

# Welcome to Worship

January 5, 2025

*After filling this out, please tear off this entire page and place it in the offering plate.*

*Check the reverse side to sign up for ministry opportunities.*



## Members and Regular Attendees

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



## Guests & Visitors

If you are visiting with us here at Christ Lutheran, we would love to get some information from you!

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please check what applies to you:*

- Just Visiting       I want to be a member of Christ Lutheran.  
 I would like to know more information, please contact me.

Any change in contact info? (Email, address, phone, etc.)



Ministry Opportunities  
to **SERVE & GROW**

*Check all that apply. Newly added items are in **BOLD**.  
If there are multiple people in your family,  
please let us know who is signing up. Thanks!*

**Would you like to receive the Living Lutheran magazine? Circle one: Yes No**

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I'm interested in working on a new mission start in Maize.

Please include the following request to be emailed out to the Prayer Chain:

\_\_\_\_\_

Have a Special Need/Question:

\_\_\_\_\_



Hearing Assistance Available. You can pick up a receiver near the sound booth.



**Men's Bible Study will start back up this Tuesday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:30AM. Happy holidays!**

# Take Home News

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

This Sunday:

Jan 5<sup>th</sup> 9:00am Contemporary Worship  
10:10am Sunday School (All Ages)  
11:00am Traditional Worship  
5:00pm New Mission Start Meeting



Tue 1/7 9:00am Quilters  
10:30am Men's Bible Study



Wed 1/8 11:45am Falcon Fellowship  
6:00pm Book Club  
6:30pm Confirmation



Fri 1/10 6:00pm Council Retreat

Sat 1/11 8:00am Men's Breakfast

Sun 1/12 9:00am Contemporary Worship  
10:10am Sunday School (All Ages)  
11:00am Traditional Worship



## Worship Notes:

- **Communion:** All are welcome to participate & receive the grace of God! The bulletin has further instructions & information.
- **Children:** Young people are always welcome and encouraged to participate as much as possible. There are worship jobs available for the children to do during the service. They can just pick any lanyard & it explains how they can serve today. There are also Activity Bags in the lobby. We have a nursery/cry room available in Room #5 and you can watch the service from a TV in there.
- **Cell phones:** Leave them on, just turn off the ringer.
- **Wi-Fi:** Church Net **Password:** Christmas1225
- **Social Media & Livestream:** Christ Lutheran is on Facebook and we use #CLCWichita. We livestream both of our services each week. Feel free to text, tweet, share, etc. during or after the service to let your friends know what is happening in worship and to invite them to join you next Sunday.
- **Website:** [www.christ-lutheran.org](http://www.christ-lutheran.org) or just scan →
- **To give electronically:** Scan & then scroll down →



## POINSETTIAS

Thank you to everyone who donated poinsettias to decorate our sanctuary this year, including: Jo Doerneman & Audrey Brungardt, the Baden family, Donn & Deborah Bischoff, Juanita Freed, Jim & Mary Garrelts, the Hentzen family, the Gibbs family, Steve & Jeannene Schweitzer, Connie Schlatter, Maynard & Dorothy Peterson, and the Langdon family. You can take your poinsettia(s) home if you haven't already. And a special thank you to Rich Harder for making sure the poinsettias arrived safely and taking care of them so they look great.



**New “Christ In Our Home” daily devotionals are available underneath the bulletin board in the lobby. This free devotional is for the months of January, February & March.**

### 2025 Church Calendar

The 2025 calendar is now hanging on the door to the office room. This calendar acts as our room reservation system (first come, first serve). It is also where Kali gets all the information for the Take Home News & Newsletter calendars. If it isn't written on the big calendar in the office, it won't necessarily get advertised.



If you know the dates for your meetings or ministries for this coming year, please take a few moments to go write them on the big calendar in the office so we can avoid scheduling conflicts next year. Thank you so much!

## Thank You!



I want to thank every one who sent me get well wishes after my shoulder replacement surgery. Also, Pastor Chad's visits! This meant a lot to me.

-Wanda Unruh

Thank you for the very generous Christmas gift! It is such a blessing to serve as Christ Lutheran's pastor. I am very proud of and thankful for the ministry that God has called us to do together. And I'm so thankful for all of you!



~Pastor Chad

Thank you all so very much for the extremely generous Christmas gift! I love being a part of this church. I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and have a very happy new year!

-Kali

## ARTWORK IN HALLWAY

If you get a chance, check out the artwork hanging in the hallway near the front door. Along the wall are pictures of Jesus & Mary from around the world. These pictures show us the diversity of Christianity and reveal the universality of our faith. The one pictured here is an icon from the Ethiopian Orthodox Church. As you look at the various pieces of art, ask yourselves these questions:



- What is unique or special about this picture of Jesus & Mary?
- Is there anything you find comforting or uncomfortable about this piece?
- How does this depiction ring true or untrue to your understanding of the Christmas story?
- What might this artist be trying to communicate through their art?
- What common symbols do you notice in the various pictures?
- Did any of them surprise you?
- Which one is your favorite?
- How do you feel after viewing the variety of images?

# LIVING LUTHERAN MAGAZINE –

## POLL QUESTION

The Living Lutheran magazine has a history that can be traced back to 1818 in various forms as the denominational magazine for us Lutherans in America. In 2023, as a cost-cutting measure, they stopped printing actual magazines (where were mailed out bi-monthly at the time). After a year of an online-only presence, church leadership heard cries from the people to bring back the printed magazine, and so they are listening. In 2025, the Living Lutheran will be a printed magazine again, and sent out quarterly to anyone with a subscription.

It has long been a tradition at Christ Lutheran that we purchase a subscription for each family in our congregation, as a way to stay connected to the greater church and learn what our fellow Lutherans are doing throughout the world. (If we get a congregation-wide subscription, the cost is significantly less.) The cost is minimal, but the Council wanted to gauge interest and see if our members would still like us to do this. Please mark the tear-off with your answer to the question of whether or not you'd like to receive a copy of the Living Lutheran in the future. Thank you!



## New Mission Start in Maize?

There has been some conversation at the local & Synod level about planting new churches. One of the possible locations that is being explored is Maize. We are starting with a small group and would like to potentially design a Sunday evening worship service in Maize, that would hopefully grow into a congregation. If you are curious about this effort and would like to possibly be involved, you are invited to attend our next meeting on Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 here at Christ Lutheran. Please mark the tear-off if you're interested and plan to come to the meeting. Thanks!



## NAMETAG REMINDER

**We have been receiving several visitors recently. Please remember to wear your nametags whenever you are at church. Thanks!**







January

Human Needs Collection  
benefits

those in need of assistance in  
the Wichita area supported by:

Partners for  
Wichita



invites everyone to collect  
personal care items for people in  
need throughout the Wichita area.

We add a blessing and deliver  
bags to organizations and  
agencies that work closely with  
those who are most in need. Bags  
of Blessing from the Heart will be  
distributed by the caring people of  
Partners for Wichita! Together, we  
make a difference!

# *Bags of Blessings From the Heart*



Help us collect "Bags of Blessings" for those in need of assistance in Wichita and surrounding areas.

Fill **gallon sized** zip-lock bags with one each of the following items  
OR you may bring un-bagged individual items!



### Items for each Bag

Soap (bar or liquid)	Lotion	Razor
Shampoo and Conditioner	Deodorant	Comb
Chapstick / Lip balm	Washcloth	Kleenex
Emery board or clippers	Toothpaste	Toothbrush
Shaving Cream	Band-aids (3)	White socks

*We request new, individual/travel size, non-fragrance items for all ages in complete bags.*

***Extra items not in bags and ethnic preference items are welcome.***

Please collect individual items for the Bags of Blessing, or make a complete bag, and leave them on the Human Needs table by **Sunday, January 26th.**

Members of CLC will deliver our donations to the collection site at St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

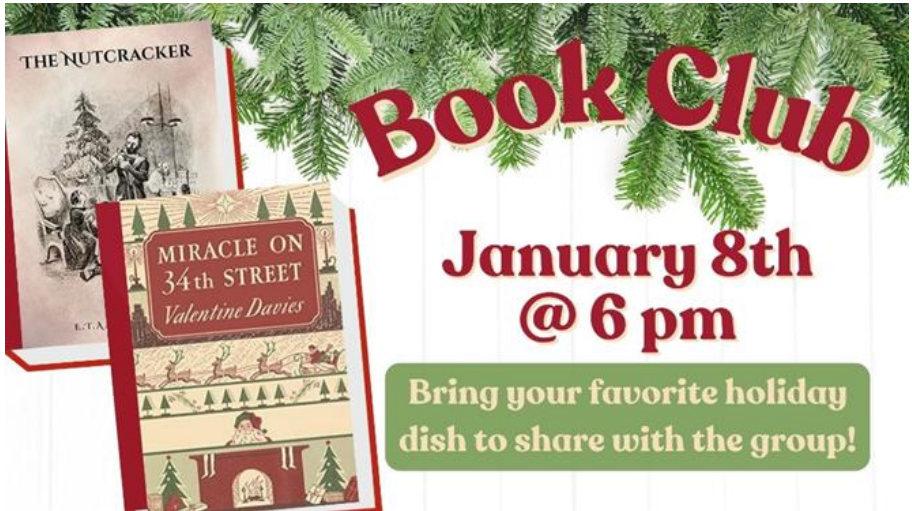
Feel free to take a Bags of Blessing list.

## Get Ready for a Double Dose of Holiday Cheer! Join Our Book Club's Festive Double Feature!

This month, we're diving into two heartwarming holiday classics:

- **Miracle on 34th Street** by Valentine Davies
- **The Nutcracker and the Mouse King** by E.T.A. Hoffmann

Join us on **January 8th at 6:00 pm** for a magical evening of discussion, laughter, and holiday treats. Don't forget to bring your favorite Christmas dish to share!



### **WEEKLY TRIVIA (from John Snow)**

JESUS AND HIS DISCIPLES AND MARY WERE INVITED TO A WEDDING. LOTS OF PEOPLE SHOWED UP AND ABOUT HALF WAY THROUGH THE PROCEEDINGS THEY RAN OUT OF WINE. MARY KNEW THAT JESUS WOULD DO THING.WHAT DID HE DO?? WHAT TOWN WERE THEY IN?



- MADE THE SUN SHINE UNTIL THE PARTY WAS OVER IN JERUSALEM
- JESUS TURNED THE WATER IN SIX STONE JARS INTO WINE IN CANA
- JESUS TOLD JOHN THE BAPTIST TO GIVE A SPEECH IN GALIILEE.

**ANSWER IS IN JOHN 2:1-11**

## WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS FOR NEXT WEEK,

### JANUARY 12:

	<u>EARLY</u>	<u>LATE</u>
Usher	Landon Clouse	Ben Gibbs
Greeter	Justin Clouse	Connie Schlatter
PowerPoint	Andrew Clouse	Casey Dykstra
Soundboard	Jim Garrelts	Courtlynn Dykstra
Worship Leader	Mary Garrelts	Maynard Peterson
Reader	Robin Pressnall	Jean Beal
Goodies	Kari Clouse	Kelsey Helmick
Altar Guild	Janet Miller	Dionne Becker
Counters		Donn & Paul S

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 32

Scripture reading for January 12:

*Luke 3:1-22*

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