WinGS (Women in God's Service)

90 pairs of socks were delivered to the residents and staff of Haven Manor and Lakeview. Both facilities were very appreciative of our donations.





At our Christmas gathering we collected donations for Gift of Hope. We were able to send \$80 for food security, \$30 for chickens, and \$100 towards clean water.

WinGS January project will be the Crisis Pregnancy Center in Lincoln. They need gently used or new maternity clothes, newborn, 3T & 4T clothes, board books, unscented wipes and diapers size newborn and size 6.







Our January Bible study will be led by Marian Schmid. We will begin on page 25 of our book <u>Living Victoriously in Difficult Times.</u> If you need a book or a 2022 schedule, there are some on the shelf under the Information Desk. Cindy Widhalm will be providing lunch.

"I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

-Jeremiah 29:11 -

I don't blame people for missing what happened in the small town of Bethlehem over 2,000 years ago. Who would have thought that the Lord of heaven and earth would come into the world as a child born in a stable?

We have closed the book on 2021. Today you might find yourself remembering some of the triumphs and trials of the past year. Even if you have had some wonderful successes in the past twelve months, you can probably remember some low points as well.

As you enter a new year, I hope you can remember that God's plans have always been to prosper his people. He can transform ordinary events and difficult trials into key moments that help his plans to prosper. He is not out to harm us, but the dark moments we experience can be part of the most important lessons to help us grow nearer to him.

God has a way of saving his world that we may find hard to understand. He introduced his Son into the world and brought about our salvation in a way that could easily be overlooked—and yet he has changed the world, and his kingdom keeps growing. That same God comes into our lives and draws us into his plans for a hope-

--Bill Sytsma (Today)



Holland Church

January 2022





Mark Your Calendar

No better way to start out our new year of Wednesday Nights Alive than with our Christmas program. It will be given on January 5 at 6:30.

Meal is 5:30 p.m. –6:10 p.m. Mark your calendars!

All and everyone are invited: grandparents, siblings aunts, uncles, friends

Wednesday Nights Alive resumes January 5, 2022 for 2 years old through High School has started. Class Time is from 6:15-7:30 every Wednesday night. A meal is served from 5:30 p.m.-6:10.



January Menu

- 5 Baked spaghetti, salad, garlic rolls, dessert
- 12 Breakfast casserole
- 19 TBD
- 26 Ham, potatoes, green beans rolls, dessert

From our Consistory

Consistory received the recommendation of a possible pastoral call to Louis Tillman. The search team will be working on scheduling a full candidate weekend that best works for the Tillmans in January or February.

Consistory increased the support for Oikos to \$3,000.00 from \$1,500.00. This house ministry is being done in Lincoln by Savanah Clapper.

Sign up for a standing committee.

Our standing committees are designed to help our church in various opportunities. Please look on the Information Desk for sign up sheets. There <u>is</u> a place for you to serve.

Building/Grounds: Repair/maintenance of church/parsonage/church property

Christian Education: Responsible for education ministries church, Sunday School, Wednesday Nights Alive, VBS, recruit leaders, approves curriculum

Church Life: Promotes fun and fellowship in the church

Evangelism: Welcomes newcomers at our services and in the community, encourages everyone to reach out and share Christ

Missions: Keeps congregation aware of mission projects

Music: Responsible for choosing, training and scheduling people for

worship, responsible for sound system

Worship/Prayer: Coordinates the sacraments and communicates with prayer

intercessors



Happy Birthday

12 Gordon Essink

12 Emma Jo Whaley

17 Sam Gemar

22 Jamie Prange

28 Don O'Connor

29 Eunice Cramer

29 Tim Pritschau

30 Maddie Driskell