

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH
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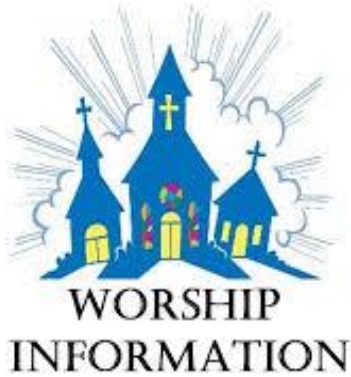
The Door Post

*Ask, and it will be given you;
search, and you will find;
knock, and the door will be opened for you.*
Matthew 7:8

January 2025



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IN-PERSON SUNDAY WORSHIP

Service at 8:00 am

Service at 10:30 am

Sunday School at 9:15 am

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Or [YouTube.com](https://www.youtube.com)

Church Council

Judd Blau, President

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CHURCH OFFICE

Mon–Thurs 9 am—3 pm

PASTOR

Pastor Sue Beadle

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Altar Flowers



A special thank you to those who provide altar flowers throughout the year! The 2025 Calendar sign up sheet is now posted in the Narthex. As a reminder, when providing flowers, please make sure to contact the office at least a week or two in advance so an announcement can be put in the Sunday Bulletin.

Thank you.

Pastor Sue's January 2025 Newsletter Article

As another year winds down, we often take time to think back over the year and reflect on the times of joy, as well as the times of sorrow. Some years we just can't wait to get through because next year would surely be better. And some times it is.

With each new year, resolutions are made that we hope will help us be healthier and happier. Many times people vow to get in better shape, to eat fewer carbs and calories, and to spend more time with family and friends. New Year's resolutions come in many shapes and sizes and they are made with great intentions. Often by the end of January, most resolutions have been forgotten.

So, this year, instead of making specific resolutions I am proposing that we listen to the words of Jesus from the gospel of Luke: 10: 25-28.

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength and with all your mind; and you neighbor as yourself." And Jesus said to him, You have given the right answer; do this and you will live."

Jesus then goes on to tell the Parable of the Good Samaritan when the man asks Him who is his neighbor. It's a great parable with a timely message. (Luke 10:29-37)

So, this year, what if we make a commitment to God and to each other to live those two great commandments: Love God and love our neighbor? As Bob Goff writes in his book, Live in Grace, Walk in Love, "Plans are a toss-up: sometimes they work out and sometimes they wither. Love always works. What if we simply commit to love? Don't plan on doing it or make a resolution to do it the way people hope to go to the gym. Just do it. No plan, no agenda. Just Jesus leaking out through you into the world. Make your life about people and you won't regret it. There's no gym to join, no pounds to lose. If you have to choose between your plans and your loved ones, go with the sure thing and choose love."

God's Abiding Peace,
Pastor Sue Beadle





Bible Readings

Week of January 5

Jeremiah 31:7-14

Psalms 147:12-20

Ephesians 1:3-14

John 1:1-18

Week of January 12

Isaiah 43:1-7

Psalms 29

Acts 8:14-17

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Week of January 19

Isaiah 62:1-5

Psalms 36:5-10

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

John 2:1-11

Week of January 26

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Psalms 19

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Luke 4:14-21



70+

Birthdays

Mona Duppen	1/1
Deb Olesen	1/4
Karen Konkol	1/7
Deb Meister	1/7
Loletia Rear	1/11
Alice McPeck	1/11
Maureen Eichstadt	1/11
Gregg Tipple	1/11
Margaret Hoffmann	1/14
Don Hoffmann	1/15
Merina Large	1/16
Roger Leonhardt	1/17
Robert Ziesch	1/20
Joan Johnson	1/25
Shar Cox	1/26
Doris Bohage	1/30



The sympathy of the congregation goes out to the families of

Darlene Hinz, 11-20-24

Lois Schneider, 12-16-24

*Who went to be with
our heavenly
father*

*Thanks to those who donated or purchased a Poinsettia.
The sanctuary looked beautiful this holiday season!*

In Memory Of

Erin & Brian Alft Rachel Anderson	Loved ones who have passed Milton & Ella Schumann, Susan J. Anderson
Norma Bowen Randy and Beth Brining Tim and Carol Brommer	Bowen, Draves, & Hackl Families Eugene & Myra Heldt Elroy & Betty Brommer, Richard Scharr, Alton & Marion Steinke
Linda Capener Anne & Jim Emerson David & Beth Erickson	My Parents & brother Mike Dick & Molly Emerson Our Parents: Bob & Leona Symons Harold & Alice Erickson
Pam Hamele	Mark Hamele, Katie Bradley, Frank Bradley
Iverson Family	Greg Iverson (Brother, Husband, Father and Grandpa)
Harley & Sandy Legried	Ron Schwenke, Ila Legried, Lloyd & Anna Marie Legried
Dick & Connie Leonard Lockman & Wolff Families	Tonya Leonard-Anderson David & Erma Carman Emil & Calme Wolff & all our loved ones in Heaven
Stan & Cathy Nelson	Our Parents: Martin & Lena Vick Melford & Valborg Nelson
Pam Olson	Cris Olson (Loving Husband, Dad & Friend)
Greg, Phillip, Vint & Donna Quamme Ron & Loletia Rear Kris Sanderson	Bert & Phyllis Quamme Kelly Rear My Great-Grandparents Andrew & Eliabeth Lyster
Richard and Shirley Stronach Gregg & Janice Tipple	Our Parents & our niece Mandy Our Parents

In Honor of

Pastor Sue & Rod Beadle Randy and Beth Brining Bob & Jane Henze Dan and Kathy Paulson Dan & Pat Zell	Our Granddaughters Adelina & Brighton Don and Marlene Brining Our Family Our Children and Grandkids Our Family
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Members Who Give Online

Although online giving is convenient, some of you may have had an uncomfortable feeling as the offering plate is passed and you have nothing physically to place in it. Christ Lutheran has a process in place.



For those of you who give online, please take a token before entering the sanctuary. When the offering plate is passed, place the token in the offering plate in lieu of your offering envelope.

- If you are interested in Online Giving, go to <http://www.christlutherandeforest.org>
 - Click on the **Giving** Tab
 - Create a Profile

A list of Ministries Christ Lutheran Supports will appear.

Your Support of Christ Lutheran Church is appreciated
and affects all in our Community

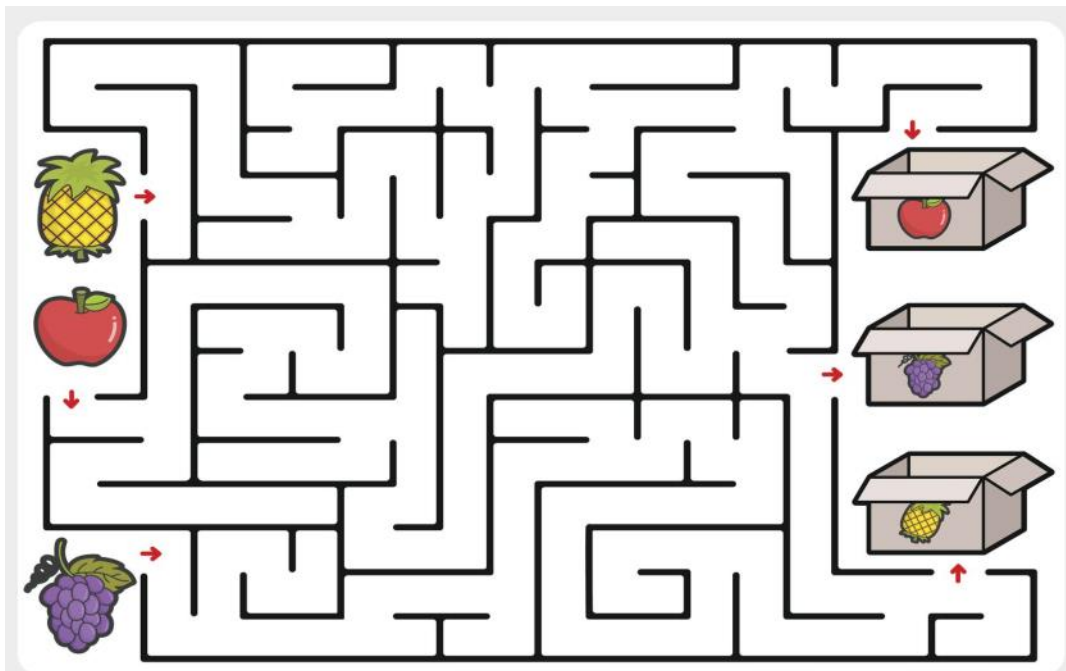
Winter

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- WOOLLY HAT
- FREEZING
- COLD
- ICE
- SNOWMAN
- WINDY
- MITTENS
- COATS
- GLOVES
- FIREPLACE
- FROST
- BLANKETS
- DARK
- SNOWING

Play this puzzle online at : <https://thewordsearch.com/puzzle/998/>

A-Maze Yourself



CLC Choir

Do you enjoy singing? Come and sing with the Christ Lutheran Church Choir. We meet once a week and sing most Sunday's. A signup sheet is posted on the bulletin board outside the Friendship Room as well. Don't worry if you have a busy schedule and can't make every practice. We are happy to have you join us whenever you can! Any questions, please call Anne Emerson (608)846-0898.



Lutefisk Sale Items

Lutefisk -\$8/lb -5lb minimum (\$40)
Potatoes: Idahoan instant 3.24lb - \$14
Herring: 8oz-\$6/12oz-\$9/26oz-\$17



2lb Brown Sugar: \$2
Lefse: \$4 package (6pc.)
64oz Mayo: \$6

Thrivent Action Cards

"We all want to give back, but sometimes it's hard to know where to begin. Thrivent Action Teams can help you make a positive impact in your community." Go to:

<https://www.thrivent.com/about-us/membership/thrivent-action-teams>

or your Thrivent Agent.

Social Ministries—No Sew Blankets

The Social Ministries Committee invites you to join us on Saturday, February 1, 2025 from 9:00 a.m. to noon in the Fellowship Hall to make no-sew fleece blanket kits for Ronald McDonald House in Madison, WI. If you are interested in donating material for this project we use no-pill or blizzard fleece. Each blanket has 2 sides so each side will need 1 1/2 yards of material. If you would like to make a money donation towards the fabric you can send that to the church office. Any donated fabric can be left on the desk in the Friendship Room. Any questions, call Pam Hamele at 608-215-0382.



Thanksgiving Meal



Thank you to everyone who participated in the Thanksgiving Outreach. We donated 15 meals to seniors through the Community Center, donated non-perishable food items to the DeForest Area Food Pantry and also helped the Moravian Church provide a meal to people in need in our community.

Giving Tree

Thank you to everyone who participated in providing gifts for the Giving Tree. We collected 46 gifts for families and the elderly in our community. Also thank you for supporting the Toys For Tots program.





Date	Readers	Ushers	Communion	Acolytes
January 5				
8:00 am	Jeff Gaffney	Team Campbell	Team Paulson	Madisyn Howard
10:30 am	Jason Gest	Team Thompson	Team Cahill-Wolfgram	
January 12				
8:00 am	Nora Geach	Team Kvalheim	Team Legried	Leighton Vieau
10:30 am		Team Lockman	Team Ursin	Madisyn Howard
January 19				
8:00 am	Nora Geach	Team Nelson	Team Nelson	
10:30 am		Team Emerson	Team Emerson	
January 26				
8:00 am	Beth Erickson	Team Paulson	Team Paulson	Leighton Vieau
10:30 am		Team Blau	Team Emerson	Keegan Little Noah Little

Thank You Sunday Helpers!

Volunteers who usher, as well as those who read the scriptures, help with communion, and serve as acolytes are a big part of the Sunday services. They not only help get things done, but they add to the feeling of community that is so inviting and makes our church feel like “home.” They all serve as our church together.

Those who volunteer regularly find that it is a great way to get to know one another and build great friendships along the way. Please consider volunteering to help during the worship services.



Thank You to everyone in our congregation for supporting the Social Ministries Committee in the numerous ministries we provided in 2024. You are all very generous.



Also, thank you to all of the ladies who help provide delicious food and donate their time to help with funeral lunches. You are always so willing to help and the families are so grateful. This would not be possible without your support.

If you are interested in helping with a food donation or working at funeral luncheons, please contact me at 608-215-0382.

Pam Hamele
Social Ministries Committee



Super Soup-er Bowl Sunday! 2/9/2025

Bring your soup to show your support!! Support your team and the food Pantry



Christ Lutheran Church Annual Meeting Sunday, February 2nd, 2025

Following the second worship service
Reports for the Annual Report
are due in the office **ASAP!!**

Thank you to those who volunteered and donated blood at the blood drive last month. So many lives benefit from this wonderful gift. And thanks to the Manthe Paulson Farm shop for hosting this event.



**American
Red Cross**

Together, we can save a life



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Happy New Year 	2 6:00pm Boy Scouts-FH 6:00pm Boy Scout Committee-NK	3	4
5 * Name Tag Sunday* 8:00am Worship 9:15am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship	6 	7 9:00am Women's Bible Study-FR 1:00 pm Study Club 5:30 pm Property Committee 6:30pm Cub Scouts-FH/NK 6:30pm Bell Practice	8 6:00pm Confirmation 6:30pm Choir	9 6:00pm Boy Scout-FH	10	11
12 8:00am Worship 9:15am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship	13 8:00am Quilters-NK 5:30pm Girl Scouts-NK 5:30pm Stephen Ministry-CR	14 9:00am Women's Bible Study-FR 10:00 am C3-FR 6:30pm Cub Scouts-FH/NK 6:30pm Bell Practice	15 6:00pm Confirmation 6:30pm Choir	16 6:00pm Boy Scouts-FH 7:00pm Council -FR	17	18
19 8:00am Worship 9:15am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship	20	21 9:00am Women's Bible Study-FR 6:30pm Cub Scouts Pack Party-FH/NK 6:30pm Bell Practice	22 6:00pm Confirmation 6:30pm Choir	23 6:00pm Boy Scout - Court of Honor - FH	24	25
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