## Welcome to Christ Lutheran Announcements for December 8, 2024

**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 worshiping with us for the first time and would like more information about our congregation, please ask Pastor Paula.

Stewardship Reminder packets were mailed in November to members who have not turned in their pledge cards; please return your pledge card as soon as possible. You can turn it in at the church office or in the white painted chest on the information desk in the Narthex. 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 **chicken and vegetable alfredo, spaghetti with meat sauce or buttered noodles, lettuce salad, garlic toast, and apple or cherry crisp with 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.

**Bethel Circle will be selling dish cloths this morning** between worship services. **Cost is \$2 each or 3 for \$5.** These dish cloths make **great stocking stuffers** so get a jump start on your holiday shopping! Cash or check only please.

This year's **Sunday School Program is on Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> during the 9:15 a.m. worship service.** Cookies and treats will be served in the café following the program. Parents, please bring treats to share! **Dress rehearsal is scheduled from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 14**<sup>th</sup>.

The next Senior Luncheon is scheduled for Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. The Stoughton High School Madrigal Singers will perform following lunch. They will be dressed in their madrigal costumes and perform acappella Christmas music. The menu includes meatballs and gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans and squash, lefse and Swedish rye, rommegrot and krumkake, coffee and milk Cost is \$12. Sign up in the Narthex.

The Holiday Bake Sale is here! Money raised will go towards scholarships and funding youth mission trips. Pick up dates are December 20 and 21 from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Order forms are due Wednesday, December 18. Payment due at pick up (cash or check). Order forms can be found in the December Ambassador or on the information table in the Narthex.

Today is the day – the Christ Lutheran Lutefisk dinner! Tickets for the dinner are sold out but you



can still visit the bake sale anytime after 11:00 a.m. without a ticket. There are still a few tickets available for carry-out meals; \$25 for adults, \$12 children (4-12), children 3 and under free. On Sunday, December 22, Sunday School grades from 3 year olds to 8<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to a birthday party for Jesus during our normal Sunday School time from 10:00 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. Meet in the gym where we will celebrate the story of Jesus' birth with games, crafts balloons and cake. You won't want to miss it!

Looking for something fun for your kids to do over the holiday break? There will be a Church Lock-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 with fries and cheese curds, pizza, games, a nerf gun war and more. *Sleep is optional*. Breakfast will be served at 6:30 a.m. on Saturday; parents can pick up kids at 7:00 a.m. on Saturday. Sign up in the Narthex.

## Schedule reminders for the month of December...

- Wednesday, December 25 -- No Wednesday meal, Confirmation or God and Games (Christmas)
- Sunday, December 29 9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship only (No Sunday School)
- Wednesday, January 1 -- No Wednesday meal, Confirmation or God and Games (New Year's)
- Sunday, January 5 9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship only (No Sunday School)



## **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.** 

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