# Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church Welcomes You



## **Contemporary Worship Service**

January 16, 2022 8:00 A.M.

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church & School 4333 Cleveland Avenue, Stevensville, MI 49127 Phone: (269) 429-7222 – Church (269) 429-7111 – School www.christ-luth.org Sunday Services: 8:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Class: 9:30 a.m.. Thursday Evening Service at 7:00 p.m. Christian Day School: Preschool through 8<sup>th</sup> grade

# The Second Sunday after Epiphany

#### Words of Preparation

The value of every human life flows from three simple but profound Scriptural truths: Every human life is created by God. Every human life is someone for whom Jesus died. Every human life is someone God desires to call into an eternal relationship with Him. Created – Redeemed – Called. That is what God has done that gives life value. That is why we value life!

Openíng Song

## What Kind of Throne

What kind of throne is a manger of hay, No majesty shown there, no dignity claimed, For one who deserves to be crowned and enthroned on our praise? What kind of king is so modestly born, When glory unmeasured is humble and small? This is the hope of the world and the true light of all.

## So I'll bow down to worship the humblest of kings And I'll bring Him the best that I have. I'll say that I love Him and that I am His, And I'll give Him the throne of my heart, I'll give Him the throne of my heart.

What kind of Savior makes weakness His strength, In frailty depending on those he would save, And veiling the power that always belonged to His name? What kind of child causes heaven to sing, With angels proclaiming the hope that He brings? This is the glory of God, this is Jesus the King! CHORUS **Entrance** Song

## The Light of Christ

The Light of Christ has come into the world. The light of Christ has come into the world.

All men must be born again to see the kingdom of God; The water and the Spirit bring new life in God's love. CHORUS

God gave up His only Son out of love for the world, So that all men who believe in Him will live forever. CHORUS

> The light of God has come to us so that we might have salvation; From the darkness of our sins we walk into glory with Christ Jesus. CHORUS

# **Confession and Absolution**

Stand

#### Invocation

*The sign of the cross* + *may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.* 

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.Amen.

Matthew 28.19b; [18:20]

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
 But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:8-9

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- **C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

[John 20:19-23]

#### C Amen.

## White As Snow

White as snow, white as snow, Though my sins were as scarlet, Lord I know, Lord, I know that I'm clean and forgiven. Through the power of Your blood, Through the wonder of Your love, Through faith in You I know that I can be White as snow.

# Service of the Word

## Kyrie

- **P** O Lord, **C** Have Mercy on us.
- **P** O Christ, **C** Have Mercy on us.
- **P** O Lord, **C** Have Mercy on us.

## Salutation

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.

## Collect of the Day

**P** Let us Pray:

Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### **C** Amen.

Sit

#### Reading from the Book of Concord

An explanation of what we believe as Lutherans.

Luther's Small Catechism The Sacrament of Holy Baptism: The First and Second Parts

#### What is Baptism?

Baptism is not just plain water, but it is the water included in God's command and combined with God's word.

Which is that word of God?

Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew: "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." [Matt. 28:19]

What benefits does Baptism give?

It works forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this, as the words and promises of God declare.

Which are these words and promises of God?

Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Mark: "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned." [Mark 16:16]

## **Readings from Holy Scripture**

#### **Old Testament Reading**

<sup>1</sup>For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet. until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. <sup>2</sup>The nations shall see your righteousness, and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. <sup>3</sup>You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. <sup>4</sup>You shall no more be termed Forsaken. and your land shall no more be termed Desolate, but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. <sup>5</sup>For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

#### **C** Thanks be to God.

Isaiah 62:1-5

#### Gradual

- Praise the LORD, all nations!
- **C** Extol him, all peoples!
- **P** For great is his steadfast love toward us,
- **C** and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.
- P Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
- **C** bring an offering, and come into his courts!

Ps. 117:1-2a; 96:8

## **Epistle Lesson**

## 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

<sup>1</sup>Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed. <sup>2</sup>You know that when you were pagans you were led astray to mute idols, however you were led. <sup>3</sup>Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says "Jesus is accursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except in the Holy Spirit.

<sup>4</sup>Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; <sup>5</sup>and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; <sup>6</sup>and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. <sup>7</sup>To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. <sup>8</sup>To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup>to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, <sup>10</sup>to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup>All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

P C This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

Stand

Preparation for the Gospel

Alleluia, Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life! Alleluia!

## Holy Gospel

John 2:1-11

 $\mathbf{P}$  The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter.

## G Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup>Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. <sup>3</sup>When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." <sup>4</sup>And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come." <sup>5</sup>His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

<sup>6</sup>Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup>Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water." And they

filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup>And he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast." So they took it. <sup>9</sup>When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup>and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now." <sup>11</sup>This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

#### Sit

Sermon Song

#### I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light LSB 411

I want to walk as a child of the light, I want to follow Jesus. God set the stars to give Light to the world, the star of my life is Jesus.

## In Him there is no darkness at all, The night and the day are both alike; The Lamb is the light of the city of God, Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus. Clear Sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father.

### CHORUS

I'm looking for the coming of Christ, I want to follow Jesus. When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus.

## CHORUS

Sermon "They Have No Wine" John 2:1-11

Stand

**Apostles' Creed** 

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

Sit

#### Gathering of Our Tithes and Sacrificial Offerings

There will be no passing of the offering plates. Please place your offering in the plates in the narthex. (We request all who are present to sign the attendance book that is at the end of your row. Please pass this on to the person next to you.)

Offertory

#### You Are My All In All

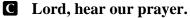
You are my strength when I am weak, You are the Treasure that I seek, You are my All in All. Seeking You as a precious jewel, Lord, to give up I'd be a fool. You are my All in All.

Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name. Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name. Taking my sin, my cross, my shame; Rising again, I bless Your name. You are my All in All. When I fall down you pick me up; When I am dry, you fill my cup. You are my All in All. Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name. Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name. Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name. Worthy is Your name.

#### Stand

### The Prayer of the Church for Sanctity of Life Sunday

P Heavenly Father, we come to You because we are the work of Your hands, and You have asked us to make our requests known to You. Therefore, we confidently say,



- **P** Thank You for shaping and forming us and giving us life.
- **C** Thank You for creating us.
- **P** Thank You for loving us in our sinful condition and sending Jesus to be our Savior and giving us new life.

### **C** Thank You for redeeming us.

P Thank You for calling us in Christ to be Your children and assuring us of Your presence.

#### **C** Thank You for calling us in Holy Baptism.

- **P** Father, remind us constantly through Your Word that whether we weep or rejoice, succeed or fail, experience good or evil, we belong to You.
- **C** Our value comes from You.
- P As we recall our baptisms, renew our faith and assure us of Your faithfulness, Your goodness, and Your forgiveness.

## **C** Our value comes from You.

**P** Given value by You, use us to value and help those not yet born, those facing difficult situations, those facing death, and those who have made mistakes.

#### **C** Help us value and serve others.

**P** Given value by You, spur our love into action that we might joyfully defend the work of Your hands, provide for those in need, uplift the sorrowing, and demonstrate the acceptance and hope that forgiveness brings.

#### **C** Help us value and serve others.

- P Given value by You, use us as instruments to renew in Your Church the value You give to life, and then use the influence of Your people to bring an end to those things that attack Your gift of life in our society.
- **C** Help us value and serve others.

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

#### Benediction

- The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
  The Lord background with faces and be gracious to you.
  - The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.
- **C** Amen.

Closing

#### Shine, Jesus Shine

Lord, the light of Your love is shining, In the midst of the darkness shining; Jesus Light of the world, Shine upon us, Set us free by the truth You now bring us; Shine on me. Shine on me.

Shine, Jesus, shine, Fill this land with the Father's Glory; Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire. Flow, river, flow, Flood the nations with grace and mercy; Send forth Your Word, Lord, and let there be light. Lord, I come to your awesome presence, From the shadows into Your radiance;

By the blood I may enter Your brightness; Search me, try me, consume all my darkness;

Shine on me. Shine on me.

#### CHORUS

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness, So our faces display Your likeness; Ever changing from glory to glory, Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story. Shine on me, shine on me. CHORUS

#### + Silent Prayer +

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#### A word about John 2:1-11

From ancient times the account of Jesus attending the wedding at Cana has been associated with the Epiphany Season. The progression of lessons read in the Church followed this order:

#### The Coming of the Wise Men Jesus Baptism in the Jordan The Wedding at Cana.

At the wedding at Cana, Jesus turned water into wine. In fact it was a massive amount of water that was changed to wine. Throughout the centuries Christians have attached this event to Epiphany because it was Jesus' first miracle! Indeed, it was an epiphany for His disciples. He manifested His glory and they believed.

Throughout the Epiphany season we are reminded that Jesus is not simply another man but a man who is truly also God in the flesh. He performed many miracles during His earthly ministry. He still performs miracles today. The greatest miracle is the gift of faith, forgiveness and life for sinful people such as us.

Pastor Quardokus

	Weekly Services		Attendance
	Thursday 01/06/22 Epiphany	7pm Service	26
		Online At	tendees 105
	Sunday Services	8am Service	85
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	Prior Week Total Budgeted Re	eceipts	\$16,755

\$18,572



Average Weekly Budgeted Disbursements

THURCH

VEEKLY	Sunday, <b>January 16</b>	8:00 a.m. <b>9:30 a.m</b> . 10:45a.m.	Contemporary Worship Service Voter's Meeting Worship Service
	Monday, January 17	MLK, Jr. Day	No School
	Tuesday, January 18	7:00p.m.	Bible Class
	Wed., January 19	9:30a.m.	Bible Class
	Thursday, <b>January 20</b>	10:00a.m. 7:00p.m.	Bible Class Worship Service
	Friday, January 21		
	Sat., January 22		
	Sunday, <b>January 23</b>	8:00 a.m. <b>9:30 a.m</b> . 10:45a.m.	Contemporary Worship Service Voter's Meeting Worship Service

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

#### Members who are ill, hospitalized or having surgery

Addie Scheffler
Alli Wallace
Amanda Clark
Addie Scheffler
Amee Mantei
Andy Weisser

Barbara Maul Chris Alles Dave Knuth Don Hutter Ferny Rantz Jean Mort Joseph Klupp Joe Panzica Kathy Karnik Laura Lesher Leah Schwanger Leni Weisser Lee Yeske Miro Virsik Nathan Gerken Nancy Duke Sara Dixon Stacey Skorupa Susan Jackeymeyer Terri Gerken

#### Family or friends who are ill, hospitalized or having surgery

Arturo Villafane – friend of Sara Dixon **Aubrey Hamby** – *nephew of Dee Payovich* Austin Arndt – grandson of Linda Steinke **Cate Reed** – granddaughter of Doris Beezley Dan Beezley-son of Doris Beezley **Freddy Dunn**– great grandson of Don & Pat Hutter Grace Gerken – niece of Andrew & Terri Gerken Jim Russell – brother of Mark Russell Karol Syring – daughter of Ken Vieregge Keith Avery – friend of Ralph & Devona Dinges Ken & Jean Wright – parents of Carol Matheny Laura Gilson – daughter-in-law of Harry & Pat Jaeger Marian Gerken – mother of Andy Gerken Nancy Gerald – daughter of Gerry & Wilma Malinasky Noah Batey – grandson of John & Pat Dorn Paula Hicks – niece of Dee Payovich Phil Oberhaus – brother of Susan Jackemeyer Taryn Schroder - sister of Tamara Paulun Valerie Watson – daughter of Barbara Rodgers William Maul – brother of Charlie Maul

Our country, president, armed forces and all those who serve our country, including Allison Blake, James Vieregge, USMC – grandson of Ken Vieregge, Joseph Schafer – nephew of Pastor Quardokus, Matt Weiss, nephew of Fred & Jeanne Huff

#### **Missionaries**

Rev. Eric and Johanna Stinnett serve the Lord in Ethiopia. Deaconess Caitlin Worden de Ramirez in the Dominican Republic, and Rev. Roger James in the Philippines.

## January 16, 2022



A CORDIAL WELCOME TO EACH OF YOU! May God's loving presence be very real to you, and may you receive strength and guidance today that will enable you to handle life's challenges. If you are visiting, please take time to sign your name in our guest book and introduce yourself to the pastors

before you leave. Please feel free to take one of our visitor's bags located on the welcome center desk.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** – The flowers on the altar today are dedicated to the Glory of God in honor of His first miracle at Cana.

**2022 FLOWER CHART** – The flower chart for 2022 is posted in the commons area. If you would like to give altar flowers on a particular Sunday in memory of loved ones or to recognize a special occasion such as a birthday or anniversary of family or friends, please sign up for the date you would like. The cost of altar flowers is \$20.00. After the services, they are delivered to a shut-in or someone that is sick or hospitalized. Thank you!

**RADIO SPONSORSHIP** – *The 2022 chart for radio broadcasts is posted* in the commons area. Christ Lutheran records two radio broadcasts per month. This gives our members more opportunities for sponsorship. Please consider sponsoring a broadcast (you can share it with a family member or friend.) The cost remains \$150.00. Be sure to sign up soon to secure the date you would like!

Our service was recorded last Sunday and will air today. This broadcast is dedicated to the Glory of God.

Our Local Lutheran Worship Service Broadcasts are now on WQYQ AM 1400 and 106.1 FM (Note: The call sign has changed from WSJM to WQYQ but the time and frequencies remain the same for our broadcast) on Sunday mornings from 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. The service also can be heard online at <u>https://www.thenewqyq.com</u> or with the TuneIn app on your device. To listen with Alexa say, ''Alexa, play WQYQ.'' The service can be heard from anywhere in the country online.

**WORSHIP ANEW** is a 30-minute traditional Lutheran worship service, broadcast weekly to nourish the souls of those who cannot attend church in a traditional setting. Watch on Sundays at 11:00 am on **WHME-TV 46 [FBC]** or watch online at any time at www.worshipanew.org/onlineviewing.

**THE PRAYER OF A RIGHTEOUS MAN IS POWERFUL AND EFFECTIVE.** (James 5:16) As caring Christians, please remember the following members of Christ Lutheran in your prayers this week:

Angela & Shane Lies Family Lydia Ruhno Mary Spaulding Todd Batson Scott & Karen Dine Family Gerry & Linda Drews We will be praying for these members during our worship services today. Each week we ask you to remember a different group of members in your daily prayers.

We remember the following Missionary in our prayers this week:



Rev. Eric and Johanna Stinnett serve the Lord in Ethiopia. Eric teaches at Mekane Yesus Seminary in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. This seminary is dedicated to training faithful Lutheran pastors and other church workers to serve in Ethiopia. Pray for Eric, Johanna and their children as they serve in Ethiopia. Pray God gives their entire family strength and peace as they continue to adjust to life overseas, learning the culture and the language. Pray for the church in Ethiopia and for the

students attending Mekane Yesus Seminary. Ask God to give Eric His wisdom and guidance as he teaches these students and helps them prepare to become faithful Lutheran pastors, lay evangelists and other professional church workers.

**THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS WITH PASTOR QUARDOKUS** - Bible class led by Pastor Quardokus is held on Thursday mornings at 10:00 a.m.

**TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY -** Luther notes, Romans is St Paul's clearest systematic declaration of the Gospel. For that reason, Romans is one of the most popular NT books to study. Classes are held on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. and Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.

**NEW MEMBER CLASS!** We've started a *new member* class that will meet Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm for 8 weeks. We'll be going through the book, *Lutheran 101*. If you're interested in a review of what we teach as Lutherans, please join us. Everyone is invited!

**2022 OFFERING ENVELOPES -** Christ Lutheran has been truly blessed by your giving in 2021. As you are able and with a joyful heart, please continue to give as God has blessed you in 2022. Your 2022 envelopes are ready to pick up. As of January 1, please dispose of any 2021 envelopes you may have left. You MAY HAVE a new number for 2022 so using an old envelope may give another member credit for your gift.

**SCRIP NEWS! -** Remember to purchase scrip for all your shopping needs. Special orders are placed on Monday by 9:00 a.m. and will be available for pickup by Thursday afternoon. Purchase your SCRIP on Sunday mornings after services or in the office during the week. We typically stock most local vendors such as: **Culver's, Rogers, Martin's, Meijer, and Shell.** 

**ISRAEL TRIP** - Are you interested in visiting the Holy Land? Join us at an informational meeting **Monday Jan 17 at 7pm**. Pictures, videos, sample foods, questions answered, no pressure and no commitment. An Israel trip will forever change how you read the bible.

**CALLING ALL MEN!** The *Men's NetWork* meets on the third Saturday of each month through April. This means that on **January 22** from 8:00am through 10:30am we will be at the Trinity Lutheran Church basement in St Joseph for eggs and much more food,

manly fellowship, and a video based Bible study and discussion of the Church in Babylon. All men are welcome. Contact Fred Pieplow for more information at 269-369-2081.

**"BAGS 4 BUCKS" FUNDRAISER** – CLS has extra garbage bags for sale from the PTL fall fundraiser - \$14 per roll! Please contact Tabatha Winter (269-326-2526) or Amy Cole in the school office if you are interested in making a purchase.

John 2:5 – "His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' What must Mary have thought when Jesus replied, 'What does this have to do with Me?' " But she knew whatever her Son said to do would be a blessing, so she knows what advice to give to the servants: Do whatever He tells you! That's still good advice for us in every aspect of our lives – including in our generosity toward the Lord's work in the Church.



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