

Welcome to Worship

The First Sunday after Christmas • Sunday, January 1, 2012
Morning Worship - 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. - *Holy Communion at all services*
Pastoral Ministers: Pastor Joe Campeau, Pastor Mike Matzek

M o r n i n g W o r s h i p

Meeting Jesus... Again

Today's Message: "A Word to Begin" - Pastor Joe Campeau

Today's Reading: John 1:1-4;10-14, 16-18

W o r s h i p S o n g s 8 : 0 0 & 9 : 3 0

"It Came upon the Midnight Clear" - No. 54 LBW

"From Heaven Above" (vs. 1,2,3,4) - No. 51 LBW

"I Wonder As I Wander" (vs. 1,2,4) - No. 642 [blue book] (9:30 only)

"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" - No. 55 LBW

The Order of Service for 8:00 begins on page 77 in the green hymnal (LBW)

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"Glory To God Forever"

"Word Of God Speak"

"I Lift My Hands"

"Faithful"

"Filled With Your Glory"

THANK You to Brenda Klehn for providing our
Special Music this morning

Today, through the sacrament of Holy Baptism, we welcome into
the Lord's family Meghan Ashley McNeil and Sarah Grace McNeil.
God's best be theirs on this special day!

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

FAMILY PROMISE

We will be welcoming our guests participating in the Family Promise Program this evening and we are still in need of help. We are looking for volunteers to help provide meals, host the guests in the evening and overnight hosts. This is a great program that allows you the opportunity to share God's blessings with those who may not know His love. Please consider giving a little of your time this coming week. You can sign up to volunteer on the patio today. If you have any questions, or would like any additional information, please contact Debbie Price at: debbie@come2christ.com.

HANDS AND HEARTS

Please join us on Wednesday, January 4th from 9:00 - 11 a.m. in Room 7. We will gather to prepare for our first shipment of the year.

As always, there is much to be done and all are welcome. Whether you are 5 years old or ninety (or somewhere inbetween) there is always something for you to do!

For more information please contact Karolle Blackson at 255-3222 or hands_n_hearts@yahoo.com.

NARTHEX FLOWERS

The Flower Chart for 2012 is now up. Flowers may be purchased to beautify the church and will welcome all who come any time of the church year, even when we have liturgical seasons when flowers are inappropriate in the sanctuary. If you would like to donate flowers for a special occasion, to honor the memory of a person or family, to express love and/or faithfulness, you can sign up on the Flower Chart located in the outside hallway of the church office (near the Lost and Found cabinet). The cost for an arrangement is \$43.50 and payment may be left in the offering plate on Sunday or brought in to the office. Payment envelopes may be found by the Flower Chart. The flowers purchased will be put in the Narthex in the alcove. The Narthex flowers are a beautiful way to honor someone special and bring natural beauty into the church.

NEW SERMON SERIES: MEETING JESUS... AGAIN

Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John is like meeting a friend. The relationship you have with a friend often has many levels; at one and the same time it is both simple and profound, both straightforward and deep, ever certain but always growing. Such is the Gospel of John, written by a very close friend and follower of Jesus who spent the rest of his life mulling over more and more deeply the Jesus he had known, in which Jesus is presented as a real figure, full of warmth and light and promise. As we work our way through the Gospel of John between now and Easter in the Sunday morning messages, may you meet Jesus again, perhaps for the first time, perhaps at a deeper level than you've known Him.

Thank You!

Many thanks to all who helped with our Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services. The names of everyone who participated are too numerous to list in this space but many stepped forward, from cast and crew to singers and instrumentalists and Sacred Space decorators. The Lord was truly praised by your work.

Also the pastors and church staff would like to thank everyone for their generosity and acts of kindness and caring during the Advent and Christmas season. It is truly a privilege to serve such a wonderful family.



Weekly Calendar

SUNDAY JANUARY 1	Family Promise
8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
9:30 a.m.	Blended Worship (Sanctuary)
9:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Study (Rooms 12/13)
9:30 a.m.	Discovery Bible Study (Conference Room)
11:00 a.m.	Informal Worship (Sanctuary)
6:30 p.m.	Couples' Bible Study (Off Campus)
MONDAY JANUARY 2	Family Promise - Church Office Closed for Holiday
TUESDAY JANUARY 3	Family Promise
9:15 a.m.	MiC [Mothers in Christ] *
6:00 p.m.	Impact (Off Campus)
7:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study*
WEDNESDAY JANUARY 4	Family Promise
9:00 a.m.	Hands and Hearts (Fellowship Center)
10:00 a.m.	Women's "Seasons" Bible Study (Off Campus)
4:30 - 7 p.m.	CLC Bistro
5:15 p.m.	Children's Choirs
	• Sonbeams - Room 9
	• Rejoicing Voices - Room 7
	• Sound & Spirit (Choir Room)
6:00 p.m.	KOK [Kids of the Kingdom] (Christian Ed Center)
6:00 p.m.	Youth Adventures (Youth Center)
6:00 p.m.	Wittenberg Discussion Group (Conference Room)
6:00 p.m.	Israel Presentation (Sanctuary)
7:00 p.m.	Confirmation (Youth Center)
7:00 p.m.	Israel Presentation (Sanctuary)
THURSDAY JANUARY 5	Family Promise
6:30 p.m.	Men's Bible Study*
6:30 p.m.	Worship Planning (Conference Room)
7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
FRIDAY JANUARY 6	Family Promise
9:30 a.m.	Sanctuary Team (Conference Room)
7:00 p.m.	Family Ties Bible Study (Youth Center)
SATURDAY JANUARY 7	Family Promise
9:00 a.m.	Small Group Leaders' Training (Fellowship Center)
9:30 a.m.	The Widows' Might (Conference Room)

* Check with your study leader for schedule and location changes due to Family Promise

IN THE HOSPITAL? LET US KNOW!

It isn't always easy to ask for prayers for ourselves, but if you or someone you know who is a member of CLC are ever in the hospital, please let us know! We want to be able to pray for members who are in need (even if you wish to keep the information just between you and the pastors). Simply notify the church office (259-0200) or email Pastor Mike (pastormike@come2christ.com) or Pastor Joe (pastorjoe@come2christ.com).



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The Mission of Christ Lutheran Church establishes our congregation as a people who hold as our highest priority "inviting people into a life changing relationship with God." If there is any way we can help you to connect to the ministry opportunities here at CLC, please complete the Communication Card located in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.

The Order of Service is available each week as a page which you can pick up at the entrance to the Sanctuary. On it you will find page numbers and hymn numbers for use with the hymnal, as well as the sequence of the morning's worship. If following the Order of Service is a helpful guide for your worship experience, please feel free to take one, or request one from an usher.

Welcome Table Please be sure to stop by our Welcome Table on the patio. Whether you're looking for information, directions or just a friendly greeting, you will find what you're looking for at the Welcome Table! If you are a first-time visitor, please come by to receive a small gift. It includes information about our church and a little something as a token of our appreciation for your visit!

Nursery Care for children ages 36 months and younger is available in our Nursery. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Holy Communion We celebrate Communion every week at the 8:00 and 11:00 services and on the first and third Sundays at 9:30. The ushers will direct you when to come forward. Children who do not receive communion are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing. Wine is used during communion but grape juice is also available in the trays, if for any reason you prefer grape juice, please let the pastors know when you come forward.

We now offer a gluten-free communion station at both the 9:30 and 11:00 services. If you have a wheat sensitivity, please go to the communion station closest to the piano.

Listening Aids are available that will enhance the worship experience for those who are partially hearing impaired. Please go back to the Sound Desk if you would benefit from such assistance.

Visit Our Website To learn more about CLC, view the current issue of our newsletter, CLC Connected, and listen to sermons, visit our website at www.come2christ.com. If you wish to receive the newsletter by mail or email, please fill out a Communication Card.

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Pastors' Blog Read the Pastors' Blog on our web site! You may also subscribe to receive new entries by email or by RSS feed. We also have a Facebook page: Christ Lutheran Church.

Prayer Requests If there is something you would like the members of the Prayer Chain to pray for, please call Pastor Mike at 259-0200, or send your prayer requests to his email address: pastormike@come2christ.com. You may also write your prayer request on a Communication Card, found in the pew rack, and place it in the offering plate.

MINISTRY REMINDERS

ISRAEL PRESENTATION THIS WEDNESDAY AT 6:00 AND 7:00 PM

In November, Pastor Joe and Barbie, along with twelve other members of the congregation, journeyed to Israel. On Wednesday, January 4 at 6:00 p.m., and again at 7:00 p.m., Pastor Joe and the group would like to share pictures and video of the trip, talk about what they saw and learned, and answer questions. This is the first Wednesday back at the Bistro following Christmas break, so come early and share some dinner. The Pastors' Bible Study will resume the following Wednesday.

WOMEN'S THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

The Women's Thursday Morning Bible Study, which meets at 9:30 a.m. in the Library (Room 11), will resume on January 12. All women are invited to join us for Bible Study, Prayer and lots of fellowship. We will begin the new year with a study of the book of Romans. Contact Kathy Ott at 661/755-5428 or dkottline@ca.rr.com or Marie Edmiston at 661/263-9478 or m_edmiston@att.net for more information.

HEALING FROM GRIEF GROUP BEGINS THIS MONTH

*"I lift my eyes to the hills - where does my help come from?
My help comes from the LORD, the maker of heaven and earth." - Psalm 121*

Monday nights beginning January 9th: 7:00 - 8 p.m.
or Friday mornings beginning January 13th: 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.
Both sessions will meet in the Choir Room.

Wherever we are on our journey of faith and life, Psalm 121 assures us that God is with us. God promises to help, keep, guard, watch and care for us as we journey through the whole of our lives.

If you are experiencing grief, the heaviness of a loss, we invite you to lift up your eyes and behold God's gift of love and joy in Christ Jesus! Come and join our "Healing from Grief Group" and experience His comfort. Let our Lord carry you and keep you in his tender love and care, now and forevermore.

These ongoing groups meet weekly. For more information, contact Felicity Grover through the church office.

WOMEN'S SEASONS BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday Mornings: 10:00 AM - Noon
At the home of Felicity Grover beginning Wednesday, January 11th

The New Testament letter of Hebrews looks back at biblical history and God's purposes for His people, sharing stories of those who helped to their faith, often in the midst of difficult circumstances, and encouraging people to go forward and press on, having received the ultimate climax to all of history.

Whatever the season of life we are in, we have this precious gift: God's own unique Son, Jesus, to help us to gladly live out God's purposes for our lives, and we have the written Word of God to read and study and to guide us through life. Our Seasons Bible Study group will be studying the letter of Hebrews as we enter the new year and grow in Christ together. For more information, please contact Felicity Grover through the church office.

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS UPDATE

The Congregational Council has proposed revisions to the Constitution and Bylaws of Christ Lutheran Church. The proposed revision of the Constitution and Bylaws will be presented to the members of the congregation at the Annual Meeting of the Congregation to be held on Sunday, January 29, 2012 beginning at 12:15pm (following worship services).

The Constitution and Bylaws were revised in entirety to accurately reflect the change in our denominational status, our mission and our beliefs and to move our ministry forward.

We ask all members of Christ Lutheran Church to read and carefully consider the proposed revision to our governing documents. A copy of the proposed revision of the Constitution and Bylaws is available on our website: come2christ.com.

You may also pick up a hard copy of the Proposed Revisions to the Constitution and Bylaws from the church office.

There will be two forums for people to come and ask questions about the revisions and changes that have been proposed. The question and answer forum dates are: Wednesday, January 18, 2012 at 7:00 pm and Sunday, January 22, 2012 at 12:15 pm.

Thank you,

The CLC Church Council

