

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Christmas Worship



#### Christmas Day

Lessons & Carols 9 am

*Merry Christmas*

### Additional Readers Needed

If you are interested in helping us during worship in January on Sundays as a reader, please reach out to the office or to Pastor Sarah.

### Confirmation

We meet again on January 7th at St Stephen Lutheran Church 9am-noon



### Home Communion

Please let the office or Pastor Sarah know if you, or anyone you know would like a visit and communion at home this season.

### Pledge Cards & Time & Talent

We are happy to continue to receive your 2023 pledge cards and Time & Talent forms through the end of December. Please consider what gifts you can share with CTK in the coming year.



### Help Needed for Our Worship Services to be Heard!!

Our musicians have been doing a fantastic job checking microphone sound before and during service. But it's not easy when playing instruments with both hands and feet! If you believe sound is a key part of our worship experience and you're willing to learn, please contact Betsy Murray or Beth Tradup. They will give details and train how to do a sound check and adjust sound during the service. Experience with an iPad a plus, but not mandatory.

### Good Gifts Tree



Help support folks who need it as part of your Christmas gifting. See all the choices on the Giving Tree in the narthex.

For pastoral care or other needs please contact the Pastor or the church office at 651-429-4828.

Pastor Sarah Henrich . [pastorsarah@ctkwbl.org](mailto:pastorsarah@ctkwbl.org)

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**Pastor** Sarah Henrich

**Organist** Betsy Murray

**LAM** Bea Jones

**Soloist** John Henrich

**Communion Servers** Wayne & Kathy Langstraat

**Ushers** Craig Carlson, Joe Moore

**AV** Craig Carlson, Joe Moore

**Altar Guild** Karen Eian, Becky Thompson

**Hospitality** Mike Wallace, Terry & Peggy Keohen

\*Please stand as you are able.

PRELUDE

"He is Born," by R. J. Powell

Betsy Murray

"Pat a Pan," arr. by B. Murray

WELCOME

\*OPENING CAROL

"Joy to the World," ELW #267

Screen

PROCLAMATION OF CHRISTMAS

CAROL

"Angels We Have Heard on High," ELW #289

Screen

GREETING

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

*Leader: Let us pray.*

**All: Almighty God, you made this holy night shine with the brightness of the true Light. Grant that here on earth we may walk in the light of Jesus' presence and in the last day wake to the brightness of his glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

"I Wonder As I Wander," by J. J. Niles

John Henrich

FIRST READING

Isaiah 9:2-7

PSALM

Psalms 96

Screen

\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"O Come All Ye Faithful," ELW #283

Screen

\*GOSPEL

Luke 2:1-14, 15-20

CAROL

"Your Little Ones, Dear Lord," ELW #286 vs 1-2

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

Pastor Sarah

SERMON		Pastor Sarah
CAROL	“Your Little Ones, Dear Lord,” <i>ELW #286 vs 3-4</i>	Screen
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE		Screen
OFFERING	“Hark the Herald Angels Sing,” <i>by D. Cherwien</i>	Betsy Murray
OFFERTORY	“Lord of All Good,” <i>words by Beth Beebe Tradup</i> (sung to the tune of Joy to the World)	Screen
OFFERING PRAYER		Screen
WORDS OF INSTITUTION		
THE LORD’S PRAYER		Screen
DISTRIBUTION	“Lamb of God,” <i>p.191 setting 8</i> “O Little Town of Bethlehem,” <i>ELW #279</i> “It Came Upon A Midnight Clear,” <i>ELW #282</i> “I am so Glad This Christmas Eve,” <i>ELW #271</i>	Screen Betsy Murray
POST-COMMUNION BLESSING		
POST-COMMUNION PRAYER		
CANDLE LIGHTING	“Christmas Starlight,” <i>by E. Lorenz</i>	Betsy Murray
*SENDING HYMN	“Silent Night,” <i>ELW # 281</i>	Screen
BLESSING	<i>Leader: God bless and keep you, Jesus grant you grace and truth, and the Spirit send peace upon your hearts, now and forever.</i> <b>ALL: Amen.</b>	
DISMISSAL	<i>Leader: Christ the Savior is born! Go in peace. Proclaim this good news.</i> <b>All: Thanks be to God.</b>	
POSTLUDE	“Christmas Pastorale,” <i>by G. Richolson</i>	Betsy Murray

***Thank you for worshipping with us today!***

**CTK PRAYER CONCERNS:**

**PRAISE & THANKSGIVING:**

For generous gifts of the people of CTK.  
For CTK’s Call Committee as they meet candidates.  
For all Christian communities as we prepare for God’s coming among us.

**THOSE GRIEVING:**

For all who have lost loved ones.

**THOSE EXPERIENCING CANCER:**

Harvey Schindler (family member of Sharon Scott ), cancer.  
Heinz Schneemann (father of Gerrit Schneemann), cancer treatment.  
Tracee Schultz (daughter of Patti Rund), receiving treatment.  
Chris Kløver (brother of Alvina Peterson), receiving treatment for bone cancer.  
Oliver, 12-year-old nephew of Julie (friend of Elida Olson), recently diagnosed with leukemia.  
Robert Crane (nephew of Sandy Serier) receiving treatment.  
Anne Brucker (niece of Sandy Serier) receiving treatment.  
Mark Peterson (son of Alvina Peterson), receiving treatment for leukemia.

**OTHER HEALTH ISSUES:**

For Colleen Payette as she struggles with health issues.  
For all those battling addiction to drugs & alcohol as well as all other addictions and mental health issues.  
Joan Machehedt, recovering from broken shoulder.  
Camden Astrup (great nephew of Beth & Scott Tradup) receiving the treatment he needs.  
Elaine (Lori Will’s mother) for healing broken bones after a fall.  
Bob Miller (friend of Elida Olson), heart issues.

**GLOBAL CONCERNS:**

For the people of Ukraine and Europe as they suffer from a lack of fuel.  
Our partner congregation in Masisiwe, Tanzania.  
For all staff & students as they try to learn and build community in these tough times.  
For those being hit hard by the economic realities of war, oil prices, and post-COVID changes.

**MILITARY CONCERNS:**

LCpl Marine Wyatt Reeves and all those who serve to protect us.