

SLC BEACON

GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS

THE CHRISTMAS EDITION

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4TH

Dinner 5:30-6:30pm | Fellowship Hall

Event 6:00-8:00pm | Gathering Place

Your helping hands will fill gift bags, wrap presents, sort military gifts, tie quilts, create greeting cards and more! These projects will be shared with: Birkenfeld Stella Maris Shelter for women and children; Lutheran Community Services Northwest Santa for Seniors; Staff at Four CKSD Elementary Schools; St. Michael Emergency Room and Birthing Center Staff; SLC Preschool Students; Operation Christmas Miracle for E-5 and below military families; SLC's ministry with independent living and care facilities; and SLC Preschool military families. There will also be a station to create an Advent log to use in your home or share as a gift with a friend/neighbor.

*Bring your servant heart and let's spread Christmas joy
as we love Kitsap and beyond!*

VARIETY SHOW

IT'S YOUR TIME TO SHINE!

📅 DECEMBER 13 ⌚ 7:00 PM

CONTACT JUSTIN!

SIGN UP NOW

JCORMIER@SILVERDALELUTHERAN.ORG

We've seen some amazing performances before, from bagpipe tunes to the Red Baron. This is a perfect opportunity to check out the music scene at SLC, whether you want to start small with a little act or dive right in with something more substantial. Both secular and sacred music are totally welcome. So grab your jingle bells and holly berries and come join the fun!



Join us for a
festive
holiday
potluck prior
to the SLC
Variety Show!

Sign up to bring your favorite festive
appetizer, desserts and drinks.

<https://www.perfectpotluck.com/UQVA7821>

Questions?

Jcormier@silverdalelutheran.org
call/text Justin at (253) 569 - 3870

AWAKENING EXPECTATIONS

NALC ADVENT & CHRISTMAS DEVOTIONAL 2024



NORTH AMERICAN
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In the sacred rhythm of the Christian liturgical calendar, this year's devotional invites us to journey through an extended season of anticipation, joy, and revelation—spanning the expectant weeks of Advent, the glorious celebration of Christmas, and culminating in the light of Epiphany.

Awakening Expectation is an invitation to reawaken our hope and spiritual preparedness for Christ's return, reflecting on the wonder of His Nativity and the promise of His second coming. Through daily scripture readings and reflections, we explore God's unfolding plan of redemption, from the dawning light of Advent to the brilliance of Epiphany.



We encourage you to download this devotional and share it with others. May it inspire your reflections, renew your anticipation, and deepen your faith throughout this sacred season of grace and expectation. Scan the QR Code or visit:

<https://thenalc.org/advent-christmas-devotional-2024/>



In this pressuring cooker of Christmas preparations, *The Sinner/Saint Devotional: Advent and Christmas* walks you through these church seasons, shifting your focus from work and checklists and putting it on the work Jesus did and does for you. Each devotion includes an opening Scripture passage, a devotional thought, a closing prayer, and a suggested Scripture reading for further reflection. They present you with the Gospel of Advent and Christmas: how Christ has come for us and will come for us again. You will be reminded repeatedly that these seasons are not mere past events to remember, but comfort for today. Comfort from the God who keeps his promises and sent his Son for the forgiveness of our sins. Available for purchase at: <https://bit.ly/sinnersaintdevotional>

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**SINNER / SAINT
DEVOTIONAL:
ADVENT & CHRISTMAS**
KYLE G. JONES & KATHRYN MORALES



PB's Sunday Education Hour The Incarnation

Dec 8, 15 and 22

Key Passages & the Incarnation

The affirmation that Jesus is God in the flesh is central to Christianity. What are the key Biblical passages that affirm this belief and how do they help us understand that Jesus is "fully God and fully human" as the Nicene Creed confesses? These three sessions will deepen and enliven our, and your, celebration of Christmas this year. Don't miss them!

December 8th: John 1:1-14 & Isaiah 7:14, & Matthew 1:22-23
The Word became flesh and God with us

December 15th: Phillippians 2:5-8 & Galatians 4:4-5

December 22nd: Isaiah 9:6, Colossians 2:9, &
Hebrew 2:14-18



Ushers Needed for Christmas Service



Christmas Eve: 11am, 5pm, 7pm, 9pm.

Christmas Day: 11am

Sign up in Fellowship Hall. Questions? Contact
Bruce Kramer @ bruce.kramer67@gmail.com



Christmas Eve Worship

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

11 am | 7pm | 9pm

Christmas Eve Family Service 5 pm

Our 5pm Service is family focused, more interactive and slightly shorter.
Our 7pm and 9pm services include our Sanctuary Choir and Bells. All
Services have Candlelight!

Christmas Day Worship | 11am



SLC Decorating "Elves" needed!

The decorations are put up gradually over the Advent season -even an hour or two is helpful! Here are examples of things to do:

- Hang wreaths and swags
- Lead/Direct/Organize clipping of decorations to the pews.
- Placing the poinsettias around the altar to celebrate the birth of the Christ child will set the stage.
- Keep watch on the poinsettias to assure they don't dry out (arriving Dec 18)

To volunteer or ask questions, please call or email Deb Marsch at:
(360) 981-4804 or imdabee@gmail.com

CHRISTMAS BASKETS

During the upcoming holiday season, SLC will once again partner with Kitsap Community Resources to provide meal baskets for Christmas. If you would like to contribute, please donate to SLC and designate your gift for Christmas Baskets.

Thank you for your generosity!

<https://bit.ly/slcbaskets>



**FOOD
BASKETS**



2025

GOOD
THINGS
AHEAD



ST. ANDREW'S HOUSE
retreat & conference center



Save the Date

SLC Women's Retreat
St Andrews House
Feb 14-16, 2025

Concert Schedule

Jan 17

David Locke, Accordion

Feb 28

Flutes Choir

May 9

Shelly Delvin, Trumpet
& Justin Cormier, Organ

May 16th

Combined Choir @ CK Pres

Homeless Remembrance Blanket Project

Many hands went into the completion of this beautiful quilt. The squares were created by SLC 's LWR Quilters as well as others from our congregation. Many were the hands who laid it out and then tied it at the May19th God's work. Our hands. Event. Deb Marsch put the squares together at home. The edges were sewn around at the Monday Quilters by one of their "official binding seamstresses". Now the quilt is on its way across the country to Philadelphia!



This SLC quilt will be one of hundreds of quilts/blankets from around the United States on display in front of Independence Hall in Philadelphia on December 21st. On the darkest day of the year, the massive array of blankets on the ground will be a visual reminder of all those who are experiencing homelessness now and a tribute to those who have died without a home.

The Homeless Remembrance Blanket Project was started by First Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA) in Carlisle, PA in 2021, as blankets were displayed in front of their church. In 2022, blankets covered the steps of the U.S. Capital, and in 2023 the steps of the Pennsylvania Capital.

This year the organizers are working with the Philadelphia School District's Education for Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness (ECYEH) Region 1 Team. The blankets will be immediately given to children/youth and others experiencing homelessness in Philadelphia.



The quilts are more than just fabric and thread. They are tangible expressions of love, care and hope. They are a reminder that even in the darkest of times, there are people who see, who care, and who want to make a difference. The recipients of these blankets realize that they are not forgotten, that their stories matter and that they are deserving of beauty and comfort. So on the darkest nights, wrapped in their new quilts, these children and youth will carry with them a newfound sense of hope and resilience.

Thank you, SLC quilters, for choosing to be a part of this incredible project!



You may have seen the beautiful Confirmation Class Album on display for our 75th Anniversary Pot Luck last month, going all the way back to 1949!

We'd like to get this album up-to-date and keep it going for future classes. We're missing photos and/or names from confirmation classes listed below.

1973-1976, 1993, 1995, 2002, 2004, 2005, 2007-present

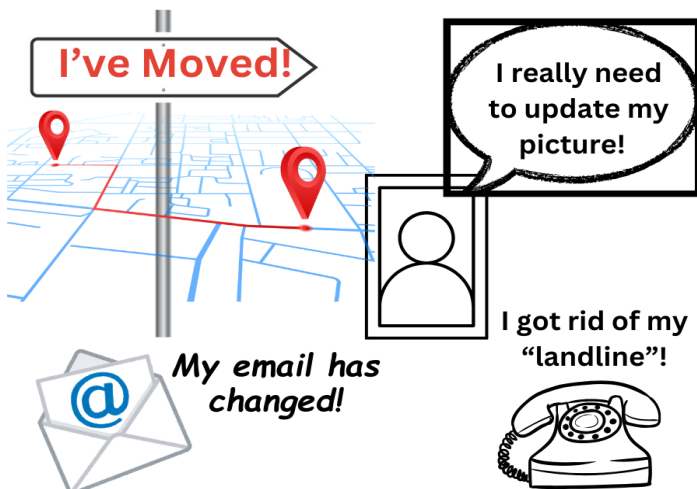
If you have any information that might help fill in the gaps, please contact Kathy Ozimek at pktcozimek@yahoo.com. Thank you!



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NO CHARGE/FREEWILL OFFERING

NOW OFFERING RIDES
TUESDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS
DAY OR NIGHT
 -CHURCH EVENTS
 -MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS
 -SHOPPING



Is your information in the directory correct?
 Better yet - are you missing from the directory?
Have your kids grown up but your picture still show them as little?
(I'm guilty of that!)
Have you gotten rid of your landline at home?

Stop by the office and update us!!! Or even better email your information and an updated picture to:
 Contact Kathleen @ slc@silverdalelutheran.org

The 2025 Altar Flower Calendar is now available in Fellowship Hall.
 Flowers beautify the Sanctuary, honor God, and are a blessing to all of us. If you want a special commemoration noted in the Sunday bulletin (e.g.: "to the Glory of God," or "In honor of...") please note that when you sign up. The flowers are yours to take home following the second service, or you may wish to donate the flowers to the church to take to home-bound members.



Cathy Bohman	Dec 01	Jeff Rasely	Dec 05
Yolonda Hoefner	Dec 01	Tom Taft	Dec 05
Roberta Leonardy	Dec 01	Chris Love	Dec 06
Kathy Havers	Dec 03	Gloria Smith	Dec 06
Mark Lund	Dec 03	Bob Bell	Dec 07
Hannah Baldus	Dec 04	Emmet Walmsley	Dec 07
Gabrielle Eagan	Dec 04		
Ellianna Eagan	Dec 04		



ANNIVERSARY

Kyle & Jewel Kincaid

Dec 1 (1 yr)

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24th, 2024

*1st Service	*2nd Service	*Total	Online	Fieldstone	GRAND TOTAL
170	190	360	102	10	472

*In person

A PLU CHRISTMAS

IN
EXCELSIS
DEO

PLU hopes you can join them for one of the most beloved holiday traditions in the Northwest, as the PLU Choir of the West, University Chorale, and University Symphony Orchestra present our annual Christmas concert, "A PLU Christmas: In Excelsis Deo."

FEATURING WORKS BY JOHN RUTTER, SERGEI RACHMANINOFF, DAVID WILLCOCKS, AND BRIAN GALANTE, ALONG WITH CHERISHED CAROLS AND SEASONAL FAVORITES, THIS COLLECTION CELEBRATES THE JOY OF THE CHRISTMAS SEASON.

LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR THE PLU CHRISTMAS CONCERT AT BENAROYA HALL!
BENAROYA CONCERT HALL, SEATTLE
MONDAY, DECEMBER 9 AT 7:30 PM

GENERAL ADMISSION TICKETS ARE \$40.
DISCOUNTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR SENIOR CITIZENS, MILITARY, CHILDREN, AND PLU ALUMNI/STUDENTS/FACULTY/STAFF.
FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT WWW.PLU.EDU/CHRISTMAS OR CALL 1-866-933-4747.



Narthex	Main Entry area to Sanctuary	FH	Fellowship Hall
S	Sanctuary	Rm 4	Room 4 (across from office)
St	Study/Library	GP	Gathering Place
22-27	Gathering Place Classrooms	HS	High School Youth Room GP

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

- 8:30 Early Worship (S)
 9:45 PB's Adult Education Class (FH)
 11:00 Late Worship (S)
*Reminder * No Youth Sunday School*

MONDAY, DECEMBER 2

- 9:00 Quilters (FH)
 2:00 Bible Study (St)
 6:30 GSWW SU315 Cookie Training (4)
 6:30 Boy Scouts

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3

- 9:30 Bible Study Fellowship (GP, 21-23)
 10:00 Weekly Staff Meeting (4)
 10:30 Alzheimer's Support (St)
 12:00 Al Anon (27)
 5:00 Hometown Band set up (FH, S, 4)
 5:30 Jazz Rehearsal - Brem Symphony (GP)
 6:30 Scout Planning Meeting (23)
 7:00 Hometown Band Holiday Concert (FH, S, 4)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4

- 10:30 Manna Bible Study (Rm 4, Zoom)
 12:00 Hearty Meals (FH)
 5:00 Electric Band (S)
 5:30 Dinner—God's Work. Our Hands (FH)
 6:00 God's Work. Our Hands (GP)*
*Also middle youth night**
 6:15 Al Anon (27)
 7:00 GS Trip Meeting (4)
 7:00 Sanctuary Choir (S)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5

No Thursday Bible Study, or Song of the Church today

- 8:00 Set up for Bishop's Advent Eucharist
 9:15 Bible Study Fellowship (FH, GP, 21-23)
 9:30 Holy Yoga (GP)
 10:00 Bishop's Advent Eucharist (S, 4, FH)
 1:00 Our'chestra
 1:00 Faith and Fellowship for Older Men (St)
 5:30 SLC Pickers (S)
 6:30 Cub Scouts Den Meeting (FP)
 6:45 Alleluia Ringers (S)
 7:00 Venture Scouting Group (23)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6

Military Event Set Up (FH, GP)
 Men's Prayer Breakfast (Bowling Alley)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7

Military Christmas Event
 (FH/GP & Nursery)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

- 8:30 Early Worship (S)
 9:45 PB's Adult Education Class (FH)
 9:45 Youth Sunday School (GP)
 11:00 Late Worship (S)



POINSETTIA DONATIONS

Poinsettias liven & beautify the sanctuary and can be taken home after Christmas!

Please fill out the envelope (located in the narthex), identify how many plants and designate "In memory of", "In honor of", etc. and insert a check made out to SLCW for \$12 and place in the offering plate. You can also purchase online at:

<https://bit.ly/SLCpoinsettias>

