

A NEWS BULLETIN OF

Christ Alone Evangelical Lutheran Church

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

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CHRIST THE KING

Next Week's Readings

Genesis 6:9-22, Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:36-44

CHURCH NEWS AND EVENTS

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

2020 Offering Envelopes for Christ Alone Members – may be found in your church mailbox in the Calvary campus' coat room. Please use your 2020 envelopes after the new year. Please contact the church office (262-242-4710) if you are unable to locate your envelopes. If you regularly attend the Trinity campus for worship, your envelopes will be in the back of church after Thanksgiving.

Bulletin Covers – We still have a few bulletin covers that you can sign up to donate. The signup sheet is at the north campus on the bulletin board by the east stairway. Your gift helps with the cost of purchased preprinted bulletins or printing them in color in the church office. Please place your donation in your blue envelope in your envelope box; on the “other” line, write the amount and for what bulletin cover.

Thanksgiving Worship – Services for Thanksgiving will be held at the Calvary campus Wednesday, November 27, at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, November 28, at 9:30 a.m. Come give thanks to the Lord for he is good!

2020 Orders of Meditations & Forward in Christ – Envelopes are on the Welcome Center at the Calvary campus and on the table at the Trinity campus for ordering 2020 Meditations (\$15.50), large print Meditations (\$20.00) and Forward in Christ (\$11.50). One or more of these publications may be purchased. Please put your payment in the envelope (If writing a check, please make it out to Christ Alone) and place in the collection plate or drop off in the church office. Orders are due by Sunday, November 30.

Christmas Party - The Ladies Aid will have their Christmas party luncheon at the Libby Montana restaurant, [5616 Donges Bay Rd](#), on Wednesday, December 4th. 11:30 – fellowship; 12:00 - lunch. We will order off the menu. Instead of a gift exchange, you can donate a monetary gift which will go to *MLC Equipping Christian Witnesses*.

Midweek Advent Services– Services will take place at the Calvary campus at 3:15 p.m. and the Trinity campus at 7:00 p.m. on the following two Wednesdays: December 4 and December 11.

St. John's Tree Lighting - Wednesday, Dec. 4th, at 6:00 pm, Fellowship & Light Refreshments. 6:30 pm Tree Lighting, 7:00 pm Worship Service. Come gather around the Christmas tree outside as we light the lights and welcome the Advent/Christmas season! We'll have a prayer, sing a song or two and then return to the church for our Advent Worship service.

Christmas Camp for Kids - "The Legend of the Candy Cane" will be held Saturday, December 7, from 9:00 -11:30 am for children ages 3 years old through 3rd grade. A registration form is attached to this week's Comet Connection email. Additional registration forms are available outside the school office and in the narthex of church. Please return completed forms to the office by 3:00 pm on Tuesday, November 26. Volunteers, ages 5th grade through adult, who are interested in helping should contact the church office.

Church Decorating - We will decorate the Calvary campus for the Christmas season on Saturday, December 7, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Come join in the fun! Young strong men are encouraged to come help lift the trees to the altar. All are invited to help.

Ladies of the Congregation - Advent by Candlelight is an opportunity for women to set aside the hustle and bustle of holiday preparations and focus their minds and hearts on the birth of Christ. This year's Advent by Candlelight will take place on the evening of Sunday, December 8 in the fellowship hall beginning at 6:00 pm at Christ Alone (Calvary Campus). If you wish to be a hostess, please sign up on the bulletin board located in the narthex at Christ Alone. Hostesses prepare a table for their 8 guests and a dessert to share on the buffet. A letter with more information will be given to each hostess with suggestions on what to provide and when you may set up your table. This is a wonderful time of fellowship.

If you wish to be a guest (members who are confirmed/family and friends) this evening, sign up on a table listing on the bulletin board in the narthex at Christ Alone or call Nancy/Diane. We ask that you bring a non-perishable item for the food pantry the night of the event.

If you would like to help the hostesses with additional desserts for the buffet, please sign up and you will be contacted. What a blessing this evening is as we listen to the quietness of God's Word and still our souls during this busy time of the year.

Poinsettia Orders for Altar – A signup sheet and payment envelopes are on the Welcome Center at the North campus and at the table in the back of church at the South campus. Please specify your order on the signup sheet and place your payment envelope in the green box on the Welcome Center or drop it off in the church/school office. ***Orders are due by Sunday, December 8.***

Ladies Christmas Party - Open to all ladies of the congregation, Monday, December 9th at Libby Montana's Mequon. Tickets will be sold for \$25.00, starting this weekend, in the Narthex of the North campus before and after services. Social hour 5:30-6:30 Dinner at 6:30. Entertainment will be provided by the KML Echoes. Secret Pals will bring their gifts and finally reveal themselves to their Pals at the party. If anyone who is a Secret Pal cannot attend the party, please bring your gift to the church office at the Calvary Campus by 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 3. Someone will make sure your gift gets to the party.

Ozaukee County Family Sharing – This program distributes food to needy families throughout the county, and it relies heavily on donations from individuals and organizations. Christ Alone has collection bins at both church campuses and school for non-perishable goods until December 10. Please consider making a contribution to help others in need.

Jesus Cares Ministry Christmas Service – The Jesus Cares Christmas Program will be held on December 15 at 4 pm. at the Trinity Campus. Please join our special students as they tell us about Jesus' birth.

Community Christmas Concert - On Dec 18, Christ Alone will present to the community its annual free Christmas Concert. Instruments, soloists, and choirs will all be part of this opportunity to proclaim the praises of our newborn King.

Sunday Morning Bible Class - We continue our Bible study series on the book of Revelation. All are invited to read and learn about Revelation, Chapters 1–11

School News – Mr. Aaron Hartwig continues to deliberate our call to serve as our principal beginning next year. Please keep him in your prayers. On Monday, November 18, our voters passed two recommendations of our school board. The first recommendation is that our school, under the auspices of Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School, will participate in the Wisconsin School Choice program. The second recommendation is that our pre-school program for both 3K and 4K will be conducted at our Calvary campus for the next school year. We will continue to support the efforts of our sister congregation, St. John's, in their endeavors.

Christmas & New Year's Services

December 24	4:00 p.m. Christ Alone School <i>Children's Christmas Service</i> 6:30 p.m. Carols & Candlelight Service @ Calvary campus 10:30 p.m. Carols & Candlelight Service @ Trinity campus
December 25	9:00 a.m. Christmas Day Service @ Calvary campus 10:30 a.m. Christmas Day Service @ St John's
December 26	No worship Service at the Trinity campus
December 31	6:30 p.m. New Year's Eve Service @ Calvary campus

Quilting Ministry Winter Break - Our quilting ministry will be in recess for the entire month of December. We will start again Jan 7,2020.

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.

Volunteer Needed – We are looking for someone who has an interest in stamp collecting and be willing to research the selling of a small collection given to the church. Please call the church office at 262-242-4710.

For your future plans – As you shiver through winter and begin making your summer plans, please include our Vacation Bible School – “Rainforest Explorers” in your plans. The program will be held July 20-23 of 2020.

OTHER EVENTS IN THE WELS

The Lutheran Chorale of Milwaukee presents “Comfort and Joy” - The Lutheran Chorale of Milwaukee, under the direction of Levi Nagel, is pleased to announce its upcoming “Prelude to Christmas” concert under the theme “Comfort and Joy.” Please note that the concert will take place at a different location: Trinity Lutheran Church (1052 White Rock Ave., Waukesha, WI 53186) on December 1 at 2:00 & 4:30 p.m. An annual favorite, this concert is a wonderful way to kick off the Christmas concert season. This year's presentation will feature a small string and woodwind ensemble. The organ prelude, played by Lynn Kozlowski, will begin 20 minutes

prior to each concert. A free will offering will be collected to support the choir's ministry. (We also have a new look this season.) More info at lutheranchorale.org. Please join us!

The Kettle Moraine Lutheran Adult Chorale - Presents its annual Christmas concert on Saturday, December 7 at 4:00 p.m. at Peace Lutheran Church in Hartford. The concert is titled, "The King Comes!" and features choral music for the seasons of Advent and Christmas. A freewill offering will be gathered. You are cordially invited to attend.

The Kettle Moraine Lutheran Adult Chorale is a choir comprised of WELS and ELS members in our area. The choir rehearses on Sunday afternoons and prepares two concerts each year, one in spring and the other before Christmas. The KML Adult Chorale welcomes new singers to join its ranks for its spring concert rehearsal season. Auditions are not required, but choir experience and singing ability are necessary to be a contributing member of the choir. The first rehearsal of the new season will be held in the choir room at Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School on Sunday, January 12 at 3:30 p.m. For more information, contact the choir's director, Pastor Johnold Strey, at 262-628-2550 ext. 210, or jstrey@crownoflifehubertus.com.

Christmas at the Seminary – The Seminary Chorus of Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary will present its annual Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 8, at 3:00 and 7:00 p.m. The 62-voice choir will present a program featuring the great Lutheran hymns of the holiday season in traditional and modern settings. The concert is the thirty-fifth and last Christmas concert directed by Prof. James Tiefel. There are no advanced tickets sales; a free will offering is appreciated. The seminary is located 11831 N. Seminary Dr. in Mequon.

The Crown of Life Orchestra presents its 11th Annual Christmas Concert, "Journey to Bethlehem," on Friday and Saturday, December 13 and 14, at 7:00 p.m., and Sunday, December 15, at 4:00 p.m. Enjoy the sounds of the season through the music of the Trans-Siberian Orchestra and other inspired originals. Crown of Life Lutheran Church is located at 1292 Tally Ho Trail in Hubertus.

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

Sun 11/24 **Worship Service(CC) 8:00 am**

Bible Class (CC) **"The Book of Revelation"** 9:15 am

Sunday School (CC) 9:15 am

Catechism Class (CC) 9:15 am

Worship Service St. John's 9:15 am

Worship Service (CC) 10:30 am

Mon 11/25 Women's Bible Class (TC) - 1 Corinthians - 1:30 pm
 Council Meeting (CC) 6:30 pm
 Handbells (CC) 6:30 pm
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 Tues 11/26 Bible Class (CC) - library - Prepared to Answer - 6:45 am
 Bible Class (CC) – library - Reading the Bible – Jeremiah & Psalms - 9:30 am
 Quilting Ministry (TC) 1:00-3:00 pm
 Wed 11/27 Bible Class (TC) - I Peter - 9:30 am
 No School
 No Underground
Thanksgiving Eve Service (CC) 6:30 pm
 Thur 11/28 **Thanksgiving Day Service (CC) 9:30 am**
 No School
 Fri 11/29 No School
 Sat 11/30 **Communion Service (TC) 5:30 pm**
 Sun 12/1 **Communion Service (CC) 8:00 am**
 Bible Class (CC) **"The Book of Revelation"** 9:15 am
 Sunday School (CC) 9:15 am
 Catechism Class (CC) 9:15 am
Communion Service St. John's 9:15 am
Communion Service (CC) 10:30 am

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