



E-Note for December 15, 2023

Thanks to all our musicians who blessed us last Sunday with the Advent-Christmas Choir Concert. More blessings are in store this week with the Sunday School Christmas programs and throughout December as we celebrate the birth of Christ:

Thank you to all who donated to our Bake Sale and to those who supported the sale. This year we brought in over \$1000. Monies raised in the past have helped a family at Christmas, supplied popcorn, hot cocoa and prizes for Trunk or Treat, purchased items for the Sunday School treat bags, purchased a new DVD player and much more! Thank you for changing lives with your generosity!

Sunday, December 17 Worship Schedule

8:00 am Regular worship with Communion
9:00 am & 10:15 am Sunday School Christmas program
6:30 pm Blue Christmas Service



Do you have a Family Christmas Card you want to share with All Saints?

Bring it in and we'll hang it up for all to see.



Christmas Toy Drive- Sunday, December 17 is the last day to drop off donations!

Can you help make Christmas a little more special for a family in need this year? In partnership with CAP Agency (community action partnership of Scott, Carver, and Dakota Counties), we will be collecting new, unopened, unwrapped toys for families in our community. These toys will be going to kids anywhere from birth to age 18.

Sunday School Christmas Programs- Sunday, December 17 at 9:00 am & 10:15 am

We will have two programs BUT ALL students will perform at both services. Families can attend either the 9:00 or 10:15 am program. Refreshments will be served in the church fellowship hall after each program.



Blue Christmas

Please join us on Sunday December 17th at 6:30pm for a quiet and contemplative Christmas worship service. Our Blue Christmas service is a space to acknowledge the "blue" feelings that can accompany this holiday season. At Christmas, we can feel a pressure to hide our loneliness and sadness and "be of good cheer" 24/7 through the month of December. Christmas is not about covering up our pain and grief, but of finding hope and healing even in our mourning. This service will honor the grief and the struggles that can accompany the darkest nights of the year.

Christmas Worship Schedule

Blue Christmas, Sunday, December 17, 2023 at 6:30 pm

Sunday, December 24, 2023 Christmas Eve Services 9:00 am, 2:00 pm, 3:30 pm and 5:00 pm

New Year's Eve Day, Sunday, December 31 one service at 9:00 am



The All Saints youth will be bagging groceries at Mackenthun's in Waconia on December 22, from 3 to 9PM to raise funds for the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans this summer. The Gathering brings thousands of high-school aged Lutherans from across the country and overseas for faith formation, worship, fellowship, and service. We are "jazzed" that you are willing to help us roll down to the Big Easy to learn more about the rich history of this part of our country and live into what we have been "Created To Be". So come do your Christmas dinner shopping at Mackenthun's on the 22nd and be sure to tip your bagger! Thank you for your generosity!

Fare For All is a program where anyone can shop for fresh, quality, and affordable groceries. Fare For All buys fresh produce and frozen meat from bulk wholesalers and growers, bundles them into \$10-\$30 packages, and distributes them at pop-up sites around the cities. No registration required and all are welcome to shop!



2024 sale dates at All Saints are: Jan 4, Feb 1, Mar 7, Apr 4, May 2, Jun 6, Jul 11, Aug 8, Sep 5, Oct 3, Oct 31, Nov 26 from 3-5pm.

Volunteer sign up can be found at the Welcome Center.

More information on Fare for All can be found at: <https://www.thefoodgroupmn.org/groceries/fare-for-all/>



Women's Gathering FEBRUARY 24, 2024! 8:30am to 3:30pm

2024, a new year, with potential for new insights, adventures, and spiritual growth. ASLC WOMEN and FRIENDS are invited to a day of sharing God's love, while deepening our relationship with our Savior. We will be exploring our many roles as women of faith. How do we serve God, our families, friends, and community, and still have a balanced life? Is a balanced life possible?

We will be spending the day at Lisa Sauer's house in the woods near Cologne. No cost other than budgeting time for your own refueling! Sign up at the Welcome Center.



Online Giving at All Saints:

Visit www.allsaintsny.org or scan the QR code to set up a one time or recurring donation using your debit/credit card or checking/savings account.

