



Advent Lutheran Church

Weekly News

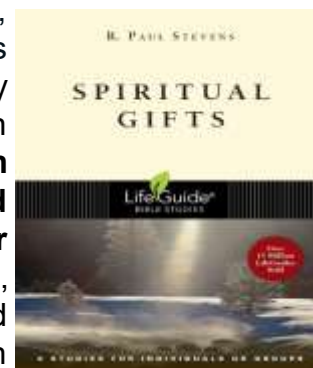
Week of December 13-19



- **January Worship Assistants:** we need your help!!
lecter, communion assistant, usher. See the sign up board in the Narthex.
- **Food Pantry (with St. Andrew):** needs for December - **shampoo & toilet paper**
Collection shopping carts in front/back door entryways
- **"Little Free Pantry"** current needs for this week are: **anything you would like to donate**
- **Holiday Outreach Project:** Once again this year we are asking for donations to the Advent/St. Andrews Food Pantry. We are planning to provide a Christmas bag in December filled with either a ham or turkey, all the sides and a dessert to go with it. During the holidays we usually serve over 60 families. In order to make all of the bags alike and to be able to buy in bulk, we are asking for financial help. Our neighbors that shop at our food pantry really depend on us to make their holiday meal special. If you would like to contribute, please write a check with "holiday food pantry" written in the memo section of your check. Thank you for your generosity!! *Deuteronomy 15:11 – Since there will never cease to be some in need on earth, I therefore command you, 'Open your hand to the poor and needy neighbor in your land.'* Any questions, please see Dave Mattson, Denise Janosko or Bev McArthur
- **OK Gang Luncheon:** Happy Holidays to all!!! Mark Monday, December 15 for our holiday OK luncheon. It will be at the Pub 1812 at Rider's Inn, 792 Mentor Avenue in Painesville, Ohio at 12:45 pm. Recently reopened under the ownership of Hospitality veteran Leonard William and his daughter Alishia, they decide to change the name after finding a vintage oval sign reading Rider's Inn Pub 1812 honoring all those in the past who have left their footprint there. The menu is not super big yet but will balance comfort and creativity. He plans to offer breakfast and an old -fashion Sunday Brunch with additional menu items in the near future. So put on your glad rags and join us as we revisit the 213 year old treasured restaurant and celebrate the Christmas spirit.
- **Christmas Cookies:** Please join us **this weekend** in the narthex for Christmas cookies, coffee and fellowship. Saturday at 5pm and on Sunday morning at 10am. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!
- **Altar Flowers:** Altar flowers this weekend are given by Terry Mach, in loving memory of Mary Mach.



- **Poinsettia Order forms** are available in the Narthex.
- **Sunday Morning Bible Study:** You are unique. You have been created and invited by God to participate in his kingdom-work. Yet, you may have also experienced feelings of uncertainty about how to serve God, about what gifts you must use, and about God's purpose for your life. This eight-session LifeGuide Bible Study entitled “***Spiritual Gifts***” by R. Paul Stevens helps you to recognize your spiritual gifts and the gifts of others. The author leads you to consider how to practically use these gifts to glorify God in your relationships, your work, and your world. “***Spiritual Gifts***” features easy to understand chapters which accompany study questions at the end of each section. The study guide is available through Amazon.com for \$7.90 in the paperback edition (ISBN 9780830830626) and \$7.50 in the Kindle edition. **This 8-session study will begin on Sunday, January 4, 2026 at 10:15 AM in hybrid format. This means it will be conducted in-person and on zoom for people requiring remote access.** If you are interested in joining us, please call/text Tim Krueger at (440) 391-0369 so that you can be placed on our email list (which is how the zoom information is sent out). You can email Tim at LTCTKRUE@aol.com.



- ♦ **Christmas Eve Services** • 3pm (family service)
7pm (Candlelight)
9pm (Candlelight)
- ♦ **Saturday, December 27** • 4pm · Lessons & Carols
- ♦ **Sunday, December 28** • 9am & 11:30am · Lessons & Carols



**** Youth Sunday school will not meet on December 28th or January 4th.**

****Adult Sunday school will not meet in December. Will resume January 4th.**

Next Weekend's Worship Assistants - (December 20 and 21)

	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Communion Assistant</u>	<u>Usher</u>
4:00pm	Mary Jo Jones		
9:00am	Bob McClanahan	Denise McClanahan/	Bob McClanahan
11:30am	Becky Young	Vickie Young/Jenny Helland	John Helland

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