

Christ the King Free Lutheran Church December 5, 2021

OUR MISSION: CHANGED LIVES!

To EVANGELIZE the lost;

To ESTABLISH Us in Christ;

To EQUIP Us for Service!

Welcome / Announcements

Opening Scripture Second Advent Candle John 8:12; Matthew 2:1-6
Kyle & Heather DeWilde; Trevin, Kenley

***Worship Hymns** # 190 (Hymnal) *Angels from the Realms of Glory*
168 (Hymnal) *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

Praise & Prayer

Offering *Joseph's Song* Bill Steuck

First time guest or if you have a prayer request, please complete the Guest/Prayer card in the pew.

***Offertory** # 206 (Hymnal) *We Three King of Orient Are* verse 1

Children's Message

Message First Christmas Promises

The Promised Blessing Genesis 12:1-3 Pastor Tim

Confession of Faith Apostles' Creed

Celebration of Communion

Confession of Sin

Songs during distribution All from the Hymnal

1. # 564 *Let Us Break Bread Together*
2. # 273 *Jesus Paid It All*
3. # 253 *Beneath the Cross of Jesus*
4. # 256 *The Old Rugged Cross*
5. # 254 *Near the Cross*

*Communion Blessing

***Closing Song** # 197 (Hymnal) *It Came Upon the Midnight Clear*

**Denotes congregation to stand*

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 all the blessings we receive throughout the year.
- * Praise God as we celebrate the Advent Season in anticipation of the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Connecting to God's Heart:

- * Keep Pastor Ben Jore and his wife, Adela, from Georgetown, TX in your prayers this week.
- * Pray for Matthew & Ednay Abel; Zoey , Ian: Paraguay * Kids camp Dec 4-5 *For Eduardo, work and other schedules *As we come and go and minister in a variety of different settings. *Salvation and spiritual transformation as we preach God's Word. *Wisdom as we counsel and guide. *For God to send out workers into His harvest fields.
- * Please keep Chuck Schaap and his family in your prayers, as his mother, Clara Schaap, who was 105, passed away on Wednesday night .
- * Pray for Carl Kulm & family as his father, Rodger, passed away.
- * Pray for all who have lost loved ones over the past year. May God comfort them during this holiday season.
- * Pray for the leadership of the church as they prepare for the Annual meeting. Pray for the Trustee nominees.
- * Pray for all those struggling with COVID and other health issues.
- * Pray for Carol Glidewell as she is at Good Sam for rehab.
- * Pray for someone struggling with health concerns.
- * Pray for all the unspoken prayer concerns; those concerning spiritual, physical, financial, and any other need.

***Cancer Patients:** Judy Steuck, Marilyn Van Essen, Sharon Minet **Health Concerns:** Guy Hamlin, Rachel Blaue, David Brockberg, Merlin Westfield, Kyle Swanson, Steve Blaue **Nursing & Assisted Living :** Jan Swanson, Charlie Sowden, Sharon Claussen, Carol Meyer, Mary Moffitt **Hospice:** **Military:** Sam Kolle, Sam Schreader, Jesse Petersen, Aaron Halbersma, Marcus Westfield, Ethan Amdahl, Mallary Remund, Derrick Timm **Mission:** Kvaales

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

Message for next Sunday: First Christmas Promises

The Promised King 2 Samuel 7:12-16 Pastor Tim

Christ the King Announcements/Events

Family of the Week:

Andrew & Kia Berg

Morning worship, even as we begin to meet in person; will continue to be available by live stream:
www.ctkpipestone.com/live and FM-transmission to the parking lot, tune to 97.7.

ATTENDANCE FROM LAST WEEK: 150

OFFERING FROM LAST WEEK:

General Offering: \$ 7,660.00

Children's Mission: \$ 70.01

Total Children's offering for November \$ 224.26

Building: \$ 00.00

Total Building fund for November \$ 200.00

TOTAL OFFERING: \$ **7,730.01**

Total general offering received for November: \$ **24,726.00**

General offering needed each month to meet budget: \$ 29,450.00

Thanksgiving Eve Offering \$ 325.75

Christ the King Announcements/Events

PLEASE NOTE: The time of the broadcast of the CTK worship service on cable access channel 3 has been changed. It is Wednesdays 1: & 6: PM

Mark your calendars!! Christ the King Youth Sunday is December 19, 2021 during the regular church service. This will include youth of all ages! (And a few not as youthful?) If your child/youth will not be able to participate please let Pastor Matthew know as soon as possible. Parts/tasks are being assigned.

Great Christmas gifts!! CTK quilts will be available for purchase in the narthex. The quilts have been lovingly made by the CTK quilting ladies.

Christmas caroling will be on Sunday, December 19. Whether you sing or not, you are welcome to join us meeting at the church at 4:30 pm. We will sing at the nursing home and assisted living residents before dividing to visit some individual homes. Following caroling we will continue the tradition of enjoying supper together at Pizza Ranch.

Ice skate donations are welcome for our community ice rink this year. If you have that pair in the back of the garage with no plans to use them, please drop them off in our foyer. We will get them sharpened and make them available during events or by request. If you have questions or would like to help with the community ice rink in any way, talk with Pastor Matthew.

Pot blessing meals will be changed to the 4th Sunday of each month due to the Omelet Breakfast sponsored by the American Legion is the 2nd Sunday of the month. There will NOT be pot blessing in December

Church directory update: Please look over your address, phone #, email, etc. on the sheets provided on the table in the foyer. Please make corrections or additions by Dec 20. Also, if your birthday has not been in the Messenger please let the office know so the information is correct.

PLEASE NOTE. There will NOT be Sunday School on Sunday, December 26. Have a safe and joyous Christmas and blessed New Year.

The Annual Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 30, 2021. The worship service will be at 9 AM with the meeting to follow the service.

Annual Meeting Reports Please remember to get your annual meeting reports in as soon as possible. The deadline to get them in is January 1, 2021. There is a list of those responsible for reports in the November Messenger. Thank you.

Youth

The Youth Group Christmas Party will be on Wednesday Dec 22 at 6:30. There will be Christmas music, games, and the baking and decorating of many cookies! Ugly Sweaters highly encouraged.

Community Events

ATLAS for Life is having a "Karen's Blessing" Christmas Rummage, Sat., Dec. 11 from 10:30-3:00 at ATLAS office at 101 2nd St. NE Pipestone, MN. There are lots of remembrances from Karen Larson's home. Enjoy getting some great deals on some gently used household items, Christmas Decor, Books dishes and more. GREAT DEALS all to support "Karen's Home" Ministry. \$1000.00 is promised as a matching gift.

Pipestone Women's Connection cordially invites you to a luncheon at the Christian Reformed Church, Pipestone Monday, December 13, 2021, 12-1:30 pm \$10 includes tax and tip FEATURE: Pipestone Floral: to help us prepare for the holiday, Gina Rauk, will demonstrate simple ways to make Christmas centerpieces. SPEAKER: Sandy Moore, Independence, KS. Title: "My Sunflower Journey" It was truth that finally led her back to the sun-filled sunflowers of her youth. Reservations by THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9. Please call Rosie - 605-201-6484; Cancellations are necessary by SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12.

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.ctkpipestone.com

Check for Information on Facebook: Christ the King Free Lutheran

To hear message: ctkpipestone.com after Tuesday & click on Media: Sermons

The Promised Blessings come through:

1. God's _____

Who is Abram?

Genesis 11:10 –

Genesis 11:26 –

Genesis 11:29 –

Genesis 11:31 –

Genesis 12:4 –

1 Corinthians 1:26-29 –

2. God's _____

Acts 7:2-4; Hebrews 11:8-10; Romans 4:1-5; Hebrews 11:6

In other words, _____

3. God's _____

Genesis 15:9-10, 17-18; Isaiah 46:11; 2 Corinthians 1:20

Five "I Wills" of God:

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

4) _____

5) _____

Children Missions offering will be used for
Loving Care for an Orphan through 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 Matthew Pillman: Monday - Thursday 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Intern Sam Willard: Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

OPPORTUNITIES To Connect

Today: 9:00 AM All Ages Sunday School / Confirmation
10:00 AM Fellowship Time
10:30 AM Worship & Livestream
11:45 AM Private Event in Fellowship Hall

Monday:

Tuesday:

Wednesday: 6:30 PM Youth Group
8:00 PM Choir Meets

Thursday: 10:00 AM District Pastors' Meeting
6:00 PM Budget Meeting
7:00 PM Trustee Meeting

Friday: 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study @ Finnian's

Saturday:

Sunday: 9:00 AM All Ages Sunday School / Confirmation
10:00 AM Fellowship Time
10:30 AM Worship & Livestream
11:45 AM Youth Ministry Meets

The Bethlehem Candle

John 8:12: *“Jesus said, I am the light of the world, whoever follows Me, will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”*

“The Bethlehem Candle reminds us of how God fulfilled His prophecy from Micah 5:2 that the Savior would be born in Bethlehem. He did not appear out of nowhere, but was born in a real place at a real time, just as God foretold. God stepped into time at a moment of history, born as a baby to a human family in Bethlehem. But He was not a human baby only, but also, God with us, Emmanuel.”

Matthew 2:1-6 *“Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, saying, “Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.” When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet: “ ‘And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel.’ ”*

“The prophet Micah foretold Jesus’ birthplace some 700 years before His birth. God used national rulers to bring about His will. God knew that Caesar Augustus, the Emperor of Rome, would call for a census that would require Hebrew families to return to their ancestral home towns. Jesus’ family was of the line of King David, who was also born in Bethlehem. And so, Joseph and Mary traveled to Bethlehem to register, during which time Jesus was born. God knew also that King Herod would seek to kill the Child of Prophecy just as was foretold by the prophet Jeremiah. After escaping to Egypt, the family of Jesus returned and settled in Nazareth. This again was fulfilling prophecy that the Messiah would be a Nazarene. No matter where God calls us in life, if we seek to live in His will, we can be sure that the events and places He calls us to will result in the very best for us.”

Angels from the Realms of Glory

Verse 1

Angels, from the realms of glory,
Wing your flight o'er all the earth;
Ye who sang creation's story,
Now proclaim Messiah's birth.
Come and worship, Come and worship,
Worship Christ, the newborn King!

Verse 2

Shepherds, in the fields abiding,
Watching o'er your flocks by night,
God with man is now residing;
Yonder shines the infant light;
Come and worship, Come and worship,
Worship Christ, the newborn King!

Verse 3

Wise men, leave your contemplation,
Brighter visions beam afar;
Seek the great Desire of nations,
Ye have seen his natal star:
Come and worship, Come and worship,
Worship Christ, the newborn King!

Verse 4

Saints before the altar bending,
Watching long in hope and fear,
Suddenly the Lord, descending,
In His temple shall appear;
Come and worship, Come and worship,
Worship Christ, the newborn King!

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

Verse 1

Come, Thou long expected Jesus,
Born to set Thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us;
Let us find our rest in Thee.
Israel's Strength and Consolation,
Hope of all the earth Thou art;
Dear Desire of every nation,
Joy of every longing heart.

Verse 2

Born Thy people to deliver,
Born a child and yet a King.
Born to reign in us forever,
Now Thy gracious Kingdom bring.
By Thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By Thine all sufficient merit
Raise us to Thy glorious throne.

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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

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

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.

Let Us Break Bread Together

Verse 1

Let us break bread together
on our knees;
Let us break bread together
on our knees;
When I fall on my knees,
With my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Verse 2

Let us drink wine together
on our knees;
Let us drink wine together
on our knees;
When I fall on my knees,
With my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Verse 3

Let us praise God together
on our knees;
Let us praise God together
on our knees;
When I fall on my knees,
With my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

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Jesus Paid It All

Verse 1

I hear the Savior say,
"Thy strength indeed is small!
Child of weakness watch and pray,
Find in Me thine all in all."

Jesus paid it all, All to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow.

Verse 2

For nothing good have I
Whereby Thy grace to claim
I will wash my garments white
In the blood of Calvary's Lamb.

Jesus paid it all, All to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow.

Verse 3

And when before the throne
I stand in Him complete,
"Jesus died my soul to save,"
My lips shall still repeat

Jesus paid it all, All to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow.

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Beneath the Cross of Jesus

Verse 1

Beneath the cross of Jesus
I gladly take my stand:
The shadow of a mighty rock
Within a weary land,
A home within the wilderness,
A rest upon the way,
From the burning
of the noontide heat
And the burden of the day.

Verse 2

Upon that cross of Jesus
My eyes at times can see
The very dying form of One
Who suffered there for me;
And from my smitten heart,
with tears,
Two wonders I confess
The wonders of
His glorious love
And my unworthiness.

Verse 3

I take, O cross, thy shadow
For my abiding place;
I ask no other sunshine than
The sunshine of His face,
Content to let the world go by,
To know no gain or loss,
My sinful self my only shame,
My glory all the cross.

The Old Rugged Cross

Verse 1

On a hill far away Stood an old rugged cross,
The emblem of suffering and shame;
And I love that old cross Where the dearest and best
For a world of lost sinners was slain.

Chorus

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
'Til my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross,
And exchange it some day for a crown.

Verse 2

O that old rugged cross, So despised by the world,
Has a wondrous attraction for me;
For the dear Lamb of God Left His glory above
To bear it to dark Calvary.

Chorus

Verse 3

In the old rugged cross, Stained with blood so divine,
A wondrous beauty I see;
For 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died
To pardon and sanctify me.

Chorus

Verse 4

To the old rugged cross I will ever be true,
Its shame and reproach gladly bear;
Then He'll call me some day To my home far away,
Where His glory forever I'll share.

Chorus

Near The Cross

Verse 1

Jesus keep me near the cross
There a precious fountain
Free to all, a healing stream
Flows from Calv'ry's mountain

Chorus

In the cross, in the cross
Be my glory ever,
Till my raptured soul shall find
Rest beyond the river

Verse 2

At the cross I stood one day
Love and mercy found me
There the Bright and Morning Star
Shed its beams around me

Chorus

Verse 3

Near the cross! O Lamb of God
Bring its scenes before me
Help me walk from day to day
With its shadow o'er me

Chorus

Verse 4

Near the cross I'll watch and wait
Hoping, trusting ever
Till I reach the golden strand
Just beyond the river

Chorus

It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

Verse 1

It came upon the midnight clear,
That glorious song of old
From angels bending near the earth
To touch their harps of gold;
"Peace on the earth, good will to men,
From heaven's all gracious King"
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing.

Verse 2

And ye, beneath life's crushing load
Whose forms are bending low,
Who toil along the climbing way
With painful steps and slow,
Look now! for glad and golden hours
Come swiftly on the wing
O rest beside the weary load,
And hear the angels sing.

Verse 3

For lo, the days are hastening on,
By prophet seen of old,
When, with the ever-circling years,
Shall come the time foretold,
When the new heaven and
earth shall own
The Prince of Peace their King,
And the whole world send back the song
Which now the angels sing.