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Boldly living Christ's extreme love; Building Faith and Community **HOSPITALIZED**: Bernell Harvey

If you, or someone you know, is in the hospital, please let the office know. **CONTINUED PRAYERS**: Karen Ferguson, Jim & Sue Gulley, Grover Van Dyke, Louie Heuermann, Helen Gotfrey (Laura's Granddaughter), Byron Webb, Charlotte Sparks, Joni Bradshaw, Clyde Lockenour, Rev Wayne Ahrens, Martin Behnke, Linda Samp, Norm Zentko, 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** or call the church office (637-5309). We will renew prayers when requested.

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING (DEC 2nd - DEC 8th)

MON 12/02:	Elders	6:00PM
TUE 12/03:	Trustees	6:30PM
WED 12/04:	Chapel	10:00AM
	View and Chew	11:30AM
	Adult Choir	6:30PM
THU 12/05:	Bell Choir	4:00PM
	Day School	4:30PM
	Stew/Finance (via zoom)	6:00PM
FRI 12/06:	Ladies Bible Study	
SAT 12/07:	Parish Ed	9:00AM
SUN 12/08:	Holy Communion	9:00AM
	CLYF Bake Sale	
	Sunday School	10:15AM
	Bible Class	10:30AM

DECEMBER 1, 2024 FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Scripture of the Day Jeremiah 33:14-16, 1Thesselonians 3:9-13, Luke 19:28-40 Vol. 79

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First Sunday in Advent

WELCOME TREASURED MEMBERS AND HONORED GUESTS!

NOTETO 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.

<u>VISION STATEMENT:</u> 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: Kirk Wessler

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

GREETING YOU BEFORE SERVICES TODAY: Birdie Koch

ACOLYTES FOR TODAY: Serenity Winchell, Maddie Markovich

ACOLYTES FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Colleen Lamberti, Feli Foote

AS YOU LOOK FORWARD to your worship next Sunday, you should read the appointed lessons for the Second Sunday in Advent The First Lesson: Malachi 3:1-7b, The Second Lesson: Philippians 1:2-11, and The Holy Gospel: Luke 3:1-14.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR TODAY: is "Hope". The packets for Advent, 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.

ATTENTION SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDENTS! Remember to bring your new bibles to Sunday School with you. We'll be reading from them

and becoming more familiar with them. If you haven't gone through the First Bible Milestone Class yet, and received a bible, you can bring a different one or we will provide one for you to use.

LAST WEEK: Tithes and Offerings: \$7770.00; MTD: \$28,335.00 Improvement Fund: \$35.00; MTD: \$70.00. Attendance: 132.

THIS IS THE 53rd SUNDAY OF OUR PLEDGE YEAR

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: Luke 19:31 – "If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you shall say this: 'The Lord has need of it.'" Consider the faithfulness of that man who owned the donkey and colt. All he needed to hear was, "The Lord has need of it," and he willingly gave. The Lord has given each of us various callings in life (in our homes, in the church and in the communities we live in). In each calling we have good work to do, which comes from the Lord's hand. The Lord has need of us in each calling. How is He calling you to generous giving in each of your vocations?

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR:

<u>VIEW AND CHEW</u> - Wednesday, 11:30-1:00PM. Join us for our last class of the year. We will be watching a special movie. <u>Please bring your lunch</u>; we'll also have drinks and other snacks available. Please feel free to invite your friends! If you have any questions, please contact Alan White.

<u>POINSETTIA ORDERS:</u> Red poinsettias are available for \$11.00 each. Orders and money must be given to Christel Vandevoorde no later than Sunday, December 8th.

LWML COOKIE WALK...The LWML Cookie Walk is coming on Saturday, December 14, 2024, 9:00a.m.-Noon, in the Community Room! A large variety of cookies, candies, and fudge will be available at \$7.00/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 13th, Noon-2:00 p.m. Donations are graciously accepted...and come early on Saturday to shop for some of your favorite sweet treats! Any questions, contact Nancy Knoll, Suzanne Heinz or Bonnie Farrell.

THANK YOU! "I can't thank you enough for your generosity. Every year you remember me and always deliver a wonderful meal. I will be alone this year and will enjoy many meals. God bless you." This was one of the messages received in appreciation of our Thanksgiving baskets. To everyone who gave donations of any kind, 'thank you'! Your generosity and support are greatly appreciated and we were able to provide 22 families with a Thanksgiving basket.

Order of Service Divine Service 2 p.167

Hymn

"The Advent of Our King" (LSB 331)

Confession and Absolution

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 33:14-16 p. 662

The Epistle Reading

1Thesselonians 3:9-13 p. 987

The Holy Gospel

Luke 19-28-40 p. 878

Sermon

"Comfort, Comfort Ye My People" Isaiah 40:1-5

Rev. Karl Eckhoff

Hymn of the Day

"Comfort, Comfort Ye My People" (LSB 347)

Apostles' Creed

Prayer of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Distribution Songs

"Arise, O Christian People" (LSB 354)

"Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates" (LSB 341)

"O Come, O Come Emmanuel" (LSB 357)

Post Communion Thanksgiving Benediction Closing Song

"Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus" (LSB 338/Tune of 700)

Organist Judy Eckhoff