

# Silverstreet Lutheran Church

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"His Holy Name"

*Psalm 138:2-3 - I bow down toward Your holy temple and give thanks to Your Name for Your steadfast love and Your faithfulness, for You have exalted above all things Your Name and Your Word. On the day I called, You answered me; my strength of soul You increased.*



As sinful human beings, we wish to exalt ourselves. Even the very shy and retiring among us do so. Our efforts to satisfy our own desires are, in fact, part of what sin is all about. God commands, "You shall have no other gods before Me" (Exodus 20:3), but in sinful pride we set ourselves before God, doing what we want instead of what God wants for us. Yet as His First Commandment shows us, our worship belongs, not to ourselves, but to God alone. He is God, and He has "exalted above all things" His Name and His Word. We, as fallen people, often exalt ourselves through idolatry. God exalted His holy Name and Word through the astonishing self-sacrifice of His saving work.

The people of Israel had sinned against the Lord by exalting themselves and their own desires through idolatry and bloodshed. In response to their sin, God "scattered them among the nations," sending His people into exile as captives of their enemies (Ezekiel 36:19a). The inhabitants of those foreign lands ridiculed the exiled Israelites and their God. The Israelites were God's chosen people, yet their mighty God had sent them away! The conquering nations mocked the God of Israel, so God acted in power to exalt His holy Name. He told the Israelites, "I will vindicate the holiness of My great Name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the LORD" (Ezekiel 36:23a). For the sake of His holy Name, to show Himself holy and blameless, God would gather His people and cleanse them from their sins.

This cleansing from sin would be brought about through God's self-giving sacrifice. At the right time, Jesus, God the Son, humbled Himself to take on human flesh. He sacrificed Himself, submitting to a shameful death on a cross for the sake of our salvation. Our sins are washed away in Jesus' blood. God's holy Name was vindicated, His promises kept.

Our sins are forgiven for Jesus' sake. We respond with worship and praise, exalting God's holy Name and giving thanks for His steadfast love and faithfulness. As God hears and answers our prayers, our "strength of soul" is increased. In the power of the Holy Spirit, we seek to exalt, not ourselves, but God's holy Name and His Word. We repent of our idolatrous ways and rejoice: "Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to Your Name give glory, for the sake of Your steadfast love and Your faithfulness!" (Psalm 115:1)

**THE PRAYER:** Mighty Lord, help me by Your Spirit to give of myself to others, offering service in Your holy Name. Amen.

This Daily Devotion was written by Dr. Carol Geisler.

## Silverstreet Lutheran Church Council

January 9, 2022

The Silverstreet Lutheran Church Council met on Sunday, January 9, 2022 in the church fellowship hall at 9:00 a.m.

Members present were: Mike Willingham, Christopher Smith, Terry Crone, Jerry Willingham, and Dalton Shealy.

The meeting opened with a discussion on whether or not to have communion due to the rise in Covid 19 numbers in the county. After presenting some guidelines by the medical team on the security team, Mike Willingham made a motion to continue with communion and Jerry Willingham second the motion, all voted in favor.

The December minutes were presented and Chairman Mike Willingham asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes. With there being none, the minutes were approved as read.

### Committee Reports:

- a.) Pastoral Services – No meeting. It was discussed as to whether we should pay Pastor John for the Sunday he was not there due to exposure to Covid. The council voted to pay him for that Sunday.
- b.) Membership – Had phone meeting and Cayce Lybrand agreed to remain Chairperson.
- c.) Worship & Music – No Report.
- d.) Christian Education – No Report.
- e.) S.O.W. – Phone meeting and Anna Bedenbaugh agreed to remain Chairperson.
- f.) Property – Will be meeting after church next Sunday.
- g.) Stewardship – No Report.
- h.) Children & Youth – Met to elect Chairperson and recorder. Lindsay Willingham will be chairperson and Mary Willingham will be recorder.
- i.) Safety Committee – No Report.

The Chairman called for a motion to accept the reports. Terry Crone made the motion to accept the reports and Dalton Shealy second the motion.

### Financial Reports :

All financial reports were received and Jerry Willingham made a motion and Terry Crone seconded the motion to approve report as presented. Motions carried.

Old Business:

- a.) The Chairman of council reminded all Liaisons of committees to call their meetings so that chairpersons and recorders could be elected. Need this information for the yearbook.
- b.) The Chairman also reminded the council that the person responsible for locking the church should please review the duties. The coffee pot has been left on several times.

New Business:

- a.) The Chairman asked that the February congregational meeting be held on the 20<sup>th</sup> to approve the 2022 yearbook. This was approved.
- b.) The Chairman received a request from Mary Ann Hayes to use the sanctuary for her piano recital on April 29<sup>th</sup>. This was approved.

Other Business:

No other business to discuss.

Christopher Smith made a motion to adjourn and Terry Crone seconded the motion.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Mike Willingham-Council Chairperson



**Bits 'N Pieces.....**

**Remember in our Prayers-** The family of Diane Bowers Merchant as they lay her to rest in eternal peace with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

**LMM – LMM** will meet Wednesday, February 9th, at 7:00 p.m. the meal will be prepared by Austin Willingham and Bryan West. All men of the church are invited to Attend.

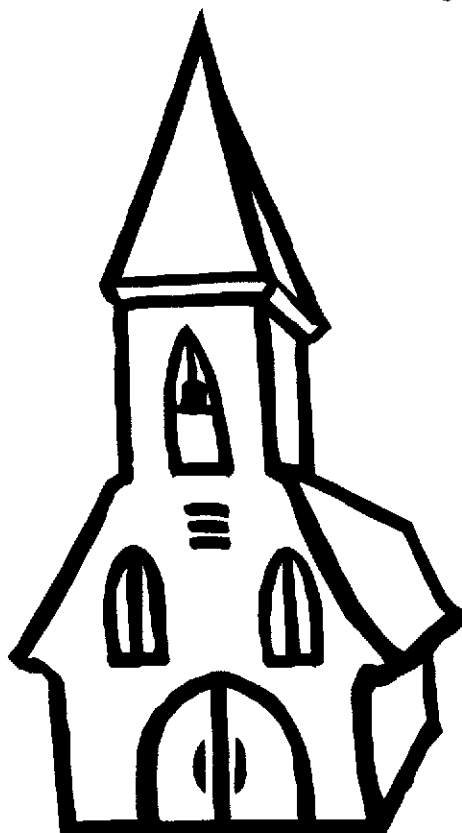
**WELCA Steak Supper – February 19<sup>th</sup>**, 5 pm to 7 pm. Drive through only. Please try to sell your tickets. I know things are a little off due to not having Sunday School. We hope we will be able to resume a normal schedule soon.

**Worship and Music Committee – Will meet on February 13<sup>th</sup>** immediately following the worship service in the conference room. Pastor John will be joining us for this meeting to share with us his ideas for Lent Season. Hopefully we will be back to some kind of normal schedule so we can resume Lent Services this year.

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper – March 1<sup>st</sup>** beginning at 6:30 pm. This will also be a drive through. Please watch for a signup sheet.

**Ash Wednesday Service – March 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Please join us for the wonderful service as we begin our Lenten Journey.

**Lutheridge Day Camp – Dates have been set for June 20<sup>th</sup> through 24<sup>th</sup>**. Mark your calendars and watch for upcoming announcements concerning this event. We will need volunteers.





MEMORIALS FOR JANUARY 2022

**Diane Bowers Merchant**

Susie Epting

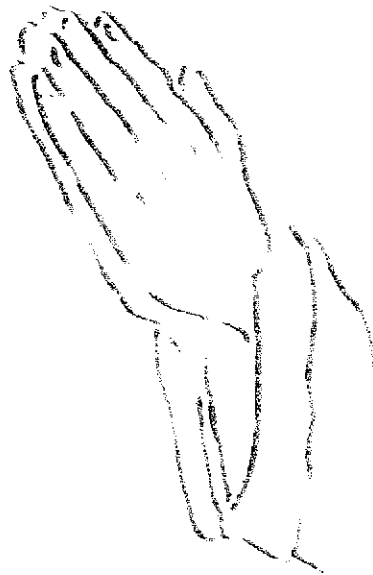
Leland & Patsy Epting

Bill & Judy Ann Floyd

Brandy & Johnny Wix

WELCA - Circle II

Anna Bedenbaugh



# WELCA Dates

Circle II

Feb 9th

3:30 p.m.

Hostess

Leader

Joan Perry

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Circle IV

Feb 1st

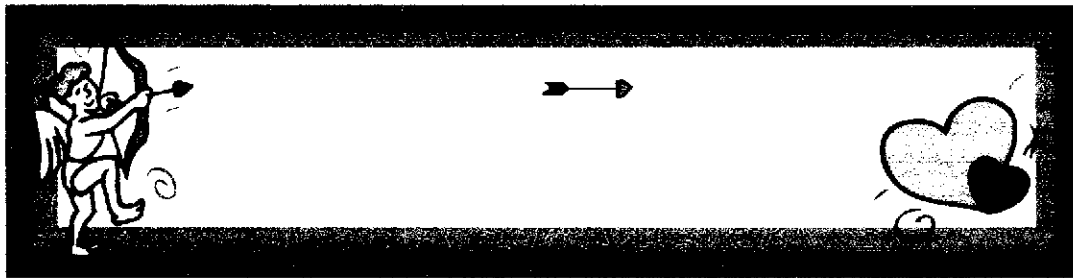
7:00 p.m.

Hostess

Leader

Patsy Epting

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February 6th 4:00 p.m.

Coastal Strokes in Prosperity, SC

Secret Sister Reveal!

**SERVING GOD IN FEBRUARY 2022**

*If a conflict arises and you cannot serve on the appointed date, please find a replacement. Each person and their duty is vitally important to the worship service in the church. \*Head Usher \*\* Greeter. Thank you for Serving!*

**Ushers**

Jay Piersol \*  
Mike Willingham  
April Bryant \*\*  
Bryan West

**Communion Steward**

6<sup>th</sup> Kim Crone  
27<sup>th</sup> George Piersol

**Securing the Church**

Brandy Wix

**Offering Tabulators**

Brandy Wix \*  
April Bryant

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**Lay Readers**

Feb 6 Shannon Bowers  
13 Katherine Cook  
20 Cayce Lybrand  
27 Nancy Ruff (Transfiguration)



**Altar Flowers**

Kim & Terry Crone  
Austin & Beth Willingham  
Jerry & Alicia Willingham  
Mary & Mike Willingham



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**Acolyte**

Feb 6 Peyton Piersol  
13 Peyton Piersol  
20 Harper Piersol  
27 Harper Piersol (Transfiguration)



**Crucifer**

Cameron Lybrand  
Cameron Lybrand  
Sarah Bryant  
Sarah Bryant (Transfiguration)

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**Happy Birthday to the Following.....**

Feb 6	Janice Havird	16	Maffett Fant
	Austin Willingham	20	Kim Crone
7	Axl Phillip Cook	23	Hannah Chapman
9	Jason Huggins	25	George Piersol



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**Happy Anniversary to the Following.....**

Feb 27 Mike and Mary Willingham

*Anyone missing? Please let us know. We want to recognize everyone! Also if you see an error, please call Mary Willingham or the Church office. Thank you.*



# February 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 7 pm WELCA Grp. IV	2	3	4	5
6 9 am Choir 11 am Worship/ Communion 12 Noon - Drive thru Valentine Lunch 4 pm Secret Sister Reveal	7	8	9 7 pm LMM	10 3:30 pm WELCA Grp II	11	12
13 9 am Council 9 am Choir 10 Sun School 11 am Worship	14 	15	16	17	18	19 WELCA Drive Thru Steak Supper
20 9 am Choir 10 Sun School 11 am Worship	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 9 am Choir 10 Sunday School 11 am Worship	28					