

**This Week:**

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| Today:     | 8:00 AM  | Worship                          |
|            | 9:15 AM  | NO Sunday School and Bible Class |
|            | 10:30 AM | Worship                          |
| Tuesday:   | 6:30 PM  | Christ Lutheran on Cable TV      |
|            | 7:00 PM  | Board of Education               |
| Wednesday: | 12:30 PM | Christ Lutheran on Cable TV      |
|            | 6:30 PM  | Confirmation Class               |
| Thursday:  | 4:15 PM  | SLS Basketball vs. Redwood Falls |
|            | 6:30 PM  | Jesus Cares Ministry             |
| Saturday:  | 10:00 AM | Take Down Decorations            |
| Sunday:    | 8:00 AM  | Worship and Holy Communion       |
|            | 9:15 AM  | Sunday School and Bible Class    |
|            | 10:30 AM | Worship and Holy Communion       |
|            | 11:30 AM | Call Meeting                     |
|            | 1:00 PM  | Pioneers                         |
|            | 6:00 PM  | Adult Information Class          |

**NEXT SUNDAY:** We will resume Sunday School and adult Bible class next Sunday.

**CALL:** On Sunday, January 8th after the late service we will hold a call meeting to replace our retiring preschool teacher. We have asked the synod to supply us with a list of qualified candidates from which we can choose to fill this position. Pray that God, in his grace, leads someone to accept our call so that our program can continue to operate and God’s love can continue to be shared with his precious lambs.

**AID:** Samuel School is looking for an aid to help out in the 1st & 2nd grade classroom. This aid will need to prepare and organize materials for upcoming classes, monitor students to ensure they stay on task while the teacher is working with a different group, check student’s work and offer feedback, and provide individual support when the teacher is not able to. Limited remuneration will determine amount of time for the position. If interested speak to Principal Festerling or Pastor.

**POSTING:** Any offerings given in 2016 offering envelopes will go on your 2016 giving statement if received today. After that all donations will be posted to your 2017 contributions.

**COMING DOWN:** We will be taking down the Christmas decorations next Saturday, January 7<sup>th</sup> starting at 10:00 AM. We can use your help.

**COUNT ME IN:** Starting next Sunday, January 8th, Pastor will be conducting Adult Information Classes (AIC) for anyone who might be interested. These classes are mainly for those who are not currently members but might want to learn more about what our church teaches and believes and then join the church. They are also a great review for all members as well. We will meet Sunday evenings from 6-7:30 PM. If you think you might be interested speak to Pastor.

**JANUARY CALENDAR:** Don’t forget that since the January newsletter has always been relatively “light” on the news side of things, you will find your January calendar on the back side of the December calendar so don’t throw it away, just flip it over. We feel that we can easily convey all the information we need to for the month of January in the Sunday bulletins. We will also save the cost of postage for the month.

**LAST CHANCE:** Just a reminder for all church related organizations that it is time to submit your Annual Report. The deadline is January 6<sup>th</sup>.  
\*Our Annual Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.

**PIONEERS:** The Pioneer youth will meet on Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 to 3:00 at Samuel School. The Pioneer youth group is open to all 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade members of Christ Lutheran.

**CLYF:** Our plans are to take a BIG summer outing this year. It has been five years since we last took a Boundary Waters Canoe Area (BWCA) trip – so our compasses are pointed north! We need to start planning now so at our next meeting on Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup> that will be the topic of discussion. We need both parents and CLYF members to attend the meeting! (This includes our current 8<sup>th</sup> graders.) Even if you are not sure if this is something you think you might want to take part in come and find out more about it. We will also be having a pizza lunch at our meeting. We will start at 12:30 in the church basement.

**SUPPORTING THE WORK OF THE CHURCH LAST WEEK**

\$12,550 – Budgeted Offerings ~ *Weekly need* - \$6462

\$1100 – Mission Offerings ~ *Weekly need* - \$270

\$75 – Media Offerings ~ *Weekly need* - \$90

\$0 – Debt Reduction Fund    \$0 – Building Improvement Fund

\$50 – Other Receipts

Budgeted offerings: YTD November 2016: \$287,651.90

YTD November 2015: \$278,900.50

2015 YTD Actual: \$360,510.00

**Interested in e-giving, check our website.**

**First Sunday after Christmas  
Sunday, January 1, 2017**

**The Common Service**

Opening Hymn #70

Liturgy page15

First Lesson – see insert

Psalm 2 on page 65

Second Lesson – see insert

Gospel Lesson – see insert

Apostles’ Creed page 19

Hymn of the Day #41

Sermon – Matthew 2:13-23

“Create in Me” page 20

Offering

Prayers and Lord’s Prayer

Hymn #53

Closing Prayer page 25

Closing Hymn #75

