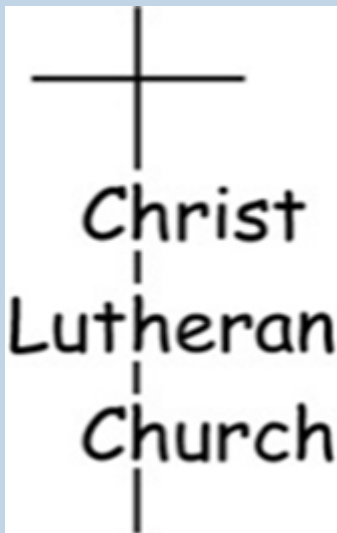




MISSION STATEMENT

**Called by God to
Worship, Learn and
Nurture; Sent to
Serve and Tell**

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

**Jesus is Lord and
Savior. We are called
to learn and share
the Good News.**

**Welcome and serve
all people. We are
servants of God to
others. Holy Spirit,
mighty in prayer
leads us to answer
God's call. Fellowship
sustains each other.**



"For everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven" Ecclesiastes 3:1

Dear Friends,

Every day is a gift from God. When I consider 2024, there have been times of joy and times of difficulty. However, in all circumstances I've experienced God's presence and realize that God can and will speak through all of us. This is why God gave us each other: to celebrate, to encourage, and to comfort. I am grateful to be a part of the community of faith called Christ Lutheran Church; we live out the assignment that everyone should know that God loves them.

The past year we shared the good news of Jesus through Vacation Bible School, National Night Out, and the multiple ways we minister to our community through the generosity of our time and resources. If there is anything that we need to be more intentional of is making sure we attend to our personal relationship with Jesus. Besides worshipping together every week; we also study and discuss God's Word every Wednesday. I'm also looking forward to another retreat this year-focusing on learning how to deepen our relationship to Jesus. I'm not sure of anything more important to us than that because of what Jesus wants to know.

The message of the Bible is hope. Hope is why Jesus was born, died, and rose again. It is the reason why we can look at every day as a gift from God. Hope is the reason why we are together and live it by sharing it. It is a privilege to be your pastor and how you have welcomed me into your journey of faith. I have no doubt that Jesus has amazing things ready for us to do in 2025. Happy New Year!

"Faith shows the reality of what we hope for; it is the evidence of things we cannot see" Hebrews 11:1

Peace,

Pastor Chris

"Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for His compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness." Lamentations 3:22-23

This past year has been a trying one for many of us, including Jim and me. It seems to have had more struggles and pain than the Long Covid year. As I was reflecting on the year of 2024, I came upon a devotion that spoke to my heart and my feelings about the ending of this past year. In the devotion, it said that all of us will find ourselves in different places on this New Year's Eve. Some of us will be holding on to memories of answered prayers while some of us are wiping away tears. Some will be celebrating breakthroughs while others are still waiting, hoping, and trusting. But as we prepare to take down the old calendar, let us remember that God's love and faithfulness don't end on December 31st.

Think of how His love has been there with you every morning, through your victories and valleys, your laughter and your losses. When your faith was strong, or when it failed, He was faithful. His mercy did not and does not run dry. And God's grace was never rationed.

And 2025? God's compassion awaits fresh every morning at sunrise. God doesn't give us leftovers or recycled grace, but new mercies chosen especially for each one of us. Let each of us step forward with a God whose faithfulness never ends.

May your year be filled with the blessings of the Lord, and may He guide you every step of the way.

Blessings

Deacon Kathy

Guy's Night Out

January 16th

6:00

Abby's Pizza

4808 Tieton Drive



Ladies Lunch Out

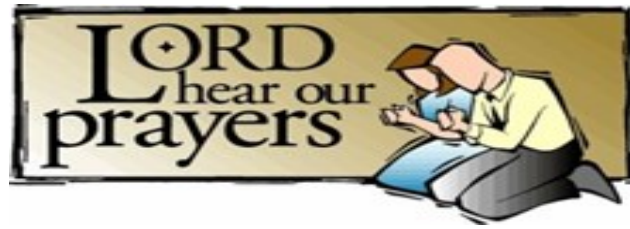
January 16th

11:45

Olive Garden

222 Yakima Ave

In Our Hearts and Minds...



Continuing Prayer Concerns

(Please keep these people and their concerns in your prayers)

Beau Hall	Georgia Lounsbury	Jill Brown	Alina Sauer's Grandparents
"Nacho"	Zelpha	Aryielle	Tom Cross
Shalinee	Melanie	Pat Bennett	Jake, Ashleigh & Chloe
Elisabeth Dunbar	John & Lilly	Hannah	Maurie Reiker
Nikki	Gina Hunter	Jennifer	Mary
Julia	Jose	Kirk	Nicole Turner
Joyce Stephens	Kaiden Sund & family	Maria & family	Anna
Arial Cruz	Dale Fordyce	Collette Bowler	Torrie
Joan Jangard	Lars Rood	Monica's brother Jude	Ray & Sandy Peterson
Bob & Ethel Rasmussen	Bodie	Wes Wilson	Sharon
Diane McCoy	Cindy Holloway	Jeannie Hannon	Liz Zetner
Erica	Ken	Heidi (Heidi Taylor's niece)	

The friends and families of Austin Murdock, Jack McCormick, and Howard Alexander.

(The people listed here have been on our prayer list for the past two months. If your loved one is no longer on the list and needs our continued prayers, please let Deacon Kathy know.)

Serving Our Country

Taylor Bunker - US Navy

David Carlson

Luke Harper

Chris Wendt - National Guard

Justin Hughes – US Army

Hannah & Nick Brown—USAF

Ian Dunbar—USMC



JANUARY CELEBRATIONS



Birthdays

12th	<i>Gilbert Lake</i>
14th	<i>Suzanne Brown</i>
17th	<i>JD Sundseth</i>
30th	<i>Angi Karn</i>

January Scripture Readings:

Jan 5th	Jan 6th-Epiphany	Jan 12th	Jan 19th	Jan 26th
Jer31:7-14	Isaiah 60:1-6	Isaiah 43:1-7	Isaiah 62:1-5	Neh 8:1-10
Psalms 147:12-20	Psalms 72:1-14	Psalms 29	Psalms 36:5-10	Psalms 19
Eph 1:3-14	Eph 3:1-12	Acts 8:14-17	1 Cor 12:1-11	1 Cor 12:12-31a
John 1: 1-18	Matthew 2:1-12	Luke 3:15-22	John 2:1-11	Luke 4:14-21



There are many opportunities this January to make our worship services more meaningful. Please check the sign-up sheet to see where you can help.

Altar Guild: Laura Larson/Holly Hall/Kathy Sebree

Counters: Janet Frank & Heidi Taylor

Thank you for your willingness to serve!

Come One, Come All to Christ Lutheran Family Fun Night!

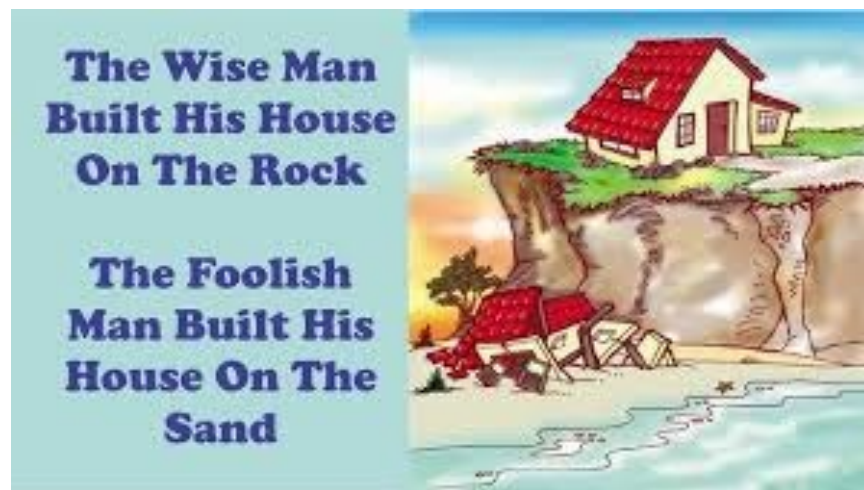
Fun for all ages!

Sunday, January 19th

4:30 – 5:30 with a meal to follow

Learn about the Wise Man who built his house on a rock!

Crafts and Activities for all ages



As you know, our PCAP Angel Tree family was a very special family this year. These parents have worked very hard to regain custody of their eight children. They were overwhelmed by the generosity of our members. Please talk to Laura, Darold, and Holly about their experience. Thank you to everyone who helped this family have a brighter Christmas.



The Opal Marie Dingerson Scholarship trustees met Sunday, December 22, 2024 and selected two applicants to receive scholarships for 2024. They are Chambray Turner and Liam Peterson. Each will receive a \$1000.00 award. This is the first time in several years that we have been able to award scholarships due to the change in the constitution that was made earlier last year. Congratulations to Liam and Chambray!

Scholarships





Christmas
2024

Thank you,
Lori, Sheri,
Sonya, Laura,
and Holly!



January 2025

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1 HAPPY NEW YEAR!	2	3	4
5 Worship Service 9:30 Faith, Fitness, & Fellowship 2:00	6 Epiphany Scouts	7 Scouts	8 Magical Mystery Tour Luke 3:15-22 Noon	9	10	11
12 Worship Service 9:30 Council Mtg 11:00	13 Book Study 11:00 Scouts	14 Scouts	15 Magical Mystery Tour of 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 Noon	16 Girls' Lunch Out 11:45 Guy's Night Out 6:00	17	18
19 Worship Service 9:30 Faith, Fitness, & Fellowship 2:00 Family Bible Fun Night	20 Scouts	21 Worship & Music Mtg Noon Scouts	22 Magical Mystery Tour of 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a Noon	23	24	25 Yakima Valley Quilters Sew Day 9:00-3:00
26 Worship Service 9:30 Christian Outreach Mtg 11:00	27 Scouts	28 Scouts	29 Magical Mystery Tour Noon	30	31	1
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