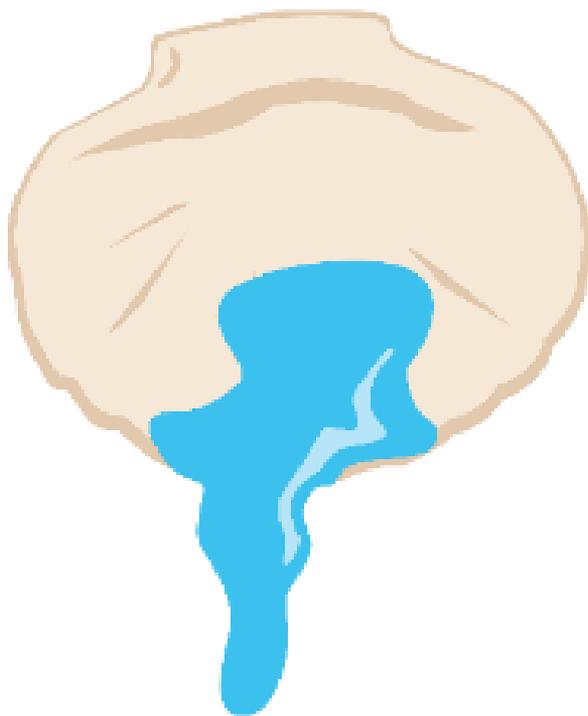


The Baptism of our Lord

January 13th, 2019



“The voice of the LORD is over the waters;
the God of glory thunders, the LORD,
over many waters.” *Psalms 29:3*

WELCOME! We extend a cordial welcome to everyone in the name of our crucified and risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! Visitors are always welcome in our midst and are asked to sign our guest book in the entrance to our church sanctuary.

AS WE GATHER—*"Fear Knots and Fear Nots"*

Have you ever thought about how powerful fear and worry are in our lives? Fear takes hold. It ties us in knots and refuses to let us go. On our own, we're powerless to undo these "fear knots." Only Jesus has the power to release us from their captivity. "Fear not," He says to His redeemed people! "You are Mine," He refreshingly reminds us. Our worship on this Baptism of Our Lord Sunday brings us with Jesus to the baptismal waters, enabling us to hear the living voice of our God as He washes us clean and makes us His own. Fear may take its hold for a moment, but Jesus' hold is eternal. "Fear knots" may have their day. "Fear not" are saving words forever.

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Budget Update:

	<u>December</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Receipts:	\$ 28,980	\$ 254,413
Expenses:	\$ 19,958	\$ 251,414
Over/(under):	\$ 9,022	\$ 2,999
CLC Loan Balance:	\$ 9,000	
Operating Loan:	\$ 29,500	
Savings Borrowed:	\$ 10,000	
Total Debt:	\$ 48,500	

We finished the year with a healthy December. In 2018 we reduced the CLC debt by just over \$3300, and the Operating debt was reduced by just under \$300. However, we did increase the amount we owe our Savings account by \$2000 from what it was going into the year. Replenishing our Savings account remains a priority for 2019.

Thank you for your ongoing support to this ministry. To God be all the glory.

Treasurer: Jerry Kobiske

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OPENING HYMN “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” (LSB 686)

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SHARING OF THE PEACE (Please greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "*Peace be with you,*" as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.) [Matthew 5:22-24; Ephesians 4:1-3]

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+ **Old Testament Lesson**—*Isaiah 43:1–7* (The Lord calls His own by name.)

Gradual—*Psalms 117:1–2a; 96:8*

+ **Epistle Lesson**—*Romans 6:1–11* (We are baptized into Christ.)

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“Alleluia. You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased. Alleluia.”

+ **Gospel Lesson**—*Luke 3:15–22* (Jesus is baptized in the Jordan River.)

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From Martin Luther’s Small Catechism— Sacrament of Holy Baptism: What is Baptism? Which is that Word of God? What benefits does Baptism give? Which are these words and promises of God?

HYMN OF THE DAY “God’s Own Child, I Gladly Say It” (LSB 594)

SERMON “In the Father’s Care” (Exodus 14.10-31)

Sermon Text: ¹⁰When Pharaoh drew near, the people of Israel lifted up their eyes, and behold, the Egyptians were marching after them, and they feared greatly. And the people of Israel cried out to the LORD. ¹¹They said to Moses, “Is it because there are no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us in bringing us out of Egypt? ¹²Is not this what we said to you in Egypt, ‘Leave us alone that we may serve the Egyptians’? For it would

have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness.”¹³ And Moses said to the people, “Fear not, stand firm, and see the salvation of the LORD, which he will work for you today. For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall never see again.”¹⁴ The LORD will fight for you, and you have only to be silent.”¹⁵ The LORD said to Moses, “Why do you cry to me? Tell the people of Israel to go forward.”¹⁶ Lift up your staff, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it, that the people of Israel may go through the sea on dry ground.¹⁷ And I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they shall go in after them, and I will get glory over Pharaoh and all his host, his chariots, and his horsemen.¹⁸ And the Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I have gotten glory over Pharaoh, his chariots, and his horsemen.”¹⁹ Then the angel of God who was going before the host of Israel moved and went behind them, and the pillar of cloud moved from before them and stood behind them,²⁰ coming between the host of Egypt and the host of Israel. And there was the cloud and the darkness. And it lit up the night without one coming near the other all night.²¹ Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided.²² And the people of Israel went into the midst of the sea on dry ground, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left.²³ The Egyptians pursued and went in after them into the midst of the sea, all Pharaoh’s horses, his chariots, and his horsemen.²⁴ And in the morning watch the LORD in the pillar of fire and of cloud looked down on the Egyptian forces and threw the Egyptian forces into a panic,²⁵ clogging their chariot wheels so that they drove heavily. And the Egyptians said, “Let us flee from before Israel, for the LORD fights for them against the Egyptians.”²⁶ Then the LORD said to Moses, “Stretch out your hand over the sea, that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen.”²⁷ So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to its normal course when the morning appeared. And as the Egyptians fled into it, the LORD threw the Egyptians into the midst of the sea.²⁸ The waters returned and covered the chariots and the horsemen; of all the host of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea, not one of them remained.²⁹ But the people of Israel walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left.³⁰ Thus the LORD saved Israel that day from the hand of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore.³¹ Israel saw the great power that the LORD used against the Egyptians, so the people feared the LORD, and they believed in the LORD and in his servant Moses.

OFFERTORY

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OFFERINGS/ATTENDANCE

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH (*Each petition of the prayers ends by the pastor saying: “Lord, in Your mercy” and the congregation responding: “Hear our prayer”*)

CONCLUDING COLLECT

Pastor: Let us pray. Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River Your voice proclaimed Him to be Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Set free from fear all who are baptized in His name that they may fearlessly make known Your words of life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

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CLOSING HYMN “To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord” (LSB 406)

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!!!



Attendance in Worship Last Sunday: 71

Officiant: Rev. John M. Taggatz

Organist: Mary Reany

Elder: Bob Boelter

Ushers:

Altar Guild: Karen Tesch

Acolyte: Eli Boelter

Church Information—

Pastor’s E-mail: jtaggatz@yahoo.com

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Pastor Taggatz’s Blog: www.thewordendures.blogspot.com

Church Body’s Website: www.lcms.org

Church Websites: clcms.org (Calvary)
christlutheranwestbloomfield.com (Christ)

Julie Decker, MA, LPC—Clinical Christian Psychologist through Lutheran Counseling & Family Services at Calvary Waupaca—For appointment call: (715) 524-4840 or (toll free) 888-867-4840 or online at www.lcfswi.org.

REMINDER! Pastor’s Office Hours for Christ & Calvary

Monday (Christ) 9:30 am-1pm

Tuesday (Christ) 10:15 am-1pm

Wednesday (Calvary) 9:30am -1pm

Thursday (Calvary): 9am - 1pm

Friday (Pastor’s Day Off)

Visitations: Monday through Thursday afternoons

For Appointments, Call Calvary or Christ Office or Pastor’s Cell Phone.

For an Emergency, Call Pastor Taggatz: 715-467-1231.

Our Prayer List: Andy Handrich (cancer); Tracey Vetrone; Samuel Cartwright; Sherry Blomberg; Bob & Bev Buchholtz; Darin Triplett (cancer) son-in-law of Elvis Behm; Dirk Niebaum (cancer) friend of the Taggatz family; Sam Ives, friend of Ms. Reindl (needing a liver and heart transplant); Ron Wurm (heart problems) oldest son of Pastor Bill Wurm; Bud & Judy Keller; Michael Felske (rehabilitation), father of CarrieAnn Rohm; Daryl (cancer) friend of Richie and Beth Robbins (school family); Todd Monroe (cancer) Rene Dorsett's brother; Judy (brain tumor) friend of Fred Monroe, Rene Dorsett's father; Connie Selle (cancer) Angie Lund's mother; Verona Lipke (healing); Chris Schliepp (healing); for Jelane, Joanne Loehrke's sister (healing).

In the Military: Kaitlin Young, Fort Campbell, KY.

Our Shut Ins: Doris Buchholtz, Louis Hartzke, Mary Grambsch, Lisa Liepert, Stanley Behm, and Elvis Behm.

We Mourn with those who have lost loved ones— Give to all who mourn comfort in their grief and a sure confidence in Your loving care, especially the family of Judy Wurm, Roxanne Taggatz's Aunt, and Butch Castle, a friend of the Taggatz family, who were both recently called home to heavenly rest, that casting all their sorrow on You, they may know the consolation of Your love. Amen.

Special thanks to all those who generously gave to Pastor David Baker's Mission Endeavors in Mongolia!!!—Through generous support of our members of Christ and Calvary, we were able to give to the Baker family over \$1100 on Epiphany Sunday January 6th, 2019. Praise God from Whom all blessings flow!!!

Julie Hanson has delivered some of the pew cushions: she hopes to have the project completed by the end of January. Please donate to replenish our savings debt.

The Board of Stewardship gratefully acknowledges the following gifts:

- Andrew Schliepp, \$325 to Christ Lutheran School
- Julaine Kobiske, \$200 to Christ Lutheran Church in memory of her parents.

Updated January 2019 School/Church Calendar in the Narthex table so everyone can stay updated on events. The only updates were to the basketball schedule this month for the children.

Our regularly scheduled Christ Lutheran Council meeting is on Tuesday January 22nd at 7:00 pm. The regular occurring **Christ Lutheran Voter's meeting** is scheduled for **Sunday February 10th, 2019** immediately following the Worship Service. Please plan on attending our May Voter's Meeting, as your input and involvement in our Lutheran Church and School is deeply needed, and greatly appreciated. Thanks for your support of our ministries here at Christ Lutheran Church & School!!!

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST

<u>Sunday – January 13</u> 8:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Adult Bible Class
<u>Monday – January 14</u> 3:30-5:15 PM boys & girls basketball practice 6:00 PM PTG meeting
<u>Tuesday – January 15</u> 8:30 AM Chapel 4:45 PM Coed B team boys & girls Away basketball game vs Celebration Appleton
<u>Wednesday – January 16</u> 3:30-5:15 PM boys & girls basketball practice 6:00-7:00 PM Public School Confirmation class & Christ
<u>Thursday – January 17</u> 4:30 PM A&B girls Home basketball game vs. St.John/All SaintsBerlin 5:30 PM A&B boys Home basketball game vs. St.John/All SaintsBerlin
<u>Friday – January 18</u> Pastor's Day Off
<u>Sunday – January 20</u> 8:30 AM Worship Service w/ Holy Communion Children Sing 8:50 AM Sunday School 9:45 AM Adult Bible Class

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BIBLE STUDY? Pastor John is leading Bible Study on Thursdays at Calvary Lutheran Waupaca at 10:00am. Come join us as we study God's Word together! We are currently studying, "*The Augsburg Confession Today*" a Bible Study from the Lutheran Confessions. This is a study that helps people to understand the basics of our Lutheran teachings today from a Biblical perspective in our 21st Century modern world.

"**The Challenges of Islam**" is the topic of the Adult Bible Study which is held at 9:45 AM on Sundays here at Christ Lutheran. This study is part of the Lutheran Hour Ministries Bible Study topics. Please join us!!!

In the case of inclement weather please check with WDUX radio 92.7 FM to see if our congregations' worship has been cancelled.

Children's Quiet Bags are available for your kids here at Christ and Calvary Lutheran Churches. These bags are full of coloring books, Bible Story books, and various other items for your child to play with during the worship service. Please ask an usher and we will be sure to get you one before the worship service.

CALLING ALL USHERS FOR CELC--We are in need of ushers here at Christ Lutheran for 2019. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex if you would like to help out. If interested, please contact Bryan Brazil at: [920-867-3646](tel:920-867-3646).

FLOWER COMMITTEE: You will find a Flower Committee sign-up sheet. We are looking for one or two people to take care of flowers/plants for a month. The person(s) would be in responsible for Altar flowers and watering the green plants. If you are interested, please sign up or contact Susanne Utecht.

SCRIP AT CELC—SCRIP is being sold following the 8:30am service in the church basement. Thank you for your ongoing support.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR—"Reason to Believe" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Do you have a reason to believe that everyone should believe what you believe? John did. Come and see. (John 1:19-51) The Lutheran Hour can be heard any time on the internet at: lhm.org scroll down the page and click on, "*listen now.*" Or listen to any of these local radio stations on Sunday mornings.

5:30am The Lutheran Hour, WTMJ (AM 620)

7:30am The Lutheran Hour, WJMQ (FM 92.3)

8:00 am The Lutheran Hour, WDUX (AM 800)

10:00 am The Lutheran Hour, WRVM (FM 102.7)

"If God places such high value on life—all life (John 3:16)—how can we possibly be less concerned? We do love others because He first loved us (1 John 4:19). We speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves (Proverbs 31:8) because when we had no voice, no standing, no defense, Jesus stepped in on our behalf. There is no way we can be less loving." *Christian Life Resources – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life* www.lutheransforlife.org (For those who have made an abortion decision, there is a [Word of Hope](http://www.word-of-hope.org), Lutherans For Life's post-abortion healing ministry. Call 888.217.8679 or email info@word-of-hope.org.)

The Congregation at Prayer Sunday January 13th, 2019, The Baptism of our Lord

Catechism: Sacrament of Holy Baptism: What is Baptism? Which is that Word of God? What benefits does Baptism give? Which are these words and promises of God?

Verse of the week Mark 10:14-15, "*Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it.*"

Psalm of the week: Psalm 15

Hymn of the week: (LSB 404) "Jesus, Once with Sinners Numbered" (stanza 1-4)

Bible Stories for the Week:

Sunday— The Baptism of Our Lord—Matthew 3:13-17

Monday— The Death of Elisha—2 Kings 13:10-25

Tuesday— Israel Is Carried Away by the Assyrians—2 Kings 17:5-18 (19-41)

Wednesday— King Uzziah of Judah—2 Chronicles 26:1-5, 16-23

Thursday— Isaiah Is Called to Preach in Israel and Judah—Isaiah 6:1-13

Friday—King Hezekiah of Judah—2 Kings 18:1-8

Are you celebrating a baptism, birthday, anniversary, or other special occasion, or remembering a loved one who has gone to be with the Lord? If so, you can donate flowers on the altar for that particular week you are celebrating a special occasion or remembering a loved one. Please call Susanne Utecht if you are interested in donating flowers at: (920) 867-4225.

The Milk Moola fundraising program will be ending in January because the cost to administer the program has outweighed the dollars Kwik Trip has directly funded to help the participants. All redemptions need to be postmarked for 3/31/2019. If you have any Kwik Trip Caps or Bag Tops we will need them by Feb 15th so that we can get them counted for redemption. Please bring all you have to the office and place them in the Mild Moola Bin if that is full please place them on the table. Thank you for your support! Any questions please call the office at 920-867-3263 or email Jennifer at clcschool@centurytel.net.



2019 South Wisconsin District Passionate Believers Conference is set for January 26th 2019. 8:00 am Registration 2:00 pm
Closing **Keynote Presenter: Rev. Dr. Matthew C. Harrison** President of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod:

Why Am I Joyfully Lutheran? The Bible is brimming with joy! Despite the myriad challenges of life, the Word of God gives an extensive and fulsome cause for joy, and by grace actually renders the Christian joyous. As a faithful confession of God's Word, Luther's Small Catechism is also full of consolation and a tremendous cause for joy. The simple and sure clarity of the Bible, and especially the catechism's clear confession of the Bible's basic teachings, is the remedy for hurting and joyless souls. For more conference information and to register visit swd.lcms.org or contact Barb Slak at the South Wisconsin District Office @ 414-292-0745 & slak@swd.lcms.org.

If there's a prayer request for Christ or Calvary please be sure to keep us updated as to how they are doing. If someone is feeling better, we would certainly want to give a prayer of thanksgiving for their healing as well...

If you are in need of 2018 Tax filing Assistance the Wautoma Cap Services center will be giving free tax filing services to those in need. You are asked to call 1-800-660-5430 to find out if you're eligible and to make an appointment.