

ST. STEPHEN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

January 4, 2026

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Acolytes This Sunday:
Mia Kenny & Anthony Becker

Acolytes Next Sunday:
Allison Wolf & Mason Wecker

 **PRAYER UPON ENTERING:** Lord, thank You for the gift of this new year, for Your faithfulness and mercies in the past year, and for the hope and potential that lies ahead. Amen.

 **IN OUR PRAYERS:** Members of our congregation: Parker McNulty, Joyce Plotz, Don Waterman, Carla McLarty, Gayle Reese, LaVonne Sass, Kathryn Waterman, Doris Porazil, Denny Lohrer, Dan Voss, Allan Schanbacher, Laurie Davis, Ken Popenhagen, Carrie Sperflage, and Marcey Jensen.

Others: Ongoing illnesses, issues, and recoveries: Karen Smith, Molly Voss, Leslie Strottman, Holley Haerther, Brandon Pflug, Terri, Valerie, and Jeff.

 **DOOR OFFERINGS:** This month's door offering is for Lutherans For Life.

THIS WEEK AT ST. STEPHEN'S:

Today	9:00 am	Divine Service
Tuesday	9:00 am	Sewing
Wednesday	8:30 am	CLS Chapel
	1:30 pm	Midweek Class
		No Catechism Class
Thursday	7:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday	8:00 am	Tone Chime Rehearsal – Conference Room
	9:00 am	Divine Service (HC)
	10:15 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Bible Study

Noses & Nickels last Sunday:

Attendance: Sunday: 85

Offering: Home: \$13,304.10 Missions: \$20.00 Renovation: \$500.00

Lucky for us, God never breaks His resolutions!

*Thank
You!*

THANK YOU: Thank you to Pastor Heren for sharing God's word with us today.

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THANK YOU: Thank you to everyone who purchased nuts this year and supporting Women in Mission. We have now sold out of everything.



EMERGENCIES: Pastor is on vacation Dec. 31 – Jan. 8. Please contact Pastor Jeff Schanbacher for any emergencies at 319-454-6941.



HOLY COMMUNION: Holy Communion will be on the 2nd and 3rd Sundays in January.



mite boxes: Just a reminder to place your mite boxes in the box at the back of the church. We will also be collecting them next Sunday too. Thank you for support!



TONE CHIMES: Tone Chimes will practice next Sunday, January 11th at 8:00 am in the Conference Room. Any new players are welcome! The more ding-a-lings the better!



BLOOD DRIVE: The next blood drive will be at St. Stephen's on January 22. More than 4.5 million people need blood transfusions each year and you can help. Please sign up to donate blood at our next drive on Thursday, January 22 from 3:00-6:30 p.m. Contact Pam Jennings at 319-400-4149 or call ImpactLife at (800) 747-5401.



CENTRAL LUTHERAN SCHOOL STAFFING FOR 2026-2027:

CLS is looking to fill some staffing positions for the 26-27 school year. A licensed early childhood teacher. We would prefer a Synodically trained early childhood teacher, but as long as he/she has an Iowa teaching early childhood license that would be ok. A part-time Ag teacher. This teacher should have an Iowa teaching license as well as an Ag background. CLS is looking to continue our Ag/FFA chapter and need someone to teach the Ag curriculum we have as well as lead our school's FFA chapter. A part time Physical Education (PE) teacher. This teacher should have an Iowa teaching license and be able to teach K-8th grade PE. If you are interested, know of anyone that the school could ask, or need more information, please contact Mr. Parris at principal@centrallutheranschool.org.

