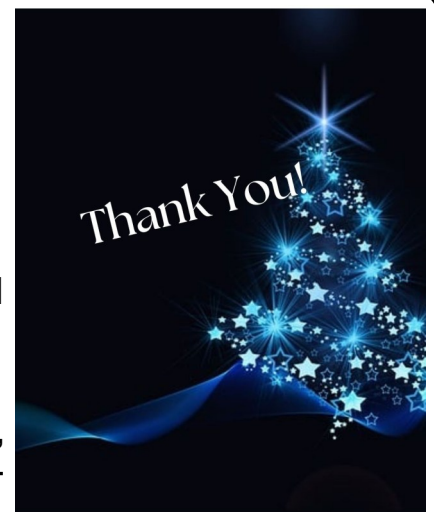
Each and every one of you helped to make our Advent and Christmas activities so special this year! From the delicious soup suppers, the Advent missals, the families participating in the Advent wreath lighting, the eclectic but wonderful Children's Nativity, the Front Room Kids program...we could go on and on!

Oh wait, we will!

.....the beautiful music and musicians, the donations of food, clothing, the good gifts, cookies, the decorations, the Christmas tree, the memorable Christmas brunch, and the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services!

What a wonderful way to experience the love of Christ in our community!

Your worship team.



Serving in Worship January 2026

JANUARY		Altar Guild	As-sisting Minister	Lector	Stream Team/ Sound	Ushers	Greeters	Security	Prayer Writer	Front Room Kids
4	9:30 AM	S Lubash N Johnson	D Salge	L Zematis	B Nussbaum	L & M Colyar	K Gemar	P Waite	P Waite	NO FRK
11	9:30 AM	E Nesbitt M Bridgforth	K Gemar	D Snowden	M Snowden	R & M Ohme	S Whitney	T Clark	D Waite	L: M Rodgers H: S Whitney
18	9:30 AM	K Morgan A Conley	G Eilers	L Zehnder	B Beals	P & D Waite	R Crow	G Gemar	M Colyar	L: M Bridgforth H: Kathy G
25	9:30 AM	L Brentin R Crow	P Waite	P Borg	P Kusche	T Clark	L & D Brentin	L Colyar	K Gemar	L: L Baxter H: A Ortenzo

Serve in Worship:

Thank you to the volunteers who serve in worship.

More volunteers are needed in all areas and training is readily available. We currently have need of a couple more people who are willing to help with the livestream. Our system has become less complicated and more reliable, making it much easier to learn. Please consider helping provide worship accessible to those outside the building!

The following are the folks who are currently scheduling:

Council—Security

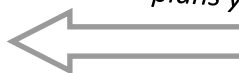
Debbie Snowden—Stream Team and Sound System

Marilyn Colyar—Assisting Ministers

Paula Davis—Lectors, Greeters, and Ushers

Kimberly Morgan—Altar Guild

Please contact the office or call these folks directly if you are willing to serve. The schedulers are more than happy to schedule around any travel plans you may have.



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Let's Wear Our Nametags

As a sign of hospitality to all visitors, newcomers, and just the plain forgetful, please remember to wear your nametag! If you are in need of a new nametag, leave a note on Cindy's desk.



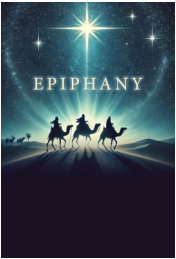
We Share the Air – Please Keep It Fragrance-Free and Healthy for All

We ask our entire community to be mindful of folks with scent sensitivities and refrain from using perfume/cologne and other scented products when coming to Agnus Dei.

Phishing Scams Continue! BEWARE OF FRAUD

The scams will continue so we will continue to remind you... Once again, phony emails posing as our pastor are arriving in inboxes. Please remember: **ADLC staff will never contact you for money, gift cards or financial information of any kind.**

JANUARY 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 Lessons and Carols Service 9:30am Worship with Holy Communion (Hybrid)	29 Office Closed 6:00pm Nar-Anon Family Groups in Community Room	30 Office Closed	31 Office Closed	1 Office Closed 6:00pm AA Group in Community Room	2 Office Closed	3 8:30am Men's Square Bible Study 8:30am Women's Circle Bible Study
4 9:30am Worship with Holy Communion (Hybrid) 11:00am Forum	5 Church office reopens Little Lambs Return 12:30pm Church Staff Meeting 1:00pm LWR Quilters 6:00pm Nar-Anon Family Groups in Community Room	6 	7 10:00am Text Study 1:30pm Prayer Shawl Ministry 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal	8 10:00am Finance Committee 1:00pm Council Executive Committee 4:00pm Forum Committee in Front Room 6:00pm AA Group in Community Room	9	10
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