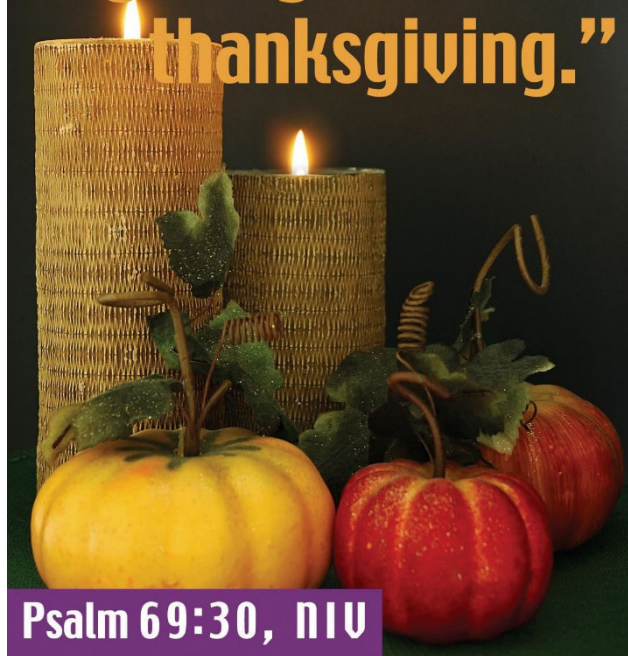


Refrigerator News

November 23, 2014

“I will praise God’s name in song and glorify him with thanksgiving.”



Psalm 69:30, NIU

November 24

9:15 – 10:45 Women’s Bible Study

Wednesday, November 26

7:15 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, November 27

Happy Thanksgiving!

The church office will be closed **November 27** and **28th**.

From Calling and Discernment...

The following persons have accepted calls to represent Lincolnshire at the Annual Conference of the Church of the Brethren in Tampa, FL in July, 2015. You will be asked to affirm them at the Congregational Meeting on Sunday, December 18th.

Bob Kaylor, Delegate

Linda Fultz, Alternate Delegate



The holidays are fast approaching with Thanksgiving just a few days away. This will bring about an increase in requests for help with food from the church. You can help by bringing in the following suggested staples to stock the pantry shelves.

Peanut butter & Jelly- always needed!

Canned fruit

Mac & Cheese

Canned soup, Chunky soup

Canned meat and tuna

Cereal

Instant potatoes

Pork & Beans

Rice

Skillet Dinners

Pasta

Spaghetti & Sauce

Ramen noodles



**Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and unto his courts with praise:
be thankful unto him, and bless his name.**

**For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting;
and his truth endureth to all generations.**

- Psalm 100:4-5

<u>December 1</u>	Jay D Ann Hensley
<u>December 3</u>	Zachary Strole
<u>December 4</u>	Richard Strole
<u>December 5</u>	Joe Henderson
<u>December 7</u>	Pat Fair
<u>December 15</u>	Nevaeh Mann
<u>December 18</u>	Mildred Dietzel Harold Goodmiller
<u>December 19</u>	Katelyn Kolb
<u>December 21</u>	Lowell Shearer
<u>December 22</u>	Dewayne Fairchild
<u>December 27</u>	Sue Bibbee
<u>December 29</u>	Harlan Dietzel
<u>December 31</u>	Casey Drudge



December Birthdays

Happy Anniversary!
Jack and Judy Steckly
 on
 December 17

Advent is a beginning.

Advent begins on November 30 this year. Many Christians may not realize that Advent is the beginning of the “church year.” The church year starts with our preparation to celebrate the birth of Christ. Advent obviously leads to Christmas Day.

After Christmas, churches move on to observe **Epiphany** (the arrival of the wise men). Epiphany is always observed on January 6th. Next comes the beginning of **Lent** on Ash Wednesday. Lent continues through Holy Week when we observe **Maundy Thursday**, **Good Friday** and **Easter**. Forty days after Christmas we recall the ascension of Christ (Acts 1:9) on Ascension Day. Fifty days after Easter comes the birthday of the church when the Holy Spirit descended upon Christ’s followers in Jerusalem giving them the power and unity. It happened on the day of Pentecost, a harvest holiday celebrated by Jews. **Pentecost** is observed until the start of Advent, when the church year begins again.

“Sharing Christmas with our Neighbors!”

Sunday, December 7th

Everyone shares pizza and cookies immediately following the Sunday school hour.



Walkers take invitations with ornaments attached to hang on doorknobs on selected streets.



Others make more ornaments to keep the walkers busy. ***If you have any unbreakable ornaments you want to donate to put with invitations, bring them anytime and put them in the basket in the Fellowship Hall.***



The invitations are to our **December 14th** worship, **Christmas Pageant** and lunch featuring birthday cakes, and to our **Christmas Eve** service.



We look forward to **you** being part of this E3 activity which invites our neighbors to worship with us during this Christmas season.