

Christ Connection

For the Week Beginning January 6, 2019

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farewell

As we embark upon our new journey together at Christ Lutheran Church, let's pause, reflect and share our appreciation for Pastor Dale Ziemer. Today's services are Pastor Dale's last time to lead worship as our pastor. Dale joined us in May of 2016 as Pastor to lead us spiritually and

help us navigate our Transition Period at Christ Lutheran Church. This was a tough road we traveled. This journey together has been illuminating, frustrating at times, but very rewarding. Dale's guidance, nurturing manner and expertise was instrumental in the positive result we recently achieved. Let's gather around and express our deep appreciation for Pastor Dale and wish him and Beckie the best going forward. Pastor Dale, we will miss you!

Jim Nordloh, CLC Council President

Dear people of God at Christ Lutheran Church,

I have had the privilege of serving among you for over 2 ½ years, a period of time maybe longer than usual, certainly longer than you expected for an 'interim' pastor. Over such a period of time, one does not just drop in for a time and then leave. But instead, relationships are developed. This is my experience, and why I can say I have been truly blessed. We have had time together not only to meet each other, but in so many ways to learn each other's stories, following the ups and downs, sharing in griefs and joys, and witnessing the transition journeys we are all on - you, me, and Christ Lutheran Church collectively.

And I am grateful. Grateful for this time. Grateful for the learning I have had. Grateful for the service and gifts I've been able to share. But most of all grateful for you, grateful for the CLC journey you are on, grateful for the gifts you have and that you share, and grateful for the tomorrows I see now opening up before you.

God bless you. God bless you all as you continue to seek and follow God's calling for you.

Pastor Dale

Welcome

This morning in the 10:15 service we will be welcoming **Tom and Sandi LeMaster** into the Christ Lutheran Church family. Tom and Sandi have been married for 52 years and currently reside in LaGrange. They have four children; Katherine, who lives in Newton, MA, Steve who lives in Minneapolis, MN, Elizabeth who lives in

Downers Grove, and Jennifer who lives in Chicago. Aside from keeping up with their four grown children, the LeMasters are both avid readers. Tom has an interest in helping out on our Building & Grounds Team and has already agreed to attend the next meeting. Sandi will wait to see where her gifts and passions line up with the ministries of CLC. Please add them to your Membership Roster: **They are at 914 S. Kensington in LaGrange, IL 60525. Phone: 708/354-4551 Email: Tomandsandilemaster@gmail.com.**

Sunday Worship

8:30AM

10:15AM

Sunday Faith Formation

Bible Study

7:30AM—Library

Christ Lutheran Staff

Rev. Dale Ziemer, Pastor

Jon Ball, Dir. Contemporary Worship
Bonnie Bucholz, Interim Traditional Music Director

Rev. Craig Felde, Local Missionary

Kristina Dickens and Micki Llewellyn
Children and Family Ministries Co-Directors

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In Our Prayers this Week

New Prayer Concerns

- For **Rob and Marietta Sorensen** on the death of Rob's cousin, Mike.
- For **Pastor Todd Napoli**
- For **Rosa Lovis**, a friend of Susy 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 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 **Yvonne**, Pastor Bergmark's sister.
- For **Mary Ramirez' mother** who was diagnosed with cancer.
- 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.

Sustained Support and Encouragement

- **Brad Bucholz** deployed to Kuwait for one year ;
- For encouragement for **Jeff**.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Sunday, January 6

Bible Study 7:30AM—Library
Contemporary Worship 8:30AM—Sanctuary
Sunday School 9:00AM—Growing Grove
Goodbye Celebration 9:30AM—Fellowship Hall
Middle School Ministries 9:30AM—Youth Room
Traditional Worship 10:15 AM—Sanctuary
Church De-Decorating 11:30AM—Sanctuary
Bowling 5:00PM—Suburbanite

Monday, January 7

ROMEOS 8:00AM—Blueberry Hill
Worship Team 7:00PM—Library

Tuesday, January 8

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

Wednesday, January 9

Worship Band Practice 6:00PM—Sanctuary
Choir Practice 7:30PM—Choir Room
Scout Committee Meeting 7:30PM—Library

Thursday, January 10

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

Friday, January 11

Quilting Ministry 10:00AM—Growing Grove

Saturday, January 12

Bible Study 9:30AM—Library
Kahn Eagle Scout Ceremony 2:00PM—Sanctuary



*Thank you to all of our
Poinsettia Donors*

Please remember to bring your plant home or let us know if it can be donated to a homebound person.

Jon and Lori Ball
Ruth and Ron Bahr
Ed and Ann Borsuk
The Charlier Family
Joe and Diane Emry
Jane McDonald
Evelyn Reed
Jim Rice
Matt & Wendy Sanders
Lori Sanders
Mary Satchwell



Rummage Sale

A Spring Rummage Sale Planning Meeting will be held next Sunday, January 13th at 11:20 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your ideas!!