
THE PARISH CALLER

Where CLC also stands for A Caring and Loving Community!

ADVENT SEASON BEGINS

***Light One Candle for the Gifts of
Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love***

The four Sundays of Advent prepare us for the coming of the Lord especially at Christmas but also at the end of time. Each Sunday we light another candle for the gifts that this special season brings. Join us each Sunday to prepare for the One who comes as the Light of the world.

SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

Sunday, December 13th, 10:00am

What better way to herald the Christmas season then through word and song. Join us for this festive Sunday as the Christmas story is proclaimed from Old Testament through the New, and with choir anthems, bells, and song. Invite family and friends to be a part of this joyous presentation of the season that will also includes familiar Christmas carols and Holy Communion.

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICES

Thursday, December 24th, 2015

7:00pm Service includes Children's Christmas Message

10:30pm Service of Candlelight and Holy Communion

"O, Come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!" with these words of the familiar Christmas carol we join in celebration of the birth of our Lord. Christmas celebrates God coming into the world in human form, bringing a message of hope, peace, joy, and love for all that nothing in this world can overcome. Be with us for one of these meaningful services and may you find the Christ child to be reborn in you.

HANGING OF THE GREENS – WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2ND

6:15 – Light Supper 7:00pm - Decorations

DECEMBER
BIRTHDAYS

- 12/1 Nadine Keway
- 12/2 Kurt Barney
Kristin Davis
Judi Windeler
- 12/4 Ingrid Crandell
Vickie Hill
- 12/5 Donna Butora
Marsha Fante
Robin Hansen
Makayla Villanueza
- 12/7 Cori Roberts
Jim Robertson
- 12/8 Jaclyn Nancekivell
- 12/9 Robin Davis
- 12/10 Ashtin Davis
Peyton Pollard
Steve Szabo
- 12/11 John Barnfather
- 12/12 Karen Kush
- 12/13 Joyce Hillert
- 12/14 Steve Cooperrider
- 12/18 Aliisa Mason
Pat Scott
- 12/19 Ashlynn Anderson
Bella Catenacci
- 12/21 Erwin Klopfer
- 12/24 Maxine Andrews
- 12/26 Marilyn Smith

- 12/28 Cathy Roller
- 12/29 Barb Harris
- 12/30 Dick Nelson
- 12/31 Rick Kugler

DECEMBER
ANNIVERSARIES

- 12/11 Richard & Kathy Reddeman
- 12/14 Henry & Virginia Woods
- 12/19 Don & Annette Drussel
- 12/21 Bob & Judy Bates



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!

Below are the Servants for the month of **December 2015** 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 **January, 2016** has been included to help you with scheduling.

LAY ASSISTANTS

- 12/6 Joan Rathbun
- 12/13 Lessons & Carols - Chancel Choir
- 12/20 Dave Warner
- 12/27 Ole Anderson
- 12/3 Bob Bates

USHERS

- 12/6 Roland Jakel, Pat Scott
Beth Brown & Pam Haab
- 12/13 John Barnfather & Evelyn Edwards
Steve & Marsha Fante
- 12/20 Rita Bergsrud & Jacen Schnitzer
Gerry Cleasby & Dave Rogers
- 12/27 Jake Jakel & Jeff Swanson
Jerry & Carole Scrivo
- 1/3 Bill & Barb DeRousse
Ron & Kris Goetze

COUNTERS

- Bob* & Millicent Frick
- Gerry Cleasby & Julie Zarembo

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

- 12/6 Tina Catenacci, Evelyn Edwards
Marsha Fante
- 12/13 Debbie Barnowsky & Donna Butora
Char Charter & Jane Ives
- 12/20 Joan Rathbun, Jill Nancekivell,
Julie Zarembo
- 12/27 Gil Bergsrud, Mary Bratun,,
Barb Harris, Mary Russell
- 1/3 Beth Brown, Erwin & Sue Klopfer

ALTAR

- Char Charter, Jane Ives
Pam Haab

COFFEE HOURS

- 12/6 Volunteers Needed
- 12/13 Church Council - Team 2
- 12/20 Women of the Church - Julie Zarembo, Chair
- 12/27 Men's Group
- 1/3 Volunteers Needed

GREETERS

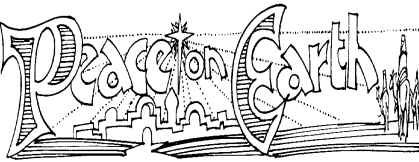
- 12/6 Mark & Karen Kush
Madelyn Stobbe & Virginia Woods
- 12/13 Bill & Barb DeRousse
Bob & Millicent Frick
- 12/20 Steve & Marsha Fante
Hanne & Riane Forbing
- 12/27 Ron & Kris Goetze
Fran Hackewicz & Laura Peters
- 12/3 Jake & Joanne Jakel
Jim & Nadine Keway

NURSERY

- 12/6 Trudi & Mark Koskinen
- 12/13 TBA
- 12/20 Vicki Hill
- 12/27 TBA
- 1/3 TBA

ACOLYTES

- 12/6 Arielle Head
- 12/13 Hope Combs
- 12/20 Abie Pennington
- 12/27 Hailey Walsh
- 1/3 Arielle Head



SERVANTS are needed for Christmas Eve Services - 7:00 & 10:30 pm. NEEDED are Acolytes - Lay Assistants - Communion Assistants - Greeters & Ushers. Call the church office or sign up on your Information Slip.

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, Erwin Klopfer, 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, Owen Wismer, Marjorie Wiley, 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, Taylor Fyhrlund (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); Chris LaBarge, Elsa Hughes (Sue Klopfer); Chad Carr, family of Katie Tardiff (Shirla Kugler); Kitty Bailey, Ruth Jackson, Wendy Spence (Ruth Korhonen); Cynthia Chyz (Tina Mitchell); Joe Putch (Madonna Putch); Ken Brown, Steve Rockey (Grace Rockey); Mike Desnoyers (David & Ann Rogers); Jodie Taylor, Penny Schreiber, Caroline Cascini, Quinn Hudson (Jamie Schutt); Roy Muterspaugh, Pat Pettus (Pat Scott); Karl Martin Sjogren (Dorothy Sjogren); Scott Thompson (Barb Thompson), Jerry Vallad (Jackie Urbaniak); 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-----

- 12/6

Switcher: Chuck Charter,
Projection: Dave Warner; Sound: Sean Martin; Cameras: Tracey Barney, Max Thompson
- 12/13

Switcher: Max Thompson
Projection: Sue Klopfer
Sound: Chuck Charter; Cameras: Karen Bolley, Bruce Jensen
- 12/20

Switcher: Ole Anderson
Projection: Dave Warner; Sound: Sean Martin;
Cameras: Tracey Barney, Emmet Morse
- 12/27

Switcher: Dave Warner
Projection: Chuck Charter;
Sound: Sean Martin; Cameras: Karen Bolley, Larry Cottrell
- 1/3

Switcher: Chuck Charter;
Projection: Larry Cottrell;
Sound: George Leinonen;
Cameras: Bruce Jensen, Emmet Morse



WELCA - Women of the Evangelical Lutheran

Church in America — continues. Please try to join the women as they plan their activities for the upcoming year - **ALL WOMEN** of the church are members!

By mid-December the annual **THANKOFFERING** which is used by the national church for a variety of needs around the world will be collected. This project usually is done through the year with collection in December.

There will be no meeting at the church in December. All women are invited to Pete’s Coney Island (on Waterford Hill), December 3 at 9:30 am for BREAKFAST. Call the church office or indicate on your Information Slip if you will be coming to breakfast.

HELP IS NEEDED WITH THE VIDEO TEAM!! There are a few doing many things !!! There is a DESPERATE need of more help.

We will be ordering POINSETTIAS for Christmas again this year from Bogie Lake Greenhouse. The cost is \$10 per plant. There are envelopes on the center table in the sanctuary. Please be sure to include in whose memory and/or special event you would like included in the Christmas Eve Bulletin.

**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.



The CHANCEL CHOIR will present on December 13 a service of Lessons and Carols at 10:00 am. The Christmas story from the Old and New Testaments with music and readings. Invite family and friends to this joyous presentation.

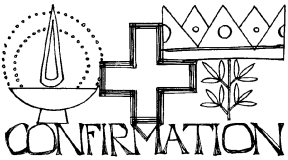


A huge thank you to everyone for the prayers, cards and calls before, during and after my procedure - all went FANTASTIC!

Thanks again,
Erwin Klopfer



The monthly **CRAFT GROUP** is starting up December 1 at 6:30 pm. The first Tuesday of each month the ladies meet to share ideas, hand work and fellowship.



Confirmation continues! The students meet with Pastor usually on the 2nd & 4th Saturday of each month at 10:30 am. Please contact Pastor if your youth has not yet been through the confirmation classes. BUT in December confirmation will meet ONLY on December 12th.

**PLEASE SUPPORT OUR
YOUTH FUNDRAISING**

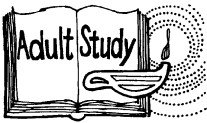
Tuesday, December 1st 5:00-
8:00 pm
at Pete’s Coney on Dixie -
“Waterford Hill”

All tips go to support the youth
and their program.

All are encouraged to support
our youth!

**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
NOT be meeting in December!

**In Loving Memory
RENA KATHRYN KOSKELA
1920 – 2015**

Rena was born on June 10, 1920, in West Frankfort, IL. She was baptized into the Christian faith on March 21, 1951. Rena became a member here on May 5, 1968 and was very active within the Women’s Group and Yard Sales. For a time she worked as a “rosie-the-riveter” at the GM Foundry Plant in Pontiac. She is survived by her son David (Katy) Koskela, three grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her husband, John, in 1981, and also her son, Michael, in 1968. In recent years she lived at various care facilities. She loved cooking, baking, and crafts. Rena departed this life entering God’s eternal rest on November 9, 2015. We thank God for the blessing she was to this congregation, and may God give comfort to her family.

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.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Christ Lutheran Church 5987 Williams Lake Road Waterford, MI 48329 248-673-7331 (Phone & Fax) info@christwaterford.org		1 5-8:00 pm Youth Fundraiser at Pete's 6:30 pm Craft Night	2 6:15 pm Supper 7:00 pm Hanging of the Greens 8:00 pm AA	3 9:30 am WELCA Breakfast at Pete's 7:30 pm Chancel Choir 6:30 pm TOPS	4 10:00 am TEFAP Food Delivery Youth Event in Troy	5 1-4:00 pm Rock Club Beading 8:00 pm AA Meeting
2nd Sunday of Advent 6 10:00 am Communion Worship Service 10:10 am Sunday Alive	7	8 9:00 am Quilting	9 SCSA at CAI 6:30 pm Rock Club Banquet	10 12:00 noon Historical Society Luncheon 7:30 pm Chancel Choir 6:30 TOPS	11 7:00 pm Gingerbread House Project	12 10:30 am Confirmation 12:30 pm HS Chat Group 8:00 pm AA Meeting
3rd Sunday of Advent 13 10:00 am Service of Lessons & Carols- 10:10 am Sunday Alive	14 6:30 pm Church Council	15	16 SCSA Christmas Party 8:00 pm AA	17 7:30 pm Chancel Choir 6:30 TOPS	18	19 8:00 pm AA Meeting
4th Sunday of Advent 20 10:00 am Communion Worship 10:10 am Sunday Alive	21	22 9:00 am Quilting	23 8:00 pm AA	24 Christmas Eve Services 7:00 & 10:30 pm	25 MERRY CHRISTMAS	26 8:00 pm AA Meeting
1st Sunday of Advent 27 10:00 am Worship Service 10:10 am Sunday Alive	28 YOUTH	29 GATHERING	30 8:00 pm AA	31 7:30 pm Chancel Choir 6:30 pm TOPS	