

# The King's Herald

## January 2019

Christ the King  
Lutheran Church  
"Where We Are  
About God's Grace  
For God's People"

### Annual Congregational Meeting Coming Soon!

Christ the King's Annual Meeting to approve the reports of the committees, review the churches finances, adopt the 2019 budget and hold election of church council members as well as the various committees will be held on Sunday, February 3rd, 11:45 a.m.

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Prior to the meeting coffee, juice, fruit and sweets will be served. It is so important that all members be present to carry out the business of the church.

All written reports which are to be included in the booklet of reports are due in the office by Sunday, January 20th. Please submit your report electronically to [c.lutheran@att.net](mailto:c.lutheran@att.net) if at all possible.

May the Lord shower you  
with his blessings on **Epiphany**  
and always...



#### Special points of interest:

- \* Annual Congregational Meeting Coming Soon
- \* Undecorating the Church is Scheduled for Wed., Jan. 9th at 5:30 p.m.
- \* 2019 Offering Envelopes Now Available

## Church Council Corner

*“Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.” Proverbs 3: 5&6*

These are “my” verses. They show up on the little cards you can buy in gift stores with your name and a corresponding verse on them. I’ve received these cards from several different places, and they all have these two verses from Proverbs. Thus, they are “mine”.

They are also mine because they’ve been an important part of my walk with the Lord. They’ve been a great reminder that despite all my education, experiences, and all the best laid plans, it is only through trusting God that I finally found the path he would have me walk. I’ve made a great many mistakes and some not very wise decisions in my life, all of which were made from my own understanding. I can honestly say that these verses have saved my life.

They are also a great reminder for where we are as a church right now. We are without a Pastoral leader, and in the process of looking for one. Even though we have completed and submitted our Ministry Site Profile, the big decisions about calling a Pastor, and who exactly that will be, are still ahead of us. That might take some time, and it is more important than ever that we do what these verses in Proverbs tell us.

If we are to be the church God has called us to be, we must trust him in all things. We must not lean on our own understanding – in all our ways, we need to acknowledge HIM. And in so doing, he will make our paths straight. He will bring us the Pastor we need.

In the meantime, we still have work to do.

We are approaching the time of year when we will elect some new members of Church Council. These positions of leadership are even more important when there is not a Pastoral leader and the Council is looked to for leadership. Please prayerfully consider whether God is calling you to such a position.



There are other positions of leadership that also need to be filled. Altar Guild, Fortune Lake Representatives, Committee members, and Worship Assistants, to name a few. It takes all of us to keep our doors open and our ministries thriving. It will take all of us to make a smooth transition for a new Pastor when that day comes.

In closing, let us remember that this is Christ’s Church, and we are here to serve as His humble servants and witnesses to His Grace. I leave you with these verses as we look forward to new leadership and new opportunities to serve;

## Church Council Corner Continued

*“Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom.” - “But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.” James 3:13, 17-18*

Peace Be With You!

Yours in Christ & On Behalf of Your Council,

Lisa Temple, Council Vice-President & Luther Seminary L.I.M. Student



## January Readings

Jan. 6—The Epiphany of Our Lord  
Isaiah 60:1-6; Ps. 72:1-7, 10-14; Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12

Jan. 13 —The Baptism of Our Lord  
Isaiah 43:1-7; Ps. 29; Acts 8:14-17; Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Jan. 20—The Second Sunday after Epiphany  
Isaiah 62:1-5; Ps. 36:5-10; 1 Cor. 12:1-11; John 2:1-11

Jan. 27—The Third Sunday after Epiphany  
Neh. 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10; Ps. 19; 1 Cor. 12:12-31a; Luke 4:14-21

## Dear Church Family

My family in Christ. I pray that you all have been specially blessed with the celebration of the Christ Child's birth. What a gift God gave us with his Son so we can be forgiven of our sinful selves.

I pray that in 2019 we will be blessed as we have in 2018. It is so awesome how our members have stepped up to help keep Christ the King running and doing what our Father in heaven wants us to do. He asks us to love one another, support one another and forgive one another. I have seen this, felt this every time I enter church.

My favorite verse that I hold onto daily is Philippians 4:13: *I can do all things through him who strengthens me.*

Here is a blessing I wish for you all in 2019: God go before you to lead you, God go behind you to protect you, God go beneath you to support you, God go beside you to befriend you. Do not be afraid. May the blessing of God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be upon you. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Amen

## Offerings & Worship Attendance For December

<u>Date</u>	<u>5 P.M.</u>	<u>10:30</u>	<u>Total</u>
December 1/ 2	60	39	99
December 8/ 9	46	54	100
December 15/16	52	56	108
December 22/23	40	44	88
December 24	188 (4:00)	58 (8:00)	246
December 29/30	33	43	76

Average attendance for December: 94

## Offerings For December

December 1/ 2	\$5,348.00
December 8/ 9	\$3,161.28
December 15/16	\$2,546.63
December 23/24	\$1,252.25
December 30/31	\$8,624.17

Received this Month \$20,932.33

Needed Monthly: \$17,138.90

Difference: \$3,793.43

Year-To-Date Income: \$160,661.01

Year-To-Date Needed: \$ 178,245.00

Difference: \$17,583.99



## Debt Retirement

Received in December: \$490.00

Balance of Loan: \$13,818.13

## Online Opportunity to Give

If you would like a convenient way to make recurring contributions we encourage you to consider our electronic giving option. To set up a recurring giving schedule, visit us online at [www.ctk-escanaba.org](http://www.ctk-escanaba.org) and locate the Online Giving button on the right side of the webpage. It is a simple process that can be done easily.



## Let Us Pray For those Celebrating Birthdays On:

**January 3 :** Alyssa Gafner, Ilene Solis  
**January 6:** Courtney Bowden  
**January 13:** Isabelle Braun, Karen Dillabough  
**January 14:** Linda Gafner  
**January 15:** Alexis Scheuren  
**January 16:** Kathy Gartland  
**January 17:** Jenna Smith  
**January 19:** John Herlik, Bud Irving, Jeremy Murray  
**January 23:** Marci Villaneuve  
**January 25:** Barbara Dahlgren  
**January 26:** Tara Braun, Mary Jo Johnson  
**January 27:** Charles Clsrk, Kurt Peterson  
**January 29:** Robert Smith  
**January 30:** John Anderson  
**January 31:** Bob Farrell, David Stasewich



There are still a number of 2019 offering envelopes that have yet to be picked up. Please take yours and help save on postage.

## Bay de Noc Choral Society Rehearsals for Spring Concert

The Bay de Noc Choral Society begins rehearsals Tuesday, January 15, 7-9 PM at Bethany Lutheran Church in Escanaba, for its annual spring concert



Palm Sunday, April 14. Rehearsals are each Tuesday and singers are allowed to miss some. The chorale sings 4-part

gospel, classical, contemporary and jazz arrangements. There are no auditions and new singers are always welcomed. For more information, call Mike at 241-7731.

## Undecorating from Advent/ Christmas

The Parish Life Committee invites you to come and help take down and put away our Advent and Christmas decorations. The plan is to get together on Wednesday, January 9th at 5:30 p.m. The committee purchased new totes to help make the undecorating and especially the storing of our decorations better. Just like we did at the decorating event we will also be providing pizza and pop. Hopefully we have a good turnout to help make this daunting task much easier.

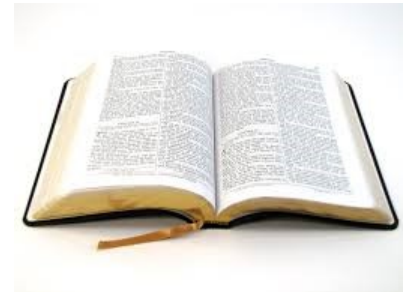
## Flowers & Newsletter Sign Up

If you would like to provide the altar flowers or the cost of printing the monthly newsletter we invite you to sign up on the chart in the narthex. The flowers per week are \$24 and the newsletter is \$35.

## Those Who Serve

### Readers

**January 5/ 6**—5:00 Lance Lindstrom 10:30 Leigh Schmidt  
**January 12/13**—5:00 Liz Schlenvogt 10:30 Brett Boudreau  
**January 19/20** —5:00 Lin VanEffen 10:30 Heather Albanez  
**January 26/27** —5:00 Lisa Temple 10:30 Lynn Chylek



### Acolytes

**January 5/ 6**—5:00 Elijah Berthaume 10:30 Brett Boudreau  
**January 12/13**—5:00 Camree Bonifas 10:30 Ian Burroughs  
**January 19/20** —5:00 Evan Pascoe 10:30 Isaiah Moran  
**January 26/27** —5:00 Kedria Lippens 10:30 Anne Heath

### Altar Guild

**January 5/ 6**— Sandy Jacobson & Judy Anderson  
**January 12/13**— Mary Jo Johnson & Tammy Jensen  
**January 19/20** — Bob & Lin VanEffen & Judy Anderson  
**January 26/27** — Laverne Picard & Connie Schmidt

### Assisting Minister

**January 5/ 6**—5:00 Mary Jo Johnson 10:30 Connie Schmidt  
**January 12/13**—5:00 Lance Lindstrom 10:30 Lynn Chylek  
**January 19/20** —5:00 Bob VanEffen 10:30 Roland Jacobson  
**January 26/27** —5:00 Nancy Norberg 10:30 Connie Schmidt



### Communion Assistants

**January 5/ 6**—5:00 Mary Jo Johnson 10:30 Leigh & Connie Schmidt  
**January 12/13**—5:00 Lance Lindstrom 10:30 Lynn Chylek & Pat Johnson  
**January 19/20** —5:00 Bob VanEffen 10:30 Roland & Sandy Jacobson  
**January 26/27** —5:00 Nancy Norberg 10:30 Leigh & Connie Schmidt



# 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
		9:00 Quilting 9:30 Bible Study	10:00 Coffee with the Staff		5:00 Communion Service	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
9:30 Coffee Hour 10:30 Communion Service 12:00 Executive Committee Mtg.	1:00 Joy Book Club 7:30 Dartball	9:00 Quilting 9:30 Bible Study 5:30 Undecraating Christmas Decora- tions	10:00 Coffee with the Staff		5:00 Communion Service	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
9:00 Faith For- mation Classes 9:30 Coffee Hour 10:30 Communion Service	1:00 Joy Book Club 6:15 Executive Committee Mtg. 7:30 Dartball	9:00 Quilting 9:30 Bible Study	10:00 Coffee with the Staff 5:30 Finance Mtg. 6:15 Church Council Mtg.		5:00 Communion Service	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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**WORSHIP SCHEDULE:**

Saturday—5:00 p.m. Worship

Sunday— 9:00 a.m. Faith Formation Classes; 9:30 a.m. Coffee Hour; 10:30 Worship

Holy Communion is celebrated at every Saturday and Sunday service. At the 10:30 a.m. service communion will be distributed using continuous communion.

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