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*Boldly living  
Christ's extreme love;  
Building Faith  
and Community*

### HOSPITALIZED:

If you, or someone you know, is in the hospital, please let the office know.

**CONTINUED PRAYERS:** Walt Flechsig (Jan Reinhart's father) Karen Ferguson, Jim Gulley, Grover Van Dyke, Louie Heuermann, Helen Gottfrey (Laura's Granddaughter), Byron Webb, Charlotte Sparks, Joni Bradshaw, Clyde Lockenour, Rev Wayne Ahrens, Martin Behnke, Linda Samp, Darlene Marvel, Jayme Knapp, Debbie Lawrence, Mike Clayton, Tina Hill, Roberta Muzzarelli (Jim Grebe's mother-in-law), Ann Schwindenhammer (sister-in-law of Mike Schwindenhammer), Connie Trunk, Rudy Bozec (brother of Linda Von Behren), Neil Johnson (brother of Debbie Lawrence), 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). We will renew prayers when requested.

### **THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING (JAN 27th - FEB 2nd)**

#### **MON 01/27:**

#### **TUES 01/28:**

**WED 01/29:** Chapel.....10:00AM

View and Chew .....11:45AM

Adult Choir.....6:30PM

**THU 01/30:** Bell Choir.....4:00PM

**FRI 01/31:** Ladies Bible Study.....9:30AM

#### **SAT 02/01:**

**SUN 02/02:** Holy Communion ..... 9:00AM

LWML Bake Sale

Sunday School .....10:15AM

Bible Class ..... 10:30AM

**JANUARY 26, 2025**  
**THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

*Scripture of the Day*

*Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10, 1Corinthians 12:12-31a,  
Luke 4:16-30*

## Third Sunday After Epiphany

**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:** Del Hume

**ELDERS ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION:** Tommie Washington, Del Hume, Reg Lee

**GREETING YOU BEFORE SERVICES TODAY:** Mary Witkowski

**ACOLYTES FOR TODAY:** Andrew Simmons, Abe McIntosh

**ACOLYTES FOR NEXT SUNDAY:** Leah Stenger, Derrick Yates

**AS YOU LOOK FORWARD** to your worship next Sunday, you should read the appointed lessons for the Presentation of Our Lord The First Lesson: 1Samuel 1:21-28, The Second Lesson: Hebrews 2:14-18a, and The Holy Gospel: Luke 2:22-32.

**THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR TODAY:** is "Josiah". The packets for Unknown Heroes, contain fun activities and games to help your kids learn all about the books of the Bible, so be sure to check out the digital version in your church email or pick up a packet at the back door. If the packets are gone, see Laura, Darla, or Sue about getting a hard copy.

**LAST WEEK:** Tithes and Offerings: \$6,757.00; MTD: \$22,038.00 Improvement Fund: \$110.00; MTD: \$375.00. Church Attendance: 114, N-K: 2, 1-5: 6, 6-HS: 1, Adults: 37, Visitors: 0, Total: 46.

**THIS IS THE 9th SUNDAY OF OUR PLEDGE YEAR**

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER:** 1 Cor. 12:16 – "And if the ear should say, 'Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,' that would not make it any less a part of the body." The Lord has called each of us individually and given each of us unique gifts. He has made our whole lives holy in our Baptism and has called us to a life together in the church, His body. You are a part of that body, and that body needs you and the gifts the Lord has given you. This is your holy calling from the Lord.

**FLOWERS ARE PLACED ON THE ALTAR:** to the glory of God and in loving remembrance of Marilyne Parlier's birthday on January 27th, by her family.

**A NEW FLOWER CHART** has been posted in the annex, so families may sign up to provide flowers for the altar each Sunday. If you have any questions, please call Christel VandeVoorde at 309 267-3053.

**VIEW AND CHEW** - Please join us as we start the new year with a few sessions featuring different speakers and educational programs! Wednesday, January 29th, at 11:45am, we welcome Ameren employees, Kierstin Newton and Ruthie Bertram to explain the Ameren Home Energy Free Assessment program. This program's availability, if you qualify, may save you hundreds of dollars on your home's heating and cooling costs. Bring your lunch! Invite your friends! Drinks and snacks will be provided. Please call Alan White with questions.

**LWML NEWS:** Attention ladies! The first LWML meeting for 2025 will be Saturday, February 8, 10:00am in the Community Room. Mark your calendars! "MITES FOR MISSIONS" will be collected at the annex entrance next Sunday. If you need a mite box for those nickels, dimes and quarters, a supply will be available. "Thank you" for your ongoing support of our mission efforts!

**We Are The Church** -- A Spiritual Retreat will be held March 14-16, 2025, at Redeemer Lutheran Church. Registration forms are available in the church office. Prayerfully consider joining us for a week-end of fun, food and Christian fellowship.

**CHECK OUT** [lcms.org](http://lcms.org) for a variety of resources including devotions, videos, publications and newsletters.

**ORDER OF SERVICE****Opening Song**

"House of the Lord"

**Confession and Absolution****Old Testament Reading**

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 p. 403

**The Epistle Reading**

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a p. 959

**The Holy Gospel**

Luke 4:16-30 p. 859

**Song**

"Way Maker"

**Sermon**

"The Joy of the Lord"

Nehemiah 8

Rev. Karl Eckhoff

**Apostles' Creed****Prayer of the Church****Benediction****Closing Song**

"Give Thanks to the Lord"