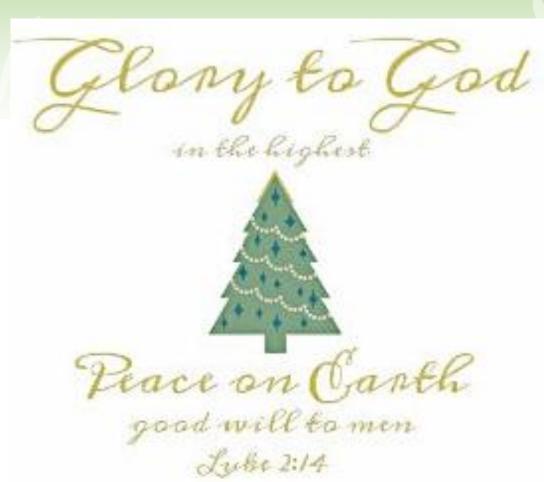
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# Linden Place News

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#### Save The Date!

## **Cheryl's Shopping Bag**

Monday, Dec 3

Cheryl will be bringing all kinds for sale! See page 2 for details.

#### Holiday Lights Bus Tour

Monday, Dec.17

A bus trip to see Christmas Lights. For more details see page 3.

## Christmas Banquet

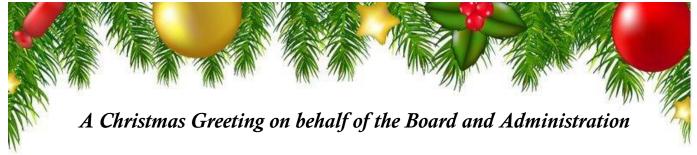
Wednesday, Dec. 19

Ham and Turkey and much more at this feast! See page 5 for details.

## December Birthdays!

Happy Birthday to everyone celebrating a birthday this month!

Eva Doerksen – Dec. 1 Anne Letkeman – Dec. 14



The simplest, most powerful gospel proclamation comes in the words of the angel to the shepherds: "Do not be afraid; for see, I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord." Whatever life has brought you during this past year, whatever measures of blessing and pain, the good news of Christmas comes to you. Christ himself comes again to you, as he came to the world in Bethlehem so long ago. He comes to enrich you with His blessings and to comfort you and give you hope. He brings new life as we are born again, and whenever we find ourselves in need of renewal of spirit. This indeed is "good news of great joy" for us and "for all the people." May God richly bless you and your family this Christmas season and in the upcoming year.

Blessings,

David Driedger Chief Executive Officer





#### Monday, December 17 ~ Meet at 5 pm

See the beautiful lights at the Canad Inns Winter Wonderland. Cost is \$15 and includes the bus fare, the Canad Inns entrance fee and snacks! There is a washroom on the bus and we'll also be stopping at a gas station as well. We'll be back around 9 pm.

## Christmas Gift Exchange Party

Tuesday, December 11 at 10:00 am

Come and enjoy a relaxed time of fun, food and a gift exchange game. Bring a \$10 gift and we'll play a game to exchange gifts and then enjoy some coffee and snacks together.

Hope to see you there!



### From the Chaplain's Desk

All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel" (Matthew 1:22-23)

Immanuel - God with Us. These three words sum up the pure simplicity and beauty of the gospel. God came down to earth as a baby, a human being. The apostle John tells us, "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth." (John 1:14) John was one of the twelve who spend real-life time with Jesus, and yes, they witnessed him reflecting the glory of the Father. The apostle Paul adds that "being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross." (Phil.2:8)

Isn't it a wonderful thought that the creator left his high place in heaven, took on human form, and dwelled among us. He was right here on earth, born in a stable, lying in a manger, growing up to become a carpenter under the supervision of his earthly father Joseph, eating fish with his disciples, healing the sick, and raising the dead. Jesus was God in the flesh, fully divine and fully human; God fully immersed in his creation. What a miracle of grace and divine perfection.

Jesus now sits at the right side of the Father. But Immanuel is still with us through the power and presence of the Holy Spirit.

As we have once again the opportunity to celebrate the arrival of our Lord and Savior, may you and your family be overcome by the beauty of the season. May hope, peace, joy, and love be yours this Christmas season and in the New Year.

Ron Babel, Chaplain

Note: there will be a communion service here at Linden on New Years' Day – watch for details.





## Christmas Music at Linden December 8, December 12 and December 14

**December 8 at 7 pm:** The Instrumental Group will be coming as usual.

**December 12 at 11 am:** Shannon Sawatzky and her Blumenort Elementary School Choir will be sharing a festive program with us. **December 14 at 4:15 pm:** Lori Wiens and her piano students will come for a Christmas piano recital which will include carol singing.



# December 2018

## Linden Place

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 MPR Booked 2-5 pm
Worship Service 9-9:30 am NO MB Youth MPR Booked 2-9 pm	Cheryl's Shopping Bag 11-1 pm	Bingo 1 pm Bible Study 7 pm	Stretch Class 9:30 am  Soup's Hot 12 pm:  Kommst Borscht, Cheese Biscuits, Cream Pie  Games Night 6:30 pm	Coffee with Janie 9:30 am Bingo 1 pm	7 Hair Salon Day	Instrumental Group 7 pm
9 Worship Service 9-9:30 am 4 pm MB Youth	Faspa Time	Gift Exchange Party 10am  Bingo 1 pm  Bible Study 7 pm	Stretch Class 9:30 am School Choir 11 am Soup's Hot 12 pm: Cream of Potato & Bacon, Ham Sandwich, Peach Pie w/Ice Cream Games Night 6:30 pm	Coffee with Janie 9:30 am Bingo 1 pm	Hair Salon Day  Piano Students Christmas Concert 4:15 pm	MPR Booked 12-9 pm
Worship Service 9-9:30 am 4 pm MB Youth	MCC Pick Up Day 11 am Holiday Lights Bus Tour 5 pm	Bingo 1 pm  Bible Study 7 pm	Christmas Lunch 12pm Punch, Ham, Turkey, Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Veggies & Peppermint Chocolate Cheesecake Games Night 6:30 pm	20 Coffee with Janie 9:30 am Bingo 1 pm	21 Hair Salon Day	MPR Booked Noon–9 pm
23/30 Worship Service 9-9:30 am NO Youth MPR Booked Dec 23 & 30	24/31 MPR Booked 2-9 pm Happy New Year!	Merry Christmas!!	NO Soup's Hot Today Games Night 6:30 pm	27 Coffee with Friends 9:30 am Bingo 1 pm	28 Hair Salon Day MPR Booked 12-9 pm	29