

!!!Happy New Year!!!

OFFERING ENVELOPES

You may store your offering envelopes for your convenience in the bottom cabinet under the mailboxes.

Thanks to all for your kind and generous offerings in order to help with all of our congregation's expenses, and for using your offering envelopes.

CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS

You can still give special Christmas Stocking Mites until January 6, 2017. All mites are sent to the FL/GA District and National LWML towards mission grants

***So far, for the stocking mites we have total of \$290.00
The regular monthly mites for December were \$104.00***

That you all for your generous donations

POINSETTIAS

Thank you all for your donations of poinsettias for the Christmas Altar. **You may pick up your plants after Jan 1st 2017, New Year's Days Service. The cost of each plant is \$ 7.00**

"We are weary and overwhelmed by a multitude of life issues. Sometimes we are prideful after doubting God's Word and trusting something else. As the culture decays and evil abounds, we may believe that God asks the impossible of us ... In the face of evil, let it be said of us: Look! They remember 'the Lord, who is great and awesome,' and they 'fight for [their] brothers ... sons ... daughters ... wives, and ... homes' (Nehemiah 4:14)."

ELDERS' CONTACT NUMBERS:

Anyone in our congregation may contact any of the Elders at anytime for issues related to ministry, spiritual concerns, and counseling. Please use this roster as your guide. You may elect to contact any Elder you like.

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St Paul Touchpoint

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REGULARLY SCHEDULED EVENTS

English Service—Sundays	9:00 AM	
Spanish Service—Sundays	11:00 AM	
Sunday School--Sundays	10:45 AM	
Lutheran Hour Ministries--Sundays	9:00 AM	9:40 AM WINZ AM Radio
LWML Monthly--1 st Tuesday	11:00 AM	Women's
Lifelight Bible Study—Mondays	7:30 PM	Rm. 10
Men's Bible Study—Thursdays	7:00 PM	Upper Room
ELDERS' MEETING	Second Tuesday, 7 PM	Next 01/10
CHURCH COUNCIL	Fourth Tuesday, 7 PM	Next 01/24

SUNDAY SCHOOL & BIBLE CLASSES

Children with Special Needs	Room #9
Preschool 2/3/4	Room # 5
Kindergarten/Grades 1-2	Room # 12
Grades 3-5	Room # 1
Grades 6-8	Room # 8
Grades 9-12	Upper Room
Adults	Room # 6
Senior Adults	Room # 10
College/Young Adult	Office Conference Room

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Offering Receive Sunday 12/25/2016: 2210.00

Offering Pledges Commitments: 1923.00

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not Reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:7

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LIFTING UP OTHERS IN PRAYER:

Please do keep us updated on the status of your prayer requests. Call or email the church office to confirm or modify your requests for prayer or praise. From time to time we will change the prayer list according to our best knowledge.

Tim Graff: Back at home, pray for all his hearth challenges.

Pray of Gigi and John as they deal with challenges of their own. All our love to the Graff family. Pray that they would worship with us as often as possible.

Ed Jones: Pray for Ed, Katrina’s husband, who is in the hospital with breathing problems.

Giselle Morales: Pray as she faces some health concerns.

Leticia and Angelica Agosto: Nyree Hernandez, Leticia’s niece, who has been diagnoed with cancer recently. Pray for healing and best therapies.

Ely Mims: Pray for her grandson who is undergoing extensive tests for cancer.

Del Snipes: Continue to pray as he faces medical procedures and challenges. We love you, brother Del.

Nick Perez: Friend of Gus Navarro whose son in at Baptist recovering from a neurological disorder, a process which is expected to be long. Pray for the right therapies and eventual cure.

Joyce Schmidt: Pray for facilitation for her to get to church to worship: pray about motivation and means to get to the service. Also, about general comfort from God as she deals with life’s challenges.

Gus Navarro: Pray for Virginia Navarro, for peace and release from pain.

Robin Kramer:(Katrina Jones’ friend) For her family and friends as she has passed away. For the comfort of The Lord in all things.

Ana Dye: Keep on praying that the Lord may guide her in all wisdom and strength to carry out her duties at BASCP well and faithfully. Go for it, Anita!

Linda Oxholm: Prayers coveted for Nellie Drake who is struggling with cancer, also pray for relatives.

Maria Parages: Continue to pray for health issues. Pray for Mike and Nila as well. We love you all.

Mike Parages: Especial prayer as he seeks employment.

Evelyn Fredrickson: Pray for health related issues.

Elizabeth Wenzel: Always pray for Elizabeth as she deals with health and living situation issues.

Juan Martinez: Pray as he deals the challenges of chemo therapy.

Kristy Walters: Pray for her, who is 18 yrs old, as she deals with cancer and its treatment options.

Shut-Ins: Always pray for the members of our community who are unable to join us for worship but whom we always miss among us.

ALTAR FLOWER CHART

The Altar Flower Chart for 2017 can be found in the robe room for you to sign for donations in honor or memory of loved ones. Altar flowers are donated by Avant Gardens as long as we use the money for Social Ministries. Flowers are kept on the altar for the Spanish service and the weekly BASCP chapel services.

FLGA District 2017 HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GATHERING

February 18-20 at the Daytona Hilton Oceanfront Resort

More information at: <http://flgadistrict.org/hsyg/>

Bring your friends, hang out at the beach, do good, and hear good things!

For information, call Lavonia Losada at: 305 301 2766. You may also contact Pastor Sielk or Sandra Jones.

Daring to do what is right, not what fancy may tell you, Valiantly grasping occasions and not cravenly doubting. Freedom comes only through deeds, not through thoughts taking wing. Faint not, nor fear, but go out to the storm and the action, trusting in God whose commandment you faithfully follow; in freedom and exultant. He will welcome your spirit with joy. - Dietrich Bonhoeffer