

CHRISTMAS BRINGS  
HOPE



# Today - December 25, 2011

**11:00 AM Worship Service**

Sunday School, Children's Church and Koinonia Café  
will not be available today

**Message:** His Scandal...Our Peace

**Text:** Matthew 1:18-25

**Speaker:** Dr. Phil Petersen



MERRY CHRISTMAS

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## The Week Ahead ...

**Monday:** Church office will be closed

**Tuesday:** Men's Bible Study- 5:30 AM-Our Place in St. Croix Falls

Women's Prayer - 9 AM in the Worship Center

Open Arms Community Dinner - 5-6:30 PM @ Student Center

No Adult Prayer - 7 PM

**Wednesday:** No regular activities

**Friday:** Church office will be closed

**Saturday:** Men's Bible Study- 7AM in Conference Room



**NEXT  
SUNDAY**

January 1, 2012

Sunday School, 9 AM Children's Church and Koinonia Café  
will not be available today

**Speaker:** Pastor Jeff

**9 AM**

**Greeters:** Don & Vinita Essen

**Nursery:** Joseph Barbee family

**11 AM**

**Greeters:** Ken & Gail Callahan

**Nursery:** Bruce Nelson family



# LOOKING AHEAD

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Jan 20 - Courageous Movie - 7 PM

## General Announcements

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There will be **NO SUNDAY SCHOOL** offered TODAY or Jan. 1st due to the Christmas break.

Last Sunday's Year End Offering for the Great Commission Fund totaled \$312.76



Updated phone directories will soon be placed in your church mailbox. If you don't have a mailbox, please speak to one of the Pastors about getting yours. New boxes will be added soon so this is the time to inform us if you are interested.

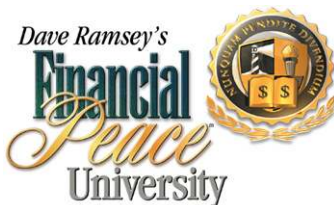
**TAX NOTE:** "Donors must *deliver* checks on or by Dec. 31st in order to claim a charitable contribution deduction for 2011. Checks that are placed in the church offering during the first worship service in 2012 *will not qualify for a charitable contribution deduction in 2011*, even if the check is predated to 2011. However, checks that are written in, mailed, and *postmarked* in 2011 will be deductible in 2011 though they are not received by a church until 2012."

- Nov/Dec. 2011 issue of Church Law & Tax Report

**"COURAGEOUS"**, the movie is a must see for adults and teens. We will be showing the movie in our church on January 20th at 7 PM, and serving popcorn, bottled water and other treats all for free! Plus, we're providing childcare. This will be a great date night opportunity, especially after a busy holiday season. This would also be a wonderful time to invite some friends, so be praying about who to bring with you. There are flyers at the Information Center to use as invitations.



Financial Peace University is a 13-week life-changing program that teaches families how to achieve financial goals by eliminating debt, saving for the future, and giving like never before. The cost of \$100 includes 13 weeks of training, and the program kit: book, workbook, audio cd's of all the lessons, envelope system, worksheets, life-long access to FPU membership resource website, and more. Classes will be held on Monday nights from 6:30-8:30 starting January 2. Limited childcare is available. Limited scholarships to pay for half of the course are available. More information and a sign-up are available at the Information Center, or you may contact Brian Brown 715-483-9553, email [bbgolf18@yahoo.com](mailto:bbgolf18@yahoo.com).







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**GUESTS:** Thank you for joining us for worship. Please join our church family in completing the perforated section of the worship folder. After doing so, tear it off and bring it to the Information Center in the lobby to receive a complimentary gift bag and receive information.

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**NURSERY**  
**(birth - 36 months)**  
is available on the main level near the Worship Center doors.

If you would like a CD of today's sermon, one may be ordered at the Information Center. You may also listen to or download the sermon from our website, or subscribe on iTunes.



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Interested in probing "**ONLINE GIVING**" to our church? You may submit a registration on-line utilizing the link at the bottom of our home page at [www.stcroixalliance.com](http://www.stcroixalliance.com).

If you have any questions, please contact Pam in the church office.

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## STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

<b>PREVIOUS SUNDAY'S WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:</b>	425
<b>GENERAL FUND</b> (Annual Operating Budget)	
Weekly need (Combined Gen'l Fund & Bldg Fund).....	\$ 11,319.00
Last Sunday's Combined Gen'l & Bldg Fund Giving.....	\$ 14,474.03
General Fund Contributions from Prev. Sun.	\$ 12,654.03
Building Fund Contributions from Prev. Sun.	\$ 1,820.00
<b>GREAT COMMISSION FUND FAITH PROMISE</b>	<b>\$ 26,170.00</b>
Contributions from Previous Sunday.....	\$ 1,022.50
Great Commission Fund Giving for Aug 11-July 12.....	\$ 18,792.99