ANNOUNCEMENTS



to everyone who placed Poinsettias in the sanctuary this Christmas Season. These beautiful flowers helped to enhance our worship.

Feel free to take yours to enjoy at home today.



Call Committee Update

The call committee has been working diligently throughout the month of December. We have completed 2nd interviews and are in the process of checking references. We are closing in on a final candidate! Thank you for your prayers and support as the call committee continues to discern through this important phase of the call process.



Christ the King is still happy to receive your statement of commitment for financial giving. We are in the process of creating our budget. Knowing what our basic income is likely to be will really help us in this process. If you can spare a moment in this busy season to let us know what you hope to give, we would appreciate it.

Good Gifts

Our Good Gifts Tree is now put away, but you are still able to purchase a gift for any occasion. ECLA is happy to share your gifts all year long. Help support folks who need it. See all the choices in a basket in the narthex. Please consider purchasing these gifts to help ECLA Good Gifts Missions.



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



Pastor Sarah Henrich
Director of Music Lyn Campbell
LAM Janet Getchell
Ushers Scott & Beth Tradup
AV Joe Moore, Mike Stepan
Altar Guild Cathy Carlson, Stephanie Clapper
Hospitality Sally Hesse, Johnetta Kofa,
Polly Morrison

*Please stand as you are able.

GATHERING "Invitacion Fountain," by M. J. Pritzl KHB

"Open Up the Heavens," by Rozier / Ingram

WELCOME

*OPENING HYMN "Open Up the Heavens," by Rozier / Ingram Screen

"Song Over the Waters," by M. Haugen

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS Screen

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: Let us pray. O God our Father . . .

All: . . . At the baptism of Jesus you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful to their calling to be your daughters and sons, and empower us all with your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC "Wade in the Water," by M. Hayes King's Choir

PSALM Psalm 29 (read responsively) Screen

LESSON Isaiah 42:1-9

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Sing Allelu," by J. A. Schreiner Screen

*GOSPEL Matthew 3:13-17

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Pastor Sarah

HYMN "Spirit of Gentleness," ELW #396 vs. 1 & 2 Screen

SERMON Pastor Sarah

*HYMN "Spirit of Gentleness," *ELW #396 vs. 3 & 4* Screen

OFFERING "Holy Water," *by We The Kingdom* KHB

OFFERTORY "We Give Ourselves To You," *STS #45* Screen

OFFERING PRAYER Screen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Screen

Leader: Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

After each petition:

Leader: ... Merciful God, People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and

power revealed in Christ crucified.

All: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER Screen

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*BLESSING Screen

*SENDING HYMN "Every Time I Feel the Spirit," traditional spiritual Screen

*SENDING OUT

Leader: Go with the joy of God in your heart. Go for Christ is near. Go in peace and serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE "The River," by J. Feliz KHB

Please join us for coffee in the Fellowship Hall (out the sanctuary doors and to the left) immediately following the service. Sunday School is available for Pre K - Grade 5 at the same time in the Education Wing (down the hall and to the left.)

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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.

THOSE GRIEVING:

For all who are grieving the loss of 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 Kluver (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 everyone who is recovering from surgery.

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 those impacted by extreme weather all over the world.

For the people of Ukraine and Europe as they suffer from a lack of fuel.

Our partner congregation in Masisiwe, Tanzania.

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.

^{*}Please remember to contact the church office to keep the continuing prayer list current.

Prayers listed in the bulletin will also appear on the website within the bulletin.