

January 2021



# CHRIST TODAY

A monthly newsletter for the friends and members of Christ Lutheran Church, NALC/LCMC

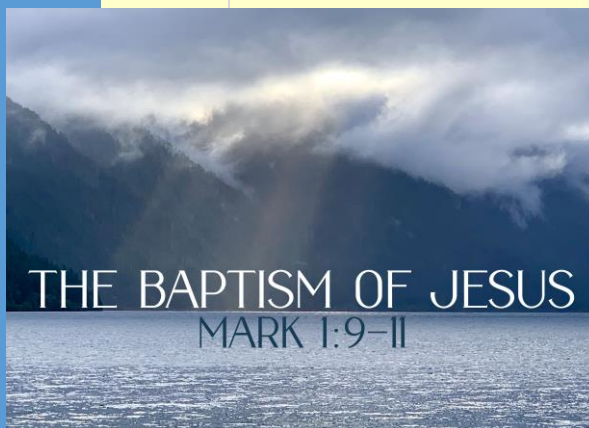
## Special Sundays in January



### Sunday, January 3-

10 a.m. Epiphany Sunday  
With Holy Communion.

Come let us fall to our knees  
Come let us worship the King!



### Sunday, January 10-

10:00 a.m. Baptism of our Lord  
with Holy Communion.  
12:00 p.m.

Confirmation Sunday /  
Baptism of our Lord with  
Holy Communion

Let us worship together to  
thank our Lord God for the  
gift of Jesus' baptism, when  
He claimed us, as He  
claimed Jesus, as His beloved.



## Annual Congregational Meeting~ January 31

The meeting will be held after the

**10:00 a.m. Worship Service**

Update from the Transition Team

**Voting on ....NEW**

**Council** The CLC Annual Reports will be available  
mid-January

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Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00– 4:00

## Executive Council and Staff

The Rev. Daniel Cave, Pastor  
 Keith VanDeKerkhove, President  
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 Chris Wade, Treasurer  
 David Dietz, Secretary  
 Jamie Centner, Business Director  
 Wesley Fishwick, Director of Music  
 Tammy Lozen, Office Administrator

## Newsletter / Website

Tammy Lozen

## Called To Glory

Since the time of our last church newsletter, one of our members has departed from this earthly life and entered into his eternal home.

## Donald Arnold

March 6, 1930 – December 24, 2020

We rejoice that he is safe with the Lord forevermore and we pray that God will comfort his family and friends.

## CHURCH WEATHER POLICY

In case of inclement weather, please check with your group leader or chairperson for cancellation of your scheduled event. Closing of the church building due to severe weather (snow storms...), listen to your local news station. If Warren Consolidated School district is closed, CLC will be closed, including Mid-week evening Services.

**ALL VOTING MEMBERS ARE NEEDED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING, SUNDAY, JANUARY 31st  
 after the 10:00 a.m. Worship**

**Your vote is needed for the 2021 COUNCIL ELECTION  
 C8.02. Members shall be classified as follows:**

... **C. Voting members are confirmed members. Such confirmed members, during the current or preceding calendar year, shall have communed in this congregation and shall have made a contribution of record to this congregation.**

## MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS

### In memory of Norman Wyss

*Gift is undesignated*

**Given by:**

Mr. and Mrs. Michael VanSlembrouck

*Gift is designated to Landscaping*

**Given by:** Martin Knost and Family

### In memory of Ardis Love

*Gift is undesignated*

**Given by:** Gail and David Dietz

### In memory of Linda Fogel

*Gift is designated to Landscaping*

**Given by:** Marjorie Wyss, Marilyn Perron

*Gift is designated to Food Pantry*

**Given by:** Margaret Cawood

### In memory of Erna Forgash

*Gift is undesignated*

**Given by:** Fred and Nancy Hynick

## A WORD FOR THE YEAR

Every January, some people pray and ask God to provide a word for their year ahead. Friends have shared theirs with me, but I was hesitant to embrace the practice myself. I'd love to receive a word like *flourish*; then again, I might be like the friend who heard *health* and then faced many physical challenges that year.

But I tried it for 2020 and heard *prepare*. My first reaction was that the word wasn't very exciting, which possibly confirmed I hadn't orchestrated it. Indeed, 2020 ended up full of significant, unexpected change for our family, with careers, school, church and friends. *Prepare* reminded me that amid chaos, God had prepared me for each moment and continues to prepare me for what's next.

Give it a try! Regardless of the word you receive or what lies ahead, you can trust that God loves you and is ultimately in control for 2021 and beyond.

—Janna Firestone

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE CONFIRMATION CLASS

We welcomed and confirmed our catechism 9<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade Catechism students on Sunday, January 10 at 12:00 p.m.

The following students will be confirmed: Logan Larkey, Anthony Badia, Lucas Centner, Kasie Golema, and Payton Ramsey.

"As you are confirmed. May you always love Jesus as He loves you; Trust in Him, pray to Him, make time for just the two of you. Listen to Him, ask Him, invite Him along. Celebrate with Him, thank Him, and Share His wisdom" Congratulations!

WATCH YOUR  
EMAIL FOR MORE  
INFORMATION  
ABOUT PASTOR  
CAVE'S  
RETIREMENT.  
PASTOR CAVE'S  
LAST SUNDAY IS  
FEBRUARY 7<sup>TH</sup>!



Say Goodbye to  
Our Pastor and Family

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CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH						January 2021	
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	
<h1>Happy New Year!</h1>						1	2
						Church office is Closed	
<b>3</b> <b>Epiphany</b> NAME TAG SUNDAY Communion @ 10:00 a.m.  12:00 p.m. Undecorating the church	 <b>4</b> 9:30 a.m. Prayer group	<b>5</b> THREE DAYS OF PRAYER /facebook LCMC  12:30 p.m. Evangelism Committee meeting 7:00 Special Council Mtg called	<b>6</b> THREE DAYS OF PRAYER /facebook LCMC	<b>7</b> THREE DAYS OF PRAYER /facebook LCMC	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	
<b>10</b> <b>Baptism of our Lord &amp; CONFIRMATION SUNDAY</b> Communion at both 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.	 <b>11</b> 9:30 a.m. Prayer group 7:00 p.m. CLC Genesis Praise Rehearsal	<b>12</b> 7:00 p.m. Executive Mtg	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	
<b>17</b> Communion @ 10:00 a.m.  12:00 p.m. Worship Meeting	<b>18</b> 9:30 a.m. Prayer group	<b>19</b> 12:00 Noon – 2:00 p.m. Daily Bread Food Pantry  7:00 p.m. Council mtg	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	
<b>24</b> Communion @ 10	<b>25</b> 9:30 a.m. Prayer group 7:00 p.m. CLC Praise Rehearsal	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	
<b>31</b> Communion @ 10 11:00 p.m. Congregational Meeting	 Pastor Cave's last Sunday February 7, 2020						





## YOUNG AT HEART AGE 50 PLUS

In 1809, with Napoleon sweeping through Austria, the world was in such upheaval that nobody paid much attention to baby news. Yet during that year, Abraham Lincoln, Oliver Wendell Holmes, Charles Darwin, Alfred Tennyson, Edgar Allen Poe and William Gladstone were born.

Although the attention was on an Austrian battlefield, "history was actually being shaped in the cradles of England and America," writes Charles Swindoll. "Similarly, everyone thought taxation was the big news when Jesus was born. But a young Jewish woman cradled the biggest news of all: the birth of the Savior." -Adapted from *Growing Strong in the Seasons of Life*

## JANUARY Birthdays

David Fehmer	01-01	Ronald Puffpaff	01-17
Wilma Koberstein	01-01	Shirley Mannikko	01-17
Virginia Lobstein	01-01	Carol Coles **	01-20
Robert Schmalenberg+	01-04	Charlene Daniels	01-20
Judith Tokarski	01-08	Marilyn Niehaus+	01-20
Marion Runde	01-10	JoAnn Parobek**	01-20
Allan Busch	01-11	Lee O'Bryan**	01-22
Jean Masters*	01-13	Elinor Burton	01-26
Dorothy Gillette	01-14	Deb Kadluboski**	01-28

Send a card, share a wish to our young at heart 50 + seniors of CLC.

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

\*homebound \*\*Super Senior / currently active in ministry at CLC/  
+ Charter Member

If you are not on the list or information is not posted correctly, contact the church office so the error can be corrected or our files updated. Thank you. Tammy Lozen ©

## JANUARY Anniversaries

### 50 + WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

JANUARY 22

Michael and Patricia  
VanSlembrouck\*\*  
56 years

JANUARY 22

Lee and Nancy O'Bryan\*\*  
50 years

Send a card, share a wish to our young at heart couples of Christ Lutheran Church.

But at the beginning of creation God made them male and female. For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh. So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate. Mark 10: 6-9

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EMPLOYEE NEWSLETTER



**JANUARY 2021**

The CLC Transition Team continued to interview possible Interim Pastor's last month. As this process now enters into January please continue to pray us through!

## THREE DAYS OF PRAYER

**Day One: January 5** -This is a day focused on **confession**. We have made our lives, our relationships—and even the church—in our own image. We confess that the church belongs to Jesus and not to us. We gather to lay down our pride, our sin and our agenda and ask the Lord of the church for forgiveness, which He gives freely and with mercy.

**Day Two: January 6** -This is a day of **petition**. Pray for your congregation, for the pastor, for the leaders, for those who carry out ministries, for the Sunday School teachers, for the Confirmation leaders, for those leading adult Bible studies and for those leading small groups. Pray for those in hospital and nursing home ministries. Pray for all those connected to your church that they might know God's redeeming love for all in Christ.

**Day Three: January 7** -This is a day for **vision**. Pray that the Holy Spirit will again move through the hearts and minds of leaders and pastors that God's vision for His church might be revealed and fulfilled. This is a time of prayer for renewal, revival and encouragement. Pray for God's vision.



**LCMC next annual  
Three Days of  
Prayer takes place  
January 5-7, 2021.**

If you would like to follow along and pray with us during each of the three days, "Like" and follow LCMC [Facebook page](#)

