



Holiday Greetings!

'And the **angel** said unto them, 'Fear not:
'Behold I bring you good tidings of great joy
which will be to all people, Unto you
is born this day a **Savior** which is
Christ the Lord!

Luke 2:11

To our staff, our internship committee, and all our beloved family at Messiah Lutheran Church,
Holiday greetings to you! We felt it time for a brief update:

Shortly after leaving Messiah, we climbed Half Dome in Yosemite, drove the coast of CA, and made it safely made it back to St. Paul, Minnesota.

Andrew just concluded his fall term at Luther with courses ranging from *Systematics of the Holy Spirit to Technology and Ministry*. But what he really enjoys is his new hobby—homebrewing! He readily credits northwest craft beer, Theology on Tap, and all his friends at Messiah for propelling him into his newfound hobby. When not brewing beer, Andrew was drinking tea and planning a backpacking trip this past November with college friends (the Wallows left him hungry for more!).

Patti has been richly blessed to step into another job as a child therapist in a school setting. It is a challenging space as she creates a brand new program at the school, but her time working at Trillium in Portland prepared her well. Outside work, Patti has been touring the Midwest seeing friends and family—she is particularly excited to spend time with our young niece and nephews as much as she can!

We covet your continued prayers: we currently wait to hear back about Patti's MN social work licensure, and we prayerfully anticipate the seminarian "draft" in mid-February for Andrew's regional placement.

While here in the Midwest, the blessings of the past year are always close to our hearts. We regularly recount the deep blessings of our year with you, and we find our conversations filled with your names, memories, and stories.

It is with such gratitude and affection that we wish you many Holiday blessings! Our thoughts, prayers, and hearts are filled with love for you.

Yours humbly in Christ,

Andrew and Patti Suhr

