

## Welcome to Christ Lutheran

**Welcome to worship!** May the Holy Spirit bless and nourish us as we worship together. We hope that you come again soon! If you are worshipping with us for the first time and would like more information about our congregation, please ask Pastor Paula.

**Today is New Member Sunday** as we welcome several new members to our congregation. Please join us in welcoming **Michelle Bolstad, Alister Huss and Paul and Dee Bruns.**

**Just a reminder that Stewardship packets were mailed in late September; we ask that you return your pledge as soon as possible.** Your pledge is important – **it will help us plan the 2025 church budget.** Please contact the church office if you need a packet.

**Everyone is welcome for our Wednesday evening meal.** This week's menu includes **lasagna, green salad, garlic bread, cookies and ice cream.** Drinks include white or chocolate milk, apple juice or coffee. A **minimum \$8.00 donation is suggested** to help cover the cost of food.

The next **Senior Luncheon** is scheduled for **Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m.** The program is **"God in America."** We will be summarizing portions of PBS's first episode of "God in America;" specifically how the pilgrims understood themselves and how they viewed the native population. **Cost is \$12. Sign up in the Narthex.**

Christ Lutheran Church will be hosting a **Blood Drive on Tuesday, November 19<sup>th</sup> from 2:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. in the gym.** Scan the QR code to sign up or email [smurthy@impactlife.org](mailto:smurthy@impactlife.org). Walk-in's are welcome but appointments are preferred.



**Christ Lutheran Church will be hosting a monthly film study of "Jesus of Nazareth" directed by Franco Zeffirelli.** All are welcome to join us; each evening we will view a portion of the film and discuss it. **Soup and sandwich are provided; a free will donation will be taken to cover the cost of food.** If you like, bring a side dish or dessert. The film study will be **Thursday evenings, November 21, January 16, February 20, March 20 and April 10 at 6:00 p.m.**

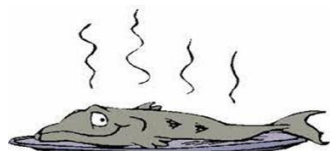
**Advent Beginnings is coming up on Sunday, November 24 from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.** The entire congregation is invited to get into the holiday spirit **making homemade Christmas Cards, Christmas decorations and frosting and decorating Christmas cookies.** We will **decorate the Christmas trees and food will be served.** A free will donation will be taken to cover the cost. **This is a great opportunity for kids to make something for mom and dad or grandma and grandpa. Join us for this fun event!**

**On Sunday, November 24, we will be decorating the Christmas Trees in the Narthex and the Sanctuary.** Stop by and hang a few ornaments on the trees or help hang ornaments and lights as a family. **We start at 9:45 a.m.** following second service and it usually takes about an hour. Confirmation students will earn a service hour for helping.

**The Holiday Bake Sale is coming!** Money raised will go towards scholarships and funding youth

mission trips. **Pick up dates are November 25 and 26 and December 20 and 21 from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Order forms are due Friday, November 22 (for November pick up) and Wednesday, December 18 (for December pick up). Payment due at pick up (cash or check).** Order forms can be found in the November Ambassador or on the information table in the Narthex.

This year's **Ecumenical Thanksgiving evening worship will be held on Wednesday, November 27 at 7:00 p.m. at Covenant Lutheran.** Pastor Paula will be preaching with special music provided by the people from St. Anne's, Covenant and Christ Lutheran. **All are welcome.**



**Lutefisk/Meatball Dinner 2024 is coming!** Mark your calendars – Christ Lutheran is bringing lutefisk back on **Sunday, December 8.** Dine in tickets are sold out but **carry out reservations are still available.** Tickets are \$25/adults, \$12/children (4 to 12 yrs old), children 4 and under are free.

The menu includes lutefisk, meatballs, mashed potatoes, gravy, cucumber salad, sweet and sour red cabbage, lefse, rommegrot, butter, Norwegian treats, coffee and milk. And you can visit the bake sale at any time without a ticket! **For carry out reservations, call the church office or email [office@clcstoughton.org](mailto:office@clcstoughton.org).** Tickets will be mailed once payment is received.

Mark your calendars for important upcoming dates:

- **Senior Luncheon on Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. with Stoughton Madrigal Singers.** Cost is \$12; sign up in Narthex.
- **Church Shut-in for youth in grades 5-8 on Friday, December 27<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 p.m. – 7:00 a.m.** Activities include cosmic bowling, pizza, nerf gun and more. Sign up in Narthex.



#### **Poinsettia Order Form**

If you would like to donate a poinsettia plant for the altar this Christmas Season, they are available for \$19.00 each. Make checks payable to Christ Lutheran Church and return to the church office by **Friday, December 13.**

Given By: \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

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