

December 15th-December 22nd

"Bring Your Own Poinsettia Adventure" (*See details below in *Refrigerator List*.)

Sunday, December 15th

9 a.m. Worship

After Worship *We Love Our Church Auction*

Monday, December 16th

5 p.m.-8 p.m. Culver's Night (*See details below...)

Wednesday, December 18th

NO In-Person & Zoom Bible Study

6:15 p.m. Worship

Sunday, December 22nd "Christmas Music Sunday"

9 a.m. Worship

After Worship Breakfast with Sunday School Children (*See details below...)

Tuesday, December 24th Christmas Eve Day

4:30 p.m. *Candlelight Christmas Eve Service*

Wednesday, December 25th Christmas Day

NO In-Person & Zoom Bible Study

10 a.m. Christmas Day Worship Service **Note the time!*

NO Evening Worship

Sunday, December 29th

9 a.m. Worship

Wednesday, January 1, 2025 New Year's Day

NO Bible Study

NO Evening Worship

Sunday, January 5, 2025

9 a.m. Worship



Adoration Lutheran Church

Announcements for December 15, 2024

**Annual We Love Our
Church Auction -
TODAY, Sunday,
December 15th after
worship!**

***All proceeds benefit ALC! ***

Thank you!!!

Join the Sunday School children as they prepare a complimentary pancake breakfast for the congregation **after worship on Sunday, December 22nd.**

Donations of syrup would be much appreciated! Bottles can be brought in ahead of time and placed on the kitchen counter or brought in the morning of.

Feel free to bring a breakfast or brunch dish to share! Desserts are more than welcome too!

If anyone has a Santa costume - or knows of a Santa that might want to visit that day - please reach out to Olivia via email at: fluder.olivia@gmail.com

Thank you & Merry Christmas!

2025 ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING

Thank you to those who attended the Adoration Lutheran Church Annual Budget Meeting on Sunday, December 8, 2024 after worship.

-44 pledges received

-Pledges total \$117,645

-The 2025 budget was reviewed, discussed and approved.

*If you have yet to submit your pledge for next year, it is not too late! You can drop it off in the collection plate during worship, mail it or drop it off during office hours.

Worship Attendance

December 8th: 42

December 12th: 9



**MAKE YOUR
Meal Matter**

MONDAY • DECEMBER 16 • 5-8PM

Join us in supporting Adoration ELCA, as 10% of all sales will be donated.

There's no limit to how much heart you can put into the community - and we're always looking for opportunities for neighbors to help neighbors. Join us and consider giving what you can to our local cause today.

Thank you for your support!

Give LOCAL

Valid only at Culver's of Greenfield

6021 W Layton Ave
Greenfield, WI 53220
Valid 12/16/24 - 12/17/24

Culver's

**See you at the last Culver's
Night fundraiser of the year...**

**Monday, December 16th from
5 p.m.-8 p.m.**

MET Team Members

Jeanette Nowakowski
Fran Chimielewski
Doreen Timmerman
Kathy Imp

NOTES/UPDATES:

-The last meeting was November 3rd after 9 a.m. worship.
-Pastor Kristin Nielsen joined the Church Council meeting on November 12th.

****Please reach out to Pastor Dean and/or the MET Team members if you have any questions or concerns.**

Volunteer Opportunities

- Donate paper towels to Tippy Homeless Shelter (bin in cloakroom)
- Tippy Homeless Shelter is in need of sweatshirts, sweatpants, coats and boots in all sizes (bin in cloakroom)

Adoration will be a polling location for local Greenfield residents on the following dates in the future:

Tuesday, February 18, 2025

Tuesday, April 1, 2025

We Need Communion Assistants...

If you are able to volunteer for any Sundays coming up, please contact Crystal by phone (414.281.0414) or email: adorationlutheran@gmail.com

Please help us update our church directory by filling out the form that has been attached to the bulletins for the past few weeks and has also been in the emailed announcements. You can find extra copies on the table in the entranceway should you need one. Please place them in the designated basket in the back of church.



Lutheran Disaster Response **Evangelical Lutheran Church in America** God's work. Our hands.

Remember to give to those who continue to suffer.

Go to the following to donate: <https://give.elca.org/page/68904/donate=true/1>

We continue to pray for strength for:

For Pastor Dean as he continues to guide us;
Linda Kolar-Wood who is grieving the loss of her father;
Betty Wing;
Darlene Witkowiak;
Bernice Young;
Kathy Imp;
Ruth Bauer;
Pat Koch;
Nancy Czarapata;
Joani Bettin;
Jan Zeit;
Mary Anne Markiewicz;
Linda and Donna, Betty Wing's sisters

We pray for those in need:

Jeanette Nowakowski and family who are grieving the loss of Jeanette's sister, Ethel;
Mary, friend of Rich Regent, who is having back surgery;
Joanie Bettin who broke her hip;
Welton Dye's wife, Marylee, Welton and their family;
Tom Nowakowski so that he may gain strength and resilience and for Jeanette so that she may remain steadfast;
Rick Rinderle who was diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease;
Nancy Czarapata's brother-in-law who was diagnosed with cancer;
Kayla, daughter of Athena Minto, who is being tested for autoimmune illnesses;
Victoria (Deanna Posig) who has cancer;
Earlann Wilson, sister of Jeanette Nowakowski, with cancer;
Karen, sister of Sandy Ringwall;
Mary, Sandy Young's sister;
Eric, brother of Crystal;
Frank Mauro, friend of Bruce Crueger, who is battling cancer;
Jerry, Bruce Crueger's brother;
Amy & Family, friends of Kathy Wakefield, as they battle ALS;
John Imp;
Cheryl Hagfors

We keep in our prayers:

Our sister parish in Mulala;
Scott and Debbie (family of Margaret Duris);
Susan (Darlene Witkowiak's daughter);
Jeremy (Tom Nowakowski's nephew);

We pray for the following with our siblings across the ELCA:

For the nation of Syria of conflict, transition, and uncertainty...
For peace among nations of the world...
For all victims of gun violence...
For victims of gang violence in Haiti and for grieving families...
For those struggling to afford or access healthcare...
For safety and advocacy for those without stable housing...
For those affected by earthquakes in California and Nevada, and for those affected by brush fires in southwestern California...
For continued political stability in South Korea and France, and for the safety of political protesters in the nation of Georgia...

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

ADORATION'S 2024 REFRIGERATOR LIST



Sun. Nov. 24, 2024 - 9:00 a.m. – Christ the King Sunday – PRAISE Music Worship Service.

Wed. Nov. 27, 2024 – 6:15 p.m. – Thanksgiving Eve Service of Psalms and Hymns, with a Pie Social.

Sundays of Advent

Sun. Dec. 1, 2024 – 9:00 a.m. – 1st Sunday of Advent – Candle of Hope

Sun. Dec. 8, 2024 – 9:00 a.m. – 2nd Sunday of Advent – Candle of Peace

Sun. Dec. 15, 2024 – 9:00 a.m. – 3rd Sunday of Advent – Candle of Joy

Sun. Dec. 22, 2024 – 9:00 a.m. – 4th Sunday of Advent – Candle of Love

Wednesdays of Advent – from Martin Luther's Christmas Book

Wed. Dec. 4, 2024 – 6:15 p.m. – 1st Wednesday of Advent – Focus on Mary

Wed. Dec. 11, 2024 – 6:15 p.m. – 2nd Wednesday of Advent – Focus on the Shepherds

Wed. Dec. 18, 2024 – 6:15 p.m. – 3rd Wednesday of Advent – Focus on the Magi

Sat. Dec. 7, 2024 - 9:00 a.m. – Decorating our church for Christmas.

Sat. Dec. 14, 2024 - 1:00 p.m. – Caroling to our home bound members via phoning from church.

Sun. Dec. 15, 2024 - 10:15 a.m. – “We Love Our Church” Christmas Auction.

Mon. Dec. 16, 2024 – 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. – Culver's Fund Raiser – S. 60th & W. Layton Ave.

Week of December 15 through 22nd - Bring Your Own Poinsettia Adventure - We see them in all the stores while shopping, so pick out the poinsettia you love and bring it to church to help us decorate the



Sanctuary for Christmas. Drop them off between Dec. 15th and Dec. 22nd. Here below are the dates for drop off or make an appointment with Barb Regent (414 282-0312) or Crystal Rolder (414 281-0414) to drop them off. Sunday, Dec. 15 between 8 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. (Worship Day), Wednesday, Dec. 18 between 5:30 p.m. and 7:15 p.m. (Worship Day), or Dec. 22 between 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. (Worship Day). Other times

by appointment. Thanks everyone. Please put your name on your plant and you can take it home after the Christmas Worship service(s). Any questions - please see Barb Regent.

Sun. Dec. 22, 2024 – Christmas Music Sunday – 9:00 a.m. Worship Service featuring our own Adoration Chancel Choir, Instrument Ensemble and Sunday School Children.

Tues. Dec. 24, 2024 – 4:30 p.m. Candlelight Christmas Eve Worship Service

Wed. Dec. 25, 2024 – 10:00 a.m. Christmas Day Worship Service

Sun. Dec. 29, 2024 – 9:00 a.m. Worship – 1st Sunday of Christmas

Wed. Jan. 1, 2025 – NO WORSHIP SERVICE – New Year's Day

Sun. Jan. 5, 2025 – 9:00 a.m. Worship – 2nd Sunday of Christmas



Bible Study

Join us in-person and via Zoom at 9:30 a.m. every Wednesday!

If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Dean.

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Adoration Wednesday Bible Study – The Chosen – Season 3 - Starting in November 2024 at 9:30 a.m.

DATES HAVE BEEN UPDATED DUE TO THE HOLIDAYS...SEE BELOW...

We will be watching the video series “The Chosen” Season 3 for our Bible Study sessions starting in November 2024. We will meet at our regularly scheduled time from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. We will start the session in-person and on Zoom,

watch the video in-person at Adoration, followed by a discussion in-person and on Zoom. We will have the Zoom link open but muted during the showing of the video. For those of you at home – please watch the video on your own – see links below.

The Chosen – Season 3

Episode 7: “Ears to Hear” (63 minutes) Wed. January 8 – Esther 7:7-8, 9:17-19, Mark 7:31-37, Luke 14:15-24, Matthew 22:1-14. (Andrew and Philip return from their trip with desperate news: they need Jesus’s help to solve a huge crisis in the Decapolis.)

Episode 8: “Sustenance” (83 minutes) Wed. January 15 – Matthew 14:13-36, Mark 6:30-52, Luke 9:10-17, John 6:1-21, Psalm 77. (Thousands arrive to first argue with, then listen to Jesus as he preaches.)

You Version Web Site Link

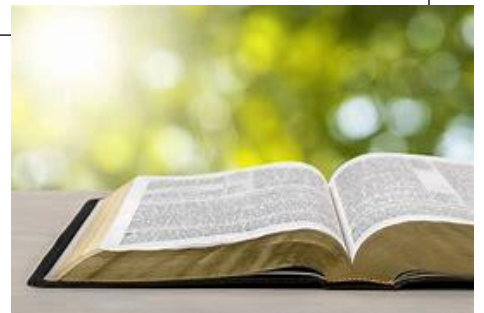
<https://www.bible.com/videos/41880-201-thunder?collection=1389>

The Chosen – Web Site Link

<https://watch.thechosen.tv/page/seasons%201-3>

The Chosen – CW TV Web Site Link

<https://www.cwtv.com/shows/the-chosen/sustenance/?play=073045a0-b4f2-4dfa-88ab-2d2bbd46d05b>



Literature Circle Book Club

All are welcome to join us on January 2nd for our 7 p.m. book club meeting. You may bring any book - even if you have not finished it. We will discuss your favorite or least favorite scenes, how the book relates to your life, what you've learned from the book, the importance of the setting and how you would rate your book on a scale of 1-10 and why.

Books We Think You May Enjoy:

Remarkably Bright Creatures by Shelby Van Pelt "A luminous debut novel about a widow's unlikely friendship with a giant Pacific octopus reluctantly residing at the local aquarium - and the truths she finally uncovers about her son's disappearance 30 years ago." -Adapted from Publisher

The Art Thief: A True Story about Love, Crime and a Dangerous Obsession by Michael Finkel "Carrying out more than two hundred heists over nearly ten years - in museums and cathedrals all over Europe - Breitwieser stole more than 300 objects, until it all fell apart in spectacular fashion." -Adapted from Publisher

The Girl with Seven Names is a memoir by Hyeonseo Lee. According to Samantha Power, a U.S. Representative to the United Nations, "Hyeonseo Lee brought the human consequences of global inaction on North Korea to the world's doorstep. Against all odds, she escaped, survived and had the courage to speak out."

Check out the book club bulletin board adjacent to the front door. We will keep adding book recommendations to the index cards that are sorted there by genre.

