

This Week:

<i>Today:</i>	8:00 AM	Worship
	9:15 AM	NO Sunday School or Bible Class
	10:30 AM	Worship
<i>Tuesday:</i>	6:30 PM	Christ Lutheran on Cable TV
	7:00 PM	Board of Education
<i>Wednesday:</i>	7:00 AM	Stewardship Meeting at Hardware Hank
	12:30 PM	Christ Lutheran on Cable TV
	6:30 PM	Confirmation Class
<i>Thursday:</i>	4:15 PM	SLS Basketball at Redwood Falls
	6:30 PM	Jesus Cares Ministry
<i>Saturday:</i>	10:00 AM	Take Down Decorations
<i>Sunday:</i>	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

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

POSTING: Any offerings given in 2015 offering envelopes will go on your 2015 giving statement if received today. After that all donations will be posted to your 2016 contributions.

STEWARDSHIP: We meet on Wednesday, January 6th at 7 AM at Patzers.

COMING DOWN: We will be taking down the Christmas decorations next Saturday, January 9th starting at 10:00 AM. We can use your help.

JANUARY CALANDAR: 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 8th.

*Our Annual Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 17th at 7:00 PM.

PIONEERS: The Pioneer youth will meet on Sunday, January 10th from 1:00 to 3:00 at Samuel School. This will be an afternoon filled with various games. Come ready to participate and have some fun! The Pioneer youth group is open to all 1st through 8th grade members of Christ Lutheran.

A NEW YEAR – NOW WHAT: A church is not like a business that only looks at the bottom line. We don't measure success by how much money we brought in or if our membership grew in the past year. So many of the things God does through his church are done without anyone even noticing it. With that said we can't help but see how God has blessed us in the year that has just come to a close. We met our budget and by God's grace Satan has not caused any great schisms in our church. Worship services were held regularly and many people had the chance to be fed with God's life giving Word and also his life giving body and blood. So, we can sit back and breathe a sigh of contentment or we can look ahead, ask for God's blessings on the upcoming year and pray: "Here am I use me Lord." This year I am challenging our boards and committees to set goals for the year. This is only being done so we can see how much more needs to be done and how we with God's help might be able to accomplish it. The membership of the church will also be called upon to be active spokes in the wheel of the church. We want a membership that is engaged with the ministry that is going on here at Christ. Look for areas that you can serve in God's kingdom work. Pray for your pastor that he can be used by God to lead his flock to the green pastures of Jesus' love and forgiveness. May God continue to bless us as we begin another year of his grace! Pastor Schreiner

ST. JOHN REDWOOD FALLS SCHOOL ADDITION DEDICATION: You are invited to rejoice with us at the dedication ceremony of the new school addition on Sunday, January 17. A buffet style meal will be served as you arrive from 12:00-12:45pm. The dedication and tours of the facility will follow as soon as everyone has finished their meal. St. John School is located at 34719 County Hwy 24 on the south side of Redwood Falls.

SUPPORTING THE WORK OF THE CHURCH LAST WEEK

\$20,852 – Budgeted Offerings ~ *Weekly need* - \$6442

\$125 – Mission Offerings ~ *Weekly need* - \$250

\$50 – Media Offerings ~ *Weekly need* - \$90

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

\$450 – Other Receipts

Budgeted offerings: YTD November '15: \$278,899.50

YTD November '14: \$299,956.50

Annual Budgeted – 2015: \$335,000

Interested in e-giving, check our website.

**The Epiphany of Our Lord
Sunday, January 3, 2016**

The Common Service

Opening Hymn #80

Liturgy page 15

First Lesson – see insert

Psalm 72 on page 93

Second Lesson – see insert

Gospel Lesson – see insert

Apostles' Creed page 19

Hymn of the Day #82

Sermon – Isaiah 60:1-6

"Create in Me" page 20

Offering

Prayers and Lord's Prayer

Hymn #79

Closing Prayer page 25

Closing Hymn #84

