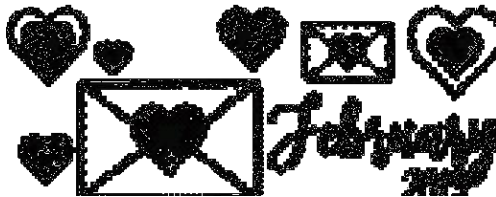


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# Brighton Heights Lutheran Church

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Thursday, Friday  
9 am – 2 pm



There is a Christmas Carol in our Worship Book that I don't remember us ever singing. It's better known to the British than it is to us. Although it is a Christmas hymn, I always think of it as

an Epiphany hymn—or maybe just a midwinter hymn.

*In the bleak midwinter, Frosty wind made moan,  
Earth stood hard as iron, Water like a stone;  
Snow had fallen, Snow on snow, Snow on snow,  
In the bleak midwinter, Long ago.*

I suspect that we are in for a long stretch of bleak midwinter. Our Mardi-gras, which provides a bit of festivity for us before we enter the penitential season of Lent, will not occur until the first Sunday of March. But while the world may seem bleak and forlorn, the wonder of Christmas—the wonder of God made flesh—continues to light our path.

*Heaven cannot hold him, Nor earth sustain;  
Heaven and earth shall flee away When he comes to reign;  
In the bleak midwinter A stable place sufficed  
The Lord God Almighty, Jesus Christ.*

If Jesus is in your heart, if Jesus is the Lord of your life, the bleakness of the world around us becomes joy. The darkness around us becomes light. The coldness around us becomes warmth. The birth of Jesus turned a hard, inconvenient, uncomfortable and even dangerous trip into an instrument for

our salvation. Mary and Joseph embraced God’s plan and purpose for all humankind when they embraced the little baby Jesus.

*Angels and archangels May have gathered there,  
Cherubim and seraphim Thronged the air;  
But his mother only, In her maiden bliss,  
Worshipped the Beloved With a kiss.*

So I hope that for you the next two months of slowly-shortening days and bleak winter weather will not stand as a contrast to the joys of Christmas but, instead, offer many challenges and opportunities to you to continue that Christmas joy by living in it; and letting it bring light and meaning to your life. We celebrated Christmas by receiving gifts. Let’s celebrate Epiphany by giving a willing and contrite heart to Jesus.

*What can I give him, Poor as I am?  
If I were a shepherd I would bring a lamb;  
If I were a wise man I would do my part;  
Yet what I can give him—Give my heart.*

*Brian F Shirey*



We always thank  
GOD for all of you  
and continually  
mention you in  
our prayers.

1 Thessalonians 1:2, NIV

SHUT-IN: Rohma Kropf, Bonnie Furman, Gloria Davis, Betty Lou Moore, Loraine Andrzejwski, Chuck Skalos Patti Noll,

FOR HEALING AND WELL-BEING: Susan Spriggs, Will Lugaila, Donna Erdner, Chad Lowe, Judy Ingram, George Lucas, Don Aurin, Pauline Aurin, Roberta Axton, Melissa Stipinsky, Shirley Harman, Janet Fullerton, Roy Engleman, Mindy Rice, Eileen Lundy, John Koerbel, Nanette McHugh, Skip Lagaila, Barb Cinkan, Betty Stephens, Luke Recker, Scott Fink, Shyanne Lion, Debra Bailey, Paul Lichauer, Beverly Lichauer, Kathy Hand, Michael Conti, Brianna Reiley, Haley Reiley, Earl Weaver, Dan Stephens, Sharon Harriet, Tish Lennon, Sharon Harriett, Beverly Watt, Karrah Timko, Diane Scott, Janice Engleman, Debbie Thornton, Pastor Wayne Harrison, Tony Stephens, Jean Benadetti, Kim Behr, Chuck DeJong, Tony Celander, Peggy Ayres, Carl Hendrickson, Joyce Barret, Chantel Burns, Rob Hite, Thomas Kaiser, Veronica Thrazher, Anne McAnnich, Steve Krepp, Jenn Reiley, Bob & Peg Berg, Nick & Libby, Jake & George Dennyman, Rachel Mileski, Mitzi Anderson

FOR COMFORT IN TIME OF LOSS: Family of Paul Baginski, the Furrie Family, Family of Charley Belgie, Watt Family

SERVING THE MILITARY: Erik Kunkle, James Thompson, Matthew McPaul, Jason Fullmer, Jason Cole (Kuwait), Jessie Strickland, Shaun Seguin

***Please call the office or tell the Pastor if anybody should be taken off the prayer list. Also if you or a loved one are in the hospital, please contact the office if you wish a visit.***

# JANUARY SERVER SCHEDULE

## JANUARY 6

Usher: Dave Fink  
Acolyte: Nick Hammel  
Lector: Jan Krepp  
2 Comm. Presenter: Linda Lugalía, Kim Spriggs  
Comm. Helper: Bob Fink

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## JANUARY 13

Usher: Rich Dummer  
Acolyte: Shane Lundy  
Lector:  
2 Comm. Presenter: Rich & Mary Ann Stewart  
Comm. Helper: Dave Fink

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## JANUARY 20

Usher: Bob Fink  
Acolyte: Nick Hammel  
Lector:  
2 Comm. Presenter: June Baginski, Betty Stephens  
Comm. Helper: Jan Krepp

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## JANUARY 27

Usher: Rich Stewart  
Acolyte: Shane Lundy  
Lector: Jan Krepp  
2 Comm. Presenter: Patty Petrusch, Linda Lugalía  
Comm. Helper: Bob Fink

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# FEBRUARY SERVER SCHEDULE

## FEBRUARY 3

Usher: Dave Fink  
Acolyte: Nick Hammel  
Lector: Jan Krepp  
2 Comm. Presenter: Linda Lugalía, Kim Spriggs  
Comm. Helper: Bob Fink

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## FEBRUARY 10

Usher: Rich Dummer  
Acolyte: Shane Lundy  
Lector:  
2 Comm. Presenter: Rich & Mary Ann Stewart  
Comm. Helper: Dave Fink

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## FEBRUARY 17

Usher: Bob Fink  
Acolyte: Nick Hammel  
Lector:  
2 Comm. Presenter: June Baginski, Betty Stephens  
Comm. Helper: Jan Krepp

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## FEBRUARY 24

Usher: Rich Stewart  
Acolyte: Shane Lundy  
Lector: Jan Krepp  
2 Comm. Presenter: Patty Petrusch, Linda Lugalía  
Comm. Helper: Bob Fink

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## INTERESTED IN BEING INVOLVED WITH WORSHIPING?

We could use you as an Usher, Acolyte, Lector, Communion Presenter or Communion Helper. If you want to know more about these opportunities in your church, ask Pastor Brian or call the church office.



*There's a Place for You!*

### CHURCH FLOWERS AND SANCTUARY CANDLES:



Flowers and Sanctuary candles can be purchased for the altar. The signup sheet is in the back of the church. There are also envelopes with a label to place your money and can be put in the collection. THE PRICE OF FLOWERS ARE NOW \$40.

OFFERING ENVELOPES for 2019 are in the back of the church. Please pickup your box.



### WITNESS AND MISSION



*Shut-in Outreach*

We would like to organize a group (2 people in each group) that would be willing to visit members of Brighton Heights Lutheran Church's congregation that we haven't seen for a while. We would call and set up time to visit. We just want these folks to know that we miss them and are reaching out to let them know we are here to help in whatever way we can. Please let Patty Petrusch know if you are interested.



MARDI GRAS SUNDAY will be Sunday March 3. Before the somber and penitential season of Lent begins, let's indulge in a little merry-making, Mardi Gras.



### January Birthdays

8	Rick Lowe
10	Mary Ann Lowe
14	Flora Storm
21	Debora Shirey George Lichauer
27	Daniel Stephens
30	Elmer Lichauer
31	MaryAnn Stewart



### February Birthdays

3	John McCue
4	Johanna Yoho
8	Dereon Greer
10	Michael Dummer
17	Nick Errett
19	Lisa Gyure
22	Joann Beerhalter
26	Chad Lowe
29	Rohma Kropf





# CHRISTMAS PONSETTAS



IN MEMORY OF:	BY:
Paul Baginski	June, Alanna, Deanna, Alex & Kate Baginski
John & Jean Koerbel	George & JoAnn Lucas
George & Marge Lucas	George & JoAnn Lucas
Paul McCleary	Dave & Edie McCleary
Caroline McCleary	Dave & Edie McCleary
Paul McCleary, Jr	Dave & Edie McCleary
Petrusch Family	Zach & Patty Petrusch
Mulder Family	Patty & Zach Petrusch
Amber, George & Robert Kallstrand	Kenneth Kallstrand
Margaret Reindnbaugh & Anthony Lundy	Lundy Family
Thomas & Margret Reidenbaugh	Waldenmyer Family
Anthony Lundy, Sr.	Bernie Lundy
All of those we lost from BHLC	Betty & Tony Stephens
Dora Mann & Sisters & Family	Betty & Tony Stephens
Don & Mary Cinken	Rich & Maryann Stewart
Helen Gates	Rich & Maryann Stewart
Donald & Pat Lowe	Lowe Family
Bob & Betty Collins	Lowe Family
Ray Krepp	Krepp Family
Gladys Westman	Krepp Family
Joyce Westman	Jim Westman
Loving Husband, Robert Ireland	Patricia Ireland
Two Wonderful Parents, Robert & Dorothy Kendall	Daughters, Patricia Ireland & Diane Scott
Dorothy Schmidt	David Fink
Fred Schmidt	David Fink

Jean Fink	David Fink
Bob Fink	David Fink
John Suscovich	The Shireys
Tommy & Bev Watt	Destiny Stewart
Don & Garnet Hoffer	The Shireys
Glenn & Margaret Shirey	The Shireys
Our Grandma & Grandpa Vogel	Flora & Eloise Shirey



IN HONOR OF:	BY:
Marilyn Brown	Krepp Familhy



IN THINKFULNESS FOR:	BY:
Pastor Shirey & BHLC Community for welcoming us so graciously!! Merry Christmas & God Bless you all!	Joe & Lynn Pezez
My Children	June Baginski
Brooke & Riley Livengood	George & JoAnn Lucas
Zach & Mary	Patty Petrusch
Pastor & Deb Shirey	Petrusch Family
Amelia Jean Fink	David & Emily Fink
Flora, Eloise, Lula, Ezra & Ari Shirey	Pappy & Gram

Dear Family,

*I desperately need your help. As many of you know, Roy had a heart transplant 11 years ago and a year later God sent us our sons. We have struggled with issues over the years (as we all do) and now Roy's life is at great risk.*

*He was born with only one kidney, which is currently dying. And a Necrotic (dead) right hip was recently diagnosed, which they will not replace until he receives a kidney, preferably from a living donor.*

*I am asking for your prayers and that you help me get this message out via word, social media, etc. Please share it. We currently have no computer and are not very literate.*

*I do have faith that with prayers and action, Roy's life may be restored to health and years to share with his "families".*

*Please Help.*

*With love, thanks and blessings to all,*

*Janice Engelman*

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