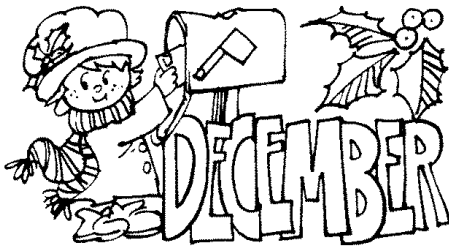


THE PARISH CALLER

Christ Lutheran Church
5987 Williams Lake Road
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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED



2016

<u>SUNDAY WORSHIP</u> 10:00 AM <u>SCS SCHOOL</u> Sunday Alive! 10:10 am September-May	<u>OUR CHURCH STAFF</u> Pastor Rev. John Negele Secretary Kerri Kinneberg Treasurer Karen Kush Bookkeeper Chuck Charter Custodians Dave & Wendy Kane Minister of Music George Jonte-Crane	<u>MONDAYS</u> Council 7:00 pm (2 nd Monday) Men’s Group 6:30 pm (3 rd Monday)
<u>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL</u> TBA	<u>OFFICE HOURS</u> MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:00am - 3:00pm	<u>WELCA</u> Quilting 9:00 am (2 nd & 4 th Tuesdays) September-May WELCA Study 1 st Thursday of the month September-May
<u>Church’s e-mail</u> info@christwaterford.org <u>Web Site</u> christwaterford.org	PH:248-673-7331 FAX: 248-673-7331 Pastor’s E-mail: revjohnneg@christwaterford.org Church E-mail: info@christwaterford.org	<u>CHOIR REHEARSALS</u> Each Thursday September-May Chancel Choir 7:30 pm

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Where CLC also stands for A Caring and Loving Community!

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS SERVICES AND EVENTS

Christmas Eve Services – Saturday, Dec. 24th
7:00pm – Candlelight Service with Children’s Message
10:30pm – Candlelight Service
Oh, come all ye faithful and join us for one of our festive Christmas Eve Services. Both are candlelight services with Holy Communion. The 7:00pm service will also have a special Christmas message for children. The services are filled with familiar Christmas carols and special music from our choir and bells.

Christmas Day Service – Sunday, Dec. 25th, 10:00am
A Service or Carols and Readings
On Christmas Day we continue to celebrate the birth of our Lord. Join us Christmas morning and hear the wonderful Christmas once again story through scripture and song. Once all the gifts have been unwrapped, join us this day as a special reminder of the meaning of the season.

Youth Sunday – Christmas Craft Party
Sunday, December 4th, 10:00am
The youth will be leading our worship service this Sunday and help us prepare for the Christmas season through special messages. Come, support our youth.
Following the service we invite you to join us in the lower level for a Christmas Craft Party which will have something for the whole family to enjoy. Various crafts will be made and a light lunch provided. Be sure to sign-up for this event on your Sunday info slips.

ADVENT USHERS IN CHRISTMAS SEASON
Advent Begins Sunday, November 27th
“Advent” means “coming.” It prepares us for the One who comes at Christmas and the One who is with us at the end of all time. Sometimes in the midst of all the Christmas events, Advent is a forgotten season. We invite you to join us for the four Sundays of Advent as we light the candles on the Advent Wreath representing God’s gifts of Hope, Peace, Joy and Love.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 12/1 Nadine Keway
Vera Martin
- 12/2 Kurtis Barney
Kristin Davis
Judy Windler
- 12/4 Vickie Hill
- 12/5 Donna Butora
Marsha Fante
Robin Hansen
Makayla Villanueva
- 12/7 Cori Robertson
- 12/8 Jacklyn Nancekivell
- 12/9 Robin Davis
Adam Floyed
- 12/10 Ashtin Davis
Peyton Pollard
Steve Szabo
- 12/11 John Barnfather
- 12/12 Karen Kush
- 12/13 Joyce Hillart
- 12/14 Steve Cooperrider
Janet Ragatz
- 12/15 Timothy Schneider
Darrell Taylor
- 12/17 Kristin Khalifa
- 12/18 Aliisa Mason
Cynthia Schoensee
Particia Scott
- 12/19 Ashlynn Anderson
Isabella Catenacci

- 12/21 Erwin Klopfer
- 12/22 Kim Arnold
- 12/24 Kyle Roberts
Andrea Warner
- 12/26 Marilyn Smith
- 12/28 Annette Familoe
Catherine Roller
- 12/29 Carrie Floyed
Barbara Harris
- 12/30 Edna Leach
- 12/31 Rick Kugler

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 12/14 Henry & Virginia Woods
- 12/19 Don & Annette Drussell
- 12/21 Bob & Judy Bates

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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

Below are the servants for the month of **December 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 **January, 2017** has been included to help you with scheduling.

LAY ASSISTANTS

- 12/4 Chloe Anderson, Arielle Head
- 12/11 Erwin Klopfer
- 12/18 Julie Zaremba
- 12/25 Volunteers needed
- 1/1 Erwin Klopfer

USHERS

- 12/4 Bella Catenacci, Arielle Head
Sean Martin, Abie Pennington
- 12/11 Evelyn Edwards, Jill Nancekivell
Ron & Kris Goetze
- 12/18 Bruce & Linda Jensen
Deanna Mitchell, Jeff Swanson
- 12/25 Volunteers needed

- 1/1 Volunteers needed

COUNTERS

Bob Bates*, Joan Rathbun,
Pam Haab, Dale Folsom

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

- 12/4 Ava Farquhar, Hailey Walsh,
Linda Greiser
- 12/11 Hanne & Riane Forbing
Cindy Edwards, Phyllis Folsom
- 12/18 Gil Bersrud, Marsha Fante,
Barbara Harris
- 12/25 Volunteers needed

- 1/1 Volunteers needed

ALTAR

Char Charter, Pam Haab
Jane Ives

COFFEE HOURS

- 12/4 volunteers are needed!
- 12/11 Church Council - Team 1
- 12/18 Women of the Church – Julie Zaremba
- 12/25 Men of the Church
- 1/1 volunteers are needed!

GREETERS

- 12/4 Chloe Anderson, Ava Farquhar
Lorraine and Hailey Walsh
- 12/11 Grace Rockey, Linda Martin,
Steve & Lois Szabo
- 12/18 Jerry & Carole Scrivo
Fran Hackewicz. Laura Peters
- 12/25 Volunteers needed

- 1/1 Volunteers needed

NURSERY

- 12/4 TBA
- 12/11 TBA
- 12/18 TBA
- 12/25 TBA
- 1/1 TBA

ACOLYTES

- 12/4 Hailey Walsh
- 12/11 Joe Jolet
- 12/18 Gabe McGugan
- 12/25 Abie Pennington
- 1/1 Arielle Head

DIABETIC DONATIONS

- 12/4 Terry Young
- 12/11 Karen Kush
- 12/18 Tom Armstrong
- 12/25 Rita Bergsrud
- 1/1 Cindy Edwards

SERVANTS are needed for both Christmas Eve Services - 7:00 & 10:30 pm and for Christmas Day and New Year’s Day. We need Acolytes - 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 Friends and Family of Christine Reynolds, Tom & Myrna Armstrong, Judy Bates, Rita Bergsrud, Karen Bolley, Bill Bright, Del Brown, Dennis Brown, Beth Brown, Craig Butora, Annie Chachich, Chuck Charter, Gerry Cleasby, Karen DeRousse, Valna Dow, Dorothy Drussel, Julie Ehrmann, Fran Hackewicz, Pam Haab, Lisa Head, Riane Forbing, Janan Horne, Jane Ives, Jake & Joanne Jakel, John & Connie Keating, Jim & Nadine Keway, Thelma Kidd, Mark Kush, Stan Larkin, Helen Leece, Yvonne Lowe, Pastor Wayne & Jean Peterson, Lynn Richter, Lou Seling, Jeannine Shearer, Tom Skirke, Don & Marilyn Smith, Inez Stieve, Madelyn Stobbe, Steve & Lois Szabo, Barb & Scott Thompson, Norm & Terry Tick, Roberta Trayer, Jackie Urbaniak, Marjorie Wiley, Krystal Wingett, Owen Wismer, Virginia Woods, James Worthington.

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); Robert Michael Young (Terry Young).

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Also in our prayers are:
Joey Rayner, Friends & Family of Frank Millmine, Travis Fante (Marsha Fante); John Matos (Jane Ives); Joseph Romano (George Jonte-Crane); Monica Rose, Julianne Gordon (Cindy Edwards & Chuck Charter); Tom Jeska (Mary Skirke); David Zerilli (Steve Rockey); Jason Wendecker (Jill Jones); Kirk Richter & Family (Lynn Richter); Mary Vollrath (Julie Zarembo)
Suzie Boutorwick (Jill Jones); Norah McKeachie, Chuck Cole (Virla Cleasby); Sandra Walters (Kaye Harrison); Family of Arnold Paul (Beth Brown)

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***Please note:** Names of family & friends need to be updated on a weekly basis to be included in the prayers. Member's names will stay on until the member asks to be removed.*

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: 248-618-1300.

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TECH TEAM CORNER-----

- 12/4 Switcher: Ole Anderson
Projection: Dave Warner
Sound: Chuck Charter;
Cameras: Karen Bolley, Emmet Morse
- 12/11 Switcher: Bruce Jensen
Projection: Max Thompson;
Sound: Sue Klopfer;
Cameras: Larry Cotrell, Tracey Barney
- 12/18 Switcher: Dave Warner
Projection: Ole Anderson;
Sound: Sean Martin;
Cameras: Karen Bolley, Emmet Morse
- 12/25 Switcher: Bruce Jensen;
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- 1/1 Switcher: Ole Anderson
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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. You will be trained.

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./](https://dailysparks365.wordpress.com/)

From Lisa Head



TO OUR SNOW BIRDS!

Before you head out for to escape the cold, please let the church office know your warm weather address, the dates you are leaving and returning. 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 your travel dates and new address on your Information Slip or call the church office. Many thanks!

POINSETTIAS
We are ordering again for Christmas Eve. The cost is \$10 per plant and there are envelopes on the center table in the sanctuary. Please include in whose memory and/or special event you would like included in the Christmas Eve Bulletin. We will be ordering the middle of December to ensure they arrive before Christmas Eve.



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!

The YOUTH GATHERING is Tuesday, December 27th through Friday, December 30th.

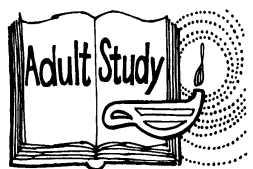


SENIOR HIGH CHAT GROUP

Seniors, we will be going out to Good Samaritan and bag food for distribution on Saturday, December 3rd. Meet at the church at 7:00 am. We will gather for breakfast and chat time afterward.

CONFIRMATION STUDENTS!

The final unit class on the Ten Commandments will be on Saturday, December 10th, at 10:30 am.



The Adult Discussion Group has started! We will not meet in December, but will resume in January.



ABITIBI PAPER RECYCLING NOW ROYAL OAK RECYCLING

We are receiving some finances each month from the paper dumpsters. Please remember to drop off your papers, magazines, etc.

Now we not only help with the environment but receive a small income. Many thanks!

STYROFOAM RECYCLING

We all know that styrofoam takes next to **FOREVER** to break down in the landfills. A second drop-off in Troy has been discovered, which is closer than Eastern Market. If you can assist with styrofoam drop-off, please contact the church office. We are collecting the styrofoam in the storage area to the left of the basement stairs.

KARATE CLASS - will meet each Tuesday and Friday from 6:00 - 7:30 pm. It is open to families of all ages. The cost is \$40 a month with the price dropping for each family member. If interested call the church office. The first month is free for new members

The Evangelical Lutheran Book of Worship New Hymnals

We will continue to take orders for the ELW which is the official service and hymn book of the ELCA. This hymnal will replace both the Lutheran Book of Worship (green book) and the With One Voice (blue book) that are presently in our hymnal racks. We are hoping to purchase 132 of them in order to place one book in each rack.

Hymnals may be dedicated in honor of or in memory of a loved one, or to the glory of God. A dedication plate will be placed in each book as indicated. The enclosed envelope may be used and returned to the church office. Additional envelopes will be available on the table in the fellowship area. Presently there discount on the hymnals at \$22.50 (normally \$28.50) that runs through the end of the year. We will be taking orders through early December and hope to send an order in by mid December. Please make you checks payable to the church for \$22.50 per hymnal.



Family Christmas Craft Party

Sunday, December 4,
following church service
Easy holiday craft projects at 4-6
stations for kids to construct. Children must be accompanied by adult. Lunch will be provided, so please sign up on the Information Sheet. Volunteers are needed! Come and join the fun!



“Hanging of the Greens”

Wednesday, December 7th
Supper at 6:15 pm
Decorating at 7:00 pm

Please be sure to sign up on your Information Slip or call the church office if you plan to attend the supper!



GINGERBREAD HOUSES

Join us on Friday, December 9th at 7:00 pm. This is fun for all ages!! The list of needed items is on the bulletin board by the front entrance.

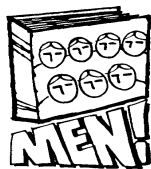
Bring a snack to share if you wish! We can munch while we create!

Please be sure to sign up on your Information Slip or call the church office to sign up!



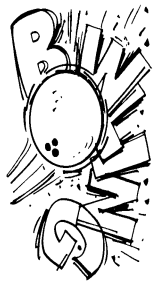
Chancel Choir meets on Thursdays at 7:30 pm evenings. We are looking for new choir members, especially Altos. Come and try it out. We work hard but we have a good time.

Bell Choir we will be starting the bell choir again in January. Rehearsals will be on Thursdays at 6:30 pm.



MEN'S FOOD & FELLOWSHIP

The Men's Group is hosting the Hanging of the Greens this month including a supper for the workers. Please sign up on your information slips so we know how many we are serving.



BOWLING - There will be no bowling in December due to Christmas but will resume in January. Join us for some fun! We bowl every 4th Sunday, 6:00 pm at Cherry Hill Lanes. \$10 per person will cover 2 games of bowling, shoes, pizza and pop.

THE MITTEN TREE is up and ready to be filled. We have some items on it now, but we could always use more. These winter necessary items are sent to care organizations throughout the cold months. Let's help others stay warm this winter! Your help is greatly appreciated



SUNDAY ALIVE

We meet every Sunday during worship. 3yrs - 5th grade are welcome. In addition to SUNDAY ALIVE, there will be a class for 5th and 6th grade on the 2nd Sunday of each month, led by Lisa Head.

Parents - please consider volunteering. Not only will it help the program but you will also be part of the fun we have each Sunday. Helpers are needed for projects and bathroom breaks! - help of any kind is always appreciated!



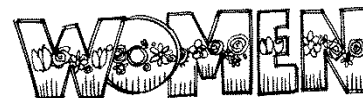
ALTAR GUILD

The Altar Guild is looking for new volunteers. This is open to all members, men and women, who will help to help prepare the Lord's Table for worship service. Teams serve for one month at a time.



Thank you for all the prayers, cards and flower in the loss of my mother. At times like this, it means so much to know others care and share in our loss. We are so blessed to have such a wonderful church family.

Jim and Nadine Keway



WELCA is meeting on December 1st at Pete's Coney for breakfast at 10:00 am. All women of the church are invited. Be sure to sign up on your information slip so we know how many are coming to make reservations.

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.

Forum on Syrian Refugees

Sunday, December 4th at 6:00 pm
Sponsored by the Waterford Ministerial Association
Speakers include representatives from Samaritas and the U. S. Committees for Refugees and Immigrants.
This event is open to the public.

Please remember to be patient and kind with one another. Everyone you meet is fighting a battle you know nothing about, so choose to be kind, always!



Coffee Hour Schedule.

In addition to our regular teams hosting coffee hours, we now also have the Confirmation class hosting the first Sunday of the month starting in **February**. WELCA will host when we have a fifth Sunday. Thank you to all who contribute to our enjoyable fellowship time.

ALSO

Anyone wishing to participate in providing a diabetic-friendly snack for coffee hour, we are starting a new list in January for 2017. Diabetic-friendly foods include fresh veggies and fruits, cheese and meats. Please sign up on your information slip or leave a note for the office.

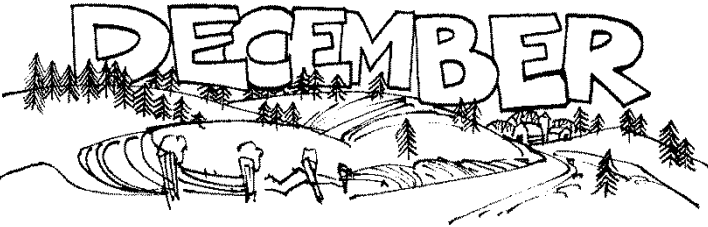


There are still a few cookbooks left! They cost \$10 each. Please see Linda Jensen for more details.

Lisa Head's new book "Got Inspiration; Inspiration Does The Mind Good" is available on Amazon.com

The 2017 Altar Flower & Eternal Light Charts are up. The altar flowers are \$20 per Sunday and the Eternal Light is \$8 per Sunday. Please BE SURE to include in whose memory or honor the flowers and light are given or the special event you wish to include.

December 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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				1 10:00 am WELCA at Pete's Coney 6:00 pm TOPS 6:30 pm Bell Ensemble 7:30 pm Chancel Choir	2 TEFAP Food Distribution 6:00 pm Karate	3 7:00 am TEFAP Food Distribution 10:30 am Senior Chat Rehearsal for Youth Sunday 1:00-4:00 pm Beading Group 8:00 pm AA
2nd Sunday in Advent 4 10:00 am Communion Worship Youth Sunday 10:15 am Sunday School 11:30 am Family Christmas Crafts 6:00 pm Forum on Syrian Refugees	5	6 6:00 pm Karate 7:00 pm New Member Meeting	7 6:00 pm Hanging of the Greens 7:00 pm SCSA Jingle Bell Ball at CAI 8:00 pm AA	8 12:00 pm Waterford Historical Society Luncheon 6:00 pm TOPS 6:30 pm Bell Ensemble 7:30 pm Chancel Choir	9 6:00 pm Karate 7:00 pm Gingerbread Houses	10 10:30 Confirmation Class 1:00-4:00 pm Beading Group 8:00 pm AA
3rd Sunday in Advent 11 10:00 am Communion Worship New Members Received 10:15 am Sunday School Noisy Offering 10:15 am 5 th / 6 th grade Sunday School 11:15 Worship & Music meeting	12 7:00 pm Church Council	13 9:00 am Quilt 6:00 pm Karate	14 7:00 pm Rock Club Banquet 8:00 pm AA	15 6:00 pm TOPS 6:30 pm Bell Ensemble 7:30 pm Chancel Choir	16 6:00 pm Karate	17 1:00-4:00 pm Beading Group 8:00 pm AA
4 th Sunday in Advent 18 10:00 am Communion Worship 10:15 Sun School	19 6:30 pm Men's Food & Fellowship	20 6:00 pm Karate	21 8:00 pm AA	22 6:00 pm TOPS 6:30 pm Bell Ensemble 7:30 pm Chancel Choir	23 6:00 pm Karate	24 CHRISTMAS EVE 7:00 pm Early Service 8:00 pm AA 10:30 pm Late Service
CHRISTMAS DAY 25 10:00 am Communion Worship No Sunday School	26	27 Youth Gathering 6:00 pm Karate	28 Youth Gathering 8:00 pm AA	29 Youth Gathering	30 Youth Gathering 6:00 pm Karate	31 8:00 pm AA