

# THE CLARION

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**Installation of Officers  
will take place on  
Sunday, January 8  
during both services.**

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O Lord God, visit these officers with Your love and favor. Enlighten their minds with the light of Your Gospel. Place in their hearts a love of the truth, and increase in them true faith. Nourish them with Your goodness and, of Your great mercy, keep them in Your love that they may be faithful in their service; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### Breakfast at The Banquet

We will be serving **BREAKFAST** at  
**THE BANQUET** on

**Monday, January 9**

We need **YOUR** help!!!

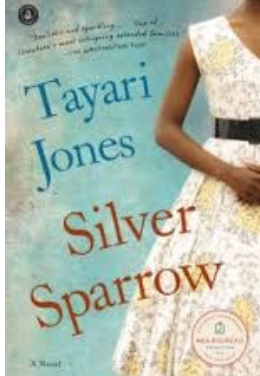
There's a Sign-up Sheet at the Welcome Center - or you can call the Church Office (338-5226) and let us know that you can help us that day.



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## Book Club - January 14 - 9:30 am



With the opening line of *Silver Sparrow*, “My father, James Witherspoon, is a bigamist” author Tayari Jones unveils a breathtaking story about a man’s deception, a family’s complicity, and the two teenage girls caught in the middle.

Set in a middle-class neighborhood in Atlanta in the 1980’s, the novel revolves around James Witherspoon’s two families—the public one and the secret one. When the daughters from each family meet and form a friendship, only one of them

knows they are sisters. It is a relationship destined to explode. This is the third stunning novel from an author deemed “one of the most important writers of her generation” (*The Atlanta Journal Constitution*).

**We will meet in the Conference Room.**

## Wednesday Night Suppers

Chicken Dressing Bake

M and M Hot Dish

7 Layer Hot Dish

Pork Loin Casserole

Our Wednesday Night Suppers will start up again on January 4.

Supper will be served from 5:30 - 6:30 and you are invited to attend even if you’re not staying for any of the other evening activities. A free-will offering will be taken

each week.

Here’s the Menu for the month (subject to change):

**January 4:** Chicken Dressing Bake, Veggies, Dip

**January 11:** M and M Hot Dish, Mini Egg

Rolls, String Cheese

**January 18:** 7 Layer Hot Dish, Rolls, Pickles

**January 25:** Pork Loin Casserole, Corn

Plan to join us each Wednesday and enjoy some great food and awesome fellowship.



## FUN ~ FOOD ~ FELLOWSHIP

Fun - Food and Fellowship will meet on January 10 at 1:30 pm in the Atrium.

We will play Bunco (a game with dice).

Come on out for the afternoon even if

you have never played before. There are very simple rules for this game and you’ll learn quickly.

We will also have prizes, snacks and beverages.

Hope to see you there to enjoy some winter time fellowship.



## Sioux Falls Lutheran School - Miracle Sunday

During January and February you will have an opportunity to watch a miracle happen. All of the LCMS churches in the Sioux Falls area are working together to help fund the Chapel and Performing Arts Center as a part of the Our Greatest Gifts Campaign being conducted by Sioux Falls Lutheran School for the benefit of pre-K to grade-12 Lutheran education.

### **The Challenge**

The School Board has adopted a stretch goal of \$8 million in capital gifts and pledges. A stretch goal is a target we can not possibly achieve without God's amazing help (Ephesians 3:20-21). That is why Sunday January 29, 2017 has been declared Miracle

Sunday. (Zion will celebrate Miracle Sunday on February 5.) The Chapel and Performing Arts Center costs approximately \$1 million. Our goal as congregations is to raise the single largest offering in the history of each congregation for combined total of more than \$1 million to pay for the construction of the Chapel and Performing Arts Center for benefit of students at SFLS as well as Lutheran High School-Sioux Falls.

### **The Process**

The Our Greatest Gifts Campaign has challenged board members, staff and individual donors to consider giving the greatest gift they have ever given in order to achieve the stretch goal of \$8 million. On February 5 we will receive a Miracle

Sunday Offering in which you are invited to share a cash gift or make a multi-year faith promise to the Our Greatest Gifts Campaign to benefit both of our Lutheran Schools. A Miracle Sunday offering is much more than a special offering for the schools. It is an opportunity to stretch our faith and God's faithfulness by making sacrificial gifts that help advance the Gospel message of Lutheran education in south-eastern Sioux Falls.

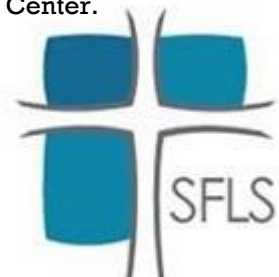
### **Learn More**

Please plan to attend a special information meeting about this important project during the 9:30 am

Education Hour on Sunday January 15. Representatives of the schools will be present to outline the entire project in greater detail and answer any question you may have.

### **Begin Praying**

Meanwhile please begin praying about your greatest gift. What capital assets do you have that could be given to our Lutheran schools to help provide a permanent Chapel and Performing Arts Center.



## Mission Trip

On February 10 Brad Tauchen and Pastor Jenina Gatnoor will be traveling to Ethiopia.

In preparation for this trip we will be collecting medical supplies, small toys and suitcases they will take with them on this trip.

Cash donations are welcome as it cost about \$200 to take a suitcase full of supplies.

A collection spot will be set up in the east entryway during the month of January.

Thank you for your support of this trip!!

## Youth Lock-in/Bowling

### **YOUTH & PARENTS**

Middle School and High School

### **LOCK-IN**

Friday, January 13 - 8:00 pm  
to Saturday - 7:00 am

### **YOUTH BOWLING**

Sunday, January 29 at 1:00 pm

Sign-up Sheets are in the Youth Room

## “War Room” Bible Study Series

A Bible Study based on the “War Room” Series will start on Wednesday, January 4 at 6:30 pm (during OWL).

From the award-winning creator of Fireproof and Courageous comes War Room, a compelling drama with humor and heart that explores the power prayer can have on

marriages, parenting, careers, friendships, and every other area of our lives.

Each week we will dive into scripture as well as create a battle plan of prayer for our lives.

Childcare and the study materials for this class will be available.

Please see Bridget Ebert or Chez Shoup for details, to answer questions you might have or to sign-up.



“Prayer should be your first plan of attack in all of life’s battles, not your last resort.”

## January Birthdays

- |                      |                       |
|----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 Robin Davis        | 15 Emerson Mathers    |
| 1 Rania Gatnoor      | 16 Julie Beaner       |
| 1 Deng Kier          | 16 Mason Heng         |
| 1 Marilyn Meinke     | 16 Terry Lafrentz     |
| 1 Braedon Thompson   | 16 Aimee Sebesta      |
| 2 Steve Bott         | 17 Janice Haas        |
| 2 Ann Kulzer         | 17 Richard Muchow     |
| 2 Barb Langpap       | 18 Erica Knigge       |
| 2 Jane Prouty        | 19 Casey Auch         |
| 2 Edith Wrage        | 19 Gary Gottschalk    |
| 5 Corey Kritzmire    | 19 Kathy Hamilton     |
| 5 Lisa Raabe         | 20 Susan Behlings     |
| 5 Marriann Sudenga   | 20 Lorie Fleury       |
| 6 Marissa Hofer      | 21 Jill Powell        |
| 7 Rob Bolger         | 21 Gene Schultz       |
| 7 Eric Kritzmire     | 22 Nancy Hanson       |
| 7 Jeremy Olawsky     | 23 Mike Dressler      |
| 7 Merril Reisenweber | 25 Lexi Wood          |
| 7 LeAnn Werner       | 26 Chelsea Brech      |
| 8 Donna Crichton     | 26 Vickie List        |
| 8 JoAnn Hayes        | 26 Roselyn Olson      |
| 8 Amelya Meier       | 27 Nicole Nelson      |
| 9 Gordon Fox         | 27 Cody Stotts        |
| 9 Tiffany Lindberg   | 28 Alexandra Fitterer |
| 9 Laura Lisby        | 28 Donna Kunz         |
| 10 Natasha Baer      | 28 Jill McMillen      |
| 10 Frank Doerksen    | 28 Chad Urban         |
| 10 Hal Frenz         | 29 Justin Halsne      |
| 11 Doug Callies      | 29 Tom Hanson         |
| 11 Smith Strain      | 30 John Dyce          |
| 12 Olivia Brost      | 30 Alex Lerdal        |
| 13 Lisa Schager      | 30 Jeff Thompson      |
| 14 Mike Loween       | 31 Mercer Eilertson   |
| 15 Marvin Dobberpuhl | 31 Laura Roth         |
| 15 Haley Friedrich   |                       |

## December Givings

### HOME GIVING

Envelopes .....	\$52,561.81
Plate .....	3,454.25
Mission .....	225.00
Lutheran School .....	310.00
Treasure Chest.....	146.20
Radio .....	89.00
Flowers .....	114.20
Coffee/Donuts.....	233.00

**Monthly Total .....\$57,133.46**

**Monthly Giving Needed.....\$54,600.00**

### OTHER GIVING

Debt Retirement .....	\$1,109.00
Reimbursement .....	200.47
Food Pantry/Love Kitchen.....	329.25
Youth Missions .....	45.00
Lutheran High School.....	
Sudanese/Gaat South Sudan .....	230.00
Cantata .....	518.50
Memorials/Agape.....	110.00
MSL/LWR/LHM .....	80.00

**Monthly Total ..... \$2,622.22**

Sioux Falls Stampede Hockey Club

presents

# « FAITH & » FAMILY NIGHT

Sponsored by  RESTORATION  
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## DATE

Friday, February 3rd  
7:05 PM

## EVENT

Denny Sanford PREMIER Center  
vs. Sioux City Musketeers

## TICKETS

Starting  
AT **\$10**

\*Contact the Stampede office at (605) 336-6060  
to reserve a spot for your congregation\*

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# Serving in January

## ELDERS

**Jan. 1:** \* Jeff Sebesta  
Roger Corkill, Shannon Johnson, Nathan Gilster  
**Jan. 8:** \* Ed Dunlap  
Jeff Thompson, Nathan Gilster, Joe Simonson  
**Jan. 15:** \* Dennis Werner  
Brad Tauchen, Craig Stember, Roger Corkill  
**Jan. 22:** \* Jeff Sebesta, Ed Dunlap  
Jeff Thompson, Dennis Werner, Dave Rames  
**Jan. 29:** \* Joe Simonson

## GREETERS

**Jan. 1:** 8:00 am - Judy Bittner, Sunhild Muldbakken  
10:30 am - Max Kirlin, Jewell Gimble  
**Jan. 8:** 8:00 am - Glenda Stene, Lois Jones  
10:30 am - Joyce Dabbert, Donna Crichton  
**Jan. 15:** 8:00 am - Steve and Nancy Bott  
10:30 am - Jolene Dyce, Margie Wiebers  
**Jan. 22:** 8:00 am - Renee Lehr, Susan Krank  
10:30 am - Brad and Jill Powell  
**Jan. 29:** 8:00 am - Alverna Anderson, Carol Harms  
10:30 am - John and Mary Lou Giddings

## READERS

**Jan. 1:** 8:00 am - Sarah Gilster  
10:30 am - Sarah Gilster  
**Jan. 8:** 8:00 am - Steve Olson  
10:30 am - Heather Kellenberger  
**Jan. 15:** 8:00 am - Brad Tauchen  
10:30 am - Phillip Castetter  
**Jan. 22:** 8:00 am - Dianne Corkill  
10:30 am - Dennis Werner  
**Jan. 29:** 8:00 am - Youth  
10:30 am - Youth

## USHERS

**Jan. 1:** 8:00 am - Paul Marvin, Doug Callies  
Judy Bittner, Jerry Gibson  
10:30 am - Jim Bosley, Steve Hendry  
Brian Frentz  
**Jan. 8:** 8:00 am - Craig Stember, Steve Bott  
Jeff Bickel, Hal Frentz  
10:30 am - Lyle Dabbert, Mike Berg  
Teresa Berg, Dave Rames  
**Jan. 15:** 8:00 am - Ken Schmuck, Rose McGaha  
Steve Stember, Daniel Fick  
10:30 am - Joe Simonson, Sam Castetter  
John Giddings, Michael Fitterer  
**Jan. 22:** 8:00 am - Paul Marvin, Doug Callies  
Judy Bittner, Jerry Gibson  
10:30 am - Dennis Werner, Bob Kunz  
Wendell Bouwman, Jim Bosley  
**Jan. 29:** 8:00 am - Craig Stember, Steve Bott  
Jeff Bickel, Hal Frentz  
10:30 am - Evie Meier, Mike Dressler  
Brian Frentz

## NURSERY SCHEDULE

**Jan. 1:** Kayla Preto, Pam Kludt  
**Jan. 8:** Laura Dressler, Danica Schettler  
**Jan. 15:** Brooks and Leah Pidde  
**Jan. 22:** Ashley Eilertson and Lisa Stotts  
**Jan. 29:** Regan Lehr, Nicole George

## ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

**8:00 am**                      **10:30 am**

**Jan. 1:**  
**Jan. 8:**                      Rylen Pierce  
**Jan. 15:**                     Tyler Schlueter  
**Jan. 22:**                    Heather Hemmer  
**Jan. 29:**

## POWERPOINT

**8:00 am**                      **10:30 am**

**Jan. 1:** Natashia Baer              Brad Powell  
**Jan. 8:** Linda Wagner                Josie Lorang  
**Jan. 15:** Chad Zinnel                    Will Kulzer  
**Jan. 22:** Roger Wagner               Braedon Thompson  
**Jan. 29:** Youth                            Youth

## MUSIC LEADERS

Mary Dunlap  
Jane Kurth  
Carrie Johnson  
Jacob Shoup  
Rusty Willson

## BROADCASTERS

**Jan. 1:** Jeff Flaten  
**Jan. 8:** John Kritzmire  
**Jan. 15:** Paul Farmer  
**Jan. 22:** Jeff Flaten  
**Jan. 29:** John Kritzmire

## ALTAR COMMITTEE

Ad Baerwald, Lois Jones

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### Pastor's Corner

A Scripture text that I read recently reminded me of a continued Christmas and is from John 18:37. Here, several hours before his death, Jesus makes a statement about his birth which I want us to ponder on as we go into the New Year 2017.

The situation is that Jesus and Pontius Pilate are together and Pilate is trying to get Jesus to say something that will show him worthy of crucifixion. Then Pilate said to him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world — to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice." (John 18:37)

This is a great Christmas text

even though Christmas is past and even though it comes from the end of Jesus's life on earth, not the beginning. The uniqueness of his birth is that he didn't originate at his birth. He existed before he was born in a manger, "For this I was born, and for this I have come into the world."

The theological word to describe this mystery is not creation but incarnation. The person, not the body, but the essential personhood of Jesus existed before he was born as man. His birth was not a coming into being of a new person, but a coming into the world of an infinitely old person.

Micah 5:2 puts it like this, 700 years before Jesus was born, But you, O Bethlehem Ephra-

thah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days.

The mystery of the birth of Jesus is not merely that he was born of a virgin. That miracle was intended by God to witness to an even greater one... that the child born at Christmas was a person who existed from of old, from ancient days. And the One from of old, from ancient of days continues to be with you today, tomorrow and everyday into the New Year 2017 and far beyond!

Peace and Joy in Jesus!  
Pastor Greg