

**Welcome to Christ Lutheran  
Announcements February 15, 2026**

**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.

**We also want to welcome all who are joining us online.** We hope you will join us again. If you would like to support Christ Lutheran and its ministry, please go to our website [www.clcstoughton.org/giving/donate/](http://www.clcstoughton.org/giving/donate/) or use the QR code to the right.



**We are collecting for the Stoughton Food Pantry Now thru Fat Tuesday, 2/17.** Our goal is 2 tons or 4000 pounds. Cash donations are great, with price increases it now costs \$2.00 for each pound of food. Items the pantry is always in need of are, laundry detergent, personal care products, condiments, sugar and coffee. **Please make sure that all food donations are not expired!** We have currently collected 3150.39 pounds of food. **The Sunday School classes are having a collection challenge. The classroom with the most donations will win a class party!**

**Join us for the Wednesday meal.** Dinner is served from 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday. A minimum of \$8.00 is suggested to help cover the cost of food. **This week's menu includes:** Mac and Cheese or Scalloped Potatoes and Ham (GF), Veggies and Ranch Dressing, Fruit Salad, Swedish Rye Bread, Rice Krispies, Cookies, Ice Cream, White or Chocolate Milk, Apple Juice or Coffee.

**Mardi Gras is Today from 10:50 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.** We have many games like; “**Take a Chance with Jonah**” **Human Slot Machine, Bowling with David and Goliath, Nerf Gun Target Practice, Cross the Red Sea with Moses Cake Walk, In Jail with Paul and Silas, Bible Bingo, Awesome Crafts with Jacob, Esther’s Face Painting and so much more.** Of course there will be prizes. There will be a **BOUNCE HOUSE** in the large Youth Room.

**Lent begins this Wednesday with Ash Wednesday Worship, at 6:30 p.m.,** and continues each Wednesday through 3/25. **There will be a Lenten Children’s Church for kids from Pre-K – 6<sup>th</sup> grade** in the gym starting at 6:00 p.m. It will include a Bible story, a game and a craft or object lesson. **The Nursery will be open** for the little ones. There is a way for the entire family to participate in Lenten Worship.

**All Thrivent Choice Dollars will end on 3/31/26. Get your elections in now!**

**Meals & Memories “We Love our Coffee and Chocolate”** will be **this Tuesday, 2/17 at 11:30 a.m.** Brook Johnson, the owner of Yahara Chocolate will join us with samples to share the story of his love for 2 items many of us would find hard to live without, coffee and chocolate. The menu is: Beef Stroganoff, Green Salad, Green Beans, Butter Bites, Swedish Rye Bread, Almond Cake with Raspberries and Whipped Cream, Milk and Coffee. Sign up at the information desk.

**Ageless Adventures are going to Fireside to see the Musical “ Beehive” this Friday 2/20.** Those of you who have signed up please be here by 10:00 a.m. to pool rides. If you are willing to drive let Jean know.

**The World-renowned Concordia Choir of Moorhead, MN** at Luther Memorial Church, **on Sunday, 3/1 at 7:00 p.m.** See the poster outside the office window.

**New Member Orientation will be next Sunday, 2/22 and on 3/1** immediately following the 9:15 a.m. Service in the Conference Room located next to the Narthex. You may choose which Sunday works best for you. **New Member Sunday will be 3/8.** New members will be received at both services.

**First Communion Instruction will start next Sunday 2/22, 3/1, 3/8, and 3/15.** All 4<sup>th</sup> Grade students and their Parents will meet with Pastor Paula to receive 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Instruction immediately following Sunday School. **4th grade Students will receive 1<sup>st</sup> Communion on Maundy Thursday 4/2 at 6:30 p.m.**

**Wednesday, 4/1 at 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.**, 4<sup>th</sup> Graders will bake bread with Pastor Paula and Jenny Hoffman for the **Maundy Thursday Service.**

**Boundary Waters Canoe Trip is 7/20 – 7/26** – For more information please refer to the Ambassador or see the Flyer at the information desk in the Narthex.

**Looking for More Cooks!** Do you like to cook? Do you appreciate a challenge. Jen and Pastor Paula are looking for about 6 people who would help us with Food and Fellowship meal prep. The plan is to divide into two groups – Jen’s Group and Paula’s Group and prep the meal every-other Wednesday.

**Support our Youth!** Visit the 2025-2026 SASD Calendar [www.stoughton.k12.wi.us](http://www.stoughton.k12.wi.us) for upcoming events like Music, Sports, Cheer, Dance and Drama to name a few.

**Blood Drive will be Tuesday 3/17/26 from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.** To book an appointment, call ImpactLife at 800-747-540.

**Quilting will be starting back up on Wednesday 3/18.**

**Bryant Foundation Scholarship** information on the information bar outside of the office. Visit <https://scholarshipamerica.org/bryantfoundation> to view program guidelines and to download the application

**Found Ring-** If you have lost a ring please see Jean, at the office (Tues-Thurs 9-4).

*“Trust in God from the bottom of your heart; don’t try to figure out everything on your own. Listen for God’s voice in everything you do, everywhere you go.”*

Proverbs 3:4-6

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### **Easter Flowers Order Form**

The following plants are available for Easter: Lily - \$27.45, Begonia \$21.45, Daffodils - \$17.00, Tulip - \$17.00

*(Make check out to Christ Lutheran Church)*

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

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

or In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

Kind of plant \_\_\_\_\_

***Please give your order to Jean in the church office by March 3rd.***