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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.”

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Next Week's Readings

Daniel 4:19-37, Acts 3:19-26; Matthew 3:1-12

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.

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*. All ladies are welcome to join us.

Midweek Advent Services– Services will take place at the Calvary campus at 3:15 p.m. and at St. John's 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.

Usborne Book Fair – Looking for Christmas gift ideas? Christ Alone Lutheran School will be hosting a book fair through Usborne next week. The days and hours of operation are as follows: Friday, December 6: 7:00 AM – 4:00 PM Saturday, December 7: 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM Sunday, December 8: 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM You may preview online the selection of books that will be available for sale or stop by the office to browse the catalog. Several volunteers are needed to supervise and cashier on these three days. Please contact the school office as soon as you are able, if you are able to lend a hand.

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.

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.

Advent by Bonfire – Our third annual Advent by bonfire will be held on Sunday, December 8 beginning at 6:00 pm. This event also includes a chili dump – so bring your favorite homemade chili or favorite store-bought chili and join the fellowship. Dress for the weather and bring a chair if you wish. All men of the congregation, friends and sons are invited

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 – We give thanks for the opportunities the Lord provides for our congregation to share the word of God with the next generation. What a blessing we have had for all these years. Mr. Aaron Hartwig has returned our call. Please keep him in your prayers as he continues his ministry at St. Paul Lutheran at North Fond du Lac. Your entire faculty and staff pray you enjoyed a blessed and safe Thanksgiving.

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 until January 7, 2020.

International Youth Rally – Attention 8th grade – Juniors: The International Youth Rally is next summer at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville from June 23-26. We are going to have a planning meeting on December 7th at 6:30 at the Underground. We will discuss various items related to the Youth Rally (transportation, costs, fundraising, etc.) We would like to get an estimate of those who are at least interested in going at this point. We will ask for firmer answers in January to make sure we arrange the appropriate transportation etc.

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 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 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
- Mon 12/2 Women's Bible Class (TC) - 1 Corinthians - 1:30 pm
Handbells (CC) 6:30 pm
Dartball (TC) 7:30 pm
- Tues 12/3 Bible Class (CC) - library - Prepared to Answer - 6:45 am
Bible Class (CC) – library - Reading the Bible – Jeremiah & Psalms - 9:30 am
Faculty Meeting 3:30 pm
Wings of Hope (CC) 6:30 pm
- Wed 12/4 Bible Class (TC) - II Peter - 9:30 am
Ladies Aid Christmas Lunch (Libby Montana) 11:30 am
Advent I (CC) 3:15 pm
Choir (CC) 5:30 pm
No Underground
Advent I (St John's) 7:00pm (Outdoor Tree Lighting 6:00 pm)
- Thur 12/5 No Worship
Bible Class (TC) 6:30 pm
- Fri 12/6 CALS Chapel 8:00 am
Usborne Book Sale @ School 7:00 am-4:00 pm
- Sat 12/7 Christmas Camp (CC) 9:00-11:30 am
Decorate Church for Christmas (CC) 9:00 am
Usborne Book Sale @ School 8:30 am-12:30 pm
Advent by Candlelight Set up (CC) 5:00 pm
Worship Service (TC) 5:30 pm
- Sun 12/8 **Worship Service(CC) 8:00 am**
Bible Class (CC) 9:15 am
Sunday School (CC) 9:15 am
Catechism Class (CC) 9:15 am
Usborne Book Sale @ School 9:00 am-12:00 pm
Worship Service St. John's 9:15 am
Worship Service (CC) 10:30 am
Advent by Candlelight (CC) Women 6:00 pm
Advent by Bonfire (TC) Men 6:00 pm

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