

## 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.”*

DECEMBER 8, 2019

ADVENT II

#### Next Week's Readings

Job 1:6-22, James 5:7-11; Matthew 11:2-11

#### CHURCH NEWS AND EVENTS

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

**Call Meeting** – A special call meeting to fill our position of principal (beginning with the 2020-2021 school year) will be held on Monday, December 16 at 6:30 p.m. in our school fellowship hall. All voting members are urged to attend.

**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.

**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 Wednesday, December 11.

**Nativity Set** – Our traditional nativity set in the narthex of church is currently missing. If you are aware of where it was placed or moved please contact the church office.

**Tract Focus** –Available this month at the Welcome Center (North Campus) / back of church (South Campus) is a handout entitled, “Celebrating Advent”. Please take advantage of this guide to strengthen your faith as you prepare for Christmas.

**Cookies Wanted!** - We are planning on providing cookies for "social time" after the Community Christmas Concert on Wednesday, December 18th. We are looking for volunteers to provide about 2 dozen (or more!) cookies for this event. Cookies can be brought to the church the evening of the event beginning at 6 PM. The concert begins at 7. To volunteer, please sign up on the sheet at the back of church at both campuses.

**NEW Sunday morning Bible Class Topic:** Applying the Doctrine of Church Fellowship (begins Dec 8 and runs through the end of January) Does God give guidance in the question, "How do I view and work together with other Christians or non-Christians in this world?" Indeed, he does! Come and see what God says and doesn't say about our actions in the age of tolerance. Bible class meets in the north campus Fellowship Hall between the Sunday services. ALL are invited! Sunday school is available for grade school age children and babysitting is provided for the younger children.

**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.***

**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.

**Children’s Christmas Dress Rehearsal** - The children in kindergarten through grade 8 will rehearse their Christmas service Monday, December 23, beginning at 8:00 am. Parents, grandparents, family and friends are encouraged to attend the Christmas Eve Children’s Service at 4:00 pm, but are welcome to attend this dress rehearsal.

**School News** – Returning from Thanksgiving break, all of our students are now focusing on preparing for their Christmas Eve service as well as getting their homework done and competing in this year’s basketball season. Next Thursday, Dec, 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 am we continue our monthly parents’ meetings with “Cocoa and Cookies.” All parents are invited to join their children for a before school snack and a chance to talk with your pastors and teachers.

Please remember our special call meeting on Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in our school fellowship hall.

### **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

### **OTHER EVENTS IN THE WELS**

**Short Term Host Families Needed** - KML is looking for a few more host families for male students from Costa Rica during the last two weeks of January. The students have a good level of English and are excited to learn about Wisconsin culture and experience what winter is like. Host families provide a bed, meals, transportation to KML, and wifi. Please contact Mrs. Micah Nelson ([micah.nelson@kmlhs.org](mailto:micah.nelson@kmlhs.org)) if you'd like to join this amazing experience!

**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 12/8 **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**

Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary Christmas Concert – 3:00 pm

Advent by Candlelight (CC) Women 6:00 pm

Advent by Bonfire (TC) Men 6:00 pm

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Mon 12/9 Women’s Bible Class (TC) - 1 Corinthians - 1:30 pm

School Board Meeting (CC) 5:30 pm

Ladies Christmas Dinner (Libby Montana) 5:30 pm

Jesus Cares (TC) 6:30 pm

Dartball (Away) 7:30 pm

Tues 12/10 Bible Class (CC) - library - Prepared to Answer - 6:45 am

Bible Class (CC) – library - Reading the Bible – Jeremiah & Psalms - 9:30 am

Wed 12/11 Bible Class (TC) - II Peter - 9:30 am

**Advent I (CC) 3:15 pm**

Choir (St John’s) 5:30 pm

No Underground

**Advent I (St John’s) 7:00pm**

Thur 12/12 No Worship

Sheepshead (TC) 1:00 pm

Bible Class (TC) 6:30 pm

Fri 12/13 CALS Chapel 8:00 am

Sat 12/14 Men’s Bible Study (CC) 7:30 am

**Communion Service (TC) 5:30 pm**

Sun 12/15 **Communion Service(CC) 8:00 am**  
Bible Class (CC) 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**  
Jesus Cares Christmas Program (TC) 4:00 pm  
HS/COL Girls' Bible Study 6:15 pm

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