



The Christ Candle

January 2023

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2023 ANNUAL MEETING

January 29, 2023
Following Worship

Pizza, salad & cookies
will be provided!

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

~ An E.L.C.A. Congregation ~

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The Reverend Dale M. Zylstra
Kelly Seitzinger - Secretary
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Congregation Council Officers

Mike Vidimos - President
Don Winston - Vice-President
Julie Vidimos - Secretary
Kelly Seitzinger - Treasurer
Dara Kubiak - Financial Secretary

Council Members

Nancy Zimmerman Esther Fuehrer
Dave Holeman Shirley Whitesell
John Juranovich Carrie Valousky

Ministry Team Leaders

Worship & Music Director—
Jan Kopischke
Choir Director—Lori Zylstra
JuBellation Director—Judy Rodgers
Genesis Bells Director—
Jan Kopischke

Fellowship - Esther Fuehrer
Finance/Stewardship -
Social Outreach- Julie Vidimos
Property - Don Winston
Christian Ed - Robin Bellamy
SCS Superintendent - Kelly Seitzinger
Visitation - Rosemary Wignall
Worship & Music - Judy Rodgers
Youth Ministry - Robin Bellamy

**All meetings are open to members
of the congregation.
Scheduled meetings are sometimes
adjusted based upon the ministry
team members schedules.



Mark Your Calendar Dates to Remember!



- Jan 28 - Youth Group Soup-er Bowl
- Jan 29 - Annual Meeting
- Feb 21 - Shrove Tuesday
Pancake Dinner
- Feb 22 - Ash Wednesday

Youth Group Soup-er Bowl

Saturday, Jan 28
4-7pm

See Robin Bellamy for
details!!



2022 Committee Reports & 2023 Budgets

It's time to turn in your 2022 Committee Reports & 2023 Budgets. Please include current expenses as well as "hopeful" expenses (expenses are not guaranteed to make it in the budget). Please have reports to the office by Jan 22nd and budgets by Jan 8th.

Estuary Group - Jan 4th

Estuary Group with Pastor Dale meets the 1st Wednesday of every month at 7pm in Byquist Hall.

Sign up at:

<https://www.meetup.com/nw-indiana-estuary-meetup-group/>

YOUTH GROUP

For 6th - 12th Graders

Jan 8th—5-7pm

(Saturday) Jan 28, 2023 4-7pm
Soup-er Bowl

Please Bring Your Friends!!

*If you need a ride
please call, we will
get you there!*

*Please see Robin
Bellamy for more
information.*



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After many, many years as Sunday School Superintendent, Jan has decided to step down. We thank you for all your years of service to Christian Education!



Thank
you!



We wanted to take time this January to Thank some of our brothers & sisters for their extra efforts during the Christmas season.

To the Altar Guild: Our Christmas decorations were absolutely beautiful. We know it doesn't happen overnight, so for the several times you were at church making things so beautiful. We appreciate your efforts.

To Sunday School: Thank you for the adorable Christmas program and your beautiful singing! You did a great job!

To the people of Christ Lutheran Church: We'd be nothing without each & every one of you and your participation in very many ways!!



Thanksgiving Eve Worship

We had an amazing 3 choirs join together for our Thanksgiving Eve anthem.

Thank you to Gloria Dei and Woodmar Methodist for joining us!



Love INC. Families & Angel Tree

Thanks to the overwhelming generosity of our members, we donated gifts for 30 children from the Salvation Army Angel Tree! That is the most we have ever done!!!

A HUGE thank you to Shirley Whitesell for organizing everything!



We are looking for volunteers to help with the MiniUp program. Meetings are on most Tuesdays, from 3:30-4:30pm. If you

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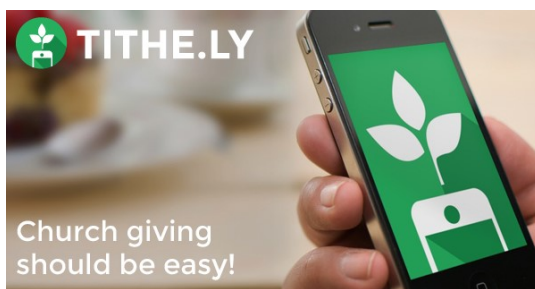
would be interested in volunteering, please see Pastor Dale.

MiniUP™ Mission Statement: To uplift and empower young children through reinforcing the importance of education and the development of life skills.

Christ Lutheran is signed up for online giving.

You can still give your offering in the plate at church or by mail, this is just another way to give.

Simply go to Tithe.ly website or download the app and set up an account. It walks you through a few simple steps and your ready to go!



Check out our website.

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CLC MISSION STATEMENT

SHARING God's love by
LIVING our faith and
SERVING the world.



The Epiphany of Our Lord

January 6 is celebrated as Epiphany. Epiphany is the climax of the Advent/Christmas Season and the Twelve Days of Christmas, which are usually counted from the evening of December 25th until the morning of January 6th, which is the Twelfth Day. In following this older custom of counting the days beginning at sundown, the evening of January 5th is the Twelfth Night. In some church traditions, only the full days are counted so that January 5th is the Eleventh Day of Christmas, January 6th is the Twelfth Day, and the evening of January 6th is counted as the Twelfth Night.

Epiphany is the day the Wise Men or Magi brought gifts to the infant Jesus were the first Gentiles to acknowledge Jesus as "King" and so were the first to "show" or "reveal" Jesus to a wider world as the incarnate Christ. This act of worship by the Magi, which corresponded to Simeon's blessing that this child Jesus would be "a light for revelation to the Gentiles" (Luke 2:32), was one of the first indications that Jesus came for all people, of all nations, of all races, and that the work of God in the world would not be limited to only a few.

The term *epiphany* means "to show" or "to make known" or even "to reveal." In Western churches, it remembers the coming of the wise men bringing gifts to visit the Christ child, who by so doing "reveal" Jesus to the world as Lord and King.

Baptism of our Lord Sunday



Our re-creation in baptism is an image of the Genesis creation, where the Spirit/wind moved over the waters. It is the Spirit's movement that distinguishes Jesus' baptism from John's. The Spirit has come upon us as upon Jesus calling us God's beloved children and setting us on Jesus' mission to re-create the world in the image of God's vision of justice and peace.

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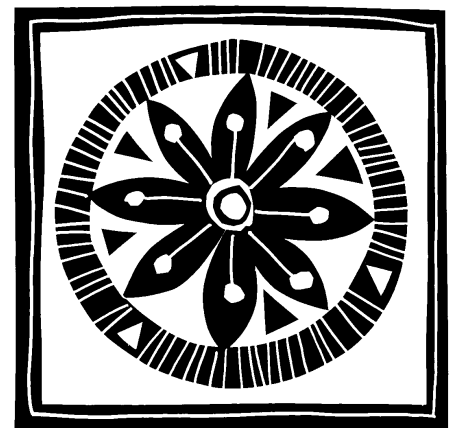
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Name of Jesus 10:30am Worship	2	3	4 7:00pm Estuary Group	5 6:15pm Genesis 7pm JuBellation	6	7 Hall Rental
8 Epiphany of Our Lord 9:00am Adult Ed 10:30am Worship 12pm W&M Mtg. 5pm Youth	9	10	11 7:00pm Council	12 6:15pm Genesis 7pm JuBellation 8pm Adult Choir	13	14
15 Epiphany 2 9:00am SCS & Adult Ed 10:30am Worship	16	17	18	19 6:15pm Genesis 7pm JuBellation 8pm Adult Choir	20	21
22 Epiphany 3 9:00am SCS & Adult Ed 10:30am Worship	23	24	25	26 6:15pm Genesis 7pm JuBellation 8pm Adult Choir	27	28 Youth Group Soup-er Bowl
29 Epiphany 4 9:00am SCS & Adult Ed 10:30am Worship 12pm Annual Meeting	30	31	1	2 6:15pm Genesis 7pm JuBellation 8pm Adult Choir	3	4