

Christ Connection

For the Week Beginning December 9, 2018

Christ Lutheran Church
Of Clarendon Hills
Special Congregational Meeting
Sunday, December 16
9:30AM
Held in the Sanctuary

The purpose of this meeting will be to approve Rev. Erin Clausen as Pastor in a Pastor Sharing Covenant for Christ Lutheran Church



Welcome Rev. Erin Clausen, Pastoral Candidate!

Pastor Erin is presiding and preaching at both worship services Sunday, Dec 9. After each service will be an opportunity to meet and greet her alongside our usual after-service treats in Fellowship Hall.

With the congregation's approval next Sunday, December 16, in a special congregational meeting, a long but important chapter is coming to an end at CLC and a new chapter is soon to begin. While we celebrate in Advent the coming of our Lord and Savior Jesus, we may also celebrate this new beginning at Christ Lutheran Church.

Pastor Erin's pastoral role at Christ Lutheran would be a shared role with the congregation of St. James Lutheran in Western Springs. Full copies of the "St. James / Christ Lutheran Covenant" are available for your review in the Welcome Center.

Sunday Worship

8:30AM Contemporary

10:15AM Traditional

Sunday Faith Formation

Bible Study

7:30AM—Library

Christ Lutheran Staff

Rev. Dale Ziemer, Pastor

Jon Ball, Dir. Contemporary Worship

Karen Wilberg, Dir. Traditional Music

Rev. Craig Felde, Local Missionary

Kristina Dickens and Micki Llewellyn
Children and Family Ministries

Nancy Woodruff,
Dir. of Communications;

Rachel Krohn, Pastoral Assistant

Richard Kochel, Organist

Nicole Claycomb, Nursery Supervisor

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2018

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10:15 Traditional



Midweek Schedule

Wednesdays During Lent
December 5, 12 and 19

6:30PM Simple Soup Supper
Held in the Library

7:15PM—Advent Worship
Held in the Sanctuary

Special Worship Opportunities

"Merry and Bright"

Every Day Grace Concert
12/21 at 7:30PM—Tracy's Tavern

"Rejoice in His Coming"

Christmas Cantata
12/23 at 10:15 AM Service

Christmas Eve 5:00PM—Family Worship with Christmas Pageant
Christmas Eve 11:00PM—Traditional Candlelight Worship Service
Christmas Day 10:15AM—Traditional Worship—A Savior is Born!
Sunday, December 30 10:15AM—Christmas Carol Hymn Sing Worship

UPCOMING EVENTS



Sunday, December 9

Bible Study 7:30AM—Library
Contemporary Worship 8:30 AM—Sanctuary
Sunday School 9:00AM—Growing Grove
Traditional Worship 10:15AM—Sanctuary
Middle School Ministries 9:30AM—Youth Room
Darien Dragons 4H Club—1:00PM—Fellowship
Wolf Den 51 Meeting 6:00PM—Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, December 11

Dartball 7:00PM
Handbell Practice 7:30PM

Wednesday, December 12

Worship Band Practice 6:00PM—Sanctuary
Midweek Advent Supper 6:30PM—Library
Midweek Advent Worship 7:15PM—Sanctuary
Choir Practice 7:45PM—Sanctuary

Thursday, December 13

Troop 51 Meeting 6:00PM—Fellowship Hall
AA 8:00PM—Fireside Room

Friday, December 14

Quilting Ministry 10:00AM—Growing Grove

Saturday, December 15

Bible Study 9:30AM—Library

Sunday, December 16

Bible Study 7:30AM—Library
Contemporary Worship 8:30 AM—Sanctuary
Sunday School 9:00AM—Growing Grove
Congregational Meeting 9:30AM -
Traditional Worship 10:15AM—Sanctuary
Middle School Ministries 9:30AM—Youth Room
Pub Church 12:30PM—Tracy's Tavern
AMI Student Recital 1:00PM—Sanctuary
Bowling 5PM—Suburbanite

Monday, December 17

Church Council 6:30PM—Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, December 18

Dartball 7:00PM
Handbell Practice 7:30PM

Wednesday, December 19

Preschool Christmas Sing—9:15AM—Sanctuary
Preschool Christmas Sing—1:00PM—Sanctuary
Worship Band Practice 6:00PM—Sanctuary
Midweek Advent Supper 6:30PM—Library
Midweek Advent Worship 7:15PM—Sanctuary
Choir Practice 7:45PM—Sanctuary

Thursday, December 20

Troop 51 Meeting 6:00PM—Fellowship Hall
AA 8:00PM—Fireside Room

Friday, December 21

Knitting Ministry 10:00AM—Study Lounge

Saturday, December 22

Bible Study 9:30AM—Library

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Next Sunday
December 16th
9:30 a.m.
Held in the Sanctuary

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Childcare will be available



Christ Lutheran Church has several homebound members who would love nothing more than a chance to worship in the midst of their Church Family, especially around Christmas.

If you are able to provide a ride for someone either for Wednesday Evening Advent Services (dinner at 6:30, worship at 7:15), our upcoming Sunday Services, or Christmas Eve or Christmas Day Services, we would love to hear from you!!

Please use your Connection Card to let us know how you can help, and someone will reach out to you to pair you up with someone who would like to come to worship.

In Our Prayers This Week

New Prayer Concerns

- For the birth of baby **Evelyn**, granddaughter to Bob and Eileen Nowak
- For **Beverly Dahl** in rehab at Burgess Square
- 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 **Harley Orton**, Glen's nephew following a vehicle accident.
- For **Yvonne**, Pastor Bergmark's sister, struggling with health issues.
- For **Tressa Kravitz** following the death of her cousin, Wade Bumpers

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 **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;
- **Valerie** – friend of Kristina Dickens;
- **Claire** – daughter of Micki and Ed Llewellyn;
- **Dick** – Madeline Batke's daughter's father-in-law;
- **Don** – Madeline Batke's brother-in-law;
- **Jeff** – Jean Schwier's brother;
- **Ashlyn and Alana**;
- **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**.

Serving in Worship Today

Presiding Pastor: Pastor Erin Clausen

Chancel Guild: Wendy Sanders, Jane McDonald, Rob Sorensen

Sound: 8:30: Bob Krohn 10:15 Glen Orton

Projection: 8:30 Lori Ball

10:15 Rachel Krohn

Assisting Minister 10:15: Rob Sorensen

Communion Asst: 10:15: Rob Sorensen and Dan Cramer

Communion Bread: Debra Joslin & Avery Hancock

Post-Service Treats: Amy and Amber Pelton, Sharon Jackson

Bible Verse of the Month For the Advent Season

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 9:6 (NIV)

TOP SERVING OPPORTUNITIES at Christ Lutheran Church *(Please use your Connection Card to volunteer)*

- Purchase a Poinsettia to adorn our worship space (plants will be available in red, white and pink this year!)
- Help make Luminarias on December 23rd following worship (folding down the lunch bags—these will be set up at the tables in the fellowship hall)
- Provide a ride to worship for a homebound member.
 - Midweek Sunday Christmas Eve Christmas Day



Welcome Nicole Claycomb!

Christ Lutheran Church would like to welcome Ms. Nicole Claycomb as our new Nursery Attendant! Nicole grew up here at Christ Lutheran

Church and has been a part of our family for many years. We are excited to add her to the staff as she cares for our youngest members on Sunday mornings. Nicole will staff the nursery from 8:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings and during Advent and Lent, she will be staffing our nursery from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m. Stop in the nursery and welcome Nicole!



New Swags Adorn our Worship Space

Blue is the liturgical color of Advent, and we are delighted to be able to boast some beautiful blue "swags" that are gracing our worship space, hanging amidst the shepherds hooks on either side of the room.

These are the creative handiwork of **MariLynn Bergmark and Carol Toman** from the CLC Quilting Ministry. These swags were hung last week and were blessed in worship last Sunday, the first Sunday of Advent. Thank you ladies for your clever work! Thank you also to Rob Sorensen and Glen Orton for hanging the swags so that we could enjoy them on the first Sunday of Advent.



Children is from 8:45 a.m. - 9:50 a.m. during Sunday School. Middle schoolers will be released to Confirmation Class at 9:30 a.m. The Sunday School Children will have a School lesson from 9:30 a.m. to 9:50 a.m. We ask that all children who want to be in the pageant make a commitment to be here each Sunday up to the performance. There are non-speaking roles and speaking roles...all children are invited to be part of the pageant! All children will be singing a song as well. If any parents have any questions, please email Kristina at kristinadickens15@gmail.com.



Order your Christmas Poinsettias

Once again our Chancel Guild will be taking orders for beautiful red poinsettias to adorn our worship space for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day worship services. Plants are from Vern Goers Greenhouse and cost \$13.00 each. Please sign up in the Welcome Center, place your check in the envelope labeled "Christmas Poinsettias" and place it in the offering bin. You may take your plant home after Christmas Worship.



Gift Cards are back!



This Sunday we will be taking orders for gift cards just in time for your holiday shopping. With over 700 vendors to choose from, there is certainly something for everyone! It's simple! Take an order form and a copy of the list, make your selections, pay with cash or make your check out to Christ Lutheran Church and turn it in. Next Sunday your gift cards will be waiting for you. It doesn't get any easier than that! Plus, the proceeds from this fundraiser will help further the ministries of Christ Lutheran Church.