

# The 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

## February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018



“Jesus healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons.”  
*Mark 1:34a*

**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—*“Able and Willing”***

Today’s Readings are a gracious reminder to us that, in His love for His people, God is willing to rescue and protect us; and as the almighty Lord over all, He is certainly able! The people in Isaiah’s day were wondering about God’s protection as they feared neighboring states, but the prophet reminds them that God is in control of all things, ready and able to help them. When Jesus healed Peter’s mother-in-law and many others who were suffering from both sickness and demons, He demonstrated His power to save from opponents on every level. And when Paul became “all things to all people,” he was bringing them Gospel, God’s ultimate rescue from sin, death, and the devil. And now, the blessings of the Gospel come to us today through Word and Sacrament from our strong and loving God.

### **Budget Update:**

Checkbook Balance 12/31/17: \$176.62

	<u>January</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Receipts:	\$ 23,176	\$ 23,176
Expenses:	\$ 22,322	\$ 22,322
Over/(under):	\$ 854	\$ 854
CLC Loan Balance:	\$ 10,977	
Operating Loan:	\$ 29,795	
Savings Borrowed:	\$ 8,000	
Total Debt:	\$ 48,772	

Treasurer  
 Jerry Kobiske

### **ORDER OF SERVICE: *Divine Service, Setting 3, page 184***

<b>OPENING HYMN</b> “Praise the Almighty”	(LSB 797)
<b>CONFESSION &amp; ABSOLUTION</b>	page 184
<b>SERVICE OF THE WORD</b>	page 186

**THE INTROIT, COLLECT OF THE DAY, GRADUAL, AND  
SCRIPTURE READINGS CAN ALL BE FOUND IN YOUR BULLETIN  
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**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** page 187-189

**SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY** page 189

**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]

**SCRIPTURE READINGS:** page 190

+ **Old Testament Lesson**— *Isaiah 40:21–31* (The Lord reminds His people that He is willing and able to defend them.)

**Gradual**

+ **Epistle Lesson**—*1 Corinthians 9:16–27* (Paul changes his approach to win different people.)

**ALLELUIA AND VERSE** page 190

*“Alleluia. [Jesus] went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons. Alleluia.”*

+ **Gospel Lesson**—*Mark 1:29–39* (Jesus heals Simon’s mother-in-law and many others.)

**THE NICENE CREED** page 191

**CATECHISM** page 326

From Martin Luther’s Small Catechism: Confession and the Office of the Keys: What is Confession? What is the Office of the Keys? Where is this written? What do you believe according to these words?

**HYMN OF THE DAY** “Hail to the Lord’s Anointed” (LSB 398)

**SERMON** “Christ for All Rather Than ‘Coexist’” (1 Corinthians 9.16-27)

**OFFERTORY** page 192

**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**”)

**SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT** pages 194-198

**Statement on Communion**—(please read before taking the Sacrament)

The Lord’s Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord’s body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Synod–Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive this sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder. (1 Cor. 11:26-27ff).

**Proper Preface**

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

***Holy, Holy, Holy*** page 195

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

-“Jesus Comes Today with Healing” (LSB 620)

-“From All That Dwell Below the Skies” (LSB 816)

**NUNC DIMITTIS** page 199

**POST-COMMUNION COLLECT** page 201

**SALUTATION & BENEDICAMUS**

**BENEDICTION** page 202

CLOSING HYMN “On Eagles’ Wings”

(LSB 727)

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord!!!

People: Thanks be to God!!!

Attendance in Worship Last Sunday: 57

**Church Information—**

Pastor’s E-mail: [jtaggatz@yahoo.com](mailto:jtaggatz@yahoo.com)

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Pastor Taggatz’s Blog: [www.thewordendures.blogspot.com](http://www.thewordendures.blogspot.com)

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Church Website: [www.christlutheranwestbloomfield.com](http://www.christlutheranwestbloomfield.com)

Officiant: Pastor John M. Taggatz

Organist: Ila Robbert

Elder: Myron Wacker

Greeters: Eloise Krause

Altar Guild: Karen Tesch

Acolyte: Lilly Wendt

**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:** Samuel Cartwright, Pleasance Robbert’s father; Sherry Blomberg; Shirley Rohan; Bob & Bev Buchholtz; Dave Timm, Ryan Timm’s father; Pastor Mark Meier (recovering from heart surgery); Darin Triplett (cancer), son-in-law of Elvis Behm; Jerry Dorsett, (recovery from surgery); Matt Tesch (recovery from an accident); Linda Brazil (surgery).

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

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

**In the case of inclement weather please check with WDUX radio 92.7 FM to see if our congregation’s worship service has been cancelled.**

The regular occurring **Christ Lutheran Voter's meeting** is scheduled for **Sunday February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018** immediately following the Worship Service. Please plan on attending our February Voter’s Meeting, as your input and involvement in our Lutheran Church and School are deeply needed, and greatly appreciated. Thanks for your support of our ministries here at Christ Lutheran Church & School!!!

**THIS WEEK AT CHRIST**

<b>Sunday – February 4<sup>th</sup> COMMUNION</b>
8:30 AM Worship Service
9:45 AM Adult Bible Class
5:00 PM Elders’ Meeting
<b>Monday – February 5<sup>th</sup></b>
4:30 PM Away A & B boys basketball game vs. New Hope Neenah
<b>Tuesday – February 6<sup>th</sup></b>
8:30 AM Chapel
<b>Wednesday – February 7<sup>th</sup></b>
3:30 PM Boys & girls end of the year basketball party
6:00 – 7:00 PM Public School Confirmation Class at Calvary
<b>Thursday – February 8<sup>th</sup></b>
10:00 AM Adult Bible Study @ Calvary
<b>Friday – February 9<sup>th</sup></b>
Pastor’s Day Off
<b>Sunday – February 11<sup>th</sup></b>
8:30 AM Worship Service – Children Sing
8:50 AM Sunday school
9:30 AM Voters’ Meeting
9:45 AM Adult Bible Class

**CALLING ALL USHERS FOR CELC--**We are in need of ushers here at Christ Lutheran for 2018. 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).

**THRIVENT CHOICE GIVING FOR CHRIST & CALVARY—** giving back has always been important to our Thrivent members. Thrivent Financial has provided more than \$170 million through the Thrivent Choice® program to help congregations, educational institutions and other nonprofit organizations since the program launched in 2010. The Thrivent Members of our congregations of Christ & Calvary are eligible to give to the charitable organization of their choice, including our churches of Christ & Calvary Lutheran our own Christ Lutheran School of West Bloomfield, WI!!! Eligible members are designated Choice Dollars, based on insurance premiums, contract values, and Thrivent Financial volunteer leadership. Choice Dollars can be directed to thousands of nonprofit organizations nationwide, including your local congregation.

**\*\*\*Special notice regarding the Thrivent Choice Program:** Thrivent members wishing to continue their automatic withdrawal to the charity of their choice will have to let Thrivent know either by e-mail or phone. All you have to do is call this 1-800 number in order to see if you have Thrivent Choice dollars to give. To continue to direct your Choice Dollars to the charity of your choice call: 800-THRIVENT (800-847-4836) and state "Thrivent Choice." **PLEASE NOTE: Your eligible Thrivent Choice dollars from 2017 are still good through March of 2018.** All you have to do is call the Thrivent Choice phone number to direct your choice dollars to the charity of your choice. Thanks for your generosity and support!!!

**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 Focus on the Family's "The Truth Project."

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

**"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 sign up for this study in the narthex so we can make copies of the study for you.

**Would you like to read through the entire Bible chronologically in the New Year?** If so, we have a schedule at Christ Lutheran to read through the Bible available for you on the table in the Narthex. If you would like a digital copy you can email Lydia Wacker at: [lwackerlwml@gmail.com](mailto:lwackerlwml@gmail.com)

**If you are reading the Bible in chronological order the date of February 6, was omitted. Correction - Tuesday, February 6 - read Genesis 49 - 50 and Matthew 23:23-39**

**Church Announcements Deadline:** The deadline for getting church announcements into the bulletin for Christ and Calvary is on Wednesdays by 9am.

"[I]f it is wrong to kill a human fetus, it is wrong because this interrupts the vocation of that fetus to praise God and enjoy Him forever, a vocation given it by God Himself in and with the gift of existence, a vocation we may not override for purposes of our own without offending against the rights of God." *Douglas Farrow, author of Desiring a Better Country: Forays in Political Theology – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)* Hurting from abortion? Word of Hope can help. [www.word-of-hope.org](http://www.word-of-hope.org); 888-217-8679

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR**—"Lift Up Your Eyes On High and See: Who Created These?" Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer. There's much in science that witnesses to God. Dr. Meyer says telescopes and microscopes can further evangelism more than soap boxes. (Isaiah 40:21-31) The Lutheran Hour can be heard any time on the internet at: [lhm.org](http://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 someone were to ask you, "*What is the purpose of Christ Lutheran in Weyauwega WI,*" how would you respond? Then, if someone were to ask you a follow up question, "*What is your personal purpose on earth?*" what would you say? These two answers may be the single most important responses for Christ Lutheran Christians and congregational leaders to understand and answer for growing the church and blessing the community. The answers do not include preach, teaching, baptism and Lord's Supper. Those are important, but answer the "how" or "mission" questions. Come discover a process called VisionPath, facilitated by Lutheran Church Extension Fund that has terrific potential for helping us become intentionally more significant in the eyes, hearts and minds of the people in our community. Come join the conversation on Monday, Feb 5, at 7 p.m. in the Library.

**Is Genesis History???**—Have you ever wondered about the story of Creation from the Old Testament Book of Genesis? Join us on Friday February 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 6:30pm in our Christ Lutheran Gymnasium as we watch a documentary about the Book of Genesis. We will begin with refreshments at 6:30pm and continue with the movie at 7pm. Dr. Del Tacket of Focus on the Family's "The Truth Project" travels the world to interview scientists and scholars to determine whether the Book of Genesis is only allegory or the literal truth. For more information go to: [isgenesishistory.com](http://isgenesishistory.com)

**2017 Donation Summaries** – are in your mailboxes. If you see irregularities please talk to Diane Hartzke. Please remember to write your name on your weekly donation envelopes. This is very valuable to the financial secretary.

**The Congregation at Prayer Sunday [February 4<sup>th</sup>](#), 2018, [The 5<sup>th</sup>](#) Sunday after Epiphany**

**Catechism:** Confession and the Office of the Keys: What is Confession? What is the Office of the Keys? Where is this written? What do you believe according to these words?

**Verse of the week:** Isaiah 1:18, "*Come now, and let us reason together,*" Says the LORD, "*though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall be as wool.*"

**Psalm of the week:** Psalm 84

**Hymn of the week:** (LSB 614) “‘As Surely as I live,’ God Said” (stanzas 5 and 6)

**for the Week:**

Sunday— The Parable of the Sower and the Seed—Luke 8:4-15

Monday— The Miraculous Catch of Fish—Luke 5:1-11

Tuesday— Jesus Forgives the Paralytic—Matthew 9:1-13

Wednesday— Jesus Sends Out the Twelve—Matthew 9:35—10:20, 40

Thursday— Holy Absolution for the Erring Brother—Matthew 18:14-22

Friday—The Parable of the Unforgiving Servant—Matthew 18:21-35

**Stewardship Minute**—God wants you to give the first part of your income to Him. Each and every week you are encouraged to make your first check from your income payable to God through your church. The Apostle Paul wrote, “*On the first day of every week, each of you is to put something aside...*” (1 Corinthians 16:2). When we give to God first, He is honored. We dishonor God when we give our leftovers. For many, these are challenging and tough times, and we have many expenses and bills to be paid. Satan, the world, and our flesh tell us we should spend our money on ourselves and give only minimally, if at all. As you prayerfully consider what you will give, ask God for strength and guidance.

**New Martin Luther’s Small Catechism with Explanation for 2017 through Concordia Publishing House is still available for you to check out in our church’s Narthex.** There’s a sign-up sheet if you would like to purchase the New Catechism. Please sign up for the catechism through Concordia Publishing House and bring your payment in as well. Please make checks payable to: Christ or Calvary Lutheran Church. (Depending on the church you sign up for the Catechism)... THE PAYMENT IS DUE TODAY SUNDAY FEBRUARY 4<sup>TH</sup>, PLEASE PUT “CATECHISM” IN THE MEMO OF YOUR CHECK. THE AMOUNT IS \$14.49.

**Calvary Men’s Group Chili Supper**—Please mark your calendars! The Calvary Men’s group is hosting a chili supper immediately following the worship service on Sunday February 11th, 2018 from noon until 2:00 PM, or until gone. Members of Calvary, Christ Lutheran, and the public are welcome. The menu includes chili (with fixings on the side), French bread, desert, milk, juice, and coffee. The cost is \$6.50 adults, \$3.00 children 6-12, and free for children 5 and under. All proceeds will go to the Christ Lutheran West Bloomfield School. **We are asking for volunteers to help with the event, and also donations of baked goods.** A sign-up sheet will be posted in the Narthex. This event is also being supported by a “Thrivent Action Team” grant. Your support would be greatly appreciated!  
Blessings, Calvary’s Men Group

**MAY WE BE WISE AND GENEROUS WITH WHATEVER THE AMOUNT OF MONEY GOD ENTRUSTS TO US.**



“Whoever works his land will have plenty of bread, but he who follows worthless pursuits lacks sense. (Proverbs 12:11).

**Calvary Lutheran will be having their Soup Suppers for the 2018 Lenten Season.** The Lenten Suppers will be on Wednesdays during the Lenten Season and they will go from 5:30-7pm. They will start on Ash Wednesday February 14th and will go through Wednesday March 21st. If you have questions please speak with Elizabeth Miller, their Evangelism chair. Also, please consider inviting your family members and friends to their Lenten Midweek soup suppers and worship services, as it would be a great evangelism opportunity.

**Hygiene Kits for Orphan Grain Train** – Last year at this time, Calvary's Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) collected donations to assemble health/hygiene kits for people who had just been through some type of disaster. They were able to complete 50 kits that were given to Orphan Grain Train for them to distribute wherever they were needed.

There is still a tremendous need for these kits. The members of their LWML group were just beginning to plan for another series of donations for a new set of 50 kits when we learned that an area congregation had a number of items left over from their program. Seven different items are needed to complete a kit. They had close to or over 100 items for each of 4 of the required supplies, but they had none of the other 3 items. They agreed to take over the incomplete sets and finish as many of them as we could. Our goal is 100 kits this year. They are inviting the members of CELC, West Bloomfield, to join them in reaching this goal. Lydia Wacker will help to coordinate the donations.

These are the items that we need to complete the sets along with the Sundays when they will be collected:

February 4: Stick deodorant – No aerosols or gels can be accepted.

February 11: Sturdy combs – Please avoid combs that can be easily bent. The teeth should be well-spaced to accommodate a variety of hair textures.

February 18: Bath towels – The towels should be full-sized bath towels, **not** hand or kitchen towels. The towels may be used, but they should be in good condition and not torn or frayed. Darker colors are preferred. Avoid towels that are too thick and difficult to dry. Most of these recipients do not have laundry facilities available to them.

Please consider helping us reach our goal for the benefit of those who have suffered some type of major disaster in their lives. Thank you, Cheryl Coe Calvary LWML

## **WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR LENT AT CHRIST AND CALVARY—**

Lenten midweek services are on Wednesdays at Calvary starting at 7:15pm with Soup Suppers from 5:30-7pm and on Thursdays at CELC at 7pm)... Lent Starts with Ash Wednesday on Wednesday Feb. 14th and continues through to Easter on April 1<sup>st</sup>—

### **The Lord's Prayer: A Prayer for All Seasons (during our Lenten Midweek services)...**

1. Ash Wednesday: Seasons of Needing Forgiveness, *Fifth Petition*  
-Wednesday February 14<sup>th</sup> at Calvary—7:15pm  
-Thursday February 15<sup>th</sup> at CELC—7:00pm
2. Lenten Midweek 2: Seasons of Lifting Up the Lord, *First Petition*  
-Wednesday February 21<sup>st</sup> at Calvary—7:15pm  
-Thursday February 22<sup>nd</sup> at CELC—7:00pm
3. Lenten Midweek 3: Seasons of Wondering Who's in Control, *Second Petition*  
-Wednesday February 28<sup>th</sup> at Calvary—7:15pm  
-Thursday March 1<sup>st</sup> at CELC—7:00pm
4. Lenten Midweek 4: Seasons of Seeking God's Will, *Third Petition*  
-Wednesday March 7<sup>th</sup> at Calvary—7:15pm  
-Thursday March 8<sup>th</sup> at CELC—7:00pm
5. Lenten Midweek 5: Seasons of Thanks for Simple Things, *Fourth Petition*  
-Wednesday March 14<sup>th</sup> at Calvary—7:15pm  
-Thursday March 15<sup>th</sup> at CELC—7:00pm
6. Lenten Midweek 6: Seasons for Standing Up to Evil, *Sixth and Seventh Petitions*  
-Wednesday March 21<sup>st</sup> at Calvary—7:15pm  
-Thursday March 22<sup>nd</sup> at CELC—7:00pm

### **Catechetical Sermon Series: The Ten Commandments (On Sunday Mornings during Lent and during Holy Week)...**

1. First Sunday in Lent: Commandments Nine and Ten, 1 Kings 21:1–16
2. Second Sunday in Lent: Commandment Eight, Matthew 26:59–61
3. Third Sunday in Lent: Commandment Seven, John 12:1–8
4. Fourth Sunday in Lent: Commandment Six, 2 Samuel 11:1–5
5. Fifth Sunday in Lent: Commandment Five, 2 Samuel 11:1–27
6. Sixth Sunday in Lent: Commandment Four, Luke 2:41–52
7. Maundy Thursday: Commandment Three, Mark 14:12–26; 1 Corinthians 10:16–17
8. Good Friday: Commandment Two, Hebrews 4:14–16; 5:7–9
9. Easter Day: Commandment One, Mark 16:1–8