

February 2011

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Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church

So All Families Shall Be Blessed



From the Pastor

The Mission of Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church is:

- To INVITE people to a transforming faith in Jesus Christ.
- To GROW with one another into Jesus' likeness.
- To SERVE as Jesus' compassionate community in the world.

Katherine and I were sitting in the dining room of the retreat center in Cuernavaca, Mexico, where we were staying for a few days while visiting our son Samuel. Sister Kathy, the Dominican Sister from Wisconsin who is the director of the center, was telling us some of the things she does in her work with groups from the United States who come to Mexico for learning and service.

“We send them to the market to buy food with the average Mexican’s daily wage. We teach them something of Mexico’s history, and present political and economic situation. We arrange for them to help with a repair project in someone’s home, or to work with a local organization that assists the poor. And we help them hear the Parable of the Good Samaritan differently.”

When I asked her what she meant by that, she told me, “we help them understand that Mexico is their neighbor. Geographically, obviously. But we believe that God also wants them to see that so many brothers and sisters here have been beaten down into a ditch, and can’t get out of it alone.”

The conversation reminded me of another with Pastor Mark Brown, regional director of the Lutheran World Federation’s work in Israel and Palestine. “The Palestinian people are our neighbors, and though their situation often seems hopeless and unchangeable, God’s mission has a church here that is making a difference. Make sure you share that with the people back home.”



It has been a theme that I’ve kept running into lately, in magazine articles, books, and in person: the God who blessed Abraham and his descendants “so all the families of the earth shall be blessed” (Genesis 12:3) has been moving in powerful new ways across the globe, through the Church, helping, healing, feeding and redeeming individuals and nations for the fulfillment of God’s eternal purposes. To borrow from C. S. Lewis, “Aslan is on the move!”

After Jesus came out of his tomb he appeared to his disciples and “opened their minds to understand the Scriptures.” He said to them, “Thus it is written that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name **to all nations**, beginning in Jerusalem (Luke 24:46-47). Let’s talk about new ways we might join God’s Surge—for our neighbor’s sake and our own. JE

Small Group ABCs at Spirit of Joy

- A: **Thursday Morning Men's Bible Study** – Meets every Thursday, 6:30 am at Cracker Barrel.
Contact: Bill Briehar wjb@sio.midco.net or Chris Bergst cgbergst@msn.com
- B: **Soul Sisters** – Moms of young children meet for fun/fellowship. Meets monthly.
Contact: Kerri Teitgen kerriswee@msn.com
- C: **Retreat in the Real World** – Every Wednesday at 6:30 pm. 30 minute prayer and discussion.
Contact: Pastor Paul Rohde sprohde@hotmail.com
- D: **R.E.A.D.** – (read, eat and digest) Discuss Christian non-fiction. Share a meal. February 13th.
Contact: Bill Webb dahlwebb@msn.com or Chris Moench: moenchc@yahoo.com
- E: **Film and Faith** – NEW group. First meeting: February 20 at 6:30 pm at SOJ.
Contact: Pastor Jeff Eisele 333-2004 jeffeisele@spiritofjoy.net
- E: **Prayer and Devotional Life** – NEW group. 1st meeting: Sunday, Feb. 20 at 4 pm at church. Future mtg. times TBD. Contact: Laura Phillips: lauraphillips@fca.org
- G: **Young Adults Group** – NEW group beginning February. Topics and meeting sites will vary.
Contact: Kristen Wilcox: kjwilcox215@gmail.com
- H: **The Greatest Story** – NEW 16 week Friday 9 am Bible Story overview. First mtg. February 11th.
Contact: Katherine Eisele: family@spiritofjoy.net
- I: **Christian Parenting** – NEW group. How to raise my kids in the faith? Start date will soon be announced.
Contact: Katherine family@spiritofjoy.net
- J: **Women's Book Club** – Tuesday, February 1st 7 pm at Spirit of Joy. *Black Hills* by Nora Roberts.
Contact: Star M. starken@sio.midco.net or Marilee D. mdriver123@sio.midco.net
- K: **Spirit of Joy Golfers** – NEW group will golf together this spring/summer/fall. All levels welcome.
Contacts: Ken and Star Munch starken@sio.midco.net
- L: **Women's Bible Study** – Monthly study using Lutheran Women Today magazine. Next meeting Feb. 17th at 7 pm at Marge Hagen's home, 5905 S. Grand Lodge Pl. Contact Marge Hagen: 221-0798
- M: **Faith and Sports** – NEW group that will focus on faith and sports and other "guy stuff." First meeting: February 22nd at 6:45 at Spirit of Joy. Contact Daryl Sopko: info@spiritofjoy.net
- N: **Joyful Classics** – Over-50 social group. March 27 at 2 pm at church. Happy Birthday party to celebrate everyone's birthday! Contact: Carla pikespk71@yahoo.com or Marilyn tomgannon@msn.com
- O: **Good God Questions** – Begins January 31st. NEW Monday group will meet at church at 11:45 am. BYOlunch. Good questions. Good company. Contact: Kerri Teitgen: kerriswee@msn.com



Financial Statistics

Thru December 31, 2010

Checking Account:

General Fund	\$ 2,216.39
Building Fund	\$ 35,359.94
Donor Restricted	\$ 9,174.79
Sunday School	\$ 2,197.72

Savings Accounts:

Building	\$ 60,724.76
Donor Restricted	\$ 79,514.27

Total Cash Balance \$189,255.45

Year-to-Date Income for Ministry \$339,215.56

Year-to-Date Ministry Expenses \$239,420.72

Net Income/(Deficit) for Ministry \$ 9,794.84

Comparing Facts and Figures

	December 2008	December 2009	December 2010
Attendance	1427	1647	1547
General Offering	\$30,843.00	\$43,299.18	\$38,053.05
Building Offering	\$35,161.40	\$18,958.75	\$72,960.83

Spirit of Joy Information

Pastor: Jeff Eisele
 Operations Manager: Daryl Sopko
 Family Ministry: Katherine Eisele
 Worship Arts: Robyn Starks Holcomb
 Susan Wold Rohde

Church Office: (605) 333-2004
 Fax Number: (605) 333-6908
 Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30-Noon; 1:00-4:30

Sunday Worship:
 8:45am 11:00am

Sunday School & Adult Education: 9:50am

Nursery is available for children accompanied by parents. The nursery is not currently staffed.

Location: 2208 W. LaQuinta Street

Website: www.spiritofjoy.net

Building Loan Information

As of December 31, 2010

First Mortgage

Original Loan: \$898,950
 Current Balance: \$656,419
 Monthly Payments: \$ 6,208
 Interest Rate: 3%
 Terms: balloon payment due May 1, 2012

Second Mortgage (Classroom Addition)

Original Loan: \$596,000
 Current Balance: \$482,428
 Monthly Payment: \$ 4,024
 Interest Rate: 6.5%
 Terms: 25 year loan, interest adjustment
 November, 2013

Offering Envelopes

2011 Offering envelopes are now available in the church narthex. Partners are encouraged to use their offering envelopes. Use of envelopes helps our offering counters properly record your gifts.



Partners that use Simply Giving can still place their envelopes in the offering basket, just place a Simply Giving sticker on the envelope. Stickers are available in the church office.

Annual Winter Meeting

Spirit of Joy's Annual Winter Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday, February 6th at 9:50am between worship services. We will review year end ministry reports and financial statements, elect a nominating committee and delegates to the annual South Dakota Synod assembly in Sioux Falls, June, 2011. All confirmed SoJ Partners are encouraged to attend.



The Banquet

Spirit of Joy is scheduled to serve breakfast at The Banquet :

Wednesday Morning

February 16th

We need volunteers for a 5:30am prep crew, as well as the 6:30am serving crew. We also need one person to lead the morning devotions. One of SoJ's core missions is meeting the basic needs of our neighbors; feeding breakfast at The Banquet is one of the ways we do that. Signup sheets are in the church narthex.



You are invited to attend
BREAD DAYS
at the South Dakota Legislature

**Monday, February 7, and Tuesday,
February 8, 2011**

First Congregational United Church of Christ
123 N. Highland (1 block from the Capitol)

Some hunger issues are decided
at the state level.

***Come to Pierre, Get informed on the issues,
and Get involved.***

The public is invited to learn
and advocate with us.

Please let us know that you are coming.

**To RSVP or to contribute toward expenses
so that others can come, contact:**

Nancy Olson, 605-332-4350

1329 N. Tahoe Tr., Sioux Falls, SD 57110;

email: s10andyw@sio.midco.net

Lodging: For "Bread Days" rooms, call the Capitol Inn (800-658-3055) by February 1
\$48.95 two people, two beds + \$3 each add'l person; or \$39.95 single.

If you are interested but cannot come, you can

1. Pray for this event. 2. Urge others to come. 3. Contribute to help others come.

A CHANCE TO LOVE OUR NEIGHBOR AS OURSELVES

"Thank you so much. I don't know what I would do without this help." This kind of comment is often heard from our brothers and sisters in God's family who receive help from the Food to You Mobile Food Pantry. This servant ministry has been sponsored by Spirit of Joy and twelve other ELCA congregations in the Sioux Falls area for two years.

Spirit of Joy will sponsor and provide volunteers for the distribution of groceries and hygiene items at East Side Lutheran Church.

**Thursday, March 3,
5:00-8:00pm**

Able bodied adults are invited to sign up to help unload, organize, and distribute items. A few "earlybirds" are needed and should sign up to be on hand by 4:30pm to help with unloading and preparations. Others will need to be at East Side no later than 5:10pm. A limited number of middle and high school youth are welcome to help along with the adults. No elementary youth please.



All friends and partners of Spirit of Joy are asked to donate hearty soup – the Food of the Month for March. We need to collect over 150 containers of hearty soup for distribution on March 3. The sign-up sheet and collection bins for the soup are in the narthex. Please feel free to contact Karen Soli, Food to You Coordinator, with questions or concerns, foodtoyouxiouxfalls@gmail.com.

Sharing Christ's Joy and Blessings

Spirit of Joy has voted to share 10% of the money received in our Sharing Christ's Joy and Blessings 3 year building debt reduction campaign to support ministries beyond our walls. This tithe will be paid in \$10,000 increments for every \$100,000 received. All confirmed partners are invited to vote for up to 5 ministries from the nominations that will receive this tithe. A list of nominations and ballot can be found in the church narthex. There is still time to vote.

**Ballots must be submitted by
the annual meeting**

February 6, 2011

Prayers of the Church

Healing and Strength for:

***Bob Mayer; Dick Waggoner; Elizabeth Jensen; Carrie Hawkins** (daughter of Larry and Sandy Gruseth); and the yet to be born twins of **Jenny and Tyler Clementson**

Comfort for:

***David Driver** and his family as they mourn the death of David's father.

Praise and Thanksgiving for:

*Holy Baptism of **Kaitlin LaRae Christensen**, daughter of **Justin & Casey Christensen**; and **Kaydence Breanna Hagebock**, daughter of **Matt and Mandy Hagebock**

*Spirit of Joy's newest partners

Guidance, Protection and Encouragement for:

*For missionaries **Samuel Eisele in Mexico** and **Miranda Meyer in Nicaragua**

*For those serving in the military in Afghanistan and Iraq: **Amber Selchert** and **Eric Vargas**

***Brother and sister Christians** who live in countries where they are persecuted for their faith

Faithful and Courageous Discernment for:

*Spirit of Joy's call committee as it continues interviewing candidates for the part time pastor position.

Daily Prayer Online

Looking for help with daily prayer? Interested in utilizing tools you regularly use to get connected with God and the Word? Take a look at these sites:



www.sacredspace.ie

This site run by the Irish Jesuits offers a daily ten minute meditation with the help of on-screen guidance and scripture chosen specially every day.

www.mountcarmelministries.com/grow-in-the-word/daily-texts

This daily devotion provides an Old Testament verse, a New Testament verse, and a prayer.

www.luthersem.edu/godpause

Luther Seminary's daily devotion available by email

Come and Worship!

You're invited to prepare to come and worship on Sunday mornings by reading the suggested Bible readings for the day:

February 6th-Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 58:1-12; Psalm 112; 1 Corinthians 2:1-12; Matthew 5:13-20

February 13th-Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 119:1-8; 1 Corinthians 3:1-9; Matthew 5:21-27

February 20th-Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18; Psalm 119:33-40; 1 Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23; Matthew 5:38-48

February 27th-Eighth Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 49:8-16; 1 Corinthians 4:1-5; Matthew 6:24-34

From My Backpack

by Janet Lyso

This backpack of mine is still full of items and thoughts to share, but it is time for me to move on. Words cannot express the sadness of making changes, but in the real world, especially in the human context, aging has its price, and my gradually failing eyesight is determining that I should not drive at night.

Spirit of Joy is a vibrant community of believers, and you will have your own challenges as the church family continues to grow. Do I want to be in a larger congregation? NO! But being closer to a building where Christ's people gather, where I will be able to attend such things as noon-time Lenten and Advent services and hear the liturgy of old and sing hymns I love so well, along with the sound of the organ will fill my empty spaces. I will miss my young family and my pastor and his sermons. Big time! God be with.

"Brothers and sisters, we now must depart, follow we Jesus with gladness of heart, each in his lawful vocation. Treasure God's word with devotion and care, Let not the world nor the foe you ensnare, open your hearts unto Jesus. Jesus, Lord Jesus, our Savior and King, honor and praises united we bring, rejoicing together." (from the Blue Concordia Hymnal—a Danish tune).

The Body of Christ



Thanks to everyone who provided pictures this month.

Attention College Students:

Scholarship Deadline February 23rd

Spirit of Joy is accepting scholarship applications for the 2011-2012 academic year.

Students must be **partners of Spirit of Joy**, enrolled in **first-time, first-degree** undergraduate programs. Further criteria will be found on the application cover letter. You may pick up the applications in the church office or contact:



family@spiritofjoy.net or info@spiritofjoy.net



**Academy For Seniors
Winter/Spring 2011 Series**

Shining a Light on Liberal Arts Education

February 16

“Augustana Like Always-Augustana Like Never Before”
Robert Oliver; President, Augustana College

March 16

“Higher Education-Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow”
Dr. Peter Schotten, Professor, Augustana College

April 20

“Service Learning at Augustana College”
Dr. Reynold Nesiba, Augustana College

Augustana College invites you to take part in year eight of the Augustana Academy for Seniors. Cost is \$37.50 for the semester, which covers three lunches and programs. Classes run from 10:00am to 1:15pm.

Registration due by February 7, 2011.

Register by calling the Development Office at 605.274.5521.



Soul Sisters

*Invite you to join the fun:
Saturday, February 12*

Sweetheart Dinner

Tickets are available in the narthex between worship services or in the church office



"Chili with the Bishop"

Bishop Zellmer and the synod staff want to cook for you and share with you all that God has been cooking up in the South Dakota Synod! We would also like to share with you some ideas for the future of our synod and hear your feedback and ideas.

Join Bishop Zellmer and members of the synod staff for an evening of homemade chili and conversation about our common mission and future together. We have exciting new resources to show you, stories to share about how God is at work using our hands in South Dakota, and a vision to cast for how we will continue to move forward together in mission.

Gather with us at one of these dates and locations. All events start at 5:30 PM with a chili supper, followed by Bible Study and conversation.

Tues, Feb 8 – Brandon Lutheran, Brandon
Thurs, Feb 17 – Gloria Dei Lutheran, Sioux Falls

If you have any questions, please call the synod office. 274-4011 **All are welcome!**

February Sunday Forums

**Down and Out:
Where Grace Takes You**



Join us Sunday mornings for this “Lutheran Mystery.” We will discover together what the forgotten pillar of the Reformation is all about. **You may come to any session even if you have missed prior sessions.** *No preparation, no reading (unless you want to).* *Participant booklets are available at no cost.* **10 am in the Galilee Room.** Bring your coffee.

February 6: Annual Meeting—no forum

February 13: Down and Out #4

February 20: President’s Day weekend—no forum.

February 27: Down and Out #5



Anniversary of Baptism Celebration January 9, 2011

Sunday School Scoop

Our lessons in February explore Jesus' preparation for ministry. The children will learn about Jesus growing up, the Word became flesh and finally how Satan tempted Jesus. God wants everyone to be part of his family and wants us to care for others. God keeps his promises.



Please note there will be **No Sunday School on February 20th.**

We will have a **Sunday School Teacher Meeting** on February 27th at 6:30 p.m.. All Sunday School teachers and substitutes are encouraged to attend for this time of sharing, planning and, of course, eating!

Contacts: Stacy (371-2314; skock@sio.midco.net) or Christa (332-8210; mchenderson@sio.midco.net)

Little Lambs—Jesus Loves Me February 6

Little Lambs Sunday School

Infants, toddlers and preschoolers not yet in Sunday School are invited to join Mary and Kerstin for a Bible story, music and gentle activities geared just for little ones.



Join Little Lambs on **Feb. 6th at 9:50 am** in their very own room right across from the 5th grade classroom.

Upcoming Events for Spirit of Joy Families

- February 5 ~ Saturday, 8:45 am. **Parents of College Kids** meet at Scooters to mail Valentines.
- February 12 ~ 6 pm **Sweetheart Dinner**—bring your sweetheart! Tickets in the narthex or office.
- February 6 ~ **Annual Meeting** between services and **New Partners Welcomed** into Spirit of Joy Congregation!
- February 20 ~ **No Sunday School.** Join us for worship as a family at 8:45 or 11:00 am.
- February 23 ~ **College Scholarship Applications** are due.





Dakota Gringo

By Samuel Eisele

Hello, my dear friends.

It has been an exciting past several weeks, and I am happy to share it with you now. Between Christmas, New Years, a change in living situation, and a visit from my parents, there's been plenty going on. I hope this newsletter finds you and your friends/family well – blessings!

Meet the familia

As many of you know, I had a change in host family situation several weeks back. I was happy to be able to have my parents come to the home to meet my new Mexican family. Rosa is a great cook, and while together we enjoyed a great meal of *pozole*, a traditional Mexican soup with chicken, pork, corn, and various other ingredients. I'm not leaving without the recipe.

I live with Juan and Rosa (parents) and Brenda (14). The other daughter, Yessica (29), is currently in the U.S. working on a PhD in chemistry at LSU in Baton Rouge. They are very nice folks, and very active in a nearby Baptist church which I attend with them regularly. The other YAGMs and I have found, I believe, that living with a host family is one of the most intimate and profound means of cultural immersion. Having a home with a supporting familial ambiance magnifies the connection to community. This was something I learned while abroad in Costa Rica during college, and thus this aspect of the Mexico program appealed to me greatly.



This past week I arranged reservations for my return flight to the United States in July. It is indeed strange to think about such things while in the middle of January. I don't know what the next six months have in store, but I know there will be a great deal of tough good-byes when we reach the end of them, and my host family will be part of that.

Back to teaching English!

After finishing the year strong with a Christmas party and send-offs to our students, Justina and I took a nice break (during which my parents were able to come down), but now we're back at it!

We're looking forward to a strong year. We've had quite a number of people stop by for information on classes, and we have several major promotional opportunities ahead of us. We hope to be able to make 2011 a year of strong student growth and major curriculum development. As we begin to realize these objectives as the year rolls in, I for one am becoming increasingly aware of my limited time with this organization. I hope to be able to continue to support this very young community project in such a way that it continues to be a successful, self-sustaining operation well after I am gone.

As I think I mentioned before, our project's income goes to support communities in even more marginalized areas. Please keep our little school in your prayers in the weeks and months to come.



Stay in touch!!

Thank you to all who have been sending emails, facebook messages, and everything else my way! I *love* hearing from you all back in the states, and it makes me glad to know you are keeping up with me here in Mexico. As both reminder and notice, you are always welcome to get a hold of me, and please stop by my blog to get more regular updates on my day-to-day life and activities!

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February 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 7:00pm-Book Club	2 5:55-Childrens Choir 6:30-Bible Study 6:30-Confirmation 6:30-Band 7:15-Choir	3 6:30pm-Scouts	4	5
6 8:45-Worship 9:50 Education Annual Meeting 11:00-Worship	7 11:45 Good God Questions	8 7:00pm Ministry Teams	9 5:55-Childrens Choir 6:30-Bible Study 6:30-Confirmation 6:30-Band 7:15-Choir	10 6:30am-Men's Bible Study	11 9:00 am The Greatest Story Bible Study	12 Sweetheart Dinner
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February Birthdays!

Elizabeth Jensen	February 1 st
Sara Eng	February 2 nd
Delaney Miller	February 4 th
Elias Barlow	February 5 th
Janice Vreim	February 5 th
Scott Voss	February 6 th
Samuel Sutton	February 7 th
Clay Thedens	February 7 th
Brad Thedens	February 8 th
Hayes Cain	February 9 th
Jayna Fitzsimmons	February 9 th
Blaine Wittrock	February 9 th
Matthew Jensen	February 10 th
Erin Schrader	February 10 th
Dick Sorum	February 10 th
Dan Wheeler	February 10 th
Kevin Wheeler	February 11 th
Emmett Backstrom	February 13
Sheri Coy	February 13 th
Isaac Johnson	February 14 th
Evie Brouwer - Thomson	February 14 th
Phil Kolb	February 16 th
Sydney Koolstra	February 16 th
Alice Christensen	February 17 th
Bob Hendrix	February 17 th
Sydney Johnson	February 17 th
Erik Christensen	February 18 th
Beth Hagen	February 18 th
Shannon Hill	February 18 th
Robyn Starks-Holcomb	February 18 th
Ingrid Barlow	February 20 th
Cameron Eng	February 20 th
Chris Bergst	February 21 st
Wilson Munzke	February 21 st
Heather Weeg	February 21 st
Jeremy Freeseemann	February 22 nd
Allison Sundall	February 23 rd
Landon Dinger	February 24 th
Isaac Mauszycki	February 24 th
Gabriella Munzke	February 24 th
Janice Timmermann	February 24 th
Terry Phillips	February 24 th
Kerstin Schempp	February 24 th
Rick Bettencourt	February 25 th
Michael VerWey	February 26 th
Graciella Breidenbach	February 28 th
Marjorie Jensen	February 28 th
Kennedi Miller	February 28 th

February Anniversaries!

Ron and Rosie Flores	February 1 st
Dean and Shirley Moser	February 23 rd
Corey and Kelly Ballew	February 29 th

Spirit of Joy publicizes birthdays and anniversaries in our newsletter for information, but also as a way to encourage our partners to pray for one another throughout the year. If you have a April birthday or anniversary that is not included here, please contact the church office, 333-2004.

Introducing The New SDSynod.org

We are excited to present to you the new and improved synod website! Thanks to a grant from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, the synod has been undergoing a process of re-branding which has included new logos, letterhead, the SD Synod cookbooks, and now an updated synod website. God is doing amazing things around the world through the people of the South Dakota Synod. The synod website is the place that we want to use to share those stories of God at work in our midst. Not only does the website have a new look, but it also has new interactivity that we hope you have fun with. Try out these new features at www.sdsynod.org

- The new Facebook and Twitter integration allows you to share what you are reading or “like” on the website. Comment on a story that resonates with you and share it with all of your Facebook friends and Twitter followers.
- See photos and postings that tell the story of what God is doing through the South Dakota Synod right on the home page!
- See what other congregations are up to on Congregational News and send us photos and stories of ministry happening in your congregation.
- Keep up to date on Synod News and events by signing up to receive Synod E-News or subscribe to the Synod RSS Feed.
- Find recipes for ministries happening through congregations in our synod and share your own.
- See photos of synod and congregational happenings on our Flickr Page and videos on our YouTube Channel.

This is your synod website so we hope you visit often, “like” posts, comment, and share all that God is doing in the South Dakota Synod with your friends and family! Thank you for your continued partnership in ministry and for helping us tell the story of the South Dakota Synod and ELCA.

God’s Work. Our Hands.

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SoJ Soul Sisters

cordially invite you to

The Sweetheart Dinner

Saturday, February 12th

6:00 pm in The WELL

Tickets are available in the narthex between worship services or in the church office.