

The Five Doors of Christmas

December 3, 2017
Wayne Cook



Opening Song

Welcome

Offertory

Hope - Door Presentation

Praise and Worship

Communion - by Intinction

Please come down the center isle to receive communion and walk back on the outside isles. If you have difficulties walking, please hold up your bulletin and you will be served.

Salem Family Prayer

Message - *"No Word from God is Without Power -*

A Message of Hope"

Closing Song

**Exit offering for the Care Fund this morning.*

THIS MORNING WE HAVE THE FOLLOWING AVAILABLE FOR YOU:

Nursery Care is provided for children birth to Pre-K during service.

Kids Quest is an activity for children ages four years to 6th grade during the last part of our worship service. They will be dismissed with the teacher and hear a Bible story, have a craft & snack. You can pick them up after the service in the Cana or Galilee Rooms.

Sound Amplifiers & Large Print Bibles are available from ushers.

Prayer Team is available at the back of the Sanctuary after the service.

IF YOU'RE VISITING WITH US, PLEASE FILL OUT A VISITOR CARD AND BRING IT TO THE WELCOME CENTER. WE HAVE A GIFT FOR YOU!

SERVING YOU

USHERS FOR DECEMBER: Darrell Johnson (Lead), Dennis Dagger, Robin Dagger, Brad Bohlmann, Liam Bohlmann

NURSERY TODAY: Anna Johnson & Nicole Houle

December 10: Marylou MacInnes & Cassie Nicholson

KIDS QUEST TODAY: Venessa Osborne & Merabbeth Cook

December 10: Jan Peterson & Kathy Norgren

WELCOME CENTER TODAY: Mark & Heather McGrew

COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP TODAY: Orma Pitoscia & Anne Blodgett

December 10: Kathy Hughes & Peg Johnson

PRAYER REQUESTS

MISSIONARY: **Doug & Sara Johnson** serving with Kids Alive, Intl. in Guatemala, Central America - Please pray for Doug and Sara and their family. Pray for their son Jared who's in his senior year and making decisions about college and his future. Also pray that as Christmas approaches, the girls at the Oasis will focus on Jesus and not on the things that the world tries to offer.

LOCAL MISSION: **Salvation Army** - Pray for their staff and volunteers as they prepare opportunities to reach out to our community during this beautiful yet busy time of year. Please pray that the true meaning of Christmas will be shared and experienced by every person and family who receives the gifts.

SALEM MINISTRY: **Property Commission** - Please pray for these members as they care for our church building and grounds: Darrell Johnson (chair), Wally Abbott, Warren Blodgett, Bryan Noble, Cliff Sanders, Dan Pocerlich, Tim Younggren, Roger Swanson, Jim Proudlock, Dennis Dagger

HOMEBOUND: Lester Pearson & Mark Andersen

GOD'S WORD

Proverbs 3:21-22, 25-26

- 21 *My son, preserve sound judgement and discernment, do not let them out of your sight;*
- 22 *they will be life for you, an ornament to grace your neck.*
- 25 *Have no fear of sudden disaster or of the ruin that overtakes the wicked,*
- 26 *for the Lord will be your confidence and will keep your foot from being snared.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **DURING ADVENT** we'll have the five doors of Christmas: Dec. 3: Hope Dec. 10: Peace ❖❖ Dec. 17: Joy ❖❖ Dec. 24: Love & Christ
Each Sunday will have a special focus for children.
- **MONTHLY NEWSLETTER** - Printed copies of the Salem Bridge are located at the Welcome Center.
- **MEN'S FRATERNITY** - All men are welcome to join us on Tuesday, December 5 at 7:00 am at Salem for this great time of fellowship in God's Word.
- **"MAKE ROOM" REFLECTION AND STUDY** - Everyone is invited to join Pastor Steven on Thursdays, December 7, 14 and 21st, at 7:00 pm at Salem as we prepare our hearts during this season of Advent.
- **FREE COFFEE & WIFI** - Thursdays at 7:00 pm at Salem. There are post cards available at the Welcome Center to hand out to anyone you might see hanging around outside of Salem. Welcome them in!
Thanks to Dave Johnson for facilitating this outreach.
- **BAKE SALE** is next Sunday, December 10 following the worship service. There will be a variety of breads, including quick breads and plates of cookies. They can be frozen for a later date if placed in freezer bags. All proceeds will help benefit Wednesday night dinners for the youth and volunteers. Contact Angie Smith for more details.
- **CHRISTMAS CAROLING FOR ALL AGES!!** - Wednesday, Dec. 13 at 6:00 pm following the Wednesday night dinner. We will split up into six groups and go caroling near Salem. Each group will take one block. We'll pass out a card and small gifts at each house. Afterwards, we'll all gather in the gym for hot chocolate and cookies.
- **CHRISTMAS CAROLING AT WESLEY RESIDENCE** (5601 Grand Ave) on Thursday, Dec. 14 at 6:00 pm. Please contact Paul Norgren at 218-393-5223 for more information.
- **CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PRACTICE** - Saturday, Dec. 16 at 10:30 am. If your child(ren) is/are participating in the Christmas program on Dec. 17, please have them at Salem and ready to go by 10:30 am. Thank you!
- **CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST AND CHILDREN'S PROGRAM** - Sunday, Dec. 17: Breakfast will be served at 8:30 am followed by the children's Christmas program during the worship service at 10:00 am. Everyone is welcome! **Please sign up in the Welcome Center if you can help with the prep, bring an egg bake and/or help with clean up.**
- **A NEW GRACE GROUP** will begin on Tuesday, Jan. 9 at Kevin and Paula McGrew's. They will be studying the book, "*The Pietist Option: Hope for the Renewal of Christianity*".
- **CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP SERVICE ON DEC. 24 WILL BE AT 11:00 AM.**

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3 NAME TAG SUNDAY

- 8:30 am Praise Team Practice
- 9:30 am Prayer in the Adult Prayer Room
- 10:00 am Worship with Communion
- 11:15 am Coffee and Fellowship
- 11:30 am **GG - Potluck & Prayer**
- 6:00 pm **GG - at Van Loon's with Alan Van Loon**
- 6:00 pm **GG - at Salem with Dave Johnson**

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5

- 7:00 am Men's Fraternity
- 9:00 am Properties Commission Projects
- 10:00 am Staff Meeting
- 6:30 pm CE Commission
- 6:30 pm Worship Commission

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6

- 9:15 am Community Bible Study
- 5:45 pm Dinner - *Enchilada Hot Dish*
- 6:00 pm **ANCHORED** - Children ages 5-12
- 6:00 pm **TEXT** - Students 7-12 grade & college

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7

- 1:30 pm **GG - SAGE 55+ at Salem w/ Cindy Bourn**
- 5:30 pm Praise Team Practice
- 6:30 pm **GG - at Borg's with Jim Johnson**
- 7:00 pm "Make Room" Reflection & Study
- 7:00 pm **GG - at Salem with Dean Carlson**
- 7:00 pm Free WiFi and Coffee

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8 Pastor Steven's Day Off

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10 BAKE SALE

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