

**This Week at Christ Lutheran Church**  
 ~ *Planting Faith. Growing Family* ~  
**December 8, 2013**

**Today** - Cookies for Vets

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service and Communion  
 10:15 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages  
 10:30 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal  
 11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service and Communion  
 - Children's Christmas Program Rehearsal  
 1:00 p.m. Sudanese Worship  
 6:00 p.m. Mosaic  
 6:30 p.m. Women's Event: Advent by Candlelight

**Monday**

5:00 p.m. Personal Care Pantry  
 6:00 p.m. TOPS: Sprouts' Classroom  
 6:30 p.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal  
 7:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting  
 8:00 p.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal

**Tuesday**

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting  
 7:00 p.m. Council Meeting

**Wednesday**

6:15 p.m. Junior Choir Rehearsal  
 6:45 p.m. Confirmation Class  
 7:00 p.m. Worship Choir Rehearsal

**Friday**

7:00 p.m. Girl Scout Overnighter with Julie Fischer  
 7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study in Homes

**Saturday**

10:00 a.m. Sunday School Christmas Program Rehearsal

**Sunday** - Cookie Walk

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 10:15 a.m. Sunday School for all ages  
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 11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service and Communion  
 - Children's Christmas Program Rehearsal  
 1:00 p.m. Sudanese Worship  
 4:30 p.m. Mosaic - Service Project  
 5:30 p.m. Adult and Sunday School Christmas Program

**Serving our congregation**  
**Sunday, December 15, 2013**

**Nursery**

9:00 a.m. Deb Park  
 11:15 a.m. Julie and Emelie Fischer

**Coffee**

9:00 a.m. Chris and Kimberly Boes  
 11:15 a.m. Tom and Dawn Powell

**Readers**

9:00 a.m. Jennifer Buddemeier  
 11:15 a.m. Donna Garen

**Acolyte**

9:00 a.m. Natalie Boes  
 11:15 a.m. Brandon VanTuinen

**Greeters**

9:00 a.m. Carlton and Gaye Snyder  
 11:15 a.m. Tom and Jean Wisinski

**Ushers**

9:00 a.m. John and Mary Deherrera  
 11:15 a.m. Troy and Angelina Anderson,  
 Don Groeneveld, Donna Garen

**Council**

9:00 a.m. Jim Barritt  
 11:15 a.m. Dave Westover

**Welcome Center**

9:00 a.m. Arlene Slagh  
 11:15 a.m. Maggie Fischer

**Worship Assistants**

9:00 a.m. Jim Ward  
 11:15 a.m. Patrick Blanchard

**Altar Guild:** Jean Wisinski

**Communion Assistants**

9:00 a.m. Ron and Nancy Heidrich, Pete VanGessel  
 11:15 a.m. Cathy Chappell

**Counters:** Jeff Emrich, Jennifer Brey Meyer

**Video Projector Technician - second service**

Jason Tierney

**Last Week's Response**  
**December 1, 2013**

1<sup>st</sup> service: 135    2<sup>nd</sup> service: 167

Offering: \$9,396



On Christmas Eve, we will hold three worship services with Holy Communion:

- ☆ 5:00 service planned especially for families with younger children featuring our Junior Choir;
- ☆ 7:00 candlelight service that will include the Handbell Choirs; and our
- ☆ 11:00 candlelight service with music by the Worship Choir.

**Prayer Requests** - If you or a friend/family member would like to be remembered in prayer, please contact the church office by Wednesday morning of each week to be printed in this portion of Sunday's bulletin. With your permission, requests are printed for **everyone to take home and pray during the week**. Of course, you can let pastor or the church office know at any time that you wish prayers for someone.

*Condolences to Barb and Alan Windsor and family on the death of Barb's father, Bob Mains.  
Funeral services were held this past week.*

### CLC Members ill or Recovering

Zina Fick  
Eric Ingolfsrud  
Judy Johnson  
Arnie Werkema

Dave Johnson  
Joan Gort  
Vivian Libby  
John (Phil) Shippy

George Wohlheter  
Sherry Schenk  
Randy Clark  
Wanda Little

Floyd Cutler  
Ann Stevens  
Steve Christensen  
Karen Blank

### Praying for Our Friends and Family

Virginia Ebb, mother of Becky Ebb-Speese  
David Morrison, son-in-law, Rogers and Joy Johnson  
Annika Ohman, 16 year old friend of CLC  
Haley, granddaughter of Larry and Joan Gort  
Rich Kessler, grandfather of Kim Holwerda  
Benjamin, grandson of Sondra Breeding  
Lonnie Sue Johnson, cousin of Jeanne Bowling  
Connor, grandson of Don and Kim Groeneveld  
Judy Burgess, mother of Kim Groeneveld  
Shawn Keener UCOM administrator  
Bryan Chiamomte, cousin to Patti, Julie, Lisa Noto  
Dave & Lisa June, brother of Matt June and Karen Metzner  
Jeanne Krzywos and family, friend of Ed and Ginny Wargel  
Jacky Manning, grandmother of Sarah McKenney  
Mary Wiseman's mother  
Shirley Miller, special friend of Elizabeth and Curtis Druckrey  
Marguerite Ringshauser cousins of Elizabeth and Curtis Druckrey

Bruce Allen, friend of Joy Gianakura.  
Sue Clark's mother, Jane  
Julia Bahr, mother of Aimee Paulson  
Alice, mother of Carol Schulz  
Pat Knappen, brother of Larry Knappen  
Lisa Carlson, sister of Amy Hielkema  
Carter, grandson of Mary Wiseman  
Eldor Windhorn, former pastor of CLC  
Julie Smith, sister of Bill Houseknecht  
Toni Steele's cousin, Andy Grzegorski  
Chuck Owens, friend of Mary Wiseman  
Tom Green, brother of Angel Anderson  
Mike Dretzka, cousin to Donna Garen

### Pray for those serving in the Military

Jeff McCullough  
Andrew Groeneveld  
Aaron Demmon, nephew of Julie Taylor  
Cmdr. Roger Bouma, friend of Larry and Mary Knappen  
Jesse Cunningham, grandson of Howard and Muriel Andrews  
Brandon Westbrook and Cody Westbrook, grandsons of David Barrenger  
Casey Gort, grandson of Larry and Joan Gort and Jack and Shirley Reminga

Samantha Tierney  
Adam Lundquist  
Nick Swope, friend of Rick Nichols

**For all young people at Christ Lutheran** - Please share your instrumental music gifts at our CLC Christmas program by playing one or more Christmas carols during the prelude. The Christmas Program will be Sunday, December 15 at 5:30 p.m. Please contact Hazel Rouker at 538-2926.

**Cookie Walk** - Next Sunday, December 15, we will continue the tradition at Christ Lutheran with our Annual Cookie Walk. All baked items are welcome. The goodies will be displayed on tables you walk around, pick and purchase by the pound. We need lots of bakers to make wonderful, mouth-watering, yummy cookies and lots of buyers.

**Christmas Program** - We invite the congregation to join us for our Christmas program next Sunday, December 15, at 5:30 p.m. Our Sunday School children, the Junior Choir, Handbell Choirs and Worship Choir will celebrate the birth of our Savior with songs, a great time together and refreshments afterward.

**Assistance requested** - For the Sunday School program, help is needed in the areas of decorations and costumes preparations. See Sarah McKenney *today* if you can help. Thanks!

**Poinsettias** - Next Sunday, December 15, will be the final day to purchase a Poinsettia for Christmas decorations of the sanctuary. The list will be printed in the announcement bulletin on December 22. The Altar Guild suggests that you make a donation to offset the cost of the arrangement. Envelopes have been placed in the pew racks for your convenience. Make your contribution in memory of a loved one, or to honor someone noting the information on the envelope so it can be listed in the bulletin. Cutoff to contribute will be December 15. We encourage you to take your plant/s after the December 29<sup>th</sup> service for holiday enjoyment.

**Christmas Food Basket for 30 Families** - We are now collecting food items to supply Christmas dinner for 30 families. Delivery will be on Sunday, December 22. Last day to bring in food items: Sunday, December 15.

Cake mix	JELL-O	Yams (canned)
Crackers (box)	Olives (jar or can)	Cranberry Sauce
Pickles (jar)	Evaporated milk	Pie Filling
Frosting	Pudding	Fruit (canned)
Pumpkin	Gravy	Stuffing (boxed)
Instant potatoes	Vegetables (canned)	Dinner rolls (donated on the last week)
Frozen pie crusts (please put in freezer)		

If you wish to contribute cash/check to cover the cost of perishable items (turkeys/hams, butter, milk, eggs), please use the pew envelope and write "Food Basket" on the envelope. Thank you to Thrivent Financial for Lutherans for their sponsorship and to the congregation for your support of this mission.

**End of Year Giving** - As you plan to wrap up your giving/contributions for the year, please note that Sunday, December 29 will be the last day to place offerings for 2013 in the offering plate. In addition, we welcome contributions mailed to the church (postmarked by Tuesday, December 31) or dropped off in the church office (by 1:00 p.m. on December 31).

**Council would like to show our Pastor and staff our appreciation for the Holidays.** If you would like to make a donation towards Christmas gifts, please use a pew envelope and mark it "Staff Gifts" and put it in the offering, or give it to a council member or drop it off to the church office. Let's show our Pastor and staff how much we appreciate them.

### **Altar Flowers**

The sign-up chart for the 2014 Altar Flowers is now available and located at the Welcome Center. You may sign up on the 9:00 or 11:15 service on any Sunday you would like to supply the Altar Flowers. The cost of the floral arrangement is \$18 and are often used to remember loved ones, birthdays, anniversaries or special events. After the service you are able to pick them up and take them home.

Altar Flowers are given at the 9:00 worship service to the glory of God in honor of Denise Sironen's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday, December 10.

Altar Flowers are given at the 11:15 worship service to the glory of God by Tom and Dawn Powell in honor of their daughter Haley's, 6<sup>th</sup> birthday, today!

**Personal Care Pantry** - Items needed this week: toilet paper, laundry soap.  
Cash donations always appreciated. Please save your paper grocery bags for PCP.



**Mosaic - 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Graders**

- We'll meet tonight at 6:00 p.m.
- State Gathering countdown: 20 days! Reminder! We will be **leaving** on the 27th at 1:00 p.m. Please arrive before then and eat lunch before you come. Additional food cost is \$15. Please see Alex or Mel if you missed the meeting.

**Confirmation - 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders**

Confirmation class will meet Wednesday at 6:45 p.m.

**Christ Crew - 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> graders**

- Our Christmas Party is scheduled for Sunday, December 22 from 3:00-6:00 p.m. Check with Jeff McKenney, [mckenneyja@yahoo.com](mailto:mckenneyja@yahoo.com) or Karl Cuncannan, [KarlandNancy@att.net](mailto:KarlandNancy@att.net) for details.

Ongoing fundraising opportunities to support the Youth of CLC:

- Pop Top Tabs and ALL aluminum cans, both returnable and non-returnable. Containers at Youth table.
- Meijer Community - Help earn money for our Youth while you shop! It's easy to sign up.
  1. Go to [www.meijer.com/rewards](http://www.meijer.com/rewards).
  2. Scroll down to the blue framed box in the middle of the page and click on "Join Now".
  3. Create your account.
  4. CLC's Organization code is 635164.
  5. Your card will arrive in the mail.
  6. Swipe it when you stop!

Thank you for your continued support of our youth!



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