

Dwight - Mooreton Lutheran Parish

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And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear. And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." Luke 2:9-12

Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship

Tuesday, December 24

4:00 p.m. Mooreton Lutheran Church - Mooreton, ND

5:00 p.m. Faith Lutheran Church - Dwight, ND



Faith Sunday School Christmas Program

"I Love to Tell the Story"

Sunday, December 15 at 10:30 a.m.



All are invited to attend, including family and friends of our Sunday School students.

Mooreton Sunday School

Christmas Program

December 24 ~ 4:00 p.m.

during the Christmas Eve Worship service



All are invited to attend!
If you have any questions
please contact Aimee Skovholt.

CHURCH COUNCIL



The Faith/Mooreton joint council meeting will be held December 18, 7:00 p.m. at Faith.

With the winter season upon us please check the Parish website, Parish Facebook page or Valley News for information about weather related cancellations.



***Information for the weekly bulletins is due to Tertia by **Wednesday's at noon.**

***Information for the January newsletter **must** be in to Tertia by **December 15.**



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Have you considered switching to receiving this newsletter via e-mail? The newsletter is typically emailed out as soon as it is completed. This means most months you will receive it early! Also, no more worrying about what you did with your copy, simply check your inbox. If you would like to make the switch please contact Tertia.

640-4856 or tertiakyle@yahoo.com



WHAT DO WE REMEMBER EACH WEEK OF ADVENT?

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT:
HOPE



It is sometimes called the "Prophecy Candle" in remembrance of the prophets, especially Isaiah, who foretold the birth of Christ.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT:
PEACE



The second candle, also purple, represents Peace. It is called the "Bethlehem Candle" as a reminder of Mary and Joseph's Journey to Bethlehem.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT:
JOY



It is called the "Shepherd's Candle," and is pink because rose is a liturgical color for Joy. The third Sunday of Advent is Gaudete Sunday and is meant to remind us of the joy that the world experienced at the birth of Jesus.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT:
LOVE



On the fourth week of Advent, we light the final purple candle to mark the final week of prayer and penance as we wait for the birth of our Savior. This final candle, the "Angel's Candle," symbolizes Love. It reminds us that God is love.

December Ushers

Mooreton:

December 1	Lyle & Karlene Ellingson
December 8	Ruth & Kenneth Johnson
December 15	Jamie & Karen Helgeson
December 22	Brad & Joey Glarum
December 24	Ruth & Kenneth Johnson
December 29	No Worship

Faith:

Vaughan Griffin



Faith Altar Guild

December	Terry & Colleen
January	Vaughan & Wendy
February	Toviao & Linda
March	Valerie



YOUR YEAR-END

GIVING

MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Faith Members:

Thank you so much to everyone who has supported the church throughout 2024.

Any financial donations must be in to Tertia by December 28 in order to be credited to your 2024 Financial Giving Statement. This includes: general offerings, God's Acre, memorials, birthday offerings, etc. Thank you. If you would like to send a donation please mail it to:

Tertia Christensen
17177 74th Street SE
Wahpeton, ND 58075

Mooreton Lutheran Fellowship Servers

Please switch with someone if you cannot make it. If you drop it off at the church, please make sure you have someone to serve it and clean up.

December 1	Kristi Ford
December 8	Ruth Johnson
December 15	Emily Woltjer
December 22	Joey Glarum
December 29	No Worship



Church Women

Mooreton:

Church Cleaning - Karen Helgeson



Faith:

Faith Church Women will meet December 5 at 6:00 p.m. for a Christmas Supper at Prante's. Please invite your significant other!

If you have never joined us before, now is a great time. We would love to see you! Please RSVP to Wendy Griffin 701- 899-4401



December 3	Stephenie Steger
December 4	John Thomas Retzer
December 5	Aaron Mennis
December 5	Brynlie Hegseth
December 6	Dalton Praska
December 7	Linda Hopkins
December 8	Chris Meyer
December 9	Alec Helgeson
December 10	Brennan Skovholt
December 10	Jackson Rowland
December 13	Caiden Anderson
December 18	Josh Griffin
December 18	Brandon Ward
December 18	Kaylee Bakken
December 19	Elizabeth Fischer
December 23	Randy Ford
December 27	Pastor Gordon Lee
December 29	Jennifer Siemieniewski
December 30	Perry Score
December 31	Wallyn Lee

If we missed your birthday, please let us know. We may not have your birthday on file. Thanks!

2024 COMMUNITY CHOIR & ORCHESTRA
CHRISTMAS CANTATA

Saturday DECEMBER 14 | 7pm

Sunday DECEMBER 15 | 2pm

NDSOS CULTURAL CENTER

free admission

the
Everlasting
Light



Faith Sunday School

Dear Parents and Students,

We are continuing to enjoy learning together about our Savior! Our lessons will be shorter these next couple of weeks as we begin to use more of our Sunday School time to prepare for our Christmas Program - we really hope to see EVERYONE at Sunday School!!

This year we will be doing the program "I Love to Tell the Story." I will re send the speaking parts and copies of the kids songs and ask that you read through them at home a few times to make sure they know the words. No parts need to be memorized!

A few dates coming up to take note of:

- December 1 – No Sunday School
- December 14 – Christmas Program Practice 9-10:30
- December 15 – Christmas Program during our 10:30 service. We will do a final practice/run through during Sunday School starting at 9:20 a.m

Thank you to everyone for your continued prayers and support of our Sunday School! We look forward to seeing your children each week and studying together God's Word. If you have any questions, comments or would like to volunteer to help in any way, please let me know.

Just a note – we do collect an offering each week during Sunday School, this is not a requirement!! The money goes into our Sunday School Fund to help pay for curriculum and supplies.

God's Blessings to each of you!

Heather Retzer

Sunday School Superintendent

701-640-5925



Christmas ADVENT COUNTDOWN

1  Luke 1:26	2  Luke 1:30	3  Luke 1:31	4  Luke 1:32	5  Luke 1:38
6  Luke 2:1	7  Luke 2:3	8  Luke 2:4-5	9  Luke 2:6	10  Luke 2:7
11  Luke 2:8	12  Luke 2:9	13  Luke 2:10	14  Luke 2:11	15  Luke 2:12
16  Luke 2:13-14	17  Luke 2:16	18  Luke 2:17	19  Luke 2:20	20  Matthew 2:1
21  Matthew 2:10	22  Matthew 2:11	23  Isaiah 9:6	24  John 3:16	25 MERRY CHRISTMAS 

Jesus is the reason for the season.

The Nativity Crossword

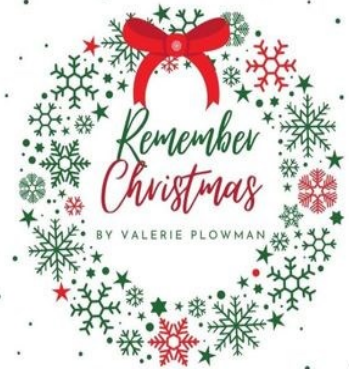


ACROSS

2. The Wise Men followed this
4. Precious metal given to the baby Jesus as a gift
5. Mother of Jesus
6. The town that Jesus was born in
8. Mary was visited by one to tell her she would have a baby
10. There was no room here for Mary and Joseph
11. Baby Jesus was born in this building
12. An angel visited them to tell them about the birth as they watched their sheep

DOWN

1. Mary rode on one
3. The number of kings or wise men who visited Jesus
7. Jesus was laid in here as a crib
9. Mary's Husband



Red reminds of the blood He spilt to wash away and cleanse all of our guilt

White is for His actions, most pure. Through sinless perfection, He did endure.

Green is for the life eternal we can obtain through our Lord supernal.

The **star** shines like the one so bright that twinkled above that first Christmas night.

The **fir tree** is for many things: the tree of Jesse--the father of kings, and for the needles pointing to the Lord--that little babe we all adored.

The **wreath** shows one eternal round; the begin' of the Lord cannot be found.

The **lights** remind us that this babe is the light of the world, and born to save.

The **candy cane** is for the crook; not one sheep or lamb the shepherd forsook.

The **Christmas bells** we love to ring proclaim joy! The birth of a newborn king.

These symbols remind us that we, more like the three wise men all now should be. Earnestly seeking to find the new babe who humbly in a manger laid.

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