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The First Sunday in Lent

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:

CONTINUED PRAYERS: Chris Evans, Gary Axelrod, Tina Hill, Denise Buchanan (Linda VonBehren's sister), Mark Samp, Christine Grebe, Grover Van Dyke, Mary Fran Wessler, Kathy Smith, Mike Schwindenhammer, Chuck Whitehead, Sarah Ly Hang, Charlotte Sparks, Donna Gogele, Louie Heuermann, Joni 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), 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). We will renew prayers when requested.

ELDER PRAYING WITH PASTOR : Tommie Washington

ELDERS ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION: Tommie Washington, Kirk Wessler, Del Hume

GREETING YOU BEFORE SERVICE TODAY: Becky Zentko

ACOLYTES FOR TODAY: Carter Dicce, Emersyn Dicce

ACOLYTES FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Feli Foote, Nash Mooney

AS YOU LOOK FORWARD to your worship next Sunday, you should read the appointed lessons for The Second Sunday in Lent The First Lesson: Genesis 12:1-9, The Second Lesson: Romans 4:1-8, 13-17, The Holy Gospel: John 3:1-17.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR TODAY: “God Made Me”/1st Article Apostles’ Creed.

LAST WEEK: Tithes and offerings: \$8,942.00; MTD: \$27,698.00, Improvement Fund: \$475.00; MTD: \$1,090.00. Church Attendance: 93, N-K: 1, 1st-5th: 5, 6th-HS: 1, Adults: 42, Visitors: 0, Total: 49.

VIEW AND CHEW - This Wednesday. Join us as, we continue with “House of David”. Bring your lunch! Invite your friends! Drinks and snacks will be provided. Please call Alan White with questions.

FLOWERS ARE PLACED ON THE ALTAR: to the glory of God and in celebration of Kade VandeVoorde’s 22nd birthday.

THIS IS THE 13th SUNDAY OF OUR PLEDGE YEAR

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: Matthew 4:7 – “Jesus said to him, ‘Again it is written.’” Jesus defeats Satan in our place, not by using His power as God, but by His perfect obedience in His perfect humanity. Jesus defeats Satan not by miracles, but by quoting the Scriptures and living according to them. This should cause us great joy for two reasons. First, we see Jesus win the victory for us. Second, here Jesus shows us how to stand in that victory: on the Word of God alone.

SHARING THE GOD’S WORD with us this morning is Reverend Kristopher Whitby.

LILIES FOR EASTER: If you would like to donate a lily for the altar for Easter, please contact Sheila Hills (309 218-7300). The cost is \$10.00 each and your order and money need to be turned in to Sheila or the office by April 1st.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Christ Lutheran Church will be hosting an “all you can eat” potato pancake and regular pancake supper on March 21st from 4:00pm until 6:30pm in gym B. The price is \$8 for adults and \$4 for K-8th grade. The meal includes pancakes, sausage, applesauce, coffee, water, iced tea, milk, carrots and celery. Take-out will be available. There will also be a bake sale. All proceeds will benefit our youth program and activities.

LWML NEWS: “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, as well as a handmade coaster as a “thank you” for your donation. In 2025, the monthly mite box donations totaled \$1,185.13. Your ongoing support of our mission efforts is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions regarding LWML, please contact President Suzanne Heinz or any LWML member. We are Lutheran Women in Mission and ‘on a mission’ to do HIS work!

WATCH WEEKEND is April 17-19th. If you have never attended a WATCH weekend, please prayerfully consider spending time in fellowship with other Christians and refreshing your relationship with Christ. You will learn, meet new people, eat good food and have fun! Registration forms are available in the church office and in the box outside the office. Scholarships are available, so don't let the fee stop you. Leave your completed form in the office.

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING (FEB 23rd – MAR 1st)

<u>MON 02/23:</u>	Bell Choir	4:00PM
<u>TUES 02/24:</u>		
<u>WED 02/25:</u>	Chapel.....	10:00AM
	View and Chew.....	11:45AM
	Choir	6:30PM
<u>THU 02/26:</u>		
<u>FRI 02/27:</u>		
<u>SAT 02/28:</u>		
<u>SUN 03/01:</u>	Holy Communion.....	9:00AM
	LWML Bake Sale	
	Sunday School.....	10:15AM
	Bible Classes	10:30AM
	Parish Ed	11:30AM

ONLINE GIVING



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