

**WELCOME!** We ask that you please complete a Welcome Card that can be found in the pew rack, you may put them in the offering plate or give to an Usher.

**HOLY COMMUNION** this morning at the 8:00am service is open to all.

**PRAYER TRIAD+** for Sunday, December 24, 2107, Lutheran Church of Peace, Platteville; Jefferson Prairie, Poplar Grove; Bethlehem, Portage; St Stephen's Lutheran Church, Columbus; and Hephatha Lutheran Church.

**BULLETINS** today are Sponsored by Connie Schultz in memory of Larry Schultz. And Russ & Betty Rahn for Harold & Ida Wohlfeil, and Clarence & Mary Rahn. And Barb & Paul Bergum in honor of their 42nd wedding anniversary.

**Our Christian Sympathies To Audrey Jakel & Sandy Tjugum and family** on the loss of their grandmother, Hazel Lee. Hazel passed away on Wednesday, December 13, her funeral was held on the 19 of December. Please keep this family in your prayers

**SIGNUP SHEETS** for Bulletins, Altar Guild, 10:30 Ushers are in the Narthex Now. The 2018 Flower signup chart is also available.

**NEWSLETTER** The newsletter will be assembled on "**WEDNESDAY**" December 27 at 9:00am. Please note the Date change.

We are collecting your **spare change** and 100% goes to chickens from the ELCA "Good Gifts" program. This year the flock is up to **230 chickens!** The collection container is in the Narthex, within the goose decoy. There are also eternal light candle forms you can use to save your change in. This **mission** turns our extra pennies, nickels and dimes into food and livelihood for people in need, world-wide. *Thank you.*

**BLESSING IN A BACKPACK** Olivet has teamed up with the Blessings in a Backpack sponsors, the Columbus Lodge of the Oddfellows, to issue a challenge to the ten churches in Columbus area. The program has just started this year and we are hoping to supply 100 children with food after this year. We can meet this goal if each of the ten Columbus area churches can get just 10 people to sponsor children. It only takes \$104.00 to sponsor a child for one year. For more information please see Pastor Lisa, or check out the sheet on the table in the