

Vol 80 November 23, 2025 No 52 Last Sunday of the Church Year

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.

HOSPITALIZED: Christine Grebe

CONTINUED PRAYERS: Gary Demmin, Eric Funk, Jacqueline Floyd, Grover Van Dyke, Mary Fran Wessler, Kathy Smith, Mike Schwindenhammer, Chuck Whitehead, Susan VanMoorlem (Reith), Sarah Ly Hang, Charlotte Sparks, Donna Gogele, Louie Heuermann, Bradshaw, Martin Behnke, Linda Samp, Darlene Marvel, Jayme Knapp, Mike Clayton, 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 worship Sundays, send on to angie.evans@christlutheranpeo.org or call the church office (637-5309). We will renew prayers when requested.

ELDER PRAYING WITH PASTOR: Tommie Washington **ELDERS ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION**: Reg Lee, Alan White,
Tommie Washington

GREETING YOU BEFORE SERVICE TODAY: Bill & Judy Nelson ACOLYTES FOR TODAY: Abe McIntosh, Maddie Markovich

ACOLYTES FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Kayley Smith, Carter Ferro

AS YOU LOOK FORWARD to your worship next Sunday, you should read the appointed lessons for the First Sunday in Advent <u>The First Lesson</u>: Isaiah 2:1-5, <u>The Second Lesson</u>: Romans 13:(8-10)11-14, <u>The Holy Gospel</u>: Matthew 21:1-11.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR TODAY: Sunday School students will

be practicing for the Christmas program, in the sanctuary, for the next several weeks. A new curriculum will start after the holidays.

LAST WEEK: Tithes and offerings: \$14,009.00; MTD: \$26,916.00, Improvement Fund: \$147.00; MTD: \$157.00. Church Attendance: 136, N-K: ,1st-5th: ,6th-HS: ,Adults: ,Visitors: ,Total: .

VIEW AND CHEW - No View and Chew this week.

FLOWERS ARE PLACED ON THE ALTAR: to the glory of God and in loving memory of Ray Marvel.

THIS IS THE 52nd SUNDAY OF OUR PLEDGE YEAR

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: Colossians 1:18a – "And he is the head of the body, the church." We are part of the Body of Christ; He is our Head. Where He goes, we follow. His thoughts direct our actions. This is how the people of God learn how to give and why they give. Because Jesus gives, indeed He gives all He has.

LWML NEWS: The annual LWML Cookie Walk will be held on Saturday, December 13th, 9:00a.m.-Noon, in the Community Room! A large variety of cookies, candies, and fudge will be available at \$8.00/lb. Craft items will also be available. If anyone would like to donate cookies, candies or fudge, you may drop off your donation at the Community Room on Friday, December 12th, Noon-2:00p.m. Donations are graciously accepted! Mark your calendar, tell your friends and relatives, and come early on Saturday to shop for your favorite treats! Any questions, contact Nancy Knoll, Suzanne Heinz or Bonnie Farrell.

<u>THANK YOU</u> to all who contributed to the making of 24 Thanksgiving baskets to be distributed next week. All of your donations in every form are so appreciated. Thank you for being such a giving congregation.

POINSETTIA ORDERS: Red poinsettias are available for \$11.00 each. Orders and money must be given to Sheila Hills no later than Sunday, December 8th.

SAVE THE DATE: WATCH #47 will be held April 17th-19th, 2026 at Redeemer Lutheran Church, sponsored by Christ Lutheran. If you have never attended, prayerfully consider attending this Spiritual Renewal weekend. Invite your family and friends. If you are interested in assisting the TEAM, please call Joyce Smith at (217) 414-4166 or email at leadfoot713@hotmail.com by March 1, 2026.

<u>A WATCH ALUMNI REUNION:</u> will be held on February 1, 2026, from 3-5pm at Redeemer Lutheran Church. Come and get a WATCH update, renew your WATCH friendships. Please RSVP by calling Kathy Crank at 309 696-9550.

LISTEN TO THE LUTHERAN HOUR: Each Sunday the Lutheran hour can be

heard on WGN720 (Chicago) at 6:00am and on WLLM 1370 (Lincoln) at 7:00pm.

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING (NOV 24th - NOV 30th)

MON 11/24:	Bell Choir	4:00PM
TUES 11/25:		
WED 11/26:	Thanksgiving Eve Service	7:00PM
THU 11/27:	Thanksgiving Day	
FRI 11/28:	No School	
SAT 11/29:		
SUN 11/30:	Holy Communion	9:00AM
	Sunday School	10:15AM
	Bible Classes	10:30AM

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