

# 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.”*

JANUARY 28, 2018

EPIPHANY 4

**Next Week's Readings** Job 7:1-7, Romans 8:28-30; Mark 1:28-39

### CHURCH NEWS AND EVENTS

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

**Voters' Meeting** - Monday evening (January 29) at 6:30 PM in the fellowship hall on the **Calvary Campus**, Christ Alone will have a very important Voters' Meeting. We will be electing two congregational officers, seven board/committee chairmen, and six Board of Elders members. In total, that's 15 key positions for our new congregational structure. While those elected will not officially begin their term of office until the new fiscal year (July 1), the time between now and July 1 will be used for training in our new strategic planning process and then in leading our congregation in that planning process. The goal of that process is to give every member of Christ Alone multiple opportunities for input that will result in a strong ministry plan and a corresponding budget for Christ Alone for 2018-2019. The ballot of those nominated has now been shared electronically with the whole congregation. Our new operating procedure calls for additional names for the ballot to be suggested *prior to the meeting* rather than at the meeting. Those wishing to suggest additional candidates for any of the offices can contact Pastor Ebert, Pastor Scheuerlein, or our temporary parish administrator, Rich Gurgel ([rich.gurgel@wls.wels.net](mailto:rich.gurgel@wls.wels.net)). Please pray for God's guidance and wisdom for this meeting and for the elections that will take place there! We already thank God for all those willing to have their names placed into nomination.

**Wonder Movie Field Trip** - Date: 2/2/18 Time: Arrive at 8:45 a.m. Movie starts at 9:00.

Where: Rivoli in Cedarburg. Cost: \$3 per person . NOTE: Snacks will not be included or available to keep the room free of items that not everyone can be included in. (Examples: students with food allergies or orthodontic appliances).

Based on the New York Times bestseller, WONDER tells the inspiring and heartwarming story of August Pullman. Born with facial differences that, up until now, have prevented him from going

to a mainstream school, Auggie becomes the most unlikely of heroes when he enters the local fifth grade. As his family, his new classmates, and the larger community all struggle to find their compassion and acceptance, Auggie's extraordinary journey will unite them all and prove you can't blend in when you were born to stand out. The movie has clear positive messages about choosing kindness, appreciating everyone for who they are (rather than what they look like), and true friendship; empathy and perseverance are also strong themes.

-Betsy Bozdech, Common Sense Media

**Pizza Making Event** – Save the date! Our next Pizza Event will be on Saturday, March 17th.

**Script** - Do you want to reduce your tuition by doing things you already do like grocery shopping, filling up the gas tank, or perhaps going out to eat? You will be able to do this with the new SCRIPS program at Christ Alone coming soon to your email.

Example to show how much just on groceries/gas. This isn't including the 100s of other cards available:

Your rebate for the school year:

Piggly Wiggly = 4% = \$100 x 36 weeks x .04 = \$144

Kwik Trip = 4% = \$50 x 36 weeks x .04 = \$72

Total Rebate = \$216 for just groceries/gas.

Almost 20% of the tuition for one child covered by your normal weekly spending

Some other % rebates available?

Chili's = 11%, Home Depot = 4%, Walmart = 2.5%, Walgreens = 5%, Great Clips = 8%, Cabela's = 11%, Old Navy = 14%.

Visit [shop.shopwithscrip.com](http://shop.shopwithscrip.com) to see the over 700 businesses to choose from.

**College Care Packages** - In a few weeks Christ Alone will be sending "special Valentines" to our college students. Please place monetary donations in the care package collection boxes located in the back of church at both campuses or drop off in the school/church office through Sunday, February 11.

**School News** - Thanks to the families who joined us this past Thursday as we had a Taste of Kindergarten. We welcomed into our school family the newest batch of kindergartners as they begin their formal education next fall here at Christ Alone. As we continue to pray for all our students, we now add the class of 2031!

Monday is "Fresh Out of Bed Day" here at school, just in case anyone drops by and sees plenty of bath robes and pajamas! We begin a festive Spirit Week in connection with our basketball season winding down, with a different theme each day. All are welcome to join us for our Pep Rally Friday afternoon at 1:30 pm. *GO, COMETS!* May God bless your week ahead.

**Financial Giving Statements** - Some donors have noticed inaccuracies in the annual statements they received for charitable giving to our church in 2017. Be aware that our office changed over to a new membership and accounting software this fall, and some of the information did not carry over from the old software in the same way. We are addressing this issue and will soon be sending out new statements to those with inaccuracies. We appreciate your patience.

**Fun and Fellowship** -The Christ Alone Fun and Fellowship group is organizing a pot luck dinner and game night. Join us on Saturday, February 10, 2018, for an evening filled with food and fun. This event will be held in the fellowship hall at the Calvary campus. The entrance to the fellowship hall is found at the north-west corner of the school building. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. dinner at 5:30 p.m. If you would like to contribute to the pot luck dinner, the sign-up sheet is located at the welcome center in the back of the narthex. After dinner Pastor Ebert will lead us in a game called Salad Bowl and if there is time we will have other games there as well. This activity is open to all members, 18 years of age or older. Please invite your family, friends, or neighbors.

**Lenten Meals** – We will serve simple fellowship meals during the season of Lent from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. between the Wednesday Lenten services. Please consider **your group hosting** one of these meals. Volunteer forms to sign up may be found on the Welcome Center in the narthex. Please add your name for helping setup, serve, cleanup and making a salad or dessert. Our first meal will be held on Ash Wednesday, February 14.

## **CHURCH NEWS AND EVENTS**

**Blood Drive at KML** - Help save a life by donating blood at the KML blood drive on Wednesday, January 31, 8:00 AM-1:00 PM in the KML gymnasium. As a special thank you, donate and get a coupon for a FREE entree at Noodles & Company (with a Coca-Cola Freestyle purchase)! Appointments can be made at [www.bcw.edu/KMLHS](http://www.bcw.edu/KMLHS) or by calling the KML Main Office at 262-677-4051. KML is located at [3399 Division Road, Jackson](#). The blood drive is sponsored by the National Honor Society.

**Blood Drive at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary** - WLS is partnering with the American Red Cross to host a blood drive on Friday, February 2, 8am-1pm. Registration is preferred, but walk-ins are welcome. You can register at [redcross.org](http://redcross.org) by searching "seminary".

Contact Seminarian Wolf Parsons at [Wolf.Parsons@wls.wels.net](mailto:Wolf.Parsons@wls.wels.net) with questions.

**The Christian Woman Today Retreat**, sponsored by Christ the Lord Lutheran Church and School in Brookfield, WI, will be held March 9-11, 2018, at the Sheraton Milwaukee Brookfield Hotel in Brookfield, WI. The retreat theme will focus on God's message from 1 Thessalonians 5:18, "Give thanks in all circumstances." Retreat brochures with registration forms are available at the [ChristianWomanToday.org](http://ChristianWomanToday.org) website. The registration deadline is February 23, 2018. For questions, please contact Linda at 414.507.5341.

**St. Lucas Women's Ministry** - The women of St. Lucas, Kewaskum invite you to join them for their 14<sup>th</sup> annual Women's Retreat, *Here Am I Send Me*. This retreat will be held at St. Lucas Lutheran School, 1410 Parkview Dr., Kewaskum, in Hoenecke Hall on Sat., Feb. 24 with registration starting at 8:30am and the retreat concluding at 2:30pm. A non-refundable registration fee of \$17.00 includes lunch and presentations. This is a one day retreat filled with speakers, worship and fun. Speakers for this retreat will include: Pastor Robert Fleischmann, Pastor Tim Flunker, and Naomi Schmidt. Please call Lynn Garvey at 262-626-4749 with questions or go to our website [www.stlucaswels.org](http://www.stlucaswels.org). Register early, reservations are limited and are due by Feb 14. Please bring a friend.

**Job Opportunities** - Posted on the board in the coat room are many job opportunities for our members.

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

Sun 1/28      **Worship Services 8:00 am & 10:30 am (CC)**  
Sunday School 9:15 am  
Bible Class/ Teen Bible Class **The Reluctant Prophet-Jonah** (fellowship hall)  
9:15 am  
Public School Catechism Class 9:15 am  
New Member Dinner (CC) 4:30 pm

Mon 1/29      Women's Bible Class (TC) - **Hosea** 1:30 pm  
Voters' Meeting (CC) 6:30 pm

Tues 1/30      Bible Class (CC) - **Prepared to Answer** 6:45 am  
Bible Class (CC) - **Psalms and Isaiah** 9:30 am

Wed 1/31      Bible Class (CC) - **Hebrews** 9:30 am  
Choir (CC) 6:30 pm

Thurs 2/1      **Communion Service 6:30 pm (TC)**  
Bible Class **Hebrews** 7:45 pm (TC)

Sat 2/3      **Communion Service 5:30 pm (TC)**

Sun 2/4      **Communion Services 8:00 am & 10:30 am (CC)**  
Sunday School 9:15 am  
Bible Class/ Teen Bible Class **Obadiah** (fellowship hall)  
9:15 am  
Public School Catechism Class 9:15 am

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