## This Week:

Today:	8:00 AM	Worship and Holy Communion
	9:15 AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:30 AM	Worship and Holy Communion
	1:00 PM	Pioneers
	6:00 PM	Adult Information Class
Monday:	7:00 AM	Stewardship Meeting at Hardware Hank
-	12:30 PM	Women's Prayer Group
	7:00 PM	Church Council
Tuesday:	6:30 PM	Christ Lutheran on Cable TV
Wednesday:	12:30 PM	Christ Lutheran on Cable TV
-	6:30 PM	Confirmation Class
	7:30 PM	Choir
Thursday:	4:00 PM	SLS Basketball at Lynd
	6:30 PM	Jesus Cares Ministry
Sunday:	8:00 AM	Worship
	9:15 AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:30 AM	Worship
	1:00 PM	CLYF
	6:00 PM	Adult Information Class

**CLOSE COMMUNION:** The Bible teaches that Holy Communion strengthens faith in Jesus. It also teaches that those who commune without first being instructed concerning it take it to the detriment of their faith. Since we only have first hand knowledge of the instruction received by the members of our synod, we ask that others speak with the pastor before approaching the altar. We ask this out of love for God's Word.

**MEETINGS:** Just a reminder that the stewardship board will meet Monday morning at 7:00 AM at Hardware Hank. Council meets that evening at 7 PM.

**PIONEERS:** We will meet today at 1:00 PM to continue work on the pine derby cars, while enjoying a snack. The group will play kickball in the gym if they finish early.

**CLYF:** We will be meeting on Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup> from 1-3 at Samuel. A reminder to those who are planning to attend the summer trip to the BWCA that your \$50 deposit is due that day. Also, be sure to set aside Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> as we will be hosting our area WELS youth for an afternoon of fun at Samuel. All the 8<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to attend this event in March.

**CALL:** Last Sunday the voters extended a divine call to Miss Hannah Stahl to be our ECC director and lead teacher in our preschool. We pray that God blesses her deliberations.

**LANDSCAPING:** A reminder that now through March 16<sup>th</sup> you have the opportunity to support a fundraising campaign through the Schwan's Cares Program to raise money for new landscaping <u>at church</u>. We will earn 20-40% back on every purchase during the campaign and 5% back on every purchase for the next six months. For more information on how to participate please refer to your February newsletter or check out the poster on the easel in the narthex.

**NEW SAMUEL FACEBOOK PAGE:** Samuel has just launched a new Facebook page - facebook.com/samuellutheran. Be sure to give it a "Like" and leave a review letting the world know how great our school is! Speaking of Facebook, don't forget that our church has a page too! If you have not done so be sure to check it out.

**ALMOST THERE:** We have flipped the page of the calendar to February which means we are on the downward side of winter. But the Lord may still bless us with a few more snowfalls. Would you be so kind as to sign up for one of the remaining weeks? Please check out the signup sheets by the bulletin board in the church narthex.

**MLC WIND SYMPHONY:** The Martin Luther College Wind Symphony will present their sacred concert, "Grace Before Sleep", today at 3:00 PM in the Chapel of the Christ. The concert is free and open to the public.

**WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP:** On February 20<sup>th</sup> this group will meet at the home of Melanie Werner (307 N. High Street). Please bring a sack lunch.

SUPPORTING THE WORK OF THE CHURCH LAST WEEK \$4,732 – Budgeted Offerings ~ Weekly need - \$6923 \$770 – Mission Offerings ~ Weekly need - \$289 \$75 – Media Offerings ~ Weekly need - \$90 \$48 – Debt Reduction Fund \$3 – Building Improvement Fund \$24 – Other Receipts Budgeted offerings: YTD January 2017: \$29,709.45 YTD January 2016: \$20,882.47 Annual Budgeted – 2017: \$360,000.00 Interested in e-giving, check our website. Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany Sunday, February 12, 2017

Service of Word and Sacrament Opening Hymn #462 Liturgy page 26 First Lesson – see insert Psalm 119a on page 109 Second Lesson – see insert Verse of the Day page 30 Gospel Lesson – see insert Hymn of the Day #283 Sermon – Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Nicene Creed page 31 Offering Prayers & Lord's Prayer The Sacrament pages 33-35 Distribution Hymn #285 The Thanksgiving page 36 Closing Hymn #470

