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## A NEWS BULLETIN OF

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### Christ Alone Evangelical Lutheran Church

*“To know Christ and to make his love known in our homes, communities, nation and world.”*

NOVEMBER 4, 2018

REFORMATION

**Next Week's Readings** Malachi 4:1-3, Hebrews 9:24-28; John 5:19-30

#### CHURCH NEWS AND EVENTS

*Let us encourage one another -- and all the more as you see the Day approaching.*

**Helping Our Neighbor** – Our Savior's Lutheran Church and School in Grafton suffered heavy losses due to flooding during the heavy rains of this fall. Over \$250,000 of damage was incurred and not covered by insurance. We will be receiving a free will offering this weekend to assist them in their recovery. Please consider helping as you are able.

**Bible Classes** – This Sunday we begin a new study on the book of Ephesians. Come and learn of the wonderful grace of God and the practical applications for our lives. Men are reminded of our monthly Bible study next Saturday, November 10 beginning at 7:30 am in our school library.

**Ladies Aid Meeting** - Pastor Jim Mattek from Christian Family Solutions will speak at the Ladies Aid meeting, noon on Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at the Trinity campus. Bring a bag lunch. Dessert will be provided.

**Servant Keeper** - We have a new database that we have been talking about at the district Glimpse of God meetings this month. Starting in early November, you will get an email sent to your main email inviting you/ your family to join. WE NEED YOUR CORRECT EMAIL ADDRESS, please contact the church office to update your email if needed. We will have instructional booklets with step by step instructions available to you to take home. They will be out in front of the church office, in the back of the south campus church and on the welcome center in the north campus church. ONE BOOKLET PER FAMILY PLEASE. We will be rolling it out in waves according to the first letter of your last name: Week of Nov 4th: A- F, Week of Nov 11th: G-L, Week of Nov 18th: M-R, Week of Nov 25th: S-Z.

A training video will be sent to you and put on our website.

If you do not want to go online yourself, please fill out pages 14 thru 26 and turn into the church office by November 30th. Someone else will be happy to input the information.

**Sheepshead** – Do you enjoy playing Sheepshead? Do you like sharing a few good laughs and good fellowship? Then join us on Thursday, November 8 at 1:00 pm for our monthly card club. There's no charge just good fun. We gather at our Trinity campus from 1 to 3.

**Sharing the Thought** – Each week a short 1 to 2-minute video is available on our website and weekly Communiqué. We encourage everyone to view the video, offer your comments and most importantly share the video with your friends and acquaintances. We are hoping to reach as many as possible through this means of outreach and communication.

**Women's Secret Pals** - An invitation to the Women of Christ Alone Lutheran Church. Welcome to our new members and hello to the current secret pals. It is that time of year when we renew our secret pals or become one for the first time. This is a "just-for-fun" activity that we practice throughout the year by acknowledging the birthday, anniversary, and/or achievements, etc. of a "special pal" in our congregation. If you would like to join in on the fun of secret pals for the upcoming year, please fill out the form that is in your church mail box or on the table in the back of the Trinity campus church.

**Wonderful Opportunity** - Are you age 70 1/2 or older and have IRAs? Then you qualify for special tax treatment of distributions from your IRAs which are normally considered taxable income to you. Direct your IRA custodian to pay them directly to Christ Alone Ev. Lutheran Church or other qualified charity. Ask them to do a "QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTION" sometimes called a "Direct Charitable Rollover". The maximum annual limit is \$100,000. This can be a wonderful way to support your favorite charity and receive tax benefits as well. As always, talk to your tax adviser if you have any questions.

**Join us at the "Underground"** – Our youth ministry continues with weekly meetings at the "Underground". (the basement of our south campus church) All teens are encouraged to attend on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm.

**School News** - Upon return from state teachers' conference with a spring in their step, our educators combined a shorter week of school with beneficial parent-teacher conferences Wednesday-Friday. Several Fall and Reformation parties took place as we celebrated God's gift of free grace brought to the forefront by his servant Martin Luther. This coming Tuesday morning, 8th graders become Chargers for a Day at KML. They will also share their faith in the first round of confirmation examinations Wednesday evening. Basketball practices are in full swing - thanks to all our coaches and assistants for their time commitments in training our young athletes! A special evening is planned for parents Thursday, November 8, as Christian Family Solutions counselor and former college

athlete Whitney Donovan speaks of the importance of keeping a healthy balance in busy lives. All are invited to this presentation from 6:30-7:30 pm in the fellowship hall.

**Voters Call Meeting** - We are looking to call one teacher from the field (currently serving a congregation right now) to serve as 3rd-4th grade teacher and athletic director. The request for a list of candidates has been made through our district president to the Commission on Lutheran Schools. The timing is such that a congregational voters' meeting will be held on **Monday, November 12 at 6:30 pm at the Calvary campus**, to divinely call this new teacher to come and serve, beginning in July of 2019. Pray that God's will be done and that the Holy Spirit would continue to bless our church and school ministry.

**Shoe Donations for Soles for Jesus** - The change of seasons is a great time to check your closets to see if you and your family members have shoes that no longer fit or are not needed. If so, there are donation boxes for child and adult shoes/boots in the hallway by the school office and in the back of the church by the coat rack. You can even donate shoes that are "trashed", as they will be recycled. Thanks for helping those less fortunate in Africa!

**Tract Focus** - Rose Publishing has presented a concise guide to the Reformation with a 400-year time line marking key people and events of this important time in the history of the church. A full color map of Europe is included with a list of major Protestant doctrines. It will help you gain deeper insight into the rise of Protestantism and the influence of the major leaders who believed that reform was necessary in the church of their day. Pick up the tract titled "Reformation Time Line" at the Welcome Center in the narthex of the north campus.

**Kids and Sports! How To Manage It All** - As families are about to begin the next sports season for kids, we sometimes wonder if we are committing to too many things, packing too many activities into our kids' lives. What is a healthy balance? Please reserve 6:30-7:30 pm Thursday, November 8 to take part in this enlightening topic. The congregation is invited to join Whitney Donovan, professional counselor and former college athlete, as she talks to our school parents about challenges that athletes and their families may face as well as finding the strategies to improve our well-being while we juggle so much.

## **OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS –**

**College Age Ministry** - Cornerstone Campus Ministry is a ministry group hosted by St. John's in Mequon which serves young adults who are in the 18-25 generation. All young adults are welcome regardless of school, occupation, or religious background. Regular group Bible studies are held every Thursday from 8:15-9:00pm at St. Johns while chapel, fellowship events, and more are held at various points throughout the year. For more info, email [cornerstonemequon@gmail.com](mailto:cornerstonemequon@gmail.com) or visit [facebook.com/cornerstonemequon](https://facebook.com/cornerstonemequon).

**THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR** (CC- CALVARY CAMPUS TC- TRINITY CAMPUS)

- Sun 11/4 **Communion Service (CC) 8:00 am**  
Sunday School 9:15 am  
Bible Class (fellowship hall) 9:15 am  
Teen Bible Class (library) 9:15 am  
Catechism Class 9:15 am  
**Communion Service (CC) 10:30 am**
- Mon 11/5 Women's Bible Class **Gospel of John** (TC) 1:30 pm  
Elders' Meeting (CC) 6:30 pm
- Tues 11/6 Bible Class **Prepared to Answer** (CC) 6:45 am  
Bible Class **Isaiah & Psalms** (TC) 9:30 am  
Quilting Ministry (TC) 1:00 pm  
Faculty Meeting 3:30 pm  
Wings of Hope (CC) 6:30 pm-library
- Wed 11/7 Bible Class **1 Timothy** (TC) 9:30 am  
Ladies' Aid (TC) noon  
Choir (CC) 6:30 pm  
"The Underground" Teen Activity (TC) 6:30 pm  
Confirmation Examination #1 (CC) 6:30 pm
- Thur 11/8 Sheepshead (TC) 1:00 pm  
**Worship Service (TC) 6:30 pm**  
Kids & Sports Presentation (CC) 6:30 pm  
Bible Class (TC) 7:45 pm
- Fri 11/9 Scrip Orders Due
- Sat 11/10 Men's Bible Study (CC) 7:30 am  
**Worship Service (TC) 5:30 pm**
- Sun 11/11 **Worship Service (CC) 8:00 am**  
Sunday School 9:15 am  
Bible Class (fellowship hall) 9:15 am  
Teen Bible Class (library) 9:15 am  
Catechism Class 9:15 am  
**Worship Service (CC) 10:30 am**  
Teen Girls' Bible Study 6:15 p

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