

December 9th, 2018  
Second Sunday of Advent

## Christmas Scheduling Help!!

**It's that time... Please schedule yourself when you're able to volunteer for worship at the Christmas Eve Services. Worship will be at 4:00pm & 6:00pm!! The clipboard is being passed around! We need everyone's help! Thank you!**

### Announcement:

The Christ Lutheran Church parsonage will be available to rent as of **January 1st, 2019**. If you know of anyone interested in renting a house please call the church office at 608-323-3572 or Kathy Lockington at 608-484-0711.

### 100 Quilts in 2019

Help the Christ Lutheran women make 100 quilts for Lutheran World Relief. Look for the sign at the back of church and take home a quilt top kit. Detailed directions are included. Everything is cut and all you need to do is sew simple seams and press. Put the completed top back in the original package and return it to church. We thank you for your help!

### Christ Lutheran

#### Christmas Program

The Christmas program this year will be on **Sunday, December 16th**. Plan on attending and supporting our kids in their theatrical and musical performances!

### Greetings to our Homebound Members

The women of Christ Lutheran will be sending Christmas cards to each of our homebound friends. Please add your name and a short message to the cards to let these members know that we are thinking of them this Christmas season. You will find the cards and extra paper on a table at the back of church today.

### New Membership Class!

#### Join Us for Discover Christ Lutheran / There's a Place for You Here

"Discover Christ Lutheran" is a four-session course designed to introduce new people to our Lutheran traditions and our congregation's mission. We also welcome those members who would like a little refresher course in Lutheran teachings and church organization. **The class will meet right after worship in the social hall from 10:30 until 11:15 and will begin in January.** If you're looking for a faith community to provide you support, guidance, and growth in faith as well as joyful fellowship and opportunities to serve with people who love God, please join us! "Discover Christ Lutheran" is available for you to learn more about our church and become a member. If you are interested in being a part of this class please contact the church office at 608-323-3572 or email at [christlutheran@trivest.net](mailto:christlutheran@trivest.net). If you have any questions please contact Pastor Bob Schoenknecht at 715-797-3424.

### December Cause of the Month: Companion Church in Peru - Sowing Seeds for the Future

**Our Cause of the Month for December is our companion church in Peru.** This is one of the poorest countries in South America and the small but vibrant Lutheran church there does good work among the members. Iglesia Luterana Peruana, ILP for short, is the core group that remained when the church split into two factions. Our Bishop Jim Arends recently led a small delegation on a week long visit to ILP. He reports a new confidence in their leaders. They met with the La Crosse delegation and some of them had to make a two-week trip to be there.

Their Sembrando program for children is going strong. (see below.) Bishop Jim reports that they could use folks from the US to teach English as a second language to ILP members. It would be a three month commitment on the part of a volunteer teacher. All in all ILP is growing, doing God's work in Peru and is certainly worthy of our strong support. Sembrando: Many children in Peru live in poverty, are malnourished, and have anemia.

ILP has a successful program to help these children. It's called Sembrando.

Sembrando provides children with: a healthy daily meal, a safe place to play, school materials, tutoring & a place to study, support for parents, and counseling by pastors for faith education.

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Sunday Worship Schedule: 9:00am

Sunday School: 10:15am

Office hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-1:00pm

**Visitors, thank you for worshipping with us today, please be sure to sign our guestbook in the back of the church!**

# THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR...

**Sunday, December 9th**

9:00am Worship  
10:15am Sunday School Hour/  
Adult Sunday School  
2:00pm Spanish Worship

**Monday, December 10th**

WIC 9:30 am to 4:30pm

**Tuesday, December 11th**

5:00pm Knitting Group  
**\*\*Butter Braid delivery\*\***

**Wednesday, December 12th**

8:30am Quilters  
3:15pm Confirmation - 8th grade  
6:00pm Church Council Meeting

**Thursday, December 13th**

5:15pm Choir Practice  
6:00pm Bell Choir Practice  
7:00pm District Scter Round Table

**Friday, December 14th**

7:00am Men's Group @  
Kozy Kitchen  
6:00pm Spanish Prayer Service

**Saturday, December 15th**

3:00pm Spanish Music Practice

**Sunday, December 16th**

**Christmas Program**

9:00am Worship  
10:15am Sunday School Hour/  
Adult Sunday School  
2:00pm Spanish Worship

## Thank You to all who serve us in Worship today!

<b>Acolytes</b>	<b>Carson Martin, Jaicee Kolstad</b>
<b>Greeters</b>	<b>Bob &amp; JoDeen Forsyth</b>
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Dan Weltzien, Albert Kolstad</b>
<b>Projectionists</b>	<b>Carson Rajkowski</b>
<b>Reader</b>	<b>Dawson Olson</b>
<b>Lighting of the Advent Wreath Reading</b>	<b>June Sendelbach, Waine Doenier</b>
<b>Communion Server</b>	<b>Bob Scharlau, Tim Putz</b>
<b>Council Comm. Asst. &amp; Worship Checker</b>	<b>Shanna White</b>
<b>Accompanist</b>	<b>Rebecca Swanson</b>
<b>Altar Care</b>	<b>Connie Scharlau</b>
<b>Hospitality</b>	_____

**Hymns for 12-09-18**

Gathering: ELW #240  
Hymn of the Day: ELW #264  
Communion: ELW #279, #282  
Sending: ELW #239

**New Horizon Donations**

We are still taking donations of small shampoos, conditioners, lotions, soaps for New Horizons. Please put them in the container in the back of the church.

**Donations**

The Lioness is collecting reading glasses, prescription glasses, and hearing aids. Please put them in the bucket by the coats in the back of the church.

December 2nd: Offering for Budget:\$4,313.00  
December 2nd: **Weekly** Cause of the Month offering:\$0.00  
**Grand Total for the December Cause of the month: \$0.00**  
December 2nd: Attendance:77

**As of 11/06/18: \$20,920 - 2017 debt**  
**- \$10,840 - payments**  
**= \$10,080 - current debt**  
**Please give what you can!**

**December 9th, Scripture Readings**

Malachi 3:1-4  
Luke 1:68-79  
Philippians 1:3-11  
Luke 3:1-6

**Prayer Concerns**

Norma Bautch / Jay Wiltse / Steve Kletzke  
Sherri Fredrickson / Pauline George  
Roger Reichwein / Florence Urbick  
Gary Bond—Friend of Karen Kletzke  
Robert Henson - Father of Janet Abts  
Jose & Family / Kerry Tamke  
The Family of Dorothy Sobotta  
The Family of David Rahn - (Pamela Weltzien's father)

**December 16th, Scripture Readings**

Zephaniah 3:14-20  
Isaiah 12:2-6  
Philippians 4:4-7  
Luke 3:7-18

**Please inform the church secretary if a name needs to come off the prayer list!**

## **DECEMBER CAUSE OF THE MONTH - Companion Church in Peru**

Ministers  
Interim Pastors  
Director of Music  
Secretary  
Custodians  
Church Council President  
Bishop of the La Crosse Area Synod  
Presiding Bishop of the ELCA

**All God's People**  
Tom Bryan & Bob Schoenknecht  
Rebecca Swanson  
Tiffany Lambright  
Lynn and Mark Finner  
Dan Reit  
Bishop Jim Arends  
Bishop Elizabeth Eaton



God's work. Our hands.

***In Christ, All Things Hold Together***