

## Christ Lutheran Church

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### HOSPITALIZED:

**CONTINUED PRAYERS:** Louie Heuermann, Jayme Knapp, Mike Clayton, Pat Kretzmann (Rebecca Best's mother), Jan Long, Tina Hill (friend of Linda Von Behren), Roberta Muzzarelli (Jim Grebe's mother-in-law), Jeff Lowe, Michael VandeVoorde, Ann Schwindenhammer (sister-in-law of Mike Schwindenhammer), Connie Trunk, Rudy Bozec (brother of Linda Von Behren), Amelia Martin (granddaughter of Debbie Lawrence), Doug Closen (son of Debbie Lawrence), Neil Johnson (brother of Debbie Lawrence), Susan Gulley, Laurie Burkley, Diane Hollis (friend of Wayne Siebels), Sheila Sturdivant, Julie Campen, Rod Delicath, for those in the military, for our Church Boards and their members, CLS staff and students, for Christians being persecuted worldwide. *THE BOARD OF ELDERS REMINDS YOU* that if you have someone you would like to be remembered in The Prayer of the Church during worship on Sundays, send an email to [angie.evans@christlutheranpeo.org](mailto:angie.evans@christlutheranpeo.org) or call the church office (637-5309). Names on the prayer list will be updated each week and removed after approximately 4 weeks, unless the office is otherwise notified. We will renew prayers when requested.

### THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING (NOV 20TH-NOV 26TH)

**MON 11/20:** Bell Choir ..... 6:30 PM  
**TUE 11/21:**  
**WED 11/22:** Thanksgiving Eve Service ..... 7:00 PM  
NO View and Chew  
NO SCHOOL/Offices Closed  
**THU 11/23:**  
**FRI 11/24:**  
**SAT 11/25:**  
**SUN 11/26:** Holy Communion ..... 9:00 AM  
Sunday School ..... 10:15 AM  
Bible Classes ..... 10:30 AM

### 2023 BOARD OF ELDERS

**Ralph Teske, Chair** ..... (309)369-6092  
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## CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**NOVEMBER 19, 2023**

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

*Scripture of the Day*

Zephaniah 1:7-16, 1Thessalonians 5:1-11,  
Matthew 25:14-30

**WELCOME TREASURED MEMBERS AND HONORED GUESTS!**

**NOTE TO OUR GUESTS:** Since Holy Communion is a public demonstration of unity in faith, those who commune should express their acceptance of the faith and teaching for which we stand. Our welcome to visitors is heartfelt. Visitors from another Lutheran church or Congregation are asked to please approach our Pastor, if you have not already done so, before attending communion this morning. Also, if you're not a member of an LCMS church but would like a blessing, cross your arms across your chest to receive the blessing. Individual cups are available, in addition to the common cup, as you approach the Altar. **Non-alcoholic white wine** is available in the center of the tray.

**VISION STATEMENT:** Christ Lutheran Church will continue its Christ-centered, life directed focus, responding to the needs of its members, emphasizing local and worldwide witness, and acting as a catalyst for the improvement of the neighborhood.

**ELDER PRAYING WITH PASTOR:** Kirk Wessler

**ELDERS ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION:** Tommie Washington, Kirk Wessler, Luke Grebe

**GREETING YOU BEFORE SERVICES TODAY:** Beth Bennett

**ACOLYTES FOR TODAY:** Derrick Yates, Dominic Silotto

**ACOLYTES FOR NEXT SUNDAY:** Gracie Smith, Kayley Smith

**AS YOU LOOK FORWARD** to your worship next Sunday, you should read the appointed lessons for the **Last Sunday of the Church Year** - The First Lesson: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24, The Second Lesson: 1Corinthians 15:20-28 and The Holy Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46.

**THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON TODAY** is "Gratitude - Paul – An Attitude of Gratitude". There are craft packets available today at the back entrance to the church. Remember, packets with the Sunday School crafts and activities are also emailed the Friday before the lesson, along with the bulletins!

**PERFECT ATTENDANCE FOR OCTOBER:** Adults: Robin Abate, Jim Grebe, Jane Grebe, Jeff Grebe, Sue Heinz, Darla Heuermann, Barb O'Dell, Joel Ommen, Al & Chris Schneider, Linda Wenzel, and 4th Grade: Mackenzie Abatie

**LAST WEEK:** Tithes and Offerings: \$8,386.00; MTD: \$17,037.00. Improvement Fund: \$80.00; MTD: \$195.00. Attendance: 114. Sunday School Attendance: N-K 3, 1st-5th 2, 6th-HS 3, Adults 46, Visitors 1, Total 55.

**FLOWERS ARE PLACED ON THE ALTAR:** are given to the praise and glory of God, and in celebration of Marilyn Berkshier's birthday on November 20th, by family.

**VIEW AND CHEW** - NO VIEW AND CHEW NOVEMBER 22nd or DEC 6th.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!** - There are quite a few upcoming events that you may want to put on your calendar now. There will be more information as the dates get closer. The following include:

- December 9th—LWML Cookie Walk
- December 24th—Children's Christmas Service (9:00 AM)

**LWML COOKIE WALK...**The LWML Cookie Walk is coming on Saturday, December 9, 2023, 9:00am-Noon, in the Community Room! A large variety of cookies, candies, and fudge will be available at \$7.00/lb. If anyone would like to donate cookies, candies or fudge, you may drop off your donation to the Community Room on Friday, December 8th, Noon-2:00pm. Donations are graciously accepted... and come early on Saturday to shop for some of your favorite sweet treats at the Cookie Walk!! Any questions, contact Nancy Knoll, Suzanne Heinz, or Bonnie Farrell.

**POINSETTIAS:** If you would like to place a poinsettia on the altar for Christmas, please contact Christel by Dec 10, 2023. They are \$10 each. Checks should be made out to Christ Lutheran Church, and notes for the bulletin go to Christel.

**A LIFE QUOTE FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE** "Being For Life is right in line with God's plan of creation! YOU are the missing element that is needed! Don't be satisfied to sit back and wait because now is the time! Don't stop praying as you ponder your next step. Ask God for His guidance and be ready for more than you asked for, as we have a loving and merciful God who loves life. Please consider being a part of a life-affirming ministry in your congregation. Help protect lives and serve God in this special calling." Virginia Flo, Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

**If you have anything for next week's bulletin,** please get it in to the office by Wednesday morning. Thank you!

**Order of Service****Twenty-fifth Sunday After Pentecost****Hymn**

"Christ the Eternal Lord" (LSB 829)

**Confession and Absolution****The First Lesson**

Zephaniah 1:7-6 p.788

**The Epistle Lesson**

1Thessalonians 5:1-11 p.987

**Adult Choir****The Holy Gospel**

Matthew 25:14-30 p. 830

**Hymn of the Day**

"O Christ, Who Called the Twelve" (LSB 856)

**Sermon**

"No Better Time Than Now"

Matthew 25:14-20  
Rev. Karl F. Eckhoff

**Nicene Creed****Prayer of the Church****The Lord's Prayer****Words of Institution****Communion Hymns**

"Your Table I Approach" (LSB 628)

"Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness" (LSB 563)

"Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us" (LSB 851)

**Post Communion****Thanksgiving****Benediction****Closing Hymn**

"Forth in Thy Name" (LSB 854)

Amy Traenkschun, Organist