

Christ the King Free Lutheran Church
December 11, 2022

OUR MISSION: CHANGED LIVES!

To EVANGELIZE the lost;

To ESTABLISH Us in Christ;

To EQUIP Us for Service!

Welcome / Opening Scripture

Advent Candle *The Shepherds' Candle* Rupp Family

***Worship Songs** # 179 (Hymnal) *The First Noel* v. 1, 2, 6
206 (Hymnal) *We Three Kings* v. 1, 2, 5
43 (Blue Book) *Emmanuel* x 2

Praise & Prayer Time

Children's Offering / Children's Lesson

***Confession of Faith** Meaning to the First Article of the Apostles' Creed

Message **Christmas Series** I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day

Colossians 1: 19 - 23 Pastor Tim

***Benediction**

***Closing Song** # 205 (Hymnal) *Go, Tell It on the Mountains*

****Denotes congregation to stand***

Please note: The offering plates are on tables in the back of the sanctuary. The children will still bring their offering to the front followed by the children's message.

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 as we celebrate the Advent Season in anticipation of the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Connecting to God's Heart:

- * Keep Pastor Mark Molstre & his wife, Lori, from Northwood, ND in your prayers this week.
- * Pray for Jeremy & Lacey Crowell, Malachi; Naknek, Alaska *Safety in flying and good flying weather
- *Someone to feel called to the pastoral position for Hilltop Christian Fellowship *Pastor Jeff Swanson's health
- *Margaret Lee's health *Ministry opportunities *The sick in our community and comfort those who have lost loved ones.
- * Pray for the search committee as they continue to seek someone for the Youth & Family Ministry position.
- * Pray for travel mercies for those traveling for the holidays
- * Pray for all who have lost loved ones over the past year. May God comfort them during this holiday season.
- * Pray for Cal Hulstein and family as they mourn the passing of his brother, Byron. May Christ comfort them.
- * Pray for the leadership of CTK as they prepare for the Annual meeting; the Trustee nominees; the nominating committee as they begin the process of seeking people to serve on the Trustee board.
- * Pray for Pastor Matthew & family as they prepare for church planting
- * Pray for all the unspoken prayer concerns.

***Cancer Patients:** Kathy Woelber, Pastor Jim Lindgren, Sharon Minet **Health Concerns:** Barb Hubner, Kyle Swanson, Steve Blaue **Nursing & Assisted Living :** Charlie Sowden, Sharon Claussen, Carol Meyer, Mary Moffitt **Hospice:** **Military:** Sam Kolle, Jesse Petersen, Aaron Halbersma, Marcus Westfield, Ethan Amdahl, Derrick Timm **Mission:** Kvaes

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

Message for next Sunday: Sunday School Program and Youth-Led Service

Christ the King Announcements/Events

Family of the Week:

Bryan & Kennedy Manzey; Finnick, Kyo

Morning worship, even as we begin to meet in person; will continue to be available by live stream:

www.cktpipestone.com/live

ATTENDANCE FROM LAST WEEK: 144

OFFERING FROM LAST WEEK:

General Offering: \$ 9,118.00

Children's Mission: \$ 16.00

Total Children's offering for December \$ 16.00

Building: \$ 20.00

Total Building fund for December \$ 20.00

Missions: \$ 686.74

Memorial: \$ 5.00

TOTAL OFFERING: \$ 9,845.74

Total general offering received for December: \$ **9,118.00**

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

Christ the King Announcements/Events

Bible Memory of Ephesians: Schedule for December 12 - December 18

M/T Ephesians 6:19; W/Th Ephesians 6:20; F/S Ephesians 6:21; S Rest and/or quiz and be quizzed

Messenger Articles are due next Sunday, December 18.

Sunday School children and youth will be presenting their Christmas Program and Youth-led service Sunday, Dec. 18 during the regular worship time at 9:30 am.

Next Sunday, December 18 will be brunch blessing for the Sunday morning brunch, bring a dish to pass! So dig out your favorite brunch recipe or try something new! The brunch blessing will be the usual time, between the youth-led worship service and Sunday School.

NOTICE There will NOT be Sunday School or brunch December 25 or January 1.

The nominating committee will begin their assignment to fill the ballot for the Trustee positions on the Trustee board. Let one of the committee members; Denis Parsley, Morgan McNickle, Seth Forness, Scott Thomson, Judy Steuck know in the next few weeks if you would like to be on the ballot. If asked, please, before you make your decision, we ask that you pray about this and ask God to be a part of your decision making process.

Laurie Bruns is completing her second term, Heather DeWilde is completing her first term, Morgan McNickle is completing his first term and Jim Gawerecki is resigning from the board for health reasons and has one year left on his term.

Church directory update: Please look over your address, phone #, email, etc. on the sheets provided on the table in the foyer. Place your initials by your name if everything is correct. Please make corrections or additions, such as email address or cell phone number, by December 11, on the information sheets provided. Also, if your birthday has not been in the Messenger, or is wrong, it is because we don't have it, or it is wrong in our records. Please let the office know so information will be correct.

Youth Events

Forge: Grades 5 & 6 will meet today after SS for their Christmas Party, including lunch and games. They will be done at 1:15 PM.

Combined Aftershock Grades 7 - 12 December 14. 6:30. Wednesday Aftershock will include hide n seek and when everyone is found, we will practice Youth Sunday skits.

Community Events

Prayer Walk There is a small group of people who meet every Tuesday at 7:00 a.m. at the main doors of PAS (high/middle school) to prayer walk the halls for 1/2 hour. Feel free to join us when possible.

Pipestone Women's Connection cordially invites you to a luncheon at the Christian Reformed Church, 800 2nd Ave. S.E., Pipestone on Mon, December 12, 2022 \$10 (includes tax & tip) * 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm. First time guest tickets are complimentary. FEATURE: We'll get a 'sneak peek' at the next Arts & Mentoring Project led by Reggie Gorter and Brenna Jones! Some of the cast will present a few of their best songs from "Scrooge, The Musical", which is coming to the Performing Arts Center December 16-18. SPEAKER: Cynthia Shepperd, Egan, SD. Title: "A Christmas Heart" With humor and heart, Cynthia will give us something to think about as we anticipate the Christmas holiday. Reservations for lunch and complimentary child care by THURSDAY, December 8 please. Please call Rosie: 605-201-6484 Cancellations are necessary by Sunday, December 11.

Become a hospice volunteer Join the Sanford hospice team and help patients and families find comfort and peace. As a hospice volunteer, you'll make a difference in the lives of others. No personal patience care is required or recommended. Call 605- 312- 5500 or email Brenda Hansel at brenda.hansel@sanfordhospice.org See the poster in the foyer.

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

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

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Christmas Series:

December 11, 2022

I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day Colossians 1:19 - 23

Pastor Tim

Three Realizations of Christmas:

1. _____ (vv. 19-20 & verse 1 of Song)

2. _____ (v. 21 & verse 2 of song)

3. _____ (vv. 22-23 & verses 3 & 4 of song)

Children Missions offering will be to
Hot Meals for a Child 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

OPPORTUNITIES To Connect

Today: 9:30 AM Worship Service & Livestream
 10:30 AM Fellowship & Brunch
 10:45 AM Sunday School & Confirmation
 11:45 AM Forge Christmas Party
 6:30 PM Third Year Confirmation

Third Sunday of Advent

Monday:

Tuesday:

Wednesday: 6:30 PM Combined Aftershock
 7:15 PM Choir Practice

Thursday: 7:00 PM Elders & Wives Meet

Friday:

Saturday:

Sunday: 9:30 AM Youth Led Worship Service & Sunday School Program
 10:30 AM Fellowship & Brunch Blessing
 10:45 AM Sunday School & Confirmation

Messenger Articles Due

Third Sunday of Advent

Read the following.

Today is the third Sunday in Advent. We have lit the **Prophets' Candle and Angels' Candle**. This week we will light the **Shepherds' Candle**.

Luke 2:15-20 says,

¹⁵When the angels had gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds began saying to one another, "Let us go straight to Bethlehem then, and see this thing that has happened which the Lord has made known to us."

¹⁶So they came in a hurry and found their way to Mary and Joseph, and the baby as He lay in the manger.

¹⁷When they had seen this, they made known the statement which had been told them about this Child.

¹⁸And all who heard it wondered at the things which were told them by the shepherds.

¹⁹But Mary treasured all these things, pondering them in her heart.

²⁰The shepherds went back, glorifying and praising God for all that they had heard and seen, just as had been told them.

(The Prophets' Candle, Angels' Candle and Shepherds' Candle are lit while the Scripture is Read – Pink Candle labeled #1, two Purple Candles labeled #2 & #3)

Please join us in prayer: "Father in heaven, thank you for the simple faith of the shepherds that Christmas night. Work in us the same conviction, boldness and joy that they had in proclaiming the message of the Savior. May we share their attitude of praising and glorifying You this morning. In the name of Jesus, Amen."

The First Noel

Verse 1

The first noel the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

CHORUS: Noel, Noel! Noel, Noel! Born is the King of Israel!

Verse 2

They looked up and saw a star
Shining in the east, beyond them far;
And to the earth it gave great light,
And so it continued both day and night. **CHORUS**

Verse 3

And by the light of that same star,
Three wise men came from country far;
To seek for a king was their intent,
And to follow the star wherever it went. **CHORUS**

Verse 4

This star drew nigh
to the northwest, Over Bethlehem it took its rest;
And there it did both stop and stay,
Right over the place where Jesus lay. **CHORUS**

Verse 5

Then entered in those wise men three,
Full reverently upon their knee,
And offered there, in His presence,
Their gold and myrrh And frankincense. **CHORUS**

Verse 6

Then let us all with one accord
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord,
That hath made heaven And earth of naught,
And with His blood mankind hath bought. **CHORUS**

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

Emmanuel

Emmanuel, Emmanuel,
His name is called Emmanuel.
God is with us, revealed in us,
His name is called, Emmanuel.

Emmanuel, Emmanuel,
His name is called Emmanuel.
God is with us, revealed in us,
His name is called, Emmanuel.

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Meaning of the 1st Article of the Apostles' Creed

I believe that God has created me and all that exists;
that He has given and still preserves to me my body and soul,
my eyes and ears, and all my members, my reason
and all the powers of my soul,
together with food and clothing,
home and family, and all my property;
that He daily provides abundantly
for all the needs of my life,
protects me from all danger,
and guards and keeps me from all evil;
and that He does this purely out of
fatherly and divine goodness and mercy,
without any merit or worthiness in me;
for all of which I am in duty bound to
thank, praise, serve and obey Him.
This is most certainly true.

Go, Tell It on the Mountains

Chorus:

Go tell it on the mountains,
Over the hills and everywhere;
Go tell it on the mountains
That Jesus Christ is born!

Verse 1

While shepherds kept their watching
O'er silent flocks by night,
Behold throughout the heavens
There shone a holy light!
Go tell it on the mountains, Over the hills and everywhere;
Go tell it on the mountains That Jesus Christ is born!

Verse 2

The shepherds feared and trembled
When lo! above the earth
Rang out the angel chorus
That hailed our Savior's birth.
Go tell it on the mountains, Over the hills and everywhere;
Go tell it on the mountains That Jesus Christ is born!

Verse 3

Down in a lowly manger
The humble Christ was born,
And brought us God's salvation
That blessed Christmas morn.
Go tell it on the mountains, Over the hills and everywhere;
Go tell it on the mountains That Jesus Christ is born!

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