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# THE PARISH CALLER

Where CLC also stands for A Caring and Loving Community!

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MAY GOD'S PEACE BE WITH YOU ALL IN 2016!

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## *ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING - SUNDAY, JANUARY 24, 2016*

*The Meeting will take place following the 10:00 am Worship Service. We will gather in the lower level for a light luncheon followed by the meeting.*

*Agenda items for the meeting include:*

- 1) Review of the Annual Reports*
- 2) Approval of the 2016 Budget*
- 3) 2016 Yard Sale*
- 4) Introduction to the Mission/Welcoming Statement Process*

*All voting members are requested to attend.*

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## *EPIPHANY SEASON BEGINS - JANUARY 6, 2016*

*The day of Epiphany remembers the coming of the Wisemen to Bethlehem to see the Infant King. This season emphasizes that Jesus has come as the light for all the world to see. It is a season that urges us to share that light through the mission of the church.*

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*Set the date aside and joining the WALK FOR WARMTH at Great Lakes Crossing. This event raises funds for emergency heating needs within Oakland/Livingston counties. There are Pledge Forms available here at church. More info will forthcoming on how you can participate.*

JANUARY  
BIRTHDAYS

- 1 /2 Vivian Cottrell
- 1 /5 Siiri Mason
- 1 /7 Sydney Miles  
Kaylee Percival
- 1 /9 Richard Reddeman
- 1 /10 Stephanie Crow
- 1 /11 Holly Cooperrider  
Sara Findley  
Tim Greiser  
Mark Kush
- 1 /13 Sean Schnitzer
- 1 /14 Virla Cleasby
- 1 /15 Amy Cooperrider
- 1 /16 Jase Kellenberger
- 1 /17 Linda Coughlin
- 1 /20 Teresa Walsh
- 1 /21 Elisabete Nestor
- 1 /22 Jaden Chachich
- 1 /23 David Wiley
- 1 /25 Kenzie Kush
- 1 /26 Mary Skirke
- 1 /27 Tina Mitchell
- 1 /29 Judy Bates  
Karl Engelhard  
Dominic Folsom  
Emily Nestor
- 1 /30 David Hojdila
- 1 /31 Linda Martin

JANUARY  
ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 /12 Fred & Florence Haynes
- 1 /19 Jim & Lynn Robertson
- 1 /30 Mike & Tina Mitchell

Dear Friends,

My deepest gratitude for the very generous gift presented to me at the Christmas Eve Service.

Serving this congregation continues to be a special blessing in my life, and I am grateful for the opportunity to serve you.

May Christ’s Blessing of Peace and joy be with you all.

Pastor John

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Prayer Card Ministry -

Mary Skirke is sending out cards on behalf of the congregation for those in need, whether sickness or distress. If there are loved ones you would like a card sent to, you may contact her at: 248-618-1399.

Below are the Servants for the month of **January 2016** - 10:00 am Worship Service. If you are unable to assist - please trade with someone and call the office with the changes. The first Sunday of **February, 2016** has been included to help you with scheduling.

LAY ASSISTANTS

- 1 /3 Bob Bates
- 1 /10 Gil Bergsrud
- 1 /17 Beth Brown
- 1 /24 Karen Bolley
- 1 /31 Charlotte Charter
- 2/7 Donna Butora

USHERS

- 1/3 Bill & Barb DeRousse  
Ron & Kris Goetze
- 1 /10 Bruce & Linda Jensen  
Emmet & Sharon Morse
- 1 /17 Hanne & Riane Forbing  
Jill Nancekivell & Joan Rathbun
- 1 /24 Cathy Roller & Jackie Urbaniak  
Jerry & Carole Scrivo
- 1 /31 John Barnfather, Beth Brown  
Erwin & Sue Klopfer
- 2/7 Gerry Cleasby, Evelyn Edwards  
Jake Jakel, Pam Haab

COUNTERS

- Dick Meyer\*, Joan Cole
- Evelyn Edwards

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

- 1 /3 Beth Brown, Erwin & Sue Klopfer
- 1 /10 Hanne & Riane Forbing  
Margie Gobler, Jane Ives
- 1 /17 Mary Bratun, Pam Haab,  
Julie Zaremba
- 1 /24 Gil Bergsrud, Evelyn Edwards  
Marsha Fante, Barb Harris
- 1 /31 Donna Butora, Debbie Barnowsky,  
Jill Nancekivell, Mary Russell
- 2/7 Erwin & Sue Klopfer, Pat Scott

ALTAR

- Mary Russell, Mary Skirke
- Linda Jensen

COFFEE HOURS

- 1 /3 Volunteers Needed
- 1 /10 Church Council - Team 1
- 1 /17 Women of the Church - Evelyn Edwards, Chair
- 1 /24 Men’s Group
- 1 /31 Volunteers Needed
- 2/7 Volunteers Needed

GREETERS

- 1 /3 Jake & Joanne Jakel  
Jim & Nadine Keway
- 1 /10 Steve & Lois Szabo  
Bob & Terry Young  
Grace Rockey & Cathy Roller  
Jerry & Carole Scrivo
- 1 /24 Emmet & Sharon Morse  
Joan Rathbun & Jane Ives
- 1 /31 Mark & Karen Kush  
Linda Martin family
- 2/7 Beth Brown, Jill Jones  
Bruce & Linda Jensen

NURSERY

There is NO ONE signed up for Nursery for the month of January

ACOLYTES

- 1 /3 Arielle Head
- 1 /10 Hope Combs
- 1 /17 Abie Pennington
- 1 /24 Hailey Walsh
- 1 /31 Arielle Head
- 2/7 Hope Combs

DIABETIC DONATIONS

- 1/3 Tom Armstrong
- 1/10 Rita Bergsrud
- 1/17 Cindy Edwards
- 1/24 Phyllis Folsom
- 1/31 Julia Hanneman-Schoenbach
- 2/7 Kerri Kinneberg

We Lifted Up In Prayer the Past Weeks:

**Members in our prayers are:** The family & friends of Rena Koskela; also in our prayers are: Kim Arnold, Ford & Maxine Andrews, Tom & Myrna Armstrong, Marianne Bertrand, Bill Bright, Del Brown, Dennis Brown, Craig Butora, Virla Cleasby, Effie Cobb, Larry Cottrell, Deb Daniels, Karen DeRousse, Valna Dow, Steve & Elizabeth Fante; Pam Haab, Barb Harris, Lisa Head & family, Fred Jones, John & Connie Keating, Nadine Keway, Thelma Kidd, Helen Leece, Shirley Jean Long, Rev. Dick Nelson, Wayne & Jean Peterson, Lynn Richter, Lou & Linda Seling, Jeannine Shearer, Don & Marilyn Smith, Kim Stephens, Steve Szabo, Norm & Terry Tick, Roberta Trayer, Dave Warner, David Wiley, Marjorie Wiley, Owen Wismer, Krystal Wingett, Virginia Woods, Jim Worthington, Bob Young.

**We share our love and concern:** Our Armed Service and support personnel: Aaron Butora; Chris Kummeerl (Mandy Meucci); Bradley Weber, Alex Weber, Bradley & Tom Weber, Jason Eaves (Marilyn Schulze); Justin Philpot; Christopher & Nicholas Vogler (Del & Carol Brown).

**also in our prayers are:** Stephanie Williams (Carol Becker); Finn Family (Nancy Bright); Bonnie Fong (Annie Chachich); Bonnie Cleasby, Mary Ford, Noah McKeachie, Chuck Cole (Virla Cleasby); Konrad Dobrott (Joan Cole); Carol Hess Kalensky, Nancy Abney, Dale & Eva Weber (DeRousse); Lavell Caomie (Karen DeRousse); Carole Schachinger, Lindsay Brownfield (Cindy Edwards); Cheryl Troper (Evelyn Edwards); Henry Staciewicz (Marsha Fante); Mary Forbing (Hanne

Forbing); Bonnie Weirick, Mason Carter (Barb Harris); Lavelle Croney (Pam Haab); Bev Krey, Bernice Malone (Jane Ives); Penny Leverenz, Angela Gerbeck, Gary McGowan (Jill Jones); Barbara Moore, Char Myers, (Nadine Keway); Joe Putch (Madonna Putch); Ken Brown, Steve Rockey (Grace Rockey); Mike Desnoyers (David & Ann Rogers); Roy Muterspaugh, Pat Pettus (Pat Scott); Earl Worthington (Jim Worthington).

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Do you enjoy daily scripture readings? Word of the day? A daily puzzle? Perhaps a daily dose of inspiration is for you! Visit, read, and enjoy!  
<https://dailysparks365.wordpress.com/> From Lisa Head.



TECH TEAM CORNER-----

- 1/3 Switcher: Chuck Charter; Projection: Larry Cottrell; Sound: Sean Martin; Cameras: Bruce Jensen, Emmet Morse
- 1 /10 Switcher: Ole Anderson Projection: Sue Klopfer Sound: Chuck Charter; Cameras: Tracey Barney, Max Thompson
- 1 /17 Switcher: Max Thompson Projection: Bruce Jensen; Sound: Sean Martin; Cameras: Karen Bolley, Larry Cottrell
- 1 /24 Switcher: Max Thompson Projection: Chuck Charter; Sound: Sean Martin; Cameras: Bruce Jensen, Tracey Barney
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HELP IS NEEDED WITH THE VIDEO TEAM!! There are a few doing many things !!! There is a DESPERATE need of more help.



COFFEE HOUR HELP NEEDED!

There is no church group that sponsors the first Sunday of the month Coffee Hour OR the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Coffee Hour!!

If we can get a few families who would sponsor the first Sundays and/or the 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays we will have Coffee Hours (there are four months in 2016 with 5 Sundays)..

If not - we will simply have coffee and juice on those Sundays.

If you can help - please sign up on your Information Slip or call church office.

THANK YOU for all the prayers, calls, cards and bulletins during my recent illness.

Dorothy Drussel



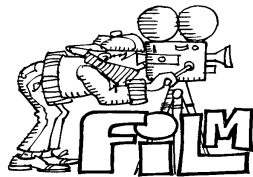
The need continues for **FOOD STAPLES!** There are many going without food as they struggle to pay utilities and rent **AND** the need is **GROWING!**

There are **HUGE** utility bills and those living on the 'edge' financially are not able to make ends meet. Any type of assistance is always appreciated!



#### SENIOR HIGH CHAT GROUP

The Chat Group continues on Saturday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 - 2:00 pm. We discuss issues of the day, have fun, eat and will plan for various outings. All H.S. students are welcome!



#### **FREE MOVIE NIGHT**

Usually the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month a free movie is

presented at 7:00 pm.. If you have any ideas of a movie to be shared by the whole family - please contact Emmet Morse!



#### MEN'S FOOD & FELLOWSHIP!!!

The Men will be meeting as usual January 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. **ALL MEN** are invited to this monthly Potluck!

Those with last names beginning with A-I please bring a salad; J-Q a meat dish; and R-Z a dessert. Be sure to sign up on your Information Slip. Please check with Emmet Morse for more information....and thanks to all of you for doing the Hanging of the Greens supper!



#### TO OUR SNOW BIRDS!

Please get to the church office address changes - before you depart or let us know when you are leaving if just for a few weeks. If you have your mail stopped, the post office returns the Parish Caller to us and charges us up to \$1.22 per return!!!!

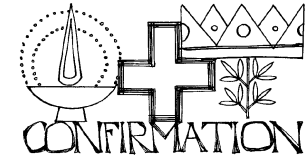
This has gotten expensive! Just include on your Information Slip or call the church office with address changes and dates you will leave and return. Many thanks!

The  
Mitten Tree



The Tree will stay up through the cold months. As items gather on the tree the mittens, gloves, scarves and hats are taken to help agencies in the area - The need will continue up to spring!

The monthly **CRAFT GROUP** is continuing to meet the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm. The ladies meet to share ideas, hand work and fellowship. All are invited.



**Confirmation continues!** The students meet with Pastor usually on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month at 10:30 am. Please contact Pastor if your youth has not yet been through the confirmation classes.

#### WALK FOR WARMTH —

Walkers from Christ Lutheran (The Holy Strollers) will be walking Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at

Great Lakes Crossing

Registration is at 8:00 am

Walk begins at 9:00 am

This event is sponsored by the Community & Global Ministry There are pledge forms in the fellowship area!

You can donate to the team on-line at <http://www.walkforwarmth/>

100% of proceeds benefit our friends and neighbors facing heating emergencies in Oakland County.

**"We are sure you have heard the plea for HELP on the Video Team!"**

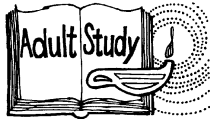
The need is great and will be getting worse as we have 'snow-birds' leaving during the winter months.

We have just a few people trying to hold everything together and having lost a couple of members, the need is even greater.

Please consider at least trying a part of the team. You will be **TRAINED** in any portion that sounds interesting.

BOTTLE & CANS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Help build our Youth Scholarship Fund by dropping off your bottles & cans in the box located at the back entry way of the church. These funds are used to help our youth attend special events as well as supporting those seeking higher education.

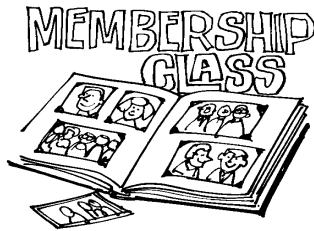


The Adult Discussion Group will begin again in January!

All are invited to join in these discussions on a variety of topics.

STYROFOAM RECYCLING

We all know that styrofoam takes next to FOREVER to break down in the landfills. A second drop-off has been discovered which is closer than Eastern Market. If you can assist with styrofoam drop-off, please contact the church office.



NEW MEMBER MEETINGS

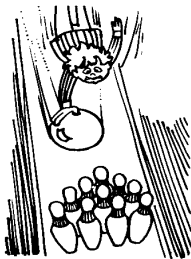
If you are interested in joining Christ Lutheran or just would like more information -  
Tuesdays, January 5<sup>th</sup> & 12  
at 7:00 pm.

New members will be welcomed  
Sunday, January 17 at the  
10:00 am Service.

A Welcome Dinner for new  
members and staff will Tuesday,  
January 19<sup>th</sup>



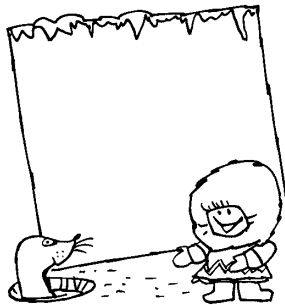
**January 6**  
**The manifestation of Christ**  
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We will be  
BOWLING on  
Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup> -  
6:00 at Cherry Hill  
Lanes in Clarkston.

The cost is \$10 for two  
games - pizza & pop.

Please see Emmet Morse if you have an  
questions.



Let's get out of the deep freeze and  
have a great evening playing Bunco!

All are invited to come on Saturday,  
January 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. Please bring a  
snack to share and have an evening of  
fun & fellowship!

You don't need to know how to play!  
It's easy to learn and we'll who you  
how that night. Be sure to sign up on  
your Information Slip.



Our Congregational Meeting is scheduled for  
Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup> following the worship  
service. There will be a light meal prior to the  
meeting - be sure to sign up so we have an accurate  
count.

We will review the Annual Reports and update the  
happenings at Christ Lutheran.



The 2016 FLOWER CHART & ETERNAL LIGHT  
CHARTS are posted at church.

The Altar Flowers are still \$20 per week and the  
Eternal Light is still \$8. There are several OPEN  
Sundays on both charts.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div>Christ Lutheran Church</div> <div>5987 Williams Lake Road</div> <div>Waterford, MI 48329</div> <div>248-673-7331 (Phone &amp; Fax)</div> <div>info@christwaterford.org</div> <div>January</div>					1	2
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Christmas 10:00 am Worship Service 10:10 am Sunday Alive!	4	5 6:30 pm Craft Group 7:00 New Member Gathering 7:00 pm Bible Study	6 Epiphany of Our Lord 7:00 pm Rock Club 8:00 pm AA	7 10:00 am WELCA 6:30 pm TOPS 7:30 pm Chancel Choir	8	9 10:30 am Confirmation 12:30 pm HS Chat Group 1-4:00 Rock Club 8:00 pm AA
Baptism of Our Lord 10:00 am Worship Service 10:10 am Sunday Alive! 4:00 pm Pastor's Gathering	11 6:30 pm Brownies 7:00 pm Church Council	12 9:00 am Quilting 7:00 New Member Gathering 7:00 pm Bible Study	13 6:00 pm SCSA 8:00 pm AA	14 6:30 pm TOPS 7:30 pm Chancel Choir	15 7:00 pm - FREE Movie	16 1-4:00 Rock Club ???? Bunco 8:00 pm AA
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany 10:00 am Worship Service - New Member Recognition 10:10 am Sunday Alive! 6:30 pm Adult Discussion	18 6:30 pm Men's Food & Fellowship	19 6:30 pm New Member Supper 7:00 pm Bible Study	20 8:00 pm AA	21 6:30 pm TOPS 7:30 pm Chancel Choir	22	23 10:30 am Confirmation 1-4:00 Rock Club 8:00 pm AA
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany 10:00 am Worship Luncheon & Congregation Meeting after Worship 10:10 am Sunday Alive!	25 <hr/> 31 6:00 pm Bowling	26 9:00 am Quilting 7:00 pm Bible Study	27 6:00 pm SCSA 8:00 pm AA	28 6:30 pm TOPS 7:30 pm Chancel Choir	29	30 12-5:00 pm Cub Scouts 1-4:00 Rock Club 8:00 pm AA
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany						