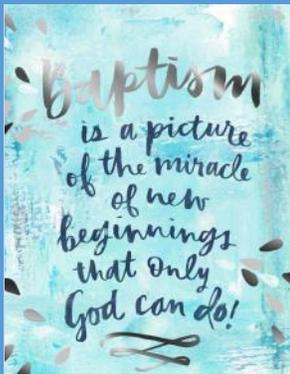


# Christ Connection

For the Week Beginning January 13, 2019



This week in worship, we celebrate Jesus' baptism by John. This baptism is a pivotal moment in Jesus' life. Following his baptism, wherein the Holy Spirit visibly descends on Jesus in bodily form like a dove, that same spirit drives Jesus into the desert. When Jesus returns from the desert, he begins his public ministry.

In Sunday's gospel we hear words of blessing and renew a sense of calling. We recall that through our own baptism, we too have been claimed by God with a purpose - to share the Good News of Jesus with the world.

Christ Lutheran Church has discerned that it is time to share this good news in a new way - through this pastor-sharing relationship. I am now your pastor, and we have together entered into a pastor-sharing relationship with another congregation, St. James, Western Springs. I am excited to begin doing ministry in this way, which I believe puts Christ Lutheran Church on the forefront of what suburban ministry will look like in the coming years. I am also excited to meet all of you and become involved in the varied and important ministry that you already do! I am confident that the same Spirit which descended on Jesus to guide his journey is also leading and guiding us on this journey. This week, we claim the promise of our baptism - that we are God's beloved children, sent into the world to share the good news of Jesus. Together, we journey into the world to share this good news in a new and wonderful way.

*Pastor Erin*

## Sunday Worship

8:30AM

10:15AM

## Sunday Faith Formation

Bible Study

7:30AM—Library

## Christ Lutheran Staff

Rev. Erin Clausen, Pastor

Jon Ball, Dir. Contemporary Worship  
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Rev. Craig Felde, Local Missionary

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Every Sunday morning at Christ Lutheran Church you will hear these words, "COME TO THE TABLE – ALL ARE WELCOME!" This past summer we piloted another table at Christ Lutheran Church – a table at which all were welcome—the **Common Life Table**. Conversations covered a wide range of topics including calling a new pastor, worship, youth and family ministry, IMPACT ministries, stewardship, the parsonage, building and grounds. The topics were put forth by table participants. Council members also posed questions to hear and incorporate perspectives.

Summaries of discussion were relayed to ministry, council leaders, and staff for follow-up.

**The Common Life Table discussions will resume on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of every month at 9:30 AM., starting on January 13<sup>th</sup>.** There are many exciting and new things happening at CLC and we want to use this time and place to share information and hear feedback, questions, concerns, or ideas from congregation members. Have an idea, question, or concern? Come to the Table! Don't have a question or concern, but want to hear what others are saying? Come to the Table! ALL ARE WELCOME! Each week two council members will be at the Table to facilitate discussion. *If you would like to participate but need transportation, please let us know. Likewise, if you can provide a ride, please fill out your Connection Card.*

## In Our Prayers this Week

### New Prayer Concerns

- For comfort, healing and strength for the **Brown family** on the loss of their 9-year old daughter **Kadalise "Kady"**, friend of Colin Palm, to cancer.
- For **Ed Borsuk**, hospitalized at Hinsdale Hospital
- For **Mary Ramirez** on the death of her mother.

### For our Homebound

- **Annette Armstrong, Kay Hedborn, Anita Olson, Rose Lynn Erdmann, Ty Johnson, Marge Kleist, Audrey Lowe and Jim Schneider**

### Ongoing Health Concerns

- For **Harley Orton**
- For **Rob and Marrietta Sorensen** on the death of Rob's cousin, Mike.
- For **Pastor Todd Napoli**
- For **Rosa Lovis**, a friend of Suzy Vandenbroucke
- For **Karen Wilberg**
- For **Clemente Inga**, a close friend of Jeannette Tamayo, diagnosed with cancer
- For **Don**, Carol Toman's neighbor recovering from surgery
- For **Kathy**, Carol Toman's sister, facing a series of surgeries
- For **Yvonne**, Pastor Bergmark's sister.
- For guidance for **Mike**, friend of Susan Charlier.
- For **Max**, grandson of Jan Haas' friend
- **Alonso Tamayo**—Jeanette's uncle
- **David Wilberg**, Karen's father;
- **Howard Beauchamp**;
- **Carol** — friend of the Charlier family;
- **Michael**—Luis Giron's nephew;
- **Bob Cox** — Tricia Giron's father;
- **Dorothy Eckert** — Loretta Chiko's mother;
- **Claire** — daughter of Micki and Ed Llewellyn;
- **Dick** — Madeline Batke's daughter's father-in-law;
- **Don** — Madeline Batke's brother-in-law;
- **Parker** —grandson of Bonnie Bucholz' neighbor;
- **Sue**— friend and neighbor of Bonnie Bucholz;
- **Kayla**— Andrea Palm's sister;
- **Charlotte Grace**;
- **Colton** — child of a friend of Dan Cramer;
- **Pastor Melissa**;
- **Jackie** — Nancy Woodruff's mother.



The Spring Rummage Sale will be on Saturday, **March 2**. There will be a planning meeting today at 11:20 in the Fellowship Hall.

## UPCOMING EVENTS



### Sunday, January 13

Bible Study 7:30AM—Library  
**Contemporary Worship 8:30AM—Sanctuary**  
Sunday School 9:00AM—Growing Grove  
Middle School Ministries 9:30AM—Youth Room  
**Traditional Worship 10:15 AM—Sanctuary**  
Pub Church 12:30PM—Tracy's Tavern

### Monday, January 14

Preschool Chapel 9:30AM—Sanctuary  
Preschool Chapel 1:00PM—Sanctuary

### Tuesday, January 15

Dartball Home Game 7:00PM—Fellowship Hall  
Handbell Practice 7:30PM -Sanctuary Loft

### Wednesday, January 16

Worship Band Practice 6:00PM—Sanctuary  
Choir Practice 7:30PM—Choir Room

### Thursday, January 17

Troop 51 Meeting 7:00PM—Library  
AA 8:00PM—Fireside Room

### Friday, January 18

Knitting Ministry 10:00AM—Growing Grove

### Saturday, January 19

Bible Study 9:30AM—Library  
Steve Erickson Memorial 11:00AM—Sanctuary



Dear friends at Christ Lutheran Church.

You sure know how to throw a party! What an amazing expression of your love and goodwill -- the food, conversation, cake, and especially your kind words, gifts and hugs and even the decor! on our Farewell last Sunday. We couldn't begin to thank you all individually for your thoughtfulness and these many kindnesses!

Let this be one more THANK YOU to all who planned it and prepared it, and to all who joined in - whether present or not. We will never forget you CLC!!

*Gratefully,  
Pastor Dale and Beckie Ziemer*

**2018  
ANNUAL  
MEETING**

The Annual Congregational Meeting for Christ Lutheran Church is scheduled for Sunday, February 10th. Informational forum will be held on Sunday, January 27. If you are involved in a ministry of the church that will submit something for the **Annual Report**, please email in Word to office@yourchrist.org by Thursday, January 17.