

Edison Lutheran Church 14201 Church Road Bow, WA 98232 Merry Christmas!
December 24, 2024

ANNOUNCEMENTS and
EVENTS

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Readings for Sunday: Lessons and Carols

Edison Lutheran Church is a member of the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America). This congregation was started by Scandinavian immigrants who wished to pursue a new life and livelihood in this rich agricultural farmland. We are an active congregation, and we carry on the ministry to the people of Skagit Valley that was **started over 120 years ago**.

Confirmation Class: We will resume Confirmation class for 7th and 8th grade students on Sunday, **January 12th at 12:30 pm**.

Edison Lutheran Newsletter: If you would like to receive our monthly newsletter via email or snail mail, please email the church office at **office@elcbow.org**.

New Member Class will be starting in January. If you are interested in becoming a member or know someone who is interested, there is still time to join the class. Current members are welcome to attend. Contact Pastor John for more information.

Young Adult Group: Resumes meeting every **Tuesday at 6:00 pm** on **January 7th** in the Fellowship Hall. All young adults high school through collage age are welcome. Please join us (and bring a friend) for food, fun, and fellowship!

<u>Church Secretary Office Hours:</u> <u>Tuesday-Thursday 9:30 am -12:30 pm</u> Please call, leave a message, or email **office@elcbow.org**.

SU	12/29	First Sunda 10:30 am	y of Christmas — Lessons & Carols (lots of carols!) No Sunday School Worship Service with Holy Communion
Th	1/2	12:00 pm	Care Team Lunch @ The Curious Chef
SU	1/5	Second Sunday of Christmas No Sunday School 10:30 am Worship Service with Holy Communion	

Join Us Online: All our worship services are livestreamed on our Facebook page and our website. Recordings are available on our website and YouTube page. Want to be on our email list? Sign up on our website or contact the church office.

Women's Bible Study--Third Wednesday of the Month at 10:00 am.

Join us in the Fellowship Hall (we've outgrown the Parish House!)

Bring a Bible and/or a contemporary translation or paraphrase. ALL are welcome.

Social Concerns: Jesus taught us to help those in need. That is exactly what Social Concerns does. We need help providing support to our Partner Ministries; **Friendship House, Family Promise, and Helping Hands Food Bank**. These great organizations **bring help directly to those who need it most**. We have volunteer opportunities for all comfort levels, from behind the scenes to working directly with those we serve. Please contact the church office for more information.

Second Sunday Hymn Sing: Do you have a favorite hymn that you wish we would sing more often? Here's your chance! On the **second Sunday of each month at 10:15 am**, we will have a singalong, where you are invited to request that favorite hymn. "How good it is to sing praises to our God!" Psalm 147.

Calling all singers! We want to invite any and all interested folks to consider joining our **wonderful choir**. Whatever your voice part or ability, there is a place for you in our choir. Please join us for rehearsal **on Wednesdays** at 6:30 pm. *Make a joyful noise unto the Lord! Psalm 100*

Friendship House: Edison Lutheran Church serves dinner on the last Monday of every month. Contact the office if you would like to help with this worthy cause.

Prayer Shawl Ministry: We would love to have anyone who enjoys knitting and/or crocheting come and join us. We meet in the Fellowship Hall on the **third Thursday of each month**. Contact the church office for more information.

Bloodworks Blood Drive: Please make an appointment for Wednesday, **February 5th** from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. You can make your blood donor appointment online: BloodworksNW.org or even easier, call 800-398-7888. Thank you for supporting this critical need!

Sharing Shelf Food Pantry: Don't forget our small food pantry (the gray shelf on the East side of the church). If you need food, please to take anything you need. If you have extra food, please leave it in the grocery cart in the Narthex. Extra food will go to the Sharing Shelf first. The remainder will be donated to Helping Hands.

Do you feel like you are missing something? Do you want to help other people while having fun and meeting new people? Have we got a deal for you! We have lots of opportunities to get involved. Contact the church office to find a great fit for you!