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CONTINUED PRAYERS: Chris Siebels, 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 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 (DEC 11th-DEC 17th)

MON 12/11:	Bell Choir	6:30 PM
TUE 12/12:	Council Meeting	6:00 PM
WED 12/13:	Chapel	10:00 AM
	View and Chew	11:45 AM
	Adult Choir.....	6:30 PM
THU 12/14:	Special Council Meeting	6:00 PM
FRI 12/15:		
SAT 12/16:		
SUN 12/17:	Choir Concert	9:00 AM
	LWML Bake Sale	
	Sunday School.....	10:15 AM
	Bible Classes	10:30 AM

2023 BOARD OF ELDERS

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DECEMBER 10, 2023

SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Scripture of the Day

Isaiah 40:1-11, 2 Peter 3:8-14,
Mark 1:1-8

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: Tommie Washington

ELDERS ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION: Tommie Washington, Del Hume

GREETING YOU BEFORE SERVICES TODAY: Beth Bennett

ACOLYTES FOR TODAY: Andrew Simmons, Dominic Silotto

ACOLYTES FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Colleen Lamberti, Catherine Rowe

AS YOU LOOK FORWARD to your worship next Sunday, you should read the appointed lessons for the **Third Sunday in Advent** - The First Lesson: Isaiah 60:1-4,8-11, The Second Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24 and The Holy Gospel: John 1:6-8, 19-28.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON TODAY for today is "Peace—the Second Sunday in Advent". There are printed copies of activities and crafts available, or check your Friday email for the digital version. If you aren't receiving the advance copies of the bulletin and the Sunday School packet and want that email, please let the office know, and make sure you give us your email address.

THIS ADVENT SEASON, THE PARISH MINISTRY BOARD is giving a limited number of Advent bags to families with young children through 5th grade. These bags are available today and contain items for you to do Advent devotions and activities for your children throughout Advent. The Parish Ministry Board has

made it a priority to provide the tools to lead devotions and activities related to our Sunday School lessons in your home, and we will continue to help families by providing various materials, such as Sunday School lesson packets and Pastor's lesson videos which he posts each week on Facebook and Rumble. If you have any questions about how to get these materials, contact Laura Baize or see Pastor Eckhoff.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PERFECT ATTENDANCE FOR NOVEMBER: Laura Baize, Warren & Connie Bremer, Luke, Jana, Aiden & Rufus Grebe, Jeff, Christine & Sam Grebe, James Grebe, Jane Grebe, Gary & Sue Heinz, Louis & Kaeden Heuermann, Booma Jass, Reg Lee, William & Judith Nelson, Barb O'Dell, Jeff & Kathy Otten, Janet Reinhart, JoAnn Reith, Mary Washington, Emily Zaia

OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2024 are available for pickup in the Annex.

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING to nominate boards for 2024, December 14th at 6PM.

LAST WEEK: Tithes and Offerings: \$10,488.00; MTD: \$10,488.00. Improvement Fund: \$150; MTD: \$150.00. Attendance: 123. Sunday School Attendance: N-K 3, 1st-5th 8, 6th-HS 4, Adults 39, Visitors 3, Total 54.

This is the 2nd Sunday of our Pledge Year

Romans 15:4 – "For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction." God's Word was given to us to bless us. The Bible warns us of our sin and points us to Christ for our salvation. The Bible also instructs us how to live out our Christian lives (this is the "third use of the Law"). As Christians, we should welcome this instruction in humble faith. We know that Christ has saved us; now, we want to know how to live lives of faith that are pleasing to Him.

FLOWERS ARE PLACED ON THE ALTAR:

VIEW AND CHEW - " Join us Wednesday, December 13th for a special Christmas showing of The Chosen, entitled, Christmas 2021 with The Chosen. This special is independent of any of the previous viewing we have watched together. You won't want to miss it. Bring a sandwich and we will have chips and desserts.

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 14th—Special Council Meeting
- December 17th—Christmas Concert
- December 24th— Children's Christmas Service (9:00 AM)
- December 24th—Candlelight Service (7:00 PM)

Order of Service

Divine Service, Setting 1 p.151

"Hark, the Glad Sound" (LSB 349)

Confession and Absolution

The First Lesson

Isaiah 40:1-11 p. 599

The Epistle Lesson

2 Peter 3:8-14 p. 1019

The Holy Gospel

Mark 1:1-8 p. 836

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Hymn of the Day

"On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry" (LSB 344)

Sermon

"With Eyes Open Wide"

Luke 1:8-23, 57-63

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Prayer of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Communion Hymns

"Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord" (LSB 352)

"Jesus Comes Today With Healing" (LSB 620)

"Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring" (LSB 353)

Post Communion

Thanksgiving

Benediction

Closing Hymn

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (LSB 357 v. 2,7)

Organist: Connie Bremer