

Shepherd's Staff

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Dear Friends,

I found this prayer by William Barclay, and thought it appropriate as we begin this new year.

O God our Father, as this year comes to an end, we remember before you all its days.

Every happy hour and every happy day; every new thing we have learned and seen and done; every new friend we have made and the old friends to whom we are closer now than ever we were: We remember and give thanks with joy.

Everything that was difficult to face or hard to bear, but out of which we came, wiser in mind and stronger in character; every failure and disappointment that has kept us humble; everything that has shown us how dangerous life can be and how much we need you: We remember and give thanks with joy.

Every task in which we failed; every temptation to which we succumbed; every person we hurt and failed and disappointed; every word and deed for which we are sorry now: We remember and confess with sorrow.

All those for whom this has been a thrilling, an exciting, and a successful year: That they may remember to give you thanks.

All those for whom this has been a sad year, and who come to the end of it lonelier than they were at the beginning: That they may find comfort and courage to go on.

All those for whom this has been an ordinary year, when nothing special seemed to happen, making them forget that it is in life's routine they win or lose their destiny: That they may know themselves to be blessed by you.

And help us now, made wise by the lessons life taught us, to go on to higher achievements and nobler things, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Happy New Year, my friends...

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Wold

In Our Prayers: Roy and Maralyn Kloweit, Kay Eagleson at VanMatre, Alice Persaud at home, Peg and Stu Hoffman at home, and Signe DeMunn, under the care of Hospice (Kris Tukker's mother).

Our sympathy to Craig Bederka and family upon the death of Craig's sister-in-law, Jean on December 12.

Our Mission
Sharing God's
Love



Jan. 13, help with Bingo at Rosewood Care Center, 2-3 pm.

Jan. 21, Annual NIS Ski Trip to Chestnut Mountain, Galena.

Sign up on youth bulletin board. (See article on Page 3).

Area youth meet at Katie's Cup every 4th Tuesday of the month from 6-10 pm. If you have questions, please call Alan Wold at

Our Values
Children &
Youth

Offering envelopes for 2013 will be available for pick up at the Narthex table beginning in December. Please also note, if you want to contribute any extra money to SVLC, please make sure you date the check 2012 and also have it in a 2012 envelope.

Financial results as of November 30, 2012 and Year To Date totals				
	C & B	C & B	C & B YTD	C & B YTD
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
Income	\$16,464.10	\$15,795.00	\$178,832.34	\$180,634.00
Expense	\$19,257.74	\$17,265.60	\$204,130.88	\$196,165.72
Inc/exp	-\$2,793.64	-\$1,470.60	-\$25,298.54	-\$15,531.72
plus offsets	\$1,763.06	\$375.00	\$20,697.27	\$5,190.00
plus interest	\$0.92	\$2.50	\$23.60	\$27.50
Net income	-\$1,029.66	-\$1,093.10	-\$4,577.67	-\$10,314.22
		11/30/12	10/31/12	
C&B balance		(\$573.10)	\$474.10	
	Building	Building	Bld YTD	Bld YTD
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
Income	343,912.00	2,050.00	366,588.00	23,400.00
Expense	\$316,088.43	\$2,078.20	364,747.67	23,360.23
Net inc/exp	\$27,823.57	-\$28.20	\$1,840.33	\$39.77
		11/30/12	10/31/12	
Building fund balance		\$23,181.55	-\$4,642.02	
Please note: Financials run one month behind in the bulletin				
Also note: The total bill for the new AC/Heat units for Moline and the Narthax totaled \$13780.00 and \$13484.00 has been collected				
as of November 30, 2012				

Sunday,
Jan. 27, 2013
9:30-10:30 am



Our collection for January will support the Rock House Kids. Items needed: Box dry cereal (individual servings about 1 ounce size), breakfast bars, nutrition bars, peanut butter crackers, cheese crackers, fruit roll ups, fruit cups, fruit snacks, raisins, cookies, chips, Capri Sun drinks. They must be individual wrapped and sized.

*Thank You,
Social ministry and Outreach*

Outreach Committee Meeting will be on January 13th after second service in the Library.

Soup Kitchen: Our next date to serve is February 3. A sign up sheet will be up January 6.

Worship Services <i>Fellowship time</i> <i>after all services</i>
January 6, 2013 8:15 & 10:45 am Worship w/Communion SS/ Adult Forum 9:30-10:30 am
January 13, 2013 8:15 & 10:45 Worship w/ Communion SS/Adult Forum 9:30-10:30 am
January 20, 2013 8:15 & 10:45 Worship w/ Communion SS/Adult Forum 9:30-10:30 am
January 27, 2013 8:15 & 10:45 Worship w/ Communion at both services No SS/Adult Forum Annual Mtg., 9:30 am



YOUTH Ski Trip, January 21, 2013, Chestnut Mountain, Galena.

Cost: \$45, lift, lesson rental (ski or snowboard)
\$25 lift only
\$8 meal deal (group lunch-resort choice)
\$10 meal (cafeteria lunch)

Registration: call Nevagay Abel (815-978-8192)
or Alan Wold (815-988-1230)



An Invitation to All:

On Wednesday, January 16 at 6:30 p.m., the confirmation class will be visiting a local synagogue. Rabbi Binah Wing of Temple Beth-El in Rockford has invited us (along with other congregations) to come and learn about Judaism. The congregation is invited as well. Please let Pastor Wold know if you would like to attend so we can let them know how many to expect.

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ATTENTION

The youth of SVLC will be helping with serving at our next **Soup Kitchen at Emmanuel**. However, additional help will be needed. Please sign up at the Kiosk—youth & adults—for help on **Sunday February 3, 2013**.

