

# St. Andrew Lutheran Church

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## Heartbeats Weekly Updates For the Week: 12/10 - 12/16/2023

### Weekly Calendar:

#### Events This Week:

Dec 10 | Deadline for IFC Christmas

8:30 AM Choir Practice

8:30 AM Sunday School

9:30 AM Worship

9:30 AM Youth Group

11:00 AM Confirmation

Dec 13 | 6:00 PM Soup Supper

7:00 PM Advent Service

Dec 15 | *Carina Out of Office*

Sunday School: Sunday School at 8:30 AM. We meet every Sunday at 8:30 AM in the Sunday School Room. Hope to see you there!

#### Worship Assistants for Dec 10, 2023

Reader: Dave Dickerson

PowerPoint: Debbie Warren

Organist / Choir Director: Randy Guiaya

Praise Team: Matthew Sivertson

#### Poinsettias: DEADLINE SUNDAY DEC 10

If you would like to purchase a poinsettia in remembrance or in honor of someone, call the church and let Carina know who is ordering and who it is for (or you may fill out the order forms in the entry). The cost is \$10.00. Please make out a check to St. Andrew and put the word poinsettia on the memo line. Put your payment and order form in the offering plate or send it to the office.

Deadline is December 10.

Flowers are given by the Dickersons in celebration of Natalie's 19th birthday!



Youth Group: 12/10 at 9:30 AM. Youth group is for all middle school youth. Invite your friends and join us for a great time!

#### Happy Birthday!

Natalie Dickerson Dec 13

#### THROUGH THE NEW TESTAMENT:

#### This Week's Reading

#### Luke 22 - John 2

Join us as we read through the New Testament in a year! Binders with study questions for each chapter are available; please contact the church office.

#### Advent Soup Suppers and Worship Service

Join us on Wednesday December 13 and 20 at 6:00. We start with a soup supper then continue on to worship.

A big thank you to Diane Fort-Woody, Kathy Mitzen, Susie Besack, Isla Holmes, and Geneve DeBuhr for providing soups and dessert this week!

#### Congregation Budget Meeting: Dec 17

Our annual Congregation Budget Meeting will be held on December 17th, following the service. We will be approving our budget for 2024. Digital copies will be emailed out and hard copies will be available in the entry.

#### Christ in Our Home:

Christ in Our Home (January-March) booklets are now available for pickup in the entry!

#### Snack Sign-Up: Marie Jorgensen

Thank you for providing snacks this Sunday!

Rev. Jeffrey Nelson  
*Pastor*

Elissa Mitzen  
*Director of Youth & Family Ministries*

Randy Guiaya  
*Organist/Choir Director*

Matthew James  
*Praise Team Director*

Art Revueltas

*President*

Debbie Warren

*Vice President*

Linda Ludwick

*Treasurer*

Susie Besack

*Council Secretary*

Diane Fort Woody

*Stewardship*

Suzanne Thompson

*Mission and Service*

Isla Holmes

*Hospitality*

Vicki Linta

*Worship and Music*

Len Bobier

*Evangelism Leader*

Marie Jorgensen

*Congregational Care*

Jon Woody

*Property*

Kathy Mitzen

*Adult*

Sue Grana

*Youth and Family*

**Last Sunday to donate food, gift cards, or money to IFC for Christmas**

This Sunday, December 10, is the last day to donate non-perishable food, gift cards or money for Christmas to the Interfaith Food Center (IFC).

Please drop your food donations in the bin in the church entry or the office during office hours. Gift cards for Target, Walmart or Amazon for \$20 can be placed in the Sunday collection plate or dropped off in the office.

If you prefer to make a financial donation, please make your check to St. Andrew and note "Interfaith Food Center - Christmas" in the memo line, or on the offering envelope if cash, and drop in the offering plate.

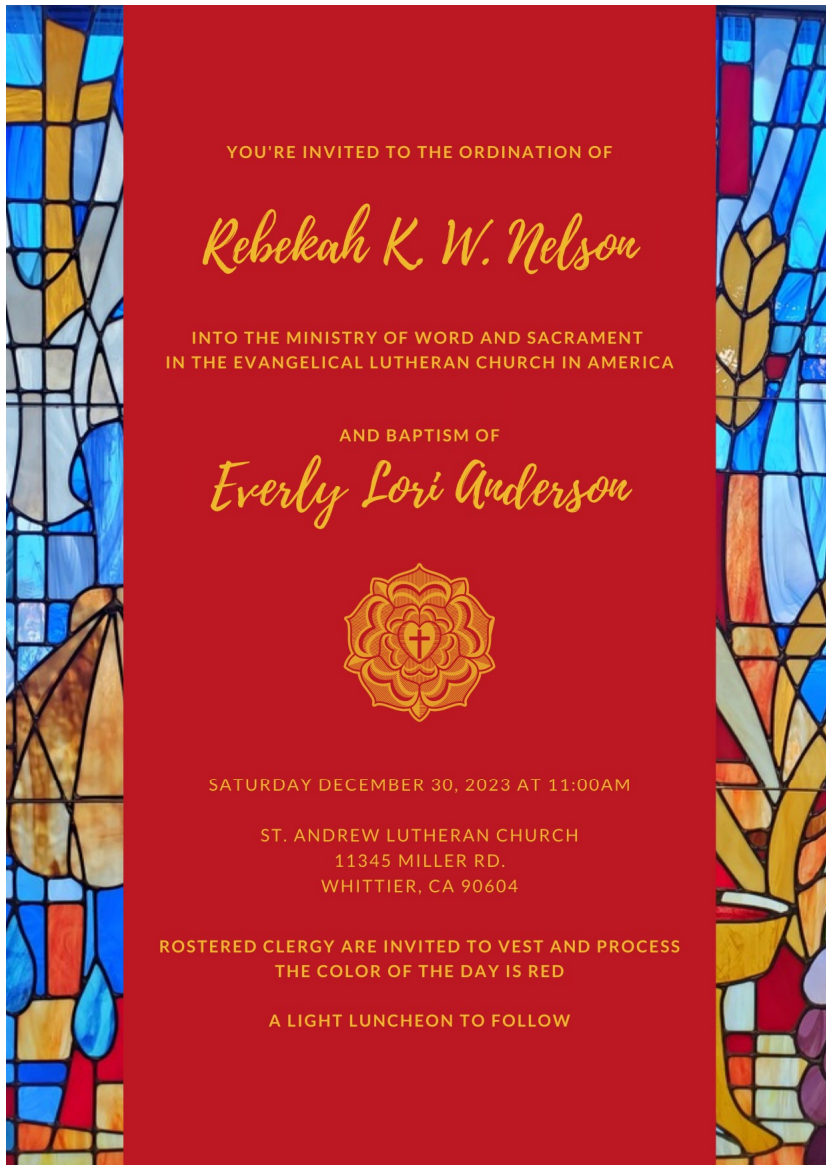
**December is canned meat month!**

We are collecting canned meat for the Interfaith Food Center (IFC) in December. Please bring your donations to church on Sunday mornings or to the office during the week. Donations of other non-perishable food is also accepted as well as financial donations to the IFC (checks can be made out to St. Andrew with IFC in the memo line).

Looking ahead, please see the food collection calendar below for 2024. We will include reminders in the weekly updates.

If you have any questions, please call Suzanne Thompson at 562-943-5161, or email her at [italia4me2@gmail.com](mailto:italia4me2@gmail.com).

Month	Food
January	Pancake mix
February	Soup
March	Jelly
April	Macaroni & cheese
May	Canned fruit
June	Rice
July	Pasta
August	Tomato sauce
September	Cereal
October	Peanut butter
November	Dried beans
December	Canned meat



YOU'RE INVITED TO THE ORDINATION OF

*Rebekah K. W. Nelson*

INTO THE MINISTRY OF WORD AND SACRAMENT  
IN THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

AND BAPTISM OF

*Everly Lori Anderson*



SATURDAY DECEMBER 30, 2023 AT 11:00AM

ST. ANDREW LUTHERAN CHURCH  
11345 MILLER RD.  
WHITTIER, CA 90604

ROSTERED CLERGY ARE INVITED TO VEST AND PROCESS  
THE COLOR OF THE DAY IS RED

A LIGHT LUNCHEON TO FOLLOW

**Prayers**

Community Prayers: Pastor Tim at River of Hope, Habitat for Humanity, Our brothers, and sisters in Pachacamac, Peru, and at San Juan Camino de Esperanza in Lima, Peru; All veterans and current military, victims of violence and natural disasters, people in Gaza and Israel, ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, Presiding Bishop Pro Tem Michael Burk, Pacifica Synod Bishop Dave Nagler, and our Pastor Jeffrey Nelson.

**Members**

- Ken Christiansen
- Diane Fort-Woody
- Jon Woody
- Jennifer Oertel
- Margie Murphy
- Brian Murphy
- Marianne<sup>2</sup> Dickerson
- Earl Ruschmeier

**Members - Long Term**

- Chris Allen
- Christine Perez
- Lynn Burns
- Leslie Barr
- Shirley Kellison
- Jeff Woody
- Jim Johnson
- Sharon Pollard

**Friends and Family**  
**- Long Term**

- Chiari Eliazarras
- Grant Eyles
- Matt Fantz
- Marcus Glidden
- Shirley Loveless
- Jim & Kim O'Connell
- Joyce Benson
- Jennifer Jessie
- The Ruiz Family
- Christy Marie Van

- Patten
- Sherri Wagner
  - Joyce Combes
  - Katy Parker
  - Bruce Adair
  - Kenneth Jones
  - Chavez Isais
  - Robert Neal
  - Dolores Vazquez
  - Family and Friends of  
Martin Ramos

**Friends and Family**

- Magnus, Matt, Amrita  
& Arjun Dickerson
- Ken Venegas
- Family and Friends of  
Barbara Church
- Mike Hornback
- Paul Lowery
- Mr. Rubio and Family
- Bob Ruud
- Gary Tengelsen
- Jean Cugini

- Karen Depraect
- Annette Navarre
- Phil Gallego
- Arlene Gallego
- Ann Phelps
- Joe Lipps
- Dylan Lipps