

This Week:

<i>Sunday:</i>	8:00 AM	Worship and Holy Communion
	9:15 AM	Sunday School/Teen and Adult Bible Class
	10:30 AM	Worship and Holy Communion
	11:30 AM	Call Meeting
	1:00 PM	Kotecki Baby Shower at Samuel
<i>Tuesday:</i>	10:00 AM	Pastors' Study Club
<i>Wednesday:</i>	5:00 PM	Confirmation Class
	5:30 PM	Taco Supper
	7:00 PM	Advent Worship
	8:00 PM	Choir
<i>Thursday:</i>	11:30 AM	Christ Lutheran Church on Cable TV
	6:00 PM	Mission Society Potluck Christmas Party
<i>Friday:</i>	8:30 PM	Christ Lutheran Church on Cable TV
<i>Saturday:</i>	9:00 PM	Children's Christmas Practice
	11:00 AM	Christmas for Kids
<i>Sunday:</i>	8:00 AM	Worship
	9:15 AM	Sunday School/Teen and Adult Bible Class
	10:30 AM	Worship
	2:15 PM	Choir Caroling

CLOSE COMMUNION: In accordance with God's command in Corinthians, we at Christ practice close communion. This means that only members of our church or of one in fellowship with us may commune. Visitors are invited to speak with the pastor and find out why this is an act of LOVE.

CALL: Immediately after the late service this morning we will convene the voter's assembly for the purpose of calling a preschool and a kindergarten teacher. Everyone is invited to attend the meeting, find out more information and ask questions.

BABY SHOWER: Please join us for a baby shower honoring Mrs. Nicole Kotecki today at 1:00 PM at Samuel. They are registered at Buy Buy Baby. *Just one request, we hope it's not hard, please bring a book instead of a card. By signing your name, we'll remember and share, your special gift, even when you're not there!*

PREPARATION: We hope you will be able to join us for our second midweek Advent service on Wednesday at 7:00 PM. What a great time to remember what's really important this time of year. The PTF of Samuel will be hosting a taco supper prior to the service starting at 5:30.

ELECTIONS: We are happy to announce that at our budget/election meeting last Sunday Mark Patzer, Lennis Kennedy, Ryan Palmer, and James Hartke were all elected to serve on the Church Council. Adam Baumann was elected to serve on the Board of Education. May God bless them and the others who serve with wisdom and love. We wish to thank the three men going off – Craig Heil, Dan Herrmann, and Tom Vanderwerf. The voters also passed a budget of \$366,000.

MISSION SOCIETY POTLUCK: The congregation is invited to the Mission Society's annual Christmas potluck at 6:00 PM on Thursday at the church. Tableware and beverages will be provided. Please bring a dish to share.

CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS: We will be hosting "Christmas for Kids", a one day Vacation Bible School on Saturday, December 15th for kids from Preschool 3 year olds through 4th grade. It will run from 11:00 AM (right after our first children's Christmas practice is over) until 1:30 PM. If you plan to send your child please register them so we know how many to plan for lunch. There is a signup sheet on the table in the narthex or you call the office to register.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS EVE PRACTICE: On Saturday, December 15th grades K-8 will meet at Samuel School from 9:00-11:00 AM to rehearse for the Children's Christmas Eve Service. Preschool students are asked to be there from 10:00-11:00 AM and meet in their classroom. The following Saturday, December 22nd, all of the children (Preschool-8) will meet from 9-10:30. Attendance is very important!

CAROLING: The congregation is invited to join the choir next Sunday, December 16th when we go Christmas caroling for our shut-ins. We will meet at church at 2:15 PM and will return to church for refreshments when we are through caroling. Please bring a treat to share.

<p align="center">SUPPORTING THE WORK OF THE CHURCH LAST WEEK</p> <p>\$24,661 – Budgeted Offerings ~ <i>Weekly need</i> - \$7,039 \$90 – Mission Offerings ~ <i>Weekly need</i> - \$308 \$95 – Media Offerings ~ <i>Weekly need</i> - \$90 \$0 – Building Improvement Fund \$1333 – Other Receipts</p> <p>Budgeted offerings: YTD November 2018: \$293,670.05 YTD November 2017: \$295,975.64 Annual Budgeted – 2018: \$366,000.00</p> <p align="center">Interested in e-giving, check our website.</p>

**Second Sunday in Advent
Sunday, December 9, 2018**

**Service of Word and
Sacrament**

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