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The 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: Mary Fran Wessler

CONTINUED PRAYERS: Eric Funk, Sheila Hills, Cindy Coffee (worked in school kitchen), Summer Failor, Matthew Zentko, Jan Long, Mark Samp, Grover Van Dyke, Kathy Smith, Mike Schwindenhammer, Sarah Ly Hang, Charlotte Sparks, Donna Gogele, Louie Heuermann, Linda Samp, Jayme Knapp, Mike Clayton, Ann Schwindenhammer (sister-in-law of Mike Schwindenhammer), 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 : Alan White

ELDERS ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION: Tommie Washington, Mike Lelm, Alan White

GREETING YOU BEFORE SERVICE TODAY: Susan Fredericks, Laura Fredericks

ACOLYTES FOR TODAY: Feli Foote, Abe McIntosh

ACOLYTES FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Kayley Smith, Nolan Anderson

AS YOU LOOK FORWARD to your worship next Sunday, you should read the appointed lessons for the First Sunday in Advent. The First Lesson: Isaiah 64:1-9, The Second Lesson: 1Corinthians 1:3-9, The Holy Gospel: Mark 11:1-10.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM: The children are working on music and speaking parts for the Children's Christmas Program. If your child will be participating, please have them attend Sunday School as often as possible so they can learn the music and parts and be available at the practices during the Sunday

School hour.

LAST WEEK: Tithes and offerings: $9,017.00; MTD: $19,242.00. Improvement Fund: $.00; MTD: $290.00. Church Attendance: 185, N-K: , 1st-4th: , 5-HS: , Adults: , Visitors: , Total: .

WE WELCOME Pastor Kenneth Hoover to share the message this morning!

FLOWERS ARE PLACED ON THE ALTAR giving thanks at Thanksgiving and always for family and friends. Glory to God! JoAnn Reith

52nd SUNDAY OF OUR PLEDGE YEAR

STEWARDSHIP CORNER Matthew 25:44 – "Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?'" With this parable Jesus once again emphasizes that our good works come from who we are, not the other way around. Sheep do sheep works, and goats do goat works. So first things first: if we want to live more faithfully, let us come to Jesus, receive His gifts and ask Him to increase our faith!

LWML NEWS! The annual Cookie Walk will be held on Saturday, December 12th, 9:00am-Noon, in the Community Room. A large variety of cookies, candies and fudge will be available at $8.00/lb. Ceramic ornaments/items will be available as well as handmade hats, coasters, potholders and greeting cards. Attention bakers! If anyone would like to donate a batch of their favorite cookies, candies or fudge, your donation will be graciously accepted! SOOO…mark your calendars! Tell your friends, neighbors and relatives! The Cookie Walk is coming! (Pre-orders may be submitted to Nancy Knoll, 309 688-1376) Any questions, contact Nancy Knoll, Suzanne Heinz or Bonnie Farrell.

THANK YOU! Due to your generosity, we were able to fill 25 Thanksgiving baskets! Your donations are very much appreciated.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT: December 10th, at 5:30pm. Come and see, support and enjoy as the students of CLS sing to the Lord.

THE 16TH ANNUAL CHRIST LUTHERAN Dinner and Auction was held on November 6th, and it was quite a night! We set an attendance record of 304 people (282 attended in 2025). In addition, this year's Adopt-A-Student appeal was by far the most successful ever at $75,000 (compared to $51,400 in 2025). And, to make the evening even more special, Pastor Schudde, his two daughters, and three grandchildren were able to attend. God did indeed bless this year's event! We will share more details in the coming weeks. Thank you to everyone who supported the auction, whether by attending, donating, or helping with set-up and clean-up. It is

greatly appreciated. By the way, save the date for next year's event, Saturday, November 6, 2027.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR for the spiritual renewal weekend for WATCH 48 for April 16-18, 2027. Registration forms and an informational brochure is available in the Church Office. Del Hume, President of WATCH invites everyone to please consider attending as we have room for 24 participants. This will be a truly life changing event for all that attend. Pastor Eckhoff is our Spiritual Leader with Rev. Ron Miller assisting with the event. We would love to have you sign up.

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING (NOV 23rd – NOV 29th)

MON 11/23:	Bells.....4:00PM
TUES 11/24:	
WED 11/25:	Thanksgiving Eve Service.....7:00PM
THU 11/26:	Thanksgiving Office Closed
FRI 11/27:	Office Closed
SAT 11/28:	
SUN 11/29:	Holy Communion.....9:00AM
	Sunday School.....10:15AM
	Bible Classes.....10:30AM
	Parish Ed Bake Sale

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