

# Christ the King Free Lutheran Church

**January 7, 2024**

OUR MISSION: CHANGED LIVES!

To EVANGELIZE the lost;

To ESTABLISH Us in Christ;

To EQUIP Us for Service!

## Welcome

Opening Scripture Hebrews 10: 35 - 39

Worship Songs # 202 (Hymnal) *As With Gladness Men of Old*  
# 206 (Hymnal) *We Three Kings of Orient Are*

Praise & Prayer Time *Lord's Prayer*

## Children's Message

Special Music *This is Our God* Kari & Clifford Rupp

Confession of Faith *Apostles' Creed*

## Message **God's Hall of Faith**

*What is Faith?* Hebrews 11:1 - 3 Pastor Tim

## Celebration of Communion

### Confession of Sin

Songs during Distribution All Songs from Hymnal

1. # 183 *I Wonder As I Wander*
2. # 180 *What Child Is This*
3. # 203 *All My Heart Today Rejoices*

### \*Benediction & Announcements

\*Closing Song (PP) *Once In Royal David's City*

*\*Denotes congregation to stand*

Please note: The offering plates are on tables in the back of the sanctuary.

**Welcome to worship this morning!**  
**We are a fellowship who believes the Bible is the inspired, inerrant**  
**Word of God which emphasizes a personal,**  
**living relationship with Jesus Christ.**

**Connecting to God's Glory:**

- \* Praise God for His love & guidance in the year ahead
- \* Praise God for those willing to serve on the Trustee board.
- \* Praise God for all things new & old, as we look to a new year!

**Connecting to God's Heart:**

- \* Keep Pastor Thomas Reagan and his wife, Sandy, from Abercrombie, ND, in your prayers this week.
- \* Pray for Darwin & Alma Jackson: Mexico \*Wisdom to lead, serve and teach in such a way to create multiplying generations of trainers in evangelism, discipleship and church planting. \*Open hearts to receive and put into practice new teaching and methods. \*Our children and other family \* Pastors /workers \*Travel mercies as we travel \*More prayer support by those who will commit to be informed and pray on a regular basis.
- \* Pray for Rose Beck as she rehabs at Good Sam after surgery.
- \* Pray we keep our focus on Jesus, our Savior, throughout the year.
- \* Pray for those dealing with colds, flu, covid, or other health issues.
- \* Pray for all who have lost loved ones over the past year. May God comfort them during this holiday season.
- \* Pray for Tim Steuck as he recovers from foot & leg surgery.
- \* Pray for the leadership of CTK as they prepare for the Annual meeting; the Trustee nominees; the nominating committee as they seek people to serve on the Trustee board.
- \* Pray for the unspoken prayer concerns.

**\*Cancer Patients:** Mary Stangeland, Sharon Minet **Health Concerns:** Heidi Staples, Rose Beck, Charis Conrad, Tim Steuck, Craig Stangeland, Barb Hubner, Kyle Swanson **Nursing & Assisted Living :** Charlie Sowden, Sharon Claussen, Rich & Kathy Hess, Carol Meyer **Hospice:** **Military:** Sam Kolle, Jesse Petersen, Aaron Halbersma, Marcus Westfield, Ethan Amdahl, Derrick Timm **Mission:** Kvales

Please let the church office know if you are going into the hospital or have other prayer needs

**Message for next Sunday: God's Hall of Faith**

*What is Faith?* Hebrews 11:1 - 3 Pastor Tim

**Christ the King Announcements/Events**

**Family of the Week:**

Laurie Westerbur

**There will be a prayer time** every Sunday morning in the multipurpose room from 8:45 - 9:15 AM for our church family and world. Anyone is welcome.

**HELP! for Sunday morning brunch!** We need volunteers to help setup up and prepare the brunch items, serve, and clean up. The food will be purchased and at the church for your convenience.

**ATTENDANCE FROM LAST WEEK:** 94

**OFFERING FROM LAST WEEK:**

**General Offering:** \$ 8,391.00

**Children's Mission:** \$ 41.00

Total Children's offering for December \$ 258.00

**Building:** \$ 0.00

Total Building fund for December \$ 0.00

**Union Gospel Mission:** \$ 150.00

**TOTAL OFFERING:** \$ 8,582.00

Total general offering received for December: \$ 31,551.00

General offering needed each month to meet budget: \$ 29,375.00

Thank you for your faithful giving.

**Ankeny Church Plant:** December offering \$ 26,349.85

CTK Outreach giving to Church Plant \$ 500.00

### **Christ the King Announcements/Events**

**The Constitution Review Committee** is encouraging the congregation to join them for an informational meeting on their recommended changes to our constitution after brunch today, January 7. The current constitution and proposed constitution has been put in your box at church as well as **the proposed one** will be coming in the mail. These changes will be considered at our Annual Meeting on January 21.

**Baby Shower for Sarah Larson & baby** will be Sunday January 14, at 2 PM. Sarah & Joe are registered at <https://www.amazon.com/baby-reg/sarah-larson-january-2024-pipestone/1SNUAZE1F0YHL>

**The Annual Meeting** is scheduled for Sunday, January 21, 2024. The worship service will be at 9:30 AM with the meeting to follow brunch..

**The members of the nominating committee** Let one of the committee members know as soon as possible if you would like to be on the ballot. The committee members are: Jim Gawerecki, Morgan McNickle, Jerry Remund, Rod Altena, Amy Steuck

**Youth and Family Study:** See January Messenger for more information.

**January 7:** Youth / Family Study re-gifting party - See Joe for details

**January 14:** Youth only study @ CTK

**January 21:** Youth / Family Study at CTK - potluck for food

**January 28:** Youth / Family Study at CTK - potluck for food

**February 4:** Youth / Family Study at host home

**New Zoom Bible Study:** Viewing Current Events Through the Bible, led by Pastor Tim every 1st and 3rd Wednesday from 6:30 PM to 7:20 PM, beginning January 17. A Zoom link will be sent out via email to all CTK emails in our Prayer Chain system. If you have certain events you would like covered, please contact Pastor Tim.

**Women of Christ the King:** We will be starting a new Bible Study for Women on February 6 at 1:30 PM at the home of Jeanette Larson, 155 Ridgeview Drive, Pipestone. This group will meet once a month on the 1st Tuesday afternoon of the month. We will be studying “Women of Redemption” by Tami Demo and Michele Mobley. This is the AFLC--- WMF study for 2023. We will order books for those who wish to do so. If you have questions contact Linny Janssen or Jeanette.

### **Community Events**

**Lost Timber Bible Camp** We have some great events coming up at camp this winter for your middle and high school age kids!

The MS Winter Chillout is January 26 - 28 for 6-8 graders

The HS Winter Chillout is February 16 - 19 for 9-12 graders

**Pipestone Women’s Connection** cordially invites you to a luncheon at the Christian Reformed Church, 800 2nd Ave. S.E., Pipestone, Monday, January 15, 2024. \$10 (includes tax & tip) \* 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 First time guest tickets are complimentary. FEATRE: Love Notes from My Father

Rita Weber will sing and share the songs and the stories behind her original works written and recorded on three albums. SPEAKER: Rita Weber, Sioux Falls, SD Title: “Confessions of a Strong-Willed Child”

Rita shares her not-so-successful tips for “fixing” problems as a former strong-willed child. Her lifetime of keeping secrets and hiding ended when truth set her free. Reservations for lunch and complimentary child care by Thursday, January 11, please. Please call Rosie: 605-201-6484 CANCELLATIONS ARE NECESSARY BY SUNDAY, January 14.

**Happy New Year Greetings from ATLAS for Life** with thanks for the many forms of support the ministry received in 2023 including your prayers and financial gifts throughout the year. One area of continued need is preparing a meal for the weekly Treehouse Ministry (teen connection/support ministry). If you would be willing to help with this ministry in this way (it could be once a year or more often – whatever your schedule allows) or if you would like to explore other ministry opportunities, please contact the ATLAS office at 562-5777 during our regular office hours on Tuesday or Thursday. We would be happy to answer any questions and plug you to a ministry serve connection to use the gifts God has given you. Praise be to God for his overflowing blessings!

### **Pastor Joe’s New Office Hours: Starting January 8**

Mondays and Wednesdays: 9:30 – 3:30 // Fridays: 9:30 – 1:30

Public Access Channel 3 on **Wednesdays** at 1:00 PM & 6:00 PM

Radio Ministry KLOH 1050 AM **Sundays** at 7:30 AM

Web Page: [www.cktpipestone.com](http://www.cktpipestone.com)

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1. Faith is the means of a \_\_\_\_\_ with God.

2. Faith is the means to \_\_\_\_\_ God's promises.

3. Faith is the means of \_\_\_\_\_ God's \_\_\_\_\_.

4. Faith is the means of \_\_\_\_\_ God & His \_\_\_\_\_.

Children Missions offering will go to  
**Alpha Center Baby Shower** with Samaritan's Purse

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Church Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM  
Pastor Tim Johnson: Tuesday - Friday 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM  
Pastor Joe Larson: Tuesday - Friday 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

**OPPORTUNITIES To Connect**

Today: 8:45 AM Prayer in Multipurpose Room  
9:30 AM Worship Service & Livestream  
10:30 AM Brunch / Fellowship  
10:30 AM Congregational Information Meeting  
10:45 - 11:45 Confirmation  
10:50 AM All Ages Sunday School  
4:30 PM Youth / Family Study

Monday:

Tuesday: 9:00 AM Homeschool Group meets

Wednesday: 5:00 PM Year 3 Confirmation  
7:30 PM Choir Practice

Thursday: 7:00 PM Trustees Meet

Friday:

Saturday:

Sunday: 8:45 AM Prayer in Multipurpose Room  
9:30 AM Worship Service & Livestream  
10:30 AM Brunch / Fellowship  
10:45 - 11:45 Confirmation  
10:50 AM All Ages Sunday School  
2:00 PM Larson Baby Shower  
4:30 PM Youth only study @ CTK

## Hebrews 10: 35 - 39

<sup>35</sup> Therefore do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward.

<sup>36</sup> For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God you may receive what is promised. <sup>37</sup> For,

“Yet a little while,  
and the coming one will come and will not delay;  
<sup>38</sup> but my righteous one shall live by faith,  
and if he shrinks back,  
my soul has no pleasure in him.”

<sup>39</sup> But we are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed, but of those who have faith and preserve their souls.

## *As with Gladness Men of Old*

### Verse 1

As with gladness men of old  
Did the guiding star behold;  
As with joy they hailed its light,  
Leading onward, beaming bright,  
So, most gracious Lord, may we  
Evermore be led to Thee!

### Verse 2

As with joyful steps they sped,  
To that lowly manger bed,  
There to bend the knee before  
Him whom heaven and earth adore,  
So, may we with willing feet  
Ever seek the mercy seat!

### Verse 3

As they offered gifts most rare  
At that manger, rude and bare,  
So may we with holy joy,  
Pure and free from sin's alloy,  
All our costliest treasures bring,  
Christ, to Thee, our heavenly King!

### Verses 4

Holy Jesus, every day  
Keep us in the narrow way;  
And when earthly things are past.  
Bring our ransomed souls at last  
Where they need no star to guide,  
Where no clouds Thy glory hide.



## *We Three Kings of Orient Are*

### Verse 1

We three kings of Orient are  
Bearing gifts we traverse afar  
Field and fountain  
moor and mountain  
Following yonder star

### Chorus

O star of wonder star of night  
Star with royal beauty bright  
Westward leading still proceeding  
Guide us to Thy perfect light

### Verse 2

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain  
Gold I bring to crown Him again  
King forever ceasing never  
Over us all to reign

### Chorus

### Verse 3

Frankincense to offer have I  
Incense owns a Deity nigh  
Prayer and praising all men raising  
Worship Him God on high

### Chorus

### Verse 4

Myrrh is mine its bitter perfume  
Breathes a life of gathering gloom  
Sorrowing sighing bleeding dying  
Sealed in the stone cold tomb

### Chorus

### Verse 5

Glorious now behold Him arise  
King and God and Sacrifice  
Alleluia alleluia  
Earth to heav'n replies

### Chorus

## Confession of Faith

### *The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty  
Maker of Heaven and Earth  
And in Jesus Christ,  
His only Son, our Lord;  
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
He descended into hell;  
the third day He rose again from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven;  
And is seated on the right hand  
of God the Father Almighty;  
From where He shall come  
to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the Resurrection of the body,  
and the Life everlasting. Amen.

## ***Confession of Sin***

Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer,  
we poor sinners confess to You  
that we are by nature sinful and unclean,  
and that we have sinned against You  
in thought, word and deed.  
Therefore, we flee for refuge  
to Your infinite mercy  
and ask You for Christ's sake,  
grant us forgiveness of all our sins,  
and by Your Holy Spirit  
increase in us true knowledge of You  
and of Your will  
and true obedience to your Word,  
to the end that by Your grace  
we may come to eternal life,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## *I Wonder As I Wander*

### Verse 1

I wonder as I wander out under the sky,  
How Jesus, the Savior,  
did come for to die.  
For poor, ornery people  
like you and like I.  
I wonder as I wander,  
Out under the sky.

### Verse 2

When Mary birthed Jesus, 'twas in a cows' stall,  
With wisemen and farmers  
and shepherds and all.  
But high from God's heaven  
a star's light did fall.  
And the promise of ages  
It then did recall.

### Verse 3

If Jesus had wanted for any wee thing:  
A star in the sky,  
or a bird on the wing;  
Or all of God's angels  
in heaven to sing,  
He surely could have had it,  
'Cause He was the King!

### Verse 4

I wonder as I wander out under the sky,  
How Jesus, the Savior  
did come for to die.  
For poor, ornery people  
like you and like I  
I wonder as I wander  
Out under the sky.

*What Child is This, Who, Laid to Rest?*

Verse 1

What Child is this, who, laid to rest,  
On Mary's lap is sleeping?  
Whom angels greet  
with anthems sweet,  
While shepherds watch  
are keeping?  
This, this is Christ the King,  
Whom shepherds guard  
and angels sing:  
Haste, haste to bring Him laud,  
The Babe, the Son of Mary.

Verse 2

Why lies He in such mean estate Where ox and ass are feeding?  
Good Christian, fear;  
for sinners here  
The silent Word is pleading.  
This, this is Christ the King,  
Whom shepherds guard  
and angels sing:  
Haste, haste to bring Him laud,  
The Babe, the Son of Mary.

Verse 3

So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh,  
Come peasant, king, to own Him;  
The King of kings salvation brings,  
Let loving hearts enthrone Him.  
This, this is Christ the King,  
Whom shepherds guard  
and angels sing:  
Haste, haste to bring Him laud,  
The Babe, the Son of Mary.

## *All My Heart Today Rejoices*

### Verse 1

All my heart today rejoices  
As I hear, Far and near  
Sweetest angel voices  
Christ is born their choirs are singing  
Till the air Ev'rywhere  
Now with joy is ringing

### Verse 2

Hark! a voice from yonder manger  
Soft and sweet, Doth entreat  
Flee from woe and danger!  
Brethren, come! from all that grieves you,  
You are freed All you need  
I will surely give you

### Verse 3

Come then let us hasten yonder!  
Here let all, Great and small  
Kneel in awe and wonder!  
Love Him who with love is yearning!  
Hail the star That from far  
Bright with hope is burning

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## *Once In Royal David's City*

### Verse 1

Once in royal David's city  
Stood a lowly cattle shed  
Where a mother laid her baby  
In a manger for His bed  
Mary was that mother mild  
Jesus Christ her little Child

### Verse 2

He came down to earth from heaven  
Who is God and Lord of all  
And His shelter was a stable  
And His cradle was a stall  
With the poor and mean and lowly  
Lived on earth our Savior holy

### Verse 3

Jesus is our childhood's pattern  
Day by day like us He grew  
He was little, weak and helpless  
Tears and smiles like us He knew  
And He feeleth for our sadness  
And He shareth in our gladness

### Verse 4

And our eyes at last shall see Him  
Thro' His own redeeming love  
For that Child so dear and gentle  
Is our Lord in heav'n above  
And He leads His children on  
To the place where He is gone