

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
	1:00 PM	Pioneers
	7:00 PM	Adult Information Class
<i>Monday:</i>	2:30 PM	Ladies Bible Study
	7:00 PM	Church Council
<i>Tuesday:</i>	7:00 PM	Long Range Planning Committee
<i>Wednesday:</i>	6:30 PM	Confirmation Class
<i>Thursday:</i>	11:30 AM	Christ Lutheran Church on Cable TV
	4:00 PM	SLS Basketball vs. True Light
	6:30 PM	Jesus Cares Ministry
<i>Friday:</i>	8:30 PM	Christ Lutheran Church on Cable TV
<i>Saturday:</i>	10:00 AM	SLS Basketball at MVL
<i>Sunday:</i>	8:00 AM	Worship
	9:15 AM	Sunday School/Teen and Adult Bible Class
	10:30 AM	Worship
	11:30 AM	CLYF Meeting (Youth and Parent)
	7:00 PM	Annual Meeting

CLOSE COMMUNION: The Bible has convinced us that Jesus gives us his body and blood through the Lord's Supper to forgive our sins. God has also convinced us through His Word that receiving the Lord's Supper together is a public statement we are one in faith. Because we don't want to place you or us in a position of making this statement before we've had a chance to share our beliefs with one another, please speak to the pastor about communing before worship.

PASTORAL ACT: *Baptism Today:* All Of Us, child of God the Father, his Son Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit, born in the flesh mm/dd/yyyy, reborn on the day of our Baptism into Christ! May God continue to bless his beloved family!

PIONEERS: We will meet today from 1-3 PM at school.

CLYF: The high school aged youth and a parent will meet next Sunday, January 19th at 11:30 in the church basement. We will be discussing the WELS Youth Rally.

ANNUAL MEETING: The annual meeting will take place next Sunday, January 19th at 7:00 PM.

RECYCLING: HyVee and Lyon County have joined forces to challenge area schools to Recycle Beyond the Bag. This program challenges area schools to recycle plastic shopping bags and plastic film not only from their school environment but also from school children's home. We all want to do something for the environment but we sometimes are not sure what we can do. This challenge will help families understand that beyond the recycling curbside cart and the community recycling drop sites, there is more that we can do to recycle unwanted items. Samuel has signed up to participate in this challenge. You can help us in this challenge by bringing in the following items to the recycling bins located in each entry way at school: produce bags, store bags, ice bags, Ziploc and other reclosable bags, cereal box liners, case overwrap, bread bags, newspaper sleeves, dry cleaning bags, bubble wrap, and plastic e-commerce mailers. Please contact Mr. Obry with any questions.

SW MINNESOTA AREA LUTHERAN CHORALE: The SW Minnesota Area Lutheran Chorale will begin rehearsing for their 2020 Season today. This will be our 40th year of singing God's praises together. We invite you come and be a part of this Area Chorale as we blend our voices together *in Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual Songs with gratitude in (y)our hearts to God.* (Colossians 3:16) Our concerts will be held at Zion Lutheran, Winthrop (2 pm) and St. John's Lutheran, Redwood Falls (7 pm) on March 29, 2020. We have also been invited to participate with St. John's, Wood Lake at their Hymn Festival on February 16 at 4 pm. Rehearsals will be held at St. John Lutheran Church in Redwood Falls, MN from 2:00-5:00 pm on the following Sundays: January 12, 19, 26, February 9, 16 (Wood Lake), 23, and March 1, 8, 15, 22 (Winthrop). Jim Renz and Linette Scharlemann will be sharing the directing duties this season. If you have questions or if you would like further information about this Chorale, please contact Jim @ (507) 327-7222 or Linette @ (507) 227-2161.

SUPPORTING THE WORK OF THE CHURCH LAST WEEK

\$5,692 – Budgeted Offerings ~ *Weekly need* - \$7,423
 \$595 – Mission Offerings ~ *Weekly need* - \$346
 \$100 – Media Offerings ~ *Weekly need* - \$90
 \$0 – Building Improvement Fund
 \$150 – Other Receipts
 Budgeted offerings: YTD December 2019: \$376,630.29
 YTD December 2018: \$366,293.22
 Annual Budgeted – 2020: \$386,000.00

Interested in e-giving, check our website.

**The Baptism of Our Lord
Sunday, January 12, 2020****Service of Word and
Sacrament**

Opening Hymn #82

Liturgy page 26

First Lesson – see insert

Psalms 45 on page 83

Second Lesson – see insert

Verse of the Day page 30

Gospel Lesson – see insert

Hymn of the Day #89

Sermon – Matthew 3:13-17
*“See the simple power of
 Baptism”*

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Offering

Prayers & Lord's Prayer

The Sacrament pages 33-35

Distribution Hymn #79

The Thanksgiving page 36

Closing Hymn #84

