

Lordstown Lutheran Church

Worship Sunday, 10:00 A.M.



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Newsletter

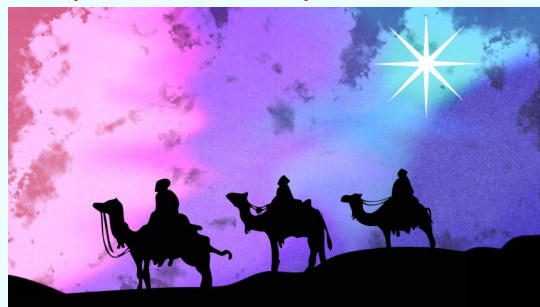


Don't miss out!

In his poem "The Inn That Missed Its Chance," Amos R. Wells writes from the perspective of the "fairly crazed" innkeeper who recalls Bethlehem becoming "a hive at swarming-time." Of the couple who requested shelter on what became Christmas Eve, the proprietor asks, "Could I know that they were so important?"

There was a sign, they say, a heavenly light resplendent; but I had no time for stars. And there were songs of angels in the air out on the hills; but how was I to hear amid the thousand clamors of an inn?

If the innkeeper had only known Jesus' true identity, he says, he would have turned the place upside down, sending other guests out to the stables instead. When Jesus returns — "as he will surely come" — the anonymous innkeeper wants everyone to know: "Tell my Lord that all my inn is his, to make amends."



Upcoming Events & Activities

COMMUNION SUNDAY



December 3, 2023
at 10am
ALL WELCOME
TO SHARE



**MONTHLY
COFFEE
FELLOWSHIP**
December 31st

The Men's Breakfast will be on the 2nd Wednesday of every month, at the Perkins on Elm Rd at 9:00AM.

The next one will be
Wednesday, December 13, 2023, 9:00AM

Cards Class—1st Thursday of the Month **December 7th**

11:00 A.M. in Fellowship Hall



**Cost \$15.00 Includes : 12 Cards and Envelopes
(4 each of 3 card designs)**

Bring your own double sided tape or pay \$1 to use tape in class, all other supplies are provided for easily creating beautiful handmade greeting cards.

**Many of us enjoy lunch while we stamp cards together. You can bring your own lunch, skip lunch or order with others from Ross's Eatery (CASH ONLY) in Lordstown.
Contact DREA with Questions or to RSVP by Texting or Calling 330-770-5585**

DORCAS CIRCLE

No DECEMBER CLASSES

Join us next month, as we design, sew, cut and measure our projects for shut-ins, hospital and nursing home residents, and for Lutheran World Relief.

*Call the church, 330-399-7227
for more information*





CHOIR PRACTICE

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Join us for practice on
Thursdays at 7:00 PM
ALL ARE WELCOME!

ADULT *Sunday School*

December 3rd 9:00-9:30 or 11:15-11:45
December 17th 9:00-9:30 or 11:15-11:45
December 31st 9:00-9:30 or 11:15-11:45

CHILDREN'S *Sunday School*

December 10th
December 31st



Christmas Eve Candle Light Service

Sunday, December 24, 2023

at 7:00 P.M.

There will be no A.M. Service on 12/24/23

*Don't forget to pick up your
Poinsettia's after
Christmas Eve Worship*



Sharing God's Love

God's Work



Our Gifts

DECEMBER MISSION PROJECT

The Mitten Tree

BRING IN NEW MITTENS, GLOVES, HATS, EXT.

AND HANG ON THE TREE DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

**ALL ITEMS WILL BE DONATED TO EMMANUEL LUTHERAN
CLOTHES CLOSET TO HELP THE NEEDY RIGHT HERE IN OUR
AREA. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!!**

Marc
Our Compassion
International
Child Supported by
Lordstown Church



Dear Friends,

I'm happy to write to you, my dear friends.
How are you, how's church activity?

My family and I are doing well with the grace of our God. I thank God for the friends he has given me this year, for which I am very grateful. What activities will you have in the church to close the year 2023? Thanks for the gift, I bought a nice pair of pants with it. I'm going to exams in my school for the first cycle, I hope, I'll give good results.

I'll keep studying so that everything goes well. I'll continue to pray for you. I already wish you a Merry Christmas.

May you have a blessed Christmas as we remember how our savior was born so we can be delivered from the curse. Please help me pray for a good school year.

-Marc

Sharing God's Love

LORDSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL PANTRY

Sponsored by Lordstown Lutheran Church
Current needs
Feminine Hygiene Products

LORDSTOWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PANTRY

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Please help fill the shelves at Lordstown Elementary School

The shelves were bare at the beginning of September, but with your donations we are getting needed items to the students so, lets continue to fill the shelves to overflowing for the 2023/2024 School Year. Just choose your favorite, kid friendly, single serve, nutritious food and drop it in the red bins at our parking lot entrance.

If you prefer, you may mail a donation to the church, Please make your check payable to:
Lordstown Lutheran Church with Children's Pantry
in the memo line



Grocery List

- Toastee sandwich crackers
 - Single serve macaroni and cheese
 - Single serve cookies
 - Single serve pretzels, baked crackers
 - Single serve apple sauce
 - Single serve oatmeal
 - Granola Bars
 - Ramen Noodles
 - Single serve fruit cups
 - Trail Mix
 - Shelf stable dairy products
 - Breakfast Bars
 - Single serve cereal bowls
 - 100% juice boxes
 - Tuna, chicken foil packed Individually Packaged
 - Muffins
 - Vegetable Cups
 - Cracker & Cheese Packs
 - Single Serve Soup
 - Maruchan Instant Lunches
 - Raisins
 - Lunchables
 - Your ideas here
- * Please No Peanut Containing Products**

News of the Parish

PRAYER LIST & PASTORAL CONCERNS

Please keep our loved ones in your prayers this week

Immediate & Ongoing Health Concerns: Lucas Paxson, Ron Hill, Phyllis Housel, Jean Housel, Ted Paxson, Leo Divencenzo, Tiffany Fellows, Destiny Givens, Anna Strickland, JoAnn Leepard, Joe Harrison, Molly and Family, Mary Sabol, Mark Molnar, Laura Paxson, Rachael Ann, Ilona Rupnik

Compassion Child: Marc Yvans.

Active Duty Military: Julian Krusely, Jason Layfield, Talon Brown, Kiana Gates

Scout Troop 20 and its leaders

Our Monthly Mission Outreach and The Children of Lordstown Elementary School

World Peace: Especially for those living in the region of Ukraine and Russia.

Thank you for your prayers

PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 330 399-7227 OR
EMAIL US AT LTOWNLUTHERAN@YAHOO.COM TO NOTIFY US OF FRIENDS OR RELATIVES WHO
NEED TO BE ADDED OR REMOVED FROM THE PRAYER LIST.

November Church Attendance

5th - 33
12th - 38
19th - 28
26th - 34





Those Who Serve



Lector Schedule

Scriptures will be left in your Mailbox

3rd Erica Thomas Boyle
10th Linda Falatic
17th Barb Paxson
24th Linda Falatic
31st Eleanor Gill

Family's for Advent Readings

Scriptures will be left in your Mailbox

3rd Erica Thomas Boyle's Family
10th Lutz Family
17th Falatic Family
24th Chuck Thomas

Acolyte & Cross Bearer Schedule

Available Children will take turns rotating as Acolytes and Cross Bearers. Please arrive 10 mins before worship. Those present will share turns. Don't forget to bow at the altar as you enter and as you leave the chancel area.

You've ALL been doing a great job! Thank you for serving your church !

Guest Ministers

3rd Steve Brown
10th Lor Breyley
17th Haldon Robarge
24th Steve Brown
31st Haldon Robarge



December 10th - Dolly
December 31st - Barb

Altar Guild

November - Dolly

Sign up on the 2023 Flower Chart posted in the Narthex

Thank you

2024 has open dates
please sign up on the small bulletin board in the Classroom OR call Erica Thomas Boyle if you can assist.
330-644-5506 Thank You.

Thank You!

Jan Hall For Teaching Adult Sunday School
Dolly, Elizabeth, Karen, & Pat For Teaching Children's Sunday School

Barb Paxson For putting together the High School donation display
Acolytes Thank you to all those who have volunteered to be Acolytes

Lectors Thank you to all those who have volunteered to be Lectors

Anyone who has helped and contributed, that may not be listed.

Please CALL 330-399-7227 or EMAIL ltownlutheran@yahoo.com if you would like to
Thank someone for their good deeds.



Please be sure all lights are off in the educational building and church when you leave the premise.



Thank You



Are you in need?

The Scouts have donated the following
**Wheel chairs, Crutches,
& Walkers**

If anyone is in need of these items,
please call 330-399-7227

**LORDSTOWN LUTHERAN CHURCH
OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES 2022**

Please feel free to call our council members with your questions, suggestions or concerns

COUNCIL PRESIDENT Chuck Thomas: 330-979-6392	EMERGENCY PASTOR Gerald Gammon: 330-306-8965		
COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT & EVANGELISM Chairperson: Karen Lerch 330-506-6544	COUNCIL SECRETARY & FINANCIAL SECRETARY Pat Hogan 330-824-2427		
FINANCE Chairperson: Jan Hall 330-360-0366	WORSHIP & MUSIC Chairperson: Erica Thomas-Boyle 330-766-8409		
MALIFICANT TREASURER, THRIVENT ADVOCATE FOR LLC, STATUTORY AGENT FOR LLC, INCORPORATES FOR TAXES Dick Dorazio 330-565-3630	STEWARDSHIP & FELLOWSHIP Chairperson: Michelle Knox 330-550-8202		
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ADMINISTRATIVE Drea Gates 330-770-5585	PROPERTY Chairperson: Jeff Housel 330-219-1815		
PASTOR'S MUTUAL MINISTRY COMMITTEE			
June Harrison 330-824-2226	Kathy Lerch 330-503-4337	Bob Housel 330-503-5021	Denell Harrison 330-360-0823

LORDSTOWN LUTHERAN CHURCH STAFF

Administrative Assistant—Drea Gates
Choir Director—Lois Dorazio
Substitute Organists—Jessica Wilk
Custodial—Patty Housel

Finance Treasurer—Rhonda Mansell
Organist—Margaret Thomas
Substitute Organist—Maranel Tallman
Lawn Maintenance—Erica Thomas-Boyle

Links to ELCA websites
For information regarding the wider Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.
www.neos-elca.org– Weekly Synod News
www.elca.org - general ELCA news

MISSION STATEMENT
To serve God's people in all times and circumstances; showing the saving love of Christ, our Lord.

CHURCH 2023 FINANCIAL REPORT THRU OCTOBER



INCOME vs EXPENSES FOR OCTOBER

INCOME	EXPENSES	+ OR -
\$6,150.75	\$5,091.37	+\$1,059.38

YEARLY INCOME vs EXPENSES THRU OCTOBER

INCOME	EXPENSES	+ OR -
\$67,214.30	\$53,528.44	+\$13,985.86

INSURANCE AND LAND TAXES

MONTH	WHAT IS IT	HOW MUCH	PAID	FUND
FEBRUARY	LAND TAX (1/2)	\$864.38	YES	PARSONAGE
APRIL	INSURANCE	\$2,551.00	YES	PARSONAGE
JULY	LAND TAX (1/2)	\$864.38	YES	PARSONAGE
OCTOBER	INSURANCE	\$2,566.00	YES	PARSONAGE

"NON CURRENT" BILLS FOR OCTOBER

FUND	AMOUNT	FOR
Building	\$800.00	Scraping, priming and painting front door and windows (church).
Memorial (Ed Kas	\$53.50	Fall banner for sanctuary.

OCTOBER MISSION SUPPORT:

MISSION	GIVING	YTD	SEPTEMBER ACTIVITIES
Benevolence	\$125.00	\$2,140.00	Support ELCA church wide ministries.
Emmanuel's Clothes	\$250.00	\$795.00	Mission project. "Coats".
Compassion	\$14.00	\$301.00	Balance = \$209.25
Thrivent Choice	\$0.00	\$853.00	Balance = \$3,020.92

COMMENTS:

Another great month of offerings to current! It was a five week month. As you can see above, we had two non-current bills. And we had a very good offering to Emmanuel's Clothes Closet for "Coats". It was our October mission project. And can also see we paid for our second half insurance.

Average attendance was 34. And for the year 32.

If you have any questions about this report or any finance issues please ask.




Thanks as always for your great support!

Report prepared by: Richard Dorazio, Benevolence Treasurer



A CHRIST-CENTERED CHRISTMAS ADVENT READING PLAN

Explore the true meaning of Christmas as you travel through God's Word. Discover God's promises he fulfilled through the birth of His only Son, the **KING OF KINGS.**

1 Isaiah 7:14 	2 Isaiah 9:6-7	3 Malachi 3:1	4 Micah 5:2-4	5 Luke 1:5-7	6 Luke 1:10-15	7 Luke 1:18-22	8 Luke 1:24-25
14 Luke 2:15-20	13 Luke 2:8-14	12 Luke 2:6-7	11 Luke 2:1-5	10 Luke 1:30-33	9 Luke 1:26-29		
15 Matthew 1:18-21	16 Matthew 1:22-25	17 Matthew 2:1-3	18 Matthew 2:4-6	19 Matthew 2:7-9	20 Matthew 2:10-12	21 Romans 15:13	
				23 Philippians 2:8-11	22 Galatians 4:4-5		
				24 James 1:16-18			
				25 John 3:16			

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 Where all Are Welcome,
 Especially You!

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