

## WEEKLY EVENTS FOR Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>- Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup>

### SUNDAY

Divine Service	8:15am
Sunday School	9:30am
Youth Bible Study	9:30am
Adult Class	9:30am
Divine Service	10:30am

### TUESDAY

Solid Grounds	9:00am
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### WEDNESDAY

Children's Choir Practice	4:00pm
Advent Meal	5:00pm
Midweek Advent Service	6:00pm
Adult Choir Rehearsal	7:00pm

### FRIDAY

Men's Bible Study	6:30am
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### SATURDAY

New 2 You Day	10:00am
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## IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS

- 12/20 Midweek Advent Service at 6PM, meal at 5PM
- 12/24 No Morning Services
- 12/24 Christmas Eve Services at 4PM & 6PM
- 12/25 Christmas Day Service w/HC at 9AM
- 12/31 New Year's Eve Services w/HC at 8:15AM & 10:30AM

## ADVENT MEALS VOLUNTEERS

Group 3 is up for Advent meal this year on 12/20. Please respond to the sign-up requests when you get them if you are in those groups. We need as much help as we can get. If you are not getting the email requests, please let Rachel know [rmoldstad@gmail.com](mailto:rmoldstad@gmail.com)

## ADVENT DEVOTION BOOKS

For our midweek Advent services this year we'll be focusing on the theme: *This is My Son*. We encourage you to join us for these special services on the first three Wednesdays of December at 6pm. We also want to encourage you to grow in the knowledge of God's Son, Jesus, and your own identity as a child of God by using a daily devotion book focused on this theme. You can pick up a free copy of the *This is My Son* devotional booklet in the church entryway. Please take only one per family.

## 2024 OFFERING ENVELOPES & CHRISTMAS CARDS

Please pick up your 2024 offering envelopes on the tables in the entryway of the church. Your name and number are on the box label. You can also pick up your Christmas cards from the pastors' families.

## CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Calling all Sunday school age kids! We are looking for kids interested in learning a song for Christmas Eve. The rehearsal will be Wednesday, Dec 20<sup>th</sup> at 4pm. Kids for both of the 4pm and

6pm services are needed. Please contact Rachel at [rachelkerkow@gmail.com](mailto:rachelkerkow@gmail.com) with questions. See you there!

### **PEACE SKI DAY AT MT. KATO – CANCELED**

Our ski day has been canceled due to the weather. We plan to reschedule in January.

### **BIBLE STUDY BREAK**

Regular Bible Studies and Sunday School will not be meeting between Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> and Jan. 4<sup>th</sup>.

### **MARRIAGE MAINTENANCE COURSE – JAN 7 | 4PM**

Join us on Jan. 7<sup>th</sup>, Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>, & Mar. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Class from 4-5pm. Date night 5 to 6:30pm. Childcare is provided from 4pm to 6:30pm. Register at [peacemankato.com/marriage](http://peacemankato.com/marriage). Cost is \$30.

### **PEACE SENIORS GROUP – JAN 11 | 11:30AM**

#### **TOPIC - "Getting My Affairs in Order" using the "Peace of Mind Planner"**

Christian stewardship has prompted many of us to create a Will or Trust, and establish Health Care and Financial Powers of Attorney. Christian stewardship has prompted some of us to begin organizing our personal information and important documents trying to make certain surviving loved ones can easily find and access all the info they need at our time of passing. Those of us who have worked on this "organizing" agree IT IS CHALLENGING, at best!

The "Peace of Mind Planner" is a 90 plus page "organizer / workbook" guaranteed to make this "organizing" much easier and more "user friendly"! The Planner provides outline and structure for the user to enter the personal information our survivors will NEED to manage our assets and finalize our estates upon our passing. Completing the "Peace of Mind Planner" will be a gift to your loved ones.

Dan Loe received a "Thrivent" grant to purchase 15 copies of the "Peace of Mind Planner". Each couple or single attending the Peace Senior mtg on January 11<sup>th</sup> will receive their own copy of the planner. Dan will facilitate discussion as we explore how best to enter our information into the planner. Lunch will follow the discussion.

### **ANNUAL OPEN FORUM – JAN 21 | 11:30AM**

Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at 11:30am. The entire congregation is invited to participate in our open forum. Some of the topics for discussion are: an update on the work of our boards, and also a financial update.

### **NEW EVENING BIBLE STUDY – JAN 22 | 7PM**

Monday evenings, session A - led by Pastor Moldstad will be on 1<sup>st</sup> Peter. Session B - led by Pastor Weichmann will be on 2<sup>nd</sup> Peter. You will also be able to attend online at: [peacemankato.com/mondayonline](http://peacemankato.com/mondayonline).

### **MVL CHRISTMAS CONCERT – DEC 21 | 6:45PM**

The MVL Christmas concert, "Christ Breaks Through," will be presented on Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup> in our school gymnasium. The concert will feature the MVL Symphonic Band, our Freshman Choir, the A Capella Choir, the Charaaliers, and our Charger Junior Choir. Doors to the gym will open at 6:15. The band will begin playing at 6:45 P.M. with the processional of the choirs at 7:00. We sincerely hope that you can join us as we finish our semester with the celebration of the birth of our Savior Jesus, who pierces our darkness with his marvelous light! Merry Christmas to you all!

### **MVL BOYS' BASKETBALL PEACE NIGHT – JAN 9 | 6PM**

Boys' basketball verses Wabasso. JV starts at 6pm and Varsity starts at 7:30pm. Pick up your free tickets on the cabinet in the narthex.

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

### **BETHANY LUTHERAN COLLEGE EMPLOYMENT**

Bethany Lutheran College is taking applications for an Admissions Counselor. Go to [blc.edu/jobs](http://blc.edu/jobs) for more details.

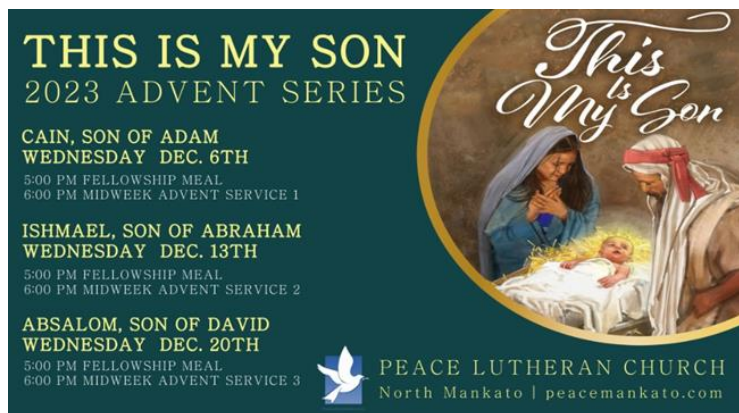
### **MVL HEAD SOFTBALL COACH**

MVL is looking for a head softball coach for the spring of 2024. If you or anyone you know are interested or want more information contact Craig Morgan at [cmorgan@mvlhs.org](mailto:cmorgan@mvlhs.org)

### **HOUSING NEEDED for INTERNATIONAL STUDENT**

MVL would like to host a young man from Germany next year. However, we are in need of a host family willing to open their home to this young man. He will only be with us for one semester, which means he will arrive in late August and then leave just before Christmas. Host families are compensated for serving in this capacity. If you are interested, please contact MVL Principal Tim Plath at [tplath@mvlhs.org](mailto:tplath@mvlhs.org) or 507-354-6851.

## FLYERS & POSTERS




**THIS IS MY SON**  
2023 ADVENT SERIES

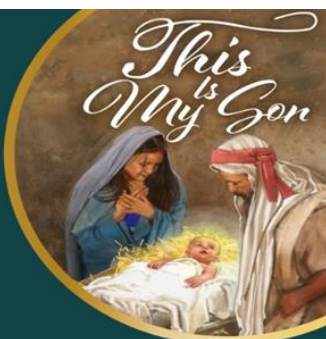
**CAIN, SON OF ADAM**  
WEDNESDAY DEC. 6TH  
5:00 PM FELLOWSHIP MEAL  
6:00 PM MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICE 1

**ISHMAEL, SON OF ABRAHAM**  
WEDNESDAY DEC. 13TH  
5:00 PM FELLOWSHIP MEAL  
6:00 PM MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICE 2

**ABSALOM, SON OF DAVID**  
WEDNESDAY DEC. 20TH  
5:00 PM FELLOWSHIP MEAL  
6:00 PM MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICE 3

 **PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
North Mankato | [peacemankato.com](http://peacemankato.com)

*This is My Son*







  
**Marriage**  
MAINTENANCE

3-session course starting January 7th

*Babysitting and time for a date included!*  
Babysitting for potty-trained children ages 3+

DATES & TOPICS	TIME	LOCATION
<b>Sunday, Jan 7</b> Love Never Fails	<b>4 - 5PM</b> Marriage Course	<b>Peace Lutheran</b> 2090 Commerce Dr. North Mankato
<b>Sunday, Feb 4</b> Seen and Unseen	<b>5 - 6:30PM</b> Date with your spouse at location of your choice to discuss topic	<b>REGISTRATION</b> <a href="http://peacemankato.com/marriage">peacemankato.com/marriage</a> Cost: \$30
<b>Sunday, Mar 3</b> Marriage as a Priority		