



The InnerNet

LIVING SAVIOUR LUTHERAN CHURCH

December 2010

Growing and serving
in Christ.



The Child In Our Hands

The Child in Our Hands announces the Baptism of Jackson Cole Thomson of Amanda and Andrew on December 12, 2010. We pray that this is the beginning of a life-long faith journey supported by his parents and the faith community here at LSLC.

Pastor's Musings.....

"I hope they bring hot chocolate over here," said the 22 year-old man standing next to me in line. I agreed. We watched as a man from the church where we were to vote on that very cold day, November 3rd, 2000, walked out with his small tray of cups filled with delicious hot chocolate. Twenty-five to forty minutes passed as we watched the man three or four times pass out chocolate to people in front of us. He never had enough to make it to us.

Finally, we got close enough to the door and that wonderful man approached. With a big smile, he said, "Would you like a cup of hot chocolate?"

"Yes!" we replied. What joy, we could enjoy a hot drink on a very cold morning.

While drinking the hot chocolate, the young man standing with me turned to a woman near us and said, "This was really great of them to give us hot chocolate. What kind of church is this?" It's amazing that a small cup of free hot chocolate brought about questions about the church and joy.

That young man's question and comment about the church reaffirmed what I have always known to be true: small acts of kindness and grace lead to questions about God and God's people.

During the time of Advent and Christmas, we remember an act of great kindness by God. A baby born in Bethlehem, whose birth continues to be announced and proclaims, "This is Christ the Lord; this is God's greatest gift, His Son." Grace was at work in Bethlehem that night, and God's grace is still at work within us. May our God continue to bless others through you as you share the gifts of kindness, forgiveness, love and reconciliation.

May you have a blessed Advent and a Joyous Christmas.

Pastor David

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, November 28—First Sunday of Advent

Worship 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Sunday, December 5—Second Sunday of Advent

Worship 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School Pageant 11:00 a.m. service

Sunday, December 12—Third Sunday of Advent

Worship 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Advent Christmas Concert by Choirs and Orchestra 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 19—Fourth Sunday of Advent

Worship 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Friday, December 24—The Nativity of Our Lord: Christmas Eve

Family Candlelight Worship 5:00 p.m.

Candlelight Worship 10:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 26—First Sunday of Christmas

ONE worship service at 10:00 a.m.

Sunday, January 2, 2010—Epiphany Sunday

Worship 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.



News from Living Saviour Preschool

The preschool is now linked to Harris Teeter's Together in Education—our number is 8619. Merry Christmas! The preschool children will be performing and singing their version of the Christmas story December 16th and 17th at 11:00.

Many Blessings, Karen Ringwald and Staff



SUPPER CLUB

After a year off, the Supper Club is being revived. It meets quarterly, and is comprised of groups of up to eight adults. Each group plans the date and the menu, with hosting duties and each portion of the meal rotating each quarter.

If you do not wish to do this quarterly, consider signing up as a sub.

Prayerfully consider joining this fun activity. Deadline to sign-up is Dec. 12th—the sign-up sheet is on the kiosk. Questions? Contact Lillian Stephens at (704) 225-3580.

Shelter Ministry

The Shelter Ministry team wishes to extend their heartfelt thanks to every Living Saviour family member who was a part of making our church a welcoming home for homeless women in our community November 1st through the 8th.

To our setup team, who moved furniture and inflated air mattresses—thank you for creating a warm and comfortable “bedroom hall” for our guests’ use during the

week.

To our overnight hosts, our meals teams, our van drivers—thank you for giving your time and being gracious hosts to our guests.

To all of you who donated items for meals and hospitality, your donations were very valuable to our ministry, allowing us to extend a very special level of hospitality.

If you donated money to the shelter ministry account, your

donation allowed us to lease the 15 passenger van that was used for the week to transport our guests daily to and from the Center of Hope.

Thank you, Living Saviour, for your commitment to shelter ministry. We look forward to our continued ministry together in 2011.

Paula and Jack Holbein
Alice Jenkins
Nancy Nein

Salvation Army Christmas Stockings

Please consider taking one or more stockings to fill for the Christmas Bureau. Or you may purchase the fillers, and we will stuff. The stocking stuffer event will be on **Sunday, December 5th**, from 12 - 3 p.m. (Sloppy Joes and chips will be served.) Sign-

up sheet is on the kiosk. Filled stockings should be returned by no later than December 12th. Questions? Contact Joey Kendelhardt or Linda Frixen.

To assist you in shopping for your stocking fillers, please

see suggestions below. Please provide brand new, age-appropriate gifts. Make sure all gifts are unwrapped. DO NOT include any personal letters, pictures, candy, gum or chocolate. Also do not include any glass items, including snow globes.

Infants (0-9 months)	Blankets, pacifiers, teething, wipes, bottles
Toddlers (10 mon – 2 yrs)	Sippy cups, caps, wipes, toys, board books, bath toys
Girls/Boys (age 3-5 yrs)	Coloring books, crayons, toothbrush/toothpaste, hat and gloves, small toys such as cars, bubbles, Play-Doh, dolls, stuffed animals, balls
Girls/Boys (age 6-8 yrs)	Toothbrush/toothpaste, hat and gloves, markers or crayons, activity books, coloring books, stuffed animals, pocketbooks, jewelry, small toys such as cars, flashlights, dolls, card games, jump ropes, jacks
Girls/Boys (age 9-11 yrs)	Hat and gloves, toothbrush/toothpaste, markers, notebook/notepad, watch, CD holders, radios, flashlights, card games

Sunday School Christmas Pageant

Attention children ages 4 - 6th grade: There will be a Sunday School Christmas Pageant on December 5th during the 11:00 service and we want your participation! Rehearsals for all interested

children will be held on **Saturday, Dec. 4th**, 9:30 – 10:30 and **Sunday, Dec. 5th** during the Sunday school hour. Attendance at both rehearsals is mandatory if you want to participate. Please let

Glenda Kilminster know glendakilminster@gmail.com by **Tuesday, Nov. 30** so that she can get costumes ready. There is also a sign up sheet in the fellowship hall.

A CONCERT FOR ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS



Living Saviour Lutheran Church
Choirs, Orchestra, Organ

Sunday, December 12th
7 p.m.

Instrumentalists Fund Appeal

Special guest musicians are used to enhance our worship on special festival Sundays, the Advent Christmas Concert, and Christmas Eve. These musicians are funded solely by your generous contributions. Please consider making a contribution. Checks should be made payable to LSLC, memo: Instrumentalists Fund.



VOLUNTEER CHILDCARE ASSISTANTS NEEDED!!

WHEN: During the worship hours of 8:30 and 11:00

RESPONSIBILITIES: Arrive 15 minutes prior to and remain 15 minutes after the worship service. The nursery is always staffed by Carla Gearhart (paid staff member) and one additional adult. With enough congregational volunteers, each volunteer may only be assigned 3-4 times a year.

This is an important worship hour ministry, and requires two adults present to satisfy Living Saviour's Child Protection Policy. Please consider giving your time in 2011. Contact Kari Proctor at Sabrekaril@aol.com and let her know which service hour you would like to help—the 8:30 hour is always in greater need of help.

A FELLOWSHIP OF SENIORS



Please join us the third
Wednesday of each month
at 11:30 PM for lunch.

We are a group of men and women, ages 50 and above, who get together to catch up on all that is going on in our lives. We have fun, good food, and great fellowship. At the end of the meal we always have a drawing for a surprise to take home with you.

This month we'll celebrate all birthdays for the year with a large birthday cake.

Wednesday, December 15th
Waldhorn German Restaurant

We would love to have you join us.
If interested please call Dawn Gibson at 704-542-1740

DECEMBER SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

Sundays at 9:45 am

Age 3-Grade 5:

- Dec. 5—pageant rehearsal in sanctuary OR movie in upstairs classroom of the Education Building.
- Dec. 12—Regular schedule
- Dec. 19—Holiday event in Fellowship Hall

Confirmation Class (grades 6-8) and High School

- Dec. 5, 12—Regular schedule
- Dec. 19—Holiday event in Fellowship Hall

Adult Sunday School classes:

- Dec. 5, 12 and 19—Regular schedule

December 26th—NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

KIDS IN CHRIST/YOUNG KIDS IN CHRIST ACTIVITIES FOR DECEMBER

Dec. 4—Christmas Pageant rehearsal 9:30-10:30 in sanctuary and during Sunday school hour 12/5.

Dec 5— Christmas Pageant will be presented at 11:00 service.

Dec 11—Christmas Party 10:00-11:30—Parents of younger children need to plan on staying. Fun activities planned!
Please RSVP by Dec 1st to Karen Klein at cklein4@aol.com or Beth Hawley at emh1022@bellsouth.net

All children of the church age 4 through grade 5 are invited to participate in these holiday activities.

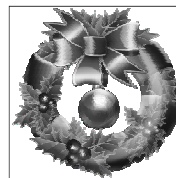
Questions or to volunteer your help contact

Glenda Kilminster at glendakilminster@gmail.com



WELCA IN DECEMBER

An Invitation to All Women of Living Saviour!



Annual Christmas Party
Thursday, December 16, 7:00 pm

At the home of:
Paula Holbein
905 Robinbrook Ln.
Waxhaw, NC 28173

What to bring:

- A wrapped Christmas ornament (\$5 or so) to exchange
- Your favorite party finger food (sweet or savory)
- A monetary offering for Birthday Blessings ministry
- Prayer Partners - plan to reveal yourselves this evening!

Please join us for a festive evening!

Looking ahead - we'll be reading a book for our
January meeting
Handle with Care by Jodi Picoult

December 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Wednesday Choirs Celebration Child Choir: 5:15-5:45 Joy Child Choir. 5:00-5:45 p Alleluia Ringers. 6:30-7:20 Chancel Choir 7:30-9:00 Sanctuary Choir- Sun. 7:30a			1 8:30-11:30 Hospice 12:00 Bible Study 1:30 pm Praying with Scripture 5-9 Choirs	2 7:00 am Men's Bible Study 6:30-8 pm GS Troop 150 6:30 -8 pm Brownies	3 6:00 - 9:00 pm GS Troop 126	4 9:30-10:30 SS Children's Pageant Rehearsal 4:30—6:00 pm Moehring Piano Recital
5 9:45 Congregational Mtg 11:00 SS Children's Christmas Pageant 12-3 Stocking Stuffer Event 4-7 Finnish School Christmas Party	6 7-8:30 pm Boy Scouts	7 6:30 pm Praying with Scripture 6:45-pm Cub Scouts	8 12:00 Bible Study 1:30 pm Praying with Scripture 5-9 Choirs	9 7:00 am Men's Bible Study 6 - 6:30 Cranfield Academy 6 pm Ladies Night Out	10	11 10 - 12 noon Concert Rehearsal 10 - 12 noon: Advent Event/Kids in Christ & Young Kids in Christ
12 11:00 am Baptism of Jackson Thom 7:00 pm Advent Christmas Concert	13 7-8:30 pm Boy Scouts	14 6:30 pm Praying with Scripture	15 11:30 Primetimers 1:30 pm Praying with Scripture	16 7:00 am Men's Bible Study 6:30-8 pm GS Troop 150 6:30 -8 pm Brownies 7:00 pm WELCA	17 Last Day Pre School Pre School Program	18
19 Sunday School Holiday Event 3:30 pm Family Christmas Caroling	20 7:00 pm Council 7-8:30 pm Boy Scouts	21 6:30 pm Praying with Scripture	22 12:00 Bible Study 1:30 pm Praying with Scripture 5-9 Choirs	23 7:00 am Men's Bible Study	24 Office Closed 5:00 pm Christmas Eve Serv. 10:00 pm Christmas Eve Serv.	25 Christmas Day
26 One Service at 10:00 am	27 7-8:30 pm Boy Scouts	28 6:30 Praying with Scripture	29 12:00 Bible Study 1:30 pm Praying with Scripture	30 7:00 am Men's Bible Study	31 Office Closed	

Birthdays

	12/15 Luke Gordon	12/25 Angela Macmurphy	12/9 Sara & Harry Kaiser
	12/16 Kristen Laney	12/26 Bill Carver	12/21 Corky & Bill Carver
	Avery West	Polly Farris	12/25 Sarah & Preston Gist
12/1 Lesa Johnson	12/17 Nicolas Walder	Lars Rumpf	12/26 Pat & Glen Hipps
Nancy Nein	12/18 Charles Klein	Alexis Willis	12/29 Diana & Dan Slusser
12/2 Lisa Krause	12/19 Mary Patterson	12/28 Carol Badal	12/30 Linda & David Frixen
12/3 Dawn Gibson	Sarah Pope	12/31 Ken Cochran	12/31 Linda & Bob Honeycutt
Nancy Hann	12/20 Adair Hill	Joy Forster	
12/6 Beth Bennett-Hill	Karen Kaufeld		
Gordon Hann	Alex Loayza		
12/7 Ryan Huber	12/22 George Brown		
12/11 Jeannine LeVan	Cliff Pulkas		
Larry Wagstaff	12/23 Ray Kilminster		
12/12 Liam Gilpin	Justin Krause		
Terrence McConnell	12/24 Pat Hipps		
Mary Pulkas			



Anniversaries

12/1 Coni & Duane Patrick
 12/8 Lillian & Russell Stephens

*If you notice any errors or omissions,
 please contact the church office so that our
 records can be updated. Thank you.*