

February 2020

Christ Lutheran Church Christ Chronicles

A Word from our Pastor:

From the Pastor's Desk

We are all having some difficulty discussing politics and the problem just seems to get worse everyday. If we cannot discuss our differences, then things will never get better. Also, if we as Christians cannot find a way to talk about our differences of opinion, then we are not setting a very good example of the unity in Christ we claim to hold. Toward this end, several denominations have joined in encouraging us, as Christians, to use the Golden Rule as our guide for holding political discussions. "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." Or ask the question, "How would I like others to behave towards me when I'm in a political discussion where there is disagreement?"

To Apply the Golden Rule in Political Discussions:

I Will:

- Always show respect for the other person
- Listen patiently – especially when there is disagreement
- Use precise and truthful language that communicates my views without exaggerating
- Try to understand the experience out of which the other person arrived at his/her views
- Look for areas of mutual agreement
- Pray for the other person and our political leaders

I Won't

- Use inflammatory words, or derogatory names
- Make broad generalizations about individuals or groups
- Assault the character of others or falsely impugn their motives
- Question another person's faith or patriotism
- Demonize or describe as enemies, those who hold political beliefs different from my own.

Remember, treat others as you want to be treated.

Go with God,
Pastor John

We love
because
He first
loved us.

1 John 4:19

"Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart."

Psalms 37:4

"Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor: If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up."

Ecclesiastes 4:9-10

"Hatred stirs up conflict, but love covers over all wrongs."

Proverbs 10:12

"Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love."

1 John 4:7-8

January Memories



WORSHIP SERVICES Worship services are every Sunday at 8:15 am and 10:30 am. Every first Sunday of the month will be contemporary worship at the 8:15, and every third Sunday of the month will be contemporary service at the 10:30 am service.

SUNDAY SCHOOL Sundays at 9:15am beginning September 15th.

MONTHLY EVENTS

Free Community Dinner

Is held the second Saturday of every month from 4-6 pm in the social hall. All are welcome!

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<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/237387028>

Pub Theology

Pub Theology is an open discussion about faith, the Bible, or life in general. We will have topics to choose from or you can come with an idea of your own. Anything is open for discussion. Everyone 18 or older is welcome to attend.

Sunday School

Is held every Sunday at 9:15 am. First Communion Classes will begin on March 1st during Sunday School hours.

Prayer Shawl

Prayer Shawl Ministry meets here at Christ Lutheran Church on the second Sunday of the month in after service. If you knit, crochet, or just enjoy the company of other women, please consider being a part of this organization.

Grace Notes

Is our band here at Christ Lutheran. They play at contemporary service at 8:15 am on the first Sunday of the month, and at 10:30 am on the third Sunday of the month. If you play an instrument, or have a passion for singing, consider joining them. They practice on Thursdays at 6:30 pm.

A Word from the Choir

Choir practices will be held at approximately 9:00 a.m. All singers are welcome. We sing easy music and would love to have more members joining us. Singing in the choir is a way to serve your church but can also be a blessing to you. If you are interested, please call Sue Hand (570-325-4888) or talk to a choir member.

Online Giving

We now have online giving set up for our church. To make an offering online you can simply click this link, <http://bit.ly/CLOnlinegiving> or downloading the Give Plus app on your smartphone. Both are very simple to use.

Please Pray for....

ARMED SERVICES PERSONNEL AND FAMILIES
FIRST RESPONDERS AND THEIR FAMILIES

PEOPLE WITH RECENT CONCERNS:

Amanda
Leona Behrens
Carlos
Linda Dean
Bob Fravel
Denny Saddler
The friends and family of Jimmy Smith
Lynn Stumpf

PEOPLE WITH ONGOING NEEDS AND CONCERNS:

Penny Allison
Charles
Glen Dotter
Diane Hickey
Inger
Cheryl Kovalenko
Valeria Ligenza
Scott Mitchell
Lee Pfahl
David Radke
Dennis Rich III
Charles Rodgers
Louise Rodgers
Strokes
Mike Rossi
Kathy Schroeder
Betty Snyder
David Van Zant
Ruth Van Zant
Maggie Votsmier -
Karen Waldrop

Family Promise

Our church will be hosting 4 families starting on February 23rd. Your help is needed to turn our congregation into a temporary home the week of Feb. 23rd 2020. There are many ways that you can help - whether you provide a hot meal, snacks or beverages, arrange activities for the children or stay overnight -you can make a difference in the lives of families who have suffered the ordeal of losing their home. Feel free to ask the volunteers about their experience during the host week or call Sally Mann at 570-732-4015 or Betty Schaffrick at 570-325-2269.

Please sign up in the Narthex if you would like to volunteer for a shift or to donate a food item.

Mark you Calendar!

Pub Theology

Will be held on Thursday, 02/13 at 7:00 pm at Notch Eight Craft House.

Community Dinner:

Will be held on 02/08 from 4-6 pm. This month's menu will consist of spaghetti, meatballs, salad, and desserts.

Bible Study:

Every Thursday in the library at 10:00 am.

Ladies Luncheon

Will be held Tuesday, 02/18 at Dom N Alis at 12:30 pm.

Prayer Shawl:

Will be on Sunday, 01/09 in between services in the Narthex.

Grace Notes:

Practices every Thursday at 6:30 pm.

The Men's Breakfast

Will be held on Wednesday February 19th at 8:30 am at Terra Cottage.

Family Movie Night

Will be held on Saturday, 02/15 at 6:00 pm. Join us for a movie, popcorn, and hotdogs! All are welcome to join us!!

Ash Wednesday

Is February 26th. Service will be held at 7:00 pm.

If you have anything you would like included in the newsletter, please get the information to Lea no later than 02/26. Thank you!

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
27	28	29	30	31	01	02 Worship 8:15 am Choir Practice-9:00 am Sunday School-9:15 am Scouts Sunday-10:30 am
03 Cubscouts Webelos Mtg.- 6:30 pm	04 Girl Scouts-5:00 pm Troop 555-7:00 pm	05	06 Bible Study-10:00 am Grace Notes Band Practice- 6:30 pm PK Helping Hands-7:00 pm	07	08 Community Dinner- 4-6 pm	09 Contemp. Worship 8:15 am Choir Practice-9:00 am Sunday School-9:15 am Prayer Shawl-9:15 am Worship-10:30 am
10 Cubscouts Webelos Mtg.- 6:30 pm	11 Girl Scouts-5:00 pm Troop 555-7:00 pm	12	13 Bible Study-10:00 am Pub Theology-7:00 pm Grace Notes Band Practice- 6:30 pm	14	15	16 Worship 8:15 am Choir Practice-9:00 am Sunday School-9:15 am Contemporary Worship-10:30 am
17 Cubscouts Webelos Mtg.- 6:30 pm	18 Ladies Luncheon-12:00 pm Girl Scouts-5:00 pm Troop 555-7:00 pm Council Meeting-7:00 pm	19 Men's Breakfast-8:30 am	20 Bible Study-10:00 am Grace Notes Band Practice- 6:30 pm	21	22 Family Move Night-6:00 pm	23 Worship 8:15 am & 10:30 am Choir Practice-9:00 am Sunday School-9:15 am
24 Cubscouts Webelos Mtg.- 6:30 pm	25 Girl Scouts-5:00 pm Troop 555-7:00 pm	26 Ash Wednesday Service- 7:00 pm	27 Bible Study-10:00 am Grace Notes Band Practice- 6:30 pm	28	29	01

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Weekly Worship Volunteer Schedule

IF YOU CANNOT SERVE, IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO FIND YOUR REPLACEMENT. THANK YOU.



Volunteer Schedule-8:15am Service

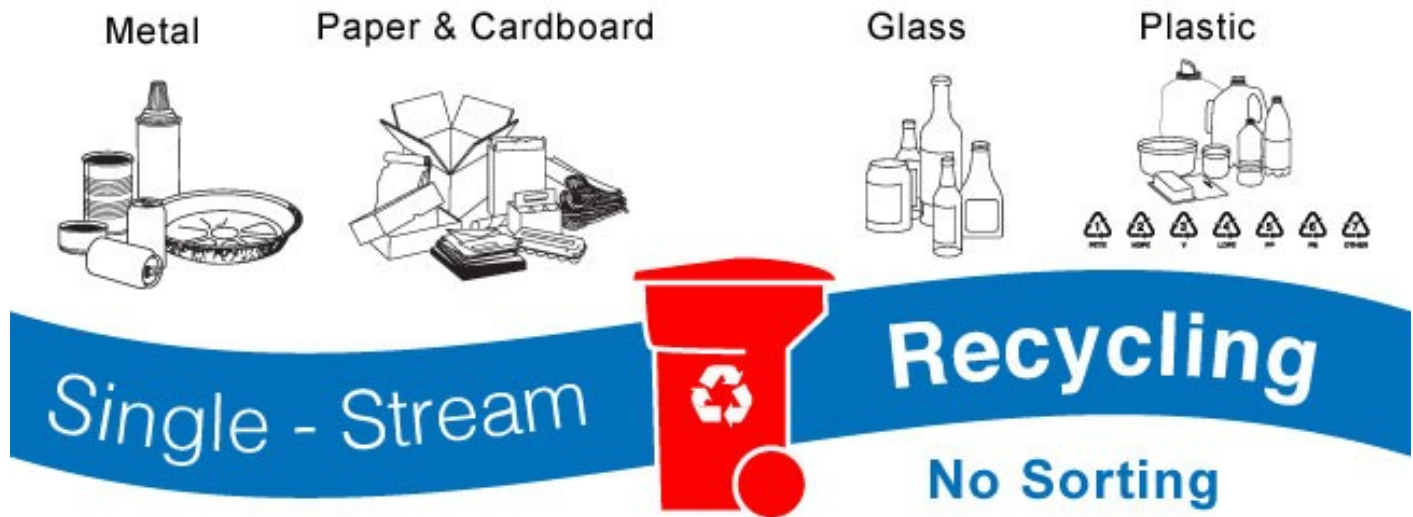
Date	Ushers	Counters	Acolyte	Readers	Comm Asst	Prayers	Altar Guild
Jan 12	Cy	Darlene & Bev	Stacey	Warren		Warren	
Jan 19	Jim H & Darlene	Tara	Julianna	Pat M	Kim & Cy	Pat M	
Jan 26	Cy	Darlene & Bev	Brooke	Cy		Cy	
Feb 2	Jim H & Darlene	Tara	Jeremy	Elizabeth	Kim & Cy	Elizabeth	
Feb 9	Cy	Darlene & Bev	Gretchen	Warren		Warren	
Feb 16	Jim H & Darlene	Tara	Stacey	Pat M	Kim & Cy	Pat M	
Feb 23	Cy	Darlene & Bev	Julianna	Cy		Cy	

Volunteer Schedule-10:30am Service

Jan 12	Pat F	Evelyn	Shane	Josephine	John	Josephine	Pat M
Jan 19	Jerry	Sue H	Elliot	Tracey	Tracey & Melissa	Tracey	Pat M
Jan 26	Pat F	Evelyn	Kyle	Sally	John	Sally	Pat M
Feb 2	Jerry	Sue H	Abbey	Melissa	Melissa	Melissa	Evelyn
Feb 9	Pat F	Evelyn	Ehren	John	Tracey	John	Evelyn
Feb 16	Jerry	Sue H	Brooke	Josephine	John	Josephine	Evelyn
Feb 23	Pat F	Evelyn	Shane	Sally	Tracey & Melissa	Sally	Evelyn

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE ARE SOME CHANGES. PLEASE CHECK CAREFULLY. IF YOU ARE WILLING TO HELP DURING THE SERVICE, PLEASE CONTACT LEA IN THE OFFICE. 570-325-3757

What is Single-Stream Recycling?



Single-Stream Recycling allows all recyclables to be placed in one container. There is no need to separate items such as cans, bottles, and plastics from newspapers, cardboard, etc.

Metal: Tin and aluminum cans, empty paint cans.

Glass: Jars and bottles.

Cardboard: Empty and flattened and loose.

Cartons: Milk, Juice, Soup, Flavored drink and Aseptic cartons are examples.

Mixed Paper: Newspaper, magazines, mail (junk and personal), phone books, food boxes (remove plastic liner), computer paper, flyers, wrapping paper (no foil or plastic wrap), soda and beer cartons (no food-soiled paper, please!)

Plastic Containers: Recycle #1 through #7 plastics ONLY (mostly beverage and detergent containers). Look for one of these numbers on the bottom of the container to see if it's acceptable.

Unacceptable Materials: Ceramics, dishes, coffee cups, drinking glasses, glass oven ware, pyrex, vision Ware, window glass, mirrors, light bulbs, plastics without #1-#7 labeling, plastic bags, styrofoam packaging, bubble wrap, -tissue or paper towels, metallic or coated paper, books, clothing and toys

Common mistakes:

NO PLASTIC BAGS or STYROFOAM

Remove lids and rings from bottles.

Remove labels, if possible, from bottles and cans.

Rinse food and drink containers.

No Pizza boxes or any food boxes where the food has leaked into the cardboard.