

This Week:

<i>Today:</i>	8:00 AM	Worship Coffee Hour – Mission Society
	9:15 AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:30 AM	Worship
<i>Tuesday:</i>	10:00 AM	Pastors Study Club
	6:30 PM	Christ Lutheran Church on Cable TV
<i>Wednesday:</i>	7:00 AM	Stewardship Meeting at Hardware Hank
	12:30 PM	Christ Lutheran on Cable TV
	5:00 PM	Confirmation
	5:30 PM	Advent Supper
	7:00 PM	Advent Worship
	8:00 PM	Choir
<i>Thursday:</i>	6:30 PM	JCM Christmas Program
<i>Saturday:</i>	9:00 AM	Christmas Eve Practice
<i>Sunday:</i>	8:00 AM	Worship and Holy Communion
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COFFEE HOUR: Thank you to the Mission Society for hosting our coffee fellowship this morning.

CLASS: Today will be the last class of the year for Sunday School and adult Bible study. We will resume study between services January 6th.

PREPARATION: Our final service will be this Wednesday at 7:00 PM. The PTF of Samuel will be hosting a BBQ supper prior to the service starting at 5:30. If you would like to donate a pan of bars there is a signup sheet on the table by the bulletin board.

CHILDREN’S CHRISTMAS EVE PRACTICE: Saturday, December 22nd all of the children (PreK-8) will meet at Samuel from 9:00-10:30 AM to rehearse for the Children’s Christmas Eve Service.

CANDY BAGS: There will be a free will offering taken today as you leave. This collection will help off-set the cost of the items used in the children’s Christmas bags given out to every child on Christmas Eve.

CAROLING: The congregation is invited to join the choir this afternoon when we go caroling for our shut-ins. We will meet at church at 2:45 PM and will return to church for refreshments when we are through.

STEWARDSHIP: A reminder that this board meets at 7:00 AM on Tuesday at Hardware Hank.

CAN YOU HELP? On Saturday, December 22nd starting at 9:00 while the children are practicing for their Christmas service the bags of candy need to be filled. This is done in the cafeteria of the school. After that is completed, about 9:45, we will meet at church to transport chairs to school. If you can help with either or both of these projects, it would be appreciated.

GOT YOURS? Time is running out on your chance to purchase a commemorative ornament and apparel. Be sure to stop by the table in the narthex and get yours today.

JCM: Jesus Cares Ministry will hold its Christmas service on Thursday, December 20th starting at 6:30 PM. At this service the JCM participants will be acting out the Christmas story. The Congregation is invited to attend.

BENEFIT: A benefit meal for the Zander family has been scheduled for Sunday, January 13th. Pastor Mark Zander has been experiencing some health issues which caused him to be hospitalized for close to two months. Proceeds from the meal will be used to help with their expenses. More details about the benefit will be forthcoming.

GOD’S GRACE: While God’s people here at Christ Lutheran have given generously during this past year, and we thank and praise God for that, we do predict that we will fall short of making the budget for 2012. With the snow storm last week, giving is down dramatically for the month. It is no secret that the operation of the church relies heavily upon the offerings given in December. So we pray God would open up the hearts of his people that they recognize his goodness and return to him their first fruits.

SNOW REMOVAL: We are asking individuals and families to sign up for snow removal at church and at school. Would you be willing to pick a week or two? Please check out the signup sheets by the bulletin board in the church narthex. Snow blowers and shovels are available at both locations.

SUPPORTING THE WORK OF THE CHURCH LAST WEEK	
\$5434 – Budgeted Offerings ~ <i>Weekly need</i> - \$6205	
\$50 – Mission Offerings ~ <i>Weekly need</i> - \$154	
\$5 – Media Offerings ~ <i>Weekly need</i> - \$90	
\$7 – Debt Reduction Fund	\$10 – Building Improvement Fund
\$482 – Other Receipts	
Budgeted offerings: YTD November ‘12: \$268,653.27	
YTD November ‘11: \$259,682.10	
Annual Budgeted – 2012: \$322,681	

**Third Sunday in Advent
Sunday, December 16, 2012**

Divine Service I

- Opening Hymn #701
- Liturgy page 15 (CWS)
- First Lesson – see insert
- Psalm 130 on page 114
- Second Lesson – see insert
- Gospel Lesson – see insert
- Apostles Creed page 20
- Hymn of the Day #11
- Sermon – Luke 3:7-18
- “Create in Me” page 21
- Offering
- Prayers and Lord’s Prayer
- Hymn #20
- Closing Prayer page 27
- Closing Hymn #21

