

### Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 64:1-9  
 Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19  
 1 Corinthians 1:3-9  
 Mark 13:24-37

## How is a familiar phrase from the Steve Miller Band's "Fly Like an Eagle" like our season of Advent?

Come and find out as Pastor Carl preaches on Mark 13:24-37.

## Prayers for our NJLC Community

*\*\*new names added this week (NJLC connection)*

\*\*Shirley Onderdonk (Leah Onderdonk); Wayne Dunkley (NJLC member); Mack and Helen Keister (NJLC member); Dean Fox and Peggy Glascock (Judy Fox)

*Prayer list resets at the beginning of each month.*

*Please contact the church office to add names, [officenjlc@gmail.com](mailto:officenjlc@gmail.com) or 540-822-5576.*

## Hanging of the greens December 2

We need several helping hands, strong arms and some who can climb ladders to help decorate the sanctuary for Advent and Christmas. Some expressed a willingness to help if we scheduled the activity on Saturday rather than a day during the week. This year the date has been set for Saturday, December 2 at 9:30 am. Contact a member of the worship team (Pastor Phil, Mark Fletcher, Linda Heffern, Joyce Hoopengardner, Sarah Stillman, Sherry Whipple, or Diana Zapf) if you can help!



## Food Pantry Donation this Sunday

Food donations for the Western Loudoun Food Pantry will be collected during the children's message this coming Sunday. Due to the great success of Scouting for Food in November the food pantry has the greatest need for Grocery Gift Cards and a few staple items that are noted at the webpage: <https://www.njlclovettville.org/food-pantry>.

## Prayground this Sunday

Children begin worship in the sanctuary and, following the children's message, go as a group with Mrs. Barlow and Mrs. Stillman to the Prayground to rehearse for the Christmas pageant. The pageant will be presented during the 10:00 am worship service on Christmas Eve, December 24th.



## Annual Congregation Meeting December 3

NJLC members' annual meeting will begin immediately following the church service in the sanctuary. Please attend this important meeting as we look forward to 2024 at NJLC. A quorum of voting members must be present to be able to hold votes on any decision concerning NJLC activities for the coming year. Members should have received an email with a link for the 2023 Annual Congregational Report as well as minutes from the 2022 Annual Meeting and Proposed 2024 Budget.



## Washington Sangerbund Concert December 10, 4:00 p.m.

Join us for a holiday concert with the Washington Sangerbund, the oldest continually operating chorus in the DC Metro area. The program will feature both English and German selections, and 100% of the offering will be given to the Western Loudoun Food Pantry.

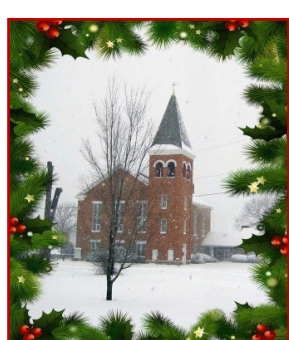
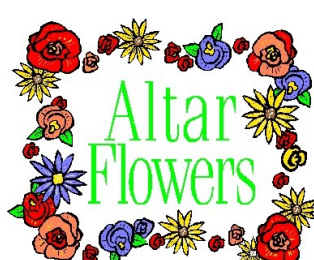


## Cookie decorating December 17

Join us after church service for fellowship decorating holiday cookies. The cookies and decorating supplies will be here, so bring your creativity and let's have fun!

## The 2024 flower signup chart is here!

Thanks for all the faithful servants who provided altar flowers during 2023. The sign-up chart for the New Year is posted downstairs in the hall next to the fellowship hall.



## Upcoming events

- December 2: Hanging of the Greens
- December 3: Annual Congregational Meeting
- December 10: Washington Sangerbund Concert
- December 17, Cookie Decorating
- December 24: Children's Christmas Pageant (10:00 am)
- December 24: Christmas Eve Service (7:00 pm)

**Bulletin for December 3 is attached.**

