

Making Christ Known

February 2019

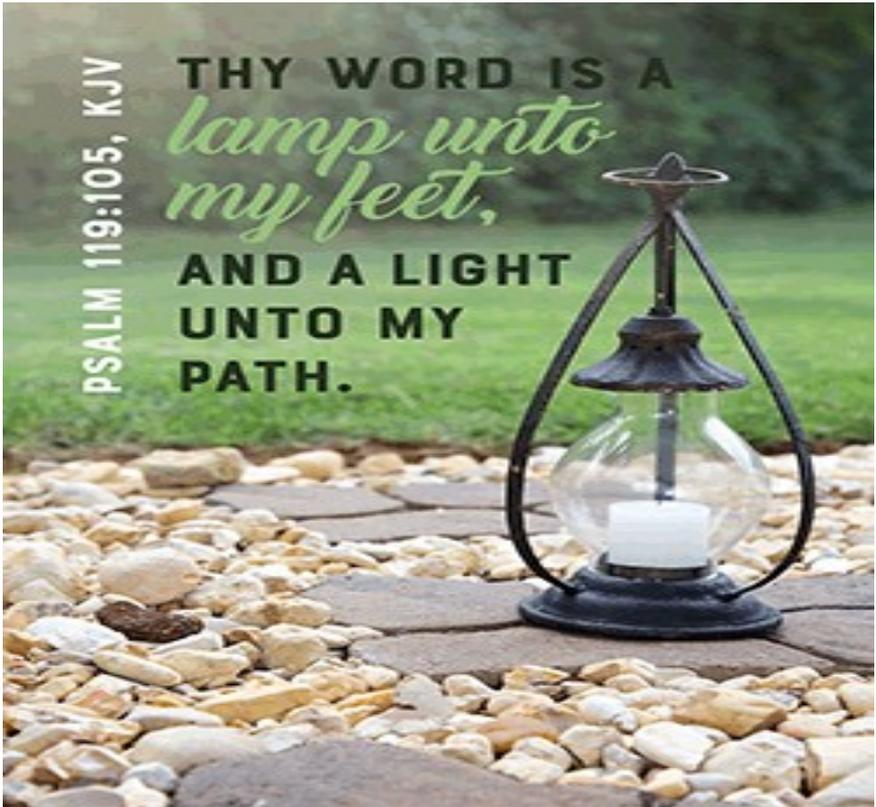


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MESSAGE FROM PASTOR STEVE

We encourage everyone to get an Annual Report from the table by the church office and read it. I encourage you to come to our annual meeting on Sunday, February 3rd, at 9:05 am between worship services. If you miss the meeting, please read the annual report to get a sense of how we are following Jesus in God's mission. At our annual meeting we elect leaders, pass a budget, have meaningful discussions and clarifications on the reports presented. We hope to grow in faithfulness in our mission with God in Byron and beyond. Your participation in decision making is appreciated. Thanks to everyone who gave of themselves to help make Christ's love known. Christ Lutheran is on a mission from God to equip all ages to lovingly serve God and people.

The season of Epiphany began with the arrival of the Wisemen seeking the Savior. Epiphany means "manifestation" or "revealing". This year epiphany is longer than average and ends with Transfiguration Sunday on March 3rd. In the Baptism of Jesus and at the transfiguration, a voice comes from heaven and says "This is my Son, the Beloved, listen to Him."

May you hear more clearly the voice of Jesus throughout the week. May you grow in being part of God's mission by revealing His love to the world. May the light of Jesus Christ shine through you!

This year Ash Wednesday is March 6. We are in conversation with some area pastors considering a Lenten round robin which will be 5 area pastors teaching or acting on a theme. Watch for details.

Pastor Steve

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.
John 14:27

BIBLE TALK

Whether part of the Sunday readings from that day, or part of your Bible reading plan during the week, we all have questions about the Bible. The aim of "Bible Talk" will be to share our questions, thoughts, and a-ha's with others in an effort to know Christ better, glorify God, and learn about His Word. Anyone (including Youth) is invited to attend on Sundays at 9:20 in the Chapel!

ANNUAL MEETING OF CHRIST LUTHERAN

Feb.3rd at 9:05am. All confirmed members are encouraged to attend and to be a part of the decision-making process.

ANNUAL REPORTS are available in the narthex. Please pick up your copy to read.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY NEW TESTAMENT BOOK OF PHILIPPIANS

Pastor Nirmala will be leading the adult Bible study on the letter of Paul to the Philippians. This letter portrays Jesus Christ is our joy. It also encourages Christians to have joy in living (chapter 1) joy in service (chapter 2), joy in fellowship (chapter 3) joy in rewards (chapter 4). At the end of the study, we will know the joy of the Lord is our strength. All are welcome!

LENT SERIES

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on March 6th. This year we will be part of a Lenten round robin led by area pastors. Holden Evening prayer will be our liturgy for each service. All are welcome to 5:00 soup suppers and 6:30 worship.

*Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart,
as working for the Lord, not for men,
Col 3:23*

CONFIRMATION NEWS

February Schedule

06 - Exile (Israel and Judah)

13 - Judah 2 (prophets)

20 - Job

27 - Review the Old Testament

30 - Israel

IMPORTANT DATES

March 06 - Ash Wednesday and start of Lenten Services.

Follow Lent schedule, parent help requested.

April 06 - 2nd year student retreat, create stoles

April 28 - Confirmation Sunday - 10:00 AM service.

Check www.clcbyron.org/confirmation for the most up-to-date acolyte schedule, service projects, students' progress report, as well as our Lenten soup supper Schedule. Please contact me with any questions.

Thank you,

Lynette Magnuson

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FEBRUARY ACOLYTE SCHEDULE IS AS FOLLOWS:

02/03/19	8am	Luke Bjelland, Finnley Klunder
	10am	Ava Johnson, McKenzie Sauter
02/10/19	8am	Nathan Matter, Briella Olson
	10am	MaKana Schroeder, Haley Kerns
02/17/19	8am	Briella Olson, Haley Kerns
	10am	Abigail Hall, Olivia Yennie
02/24/19	8am	David Deutz, Joshua Dickison
	10am	Allie Petersen, Paige Halder
03/03/19	8am	Kassie Theobald, Gabriella Cornejo
	10am	Zachary Vanderpool, Austin Hart

GOOD EARTH VILLAGE SUMMER CAMP

Registration is open with a 15% early bird discount until Feb 3. Contact information is www.goodearthvillage.org/summer or 507-346-2494.



ROMANS 8:16

RIVER OF LIFE NEWS

If you are interested in volunteering to teach or helping in the classrooms please contact: Francine Kovash at fkovash@hotmail.com or 507-951-2234.

The lessons for February will be:

02/03 - Luke 8:49-56 - Jesus Heals Jairus' Daughter

02/10 - Luke 13:10-16 - Jesus Heals a Crippled Woman on the Sabbath

02/17 - John 10:1-16 - Jesus Is the Good Shepherd

02/24 - Matthew 21:12-17 - Jesus Clears the Temple

On 02/10 The 3 years old through 2nd grade classes will be singing at the 8 AM service.

Offering collected during ROL and to the left of the altar in the sanctuary from January through June will go to Lutheran Disaster Relief to assist in the Africa Drought crisis. July through December money collected will go to the Channel One Food Shelf.

Thank you!
Francine Kovash

FAMILY SNOW TUBING AT IRONWOOD SPRINGS CHRISTIAN RANCH

The Education Committee has decided to try something new instead of the Snow Much Fun Lock In this year. Traditionally, we have had a lock-in at the church for the 3rd through 6th graders sometime in February. This year we thought it would be fun to have a family event open to all ROL families instead of an overnight event for older ROL kids only. On February 22nd we plan to gather at Ironwood Springs Christian Ranch in Stewartville and go snow tubing. More information about this event is to come. We hope that

LUTHERAN MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER - WINTER

Married husbands and wives can celebrate their special relationship and learn unique insights and tools to improve their communication for the long haul with Marriage Encounter! It's a whole weekend away from chores, jobs, and kids to reap joyful long-term rewards for their relationship, their family, and their faith journey.

February 15 - 17, 2019

RISE by Elevation Hotel in Brooklyn Center, MN

Apply now at GodLovesMarriage.org!

Special 50% Discount off the regular application fee for 2019 events in celebration of Worldwide Marriage Encounter's 50 Years of enriching marriages!

Questions? Contact Pete & Phyllis McMahon
mcmahonp@comcast.net • 763-561-1575

MOVIE TIME - FEB. 10TH AT 2:00

“A SONG FROM THE HEART”

Maryann Lowery a blind cellist and music teacher at Milford Conservatory of Music, enjoys her quiet comfortable life with her friend and widowed neighbor Oliver. When a world famous musician visits the conservatory to record an upcoming album, he sees undiscovered talent in Maryann. He promises her fame and convinces her to undergo a risky eye operation. As the two fall for each other, it will take a life challenging moment for Maryann to realize that sometimes, true love is right before our eyes

Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

1 Pet 5:7

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DECEMBER MEMORIALS 2018

IN MEMORY OF LAVON LENOX

Roof Fund.....David and Jeanne Tweite
Roof Fund.....Bob and Jeannette Tweite
Music Fund.....Ted and Martha Gehrking

IN MEMORY OF HAROLD FUCHS

Faith Chest Fund....Harold Fuchs Family

CABIN FEVER DATE NIGHT

Cabin Fever Date Night is here!! The 2019 Mission Trip students and Confirmation students are offering their child care services on Fridays:

Feb. 8th, 2019

Mar. 8th, 2019

Apr. 26th, 2019

Kids can be dropped off at church beginning at 6:00pm and need to be picked up by 9:00pm. No meals will be provided but snacks will be served - along with games, movies, and a good time. Parents can enjoy a date night together while kids enjoy playing with church friends. We will have adult supervision at this event. Donations for the Mission trip and Bible Camp Scholarships will be greatly appreciated!

Questions, contact Tim Meek at timothymeek@gmail.com or call 775-2061.

BAPTIZED INTO THE CHRIST LUTHERAN FAMILY

Finn Deane Pfaffenbach was baptized on Sunday, Jan. 27th. Finn is the son of Adam and Stephanie Pfaffenbach. Grandparents are Carl and Debra Fugleberg, Don and Jayne Pfaffenbach and Cindy Saunders. Finn's sponsors are Johnathan and Colleen Moeller and Travis and Jenny Thein. Welcome, Finn, to the family of Christ Lutheran Church.

COMMUNION

If you are unable to come to the altar for communion please let our ushers know and communion will be brought to you.

HOME VISITS

Pastor Nirmala would like to get to know the families at Christ Lutheran. If you are interested in a visit from Pastor Nirmala please contact her to set up a time.

FIRST SUNDAY PRAYER TIME

On the first Sunday of each month, Pastor Steve will be available for individual prayer and anointing (optional) at the altar railing. Prayers could include physical or emotional healing for yourself or loved ones. Requests at the railing will be kept confidential.

HOME VISITATION MINISTRY

Joan Skare and Joan Prigge are leading a home visitation ministry which may include bringing communion to our homebound members. If you are interested in being on the team, please contact either one of them.

501(C)(3) FEDERAL INCOME TAX EXEMPTION NUMBER

Christ Lutheran Church now has a 501(c)(3) number for federal income tax exemption for members that wish to donate funds through United Way or another donation program that needs a tax exempt number. Please contact the office if you have questions or for more information.

He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

Mic 6:8

GO GREEN!

Did you know the office prints and mails out 300 newsletters each month? The office also emails the newsletter out to over 380 email addresses, monthly. To save a tree, as well as the cost of printing, time for assembling, and mailing, consider receiving the newsletter via email only. This can be done by contacting the church office at office@clcbyron.org or 775-6646 or sign up on the clipboard on the table outside the church office.

ELECTRONIC GIVING FORMS

To give to the mission of Christ Lutheran Church electronically, please complete an electronic giving form found on the kiosk in the narthex, or access the website and click on "Online giving" to set up an account with your own password. Thank you for supporting the future of Christ Lutheran.

WEATHER CANCELLATIONS:

If there is heavy snowfall/wind on Sat evenings, please check with KTTTC, CLC Facebook page, clcbyron.org or look for an email from Constant Contact for worship service announcements.



And my God
will meet all
your needs
according to
his glorious
riches in
Christ Jesus.

Phil 4:19

BOOK CLUB

Feb 4 Evicted

Mathew Desmond

Mar 4 The Nightingale

Kristin Hannah

Apr 1 Lab Girl

Hope Jahren

May - undecided

The book club typically meets the first Monday of each month at 7:00pm at Christ Lutheran Church. We often get “Books in a Bag” so the next month’s books will be distributed at the meetings. We take turns bringing treats and each person brings their own beverage.

Everyone is welcome to join us in reading and discussion of the monthly books.

JOY COFFEE HOUR

February coffee hour will be at the church on Monday, February 4th at 9:30AM. Gail Heller will serve as hostess.

JOY Coffee Hour is a group of women who gather monthly for a social hour of conversation and coffee time. We take turns furnishing the treats. An annual picnic is planned in July at a park in Byron. A noon Pot Luck is planned in December. Anyone interested, we welcome you to join us. We meet the first Monday of the month at 9:30am at church. Occasionally, we plan lunch outings, visits to museums, or attending plays/concerts in the area. It has been a lot of fun for all of us who currently belong. Three new ladies joined late in 2018 and one in 2019. We welcome all newcomers. Think about becoming a JOY Club member!

DOROTHY NORMAN

now lives at Bee Hives in Excelsior. Address is 6330 Hazeltine Blvd, Excelsior, MN if interested in visiting her. No mail to this location. All mail to Dorothy should be sent to her daughter Sue Donovan, 17050 Trenton Lane, Eden Prairie, MN 55347. Sue may be called if anyone wishes information regarding Dorothy. Please contact the office for Sue’s number.

I can do everything through him who gives me strength.
Phil 4:13

PRAYER REQUESTS

CLC believes strongly in the power of prayer. When contacting the church office with prayer requests, be clear if you are requesting the prayer email list or Sunday morning prayers. It is best if you have permission from those who need prayer for us to be public with their concerns. Priority will be given to members/family or relatives of members, it is also helpful if non-members are local or known by the congregation. Non-member prayer requests will be kept in the bulletin for two weeks unless the office is updated. Remember, most first Sundays of the month there is confidential prayer at the altar railing after service.

SUNDAY MORNING TREATS

To all the families of Christ Lutheran Church:

Your help in providing Sunday morning treats is appreciated. Choose a Sunday in each of your assigned months, contact your chair, and tell her when you will provide treats and if you are willing to be a server. We request 3 dozen or a batch of cookies be provided. Leave the treats in the kitchen marked with your name. Each week we use about 15 dozen cookies. If your last name starts with these letters it means it is your month. Thank you so much for contributing cookies to go with the coffee.

February and August.....OPQR Joni Prigge (282-8475)
Carmen Pyfferoen (273-5597)



You will keep in perfect peace him whose mind is steadfast, because he trusts in you.

Isa 26:3

JANUARY 15TH, 2019 COUNCIL MEETING

Call to order at 6:30 ~ Joe Biewer

Members Present: Candee Ostreng, Dave Schlobohm, Jason Pfeilsticker, Ben Johnson, Aaron Anderson, Kaia Long, Joan Skare, Randy Holz, Pastor Steve

Agenda Approved: Motion by Randy, 2nd by Dave

Minutes Approved: Motion by Candee, 2nd by Ben

Treasurer's Report

December 2018 was a great month ending \$10,943.93 in the black. Income exceeds Expense for the year by \$13,524.14

December Income	\$38,591.65	YTD Budget	\$337,150.00
December Expense	\$27,647.72	YTD Income	\$328,496.39
December Difference	\$10,943.93	YTD Expense	\$314,972.25
		2018 YTD Difference	\$13,524.14
		2017 YTD Difference	\$15,013.16

Open Positions - Council

Stephanie, Dave, Randy, Aaron and adding Joshua Heinz

Discussion:

Committee chair reports for annual meeting

Council Table Talk for Jan 20th is Randy, Jason and Joe

Update - Katie Livingood website consulting.

Motion to approve for inclusion in the Annual Report for the 2019 Budget as prepared by the Finance committee: Randy, 2nd by Kaia

Motion to approve for inclusion in the Annual Report the 2019 Ballot as prepared by the Nominating committee - Jason, 2nd by Randy

Motion to pay Katie Livingood up to \$1,500 to start in Feb - Candee, 2nd by Jason

Motion to Adjourn: Motion by Candee, 2nd by Dave

Adjourned with the Lord's Prayer

Next council meeting will February 19th at 6:30

Respectfully Submitted,
Joan Skare

*Now faith is being sure of what we hope for
and certain of what we do not see. Heb 11:1*

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SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

8:00AM –TRADITIONAL

9:05AM ROL

9:15AM ADULT ED

10AM—BLENDED

OFFICE HOURS

9:00AM- 4:00PM MON-THURS

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

