

Christ the King Free Lutheran Church
December 25, 2022

OUR MISSION: CHANGED LIVES!

To EVANGELIZE the lost;

To ESTABLISH Us in Christ;

To EQUIP Us for Service!

Welcome / Opening Scripture Luke 2:9 - 14

***Christmas Carols** # 184 (Hymnal) *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*
177 (Hymnal) *Good Christian Men, Rejoice*

Scripture Reading Luke 1:31 - 35
(PP) *O Holy Night*

Scripture Reading Luke 1:78 - 79
197 (Hymnal) *It Came Upon the Midnight Clear*

Praise & Prayer Time

Special Music *People are Singing, Jesus is Born* Jane Smith & Janelle Brockberg

Message Christmas Series:

The Message of Carols Ephesians 5:19

Christmas Carol # 179 (Hymnal) *The First Noel* vv. 1, 5, 6

Scripture Reading Micah 5:2 - 5a
(PP) *I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day*

Scripture Reading Matthew 2:1 - 2
206 (Hymnal) *We Three King of Orient Are*

***Benediction** Luke 2:29 - 32

***Closing Song** # 171 (Hymnal) *Joy to the World!*

**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.
- * Praise God for the youth and children of Christ the King and for sharing the Message of Christmas.

Connecting to God's Heart:

- * Keep Pastor Stephen Mundfrom & his wife, Joanne, from Crystal, MN 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 Deb Blaue and family as they mourn the passing of Steve Blaue. May Jesus give them comfort at this difficult time.
- * Pray for the Elaine Uilk, Sheila Westfield, Laurie Bruns and families as they mourn the passing of mother and grandmother, Helen Hinrichs. May Jesus comfort them at this difficult time.
- * 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 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 all the unspoken prayer concerns.

***Cancer Patients:** Kathy Woelber, Pastor Jim Lindgren, Sharon Minet **Health Concerns:** Barb Hubner, Kyle Swanson
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:** Kvaales
Please let the church office know if you are going into the hospital or have other prayer needs

Message for next Sunday: Elder Led Service

Christ the King Announcements/Events

Family of the Week:

Nathan & Nancy McConnell; Trinity

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: 192

OFFERING FROM LAST WEEK:

General Offering: \$ 5,553.00

Children's Mission: \$ 5.00

Total Children's offering for December \$ 57.00

Building: \$ 0.00

Total Building fund for December \$ 120.00

Biblesticks: \$ 150.00

Memorial: Josh Stangeland \$ 100.00

TOTAL OFFERING: \$ **5,808.00**

Total general offering received for December: \$ **32,472.82**

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

Christ the King Announcements/Events

Bible Memory of Ephesians: Schedule for December 26 - December 31 Catch up

PLEASE NOTE. There will NOT be Sunday School on Sunday, December 25 or Sunday, January 1. Aftershock and confirmation will not meet December 28. Have a safe and joyous Christmas and blessed New Year.

Pastor Tim & family will be on vacation Dec 27 - Jan 2. If you need assistance please contact one of the Elders. Thank you.

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.

The Annual Meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, January 22, 2023**. The worship service will be at 9:30 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, 2023. Thank you.

Youth Events

There will not be Aftershock December 28 or January 4.

Combined Aftershock Grades 7 - 12 has been rescheduled for Wednesday, January 11 @ 6:30 Christmas party complete with gifts, Minute2WinIt, games, & snacks.

Nerf Wars!! January 22 Aftershock 6 - 12 grades with FCC Youth @ CTK from 6 - 9 PM. 9 - 12 grades will continue until midnight with other activities.

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.

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 bren-da.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

Web Page: www.cktpipestone.com

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The Message of Carols

December 25, 2022

Ephesians 5:19

Pastor Tim

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 Youth Led Worship Service & Sunday School Program

10:30 AM No Fellowship & Brunch

10:45 AM No Sunday School & Confirmation

Monday:

Tuesday:

Wednesday: 6:30 PM No Aftershock

7:15 PM No Choir Practice

Thursday:

Friday:

Saturday:

Sunday: 9:30 AM Christmas Day Worship Service & Livestream

10:30 AM No Fellowship & Brunch

10:45 AM No Sunday School & Confirmation

Luke 2:9-14

⁹ Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰ But the angel said to them, “Don’t be afraid, for look, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people: ¹¹ Today in the city of David a Savior was born for you, who is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹² This will be the sign for you: You will find a baby wrapped tightly in cloth and lying in a manger.”

¹³ Suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying:

¹⁴ Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and peace on earth to people he favors!

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Verse 1

Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King;
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
Join the triumph of the skies;
With the angelic host proclaim.
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!"

Verse 2

Christ, by highest heaven adored.
Christ, the everlasting Lord!
Late in time behold Him come,
Offspring of the Virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,
Hail the incarnate Deity!
Pleased as man with men to dwell;
Jesus, our Emmanuel!
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!"

Verse 3

Hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail, the Son of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings,
Risen with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His glory by,
Born that man no more may die;
Born to raise the sons of earth;
Born to give them second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!"

Good Christian Men, Rejoice

Verse 1

Good Christian men rejoice
With heart and soul and voice
Give ye heed to what we say
News! News!
Jesus Christ is born today!
Ox and ass before Him bow
And He is in the manger now
Christ is born today!
Christ is born today!

Verse 2

Good Christian men rejoice
With heart and soul and voice
Now ye hear of endless bliss
Joy! Joy!
Jesus Christ was born for this!
He has opened heaven's door
And man is blessed forevermore
Christ was born for this!
Christ was born for this!

Verse 3

Good Christian men, rejoice
With heart and soul and voice;
Now ye need not fear the grave;
Peace! Peace!
Jesus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all
To gain His everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save!
Christ was born to save!

Luke 1:31-35

³¹ Now listen: You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus.

³² He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of his father David. ³³ He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and his kingdom will have no end.”

³⁴ Mary asked the angel, “How can this be, since I have not had sexual relations with a man?”

³⁵ The angel replied to her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore, the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God.

O Holy Night

Verse 1

O holy night the stars are brightly shining
It is the night of the dear Savior's birth
Long lay the world in sin and error pining
Till He appeared and the soul felt its worth
A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn
Fall on your knees O hear the angel voices
O night divine O night when Christ was born
O night O holy night O night divine

Verse 2

Led by the light of faith serenely beaming
With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand
So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming
Here came the wise men from Orient land
The King of kings lay thus in lowly manger
In all our trials born to be our Friend
He knows our need To our weakness is no stranger
Behold your King Before Him lowly bend
Behold your King Before Him lowly bend

Verse 3

Truly He taught us to love one another
His law is love and His gospel is peace
Chains shall He break for the slave is our brother
And in His name all oppression shall cease
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we
Let all within us praise His holy name
Christ is the Lord O praise His name forever
His power and glory Evermore proclaim
His power and glory Evermore proclaim

Luke 1:78 - 79

⁷⁸ Because of our God's merciful compassion,
the dawn from on high will visit us
⁷⁹ to shine on those who live in darkness
and the shadow of death,
to guide our feet into the way of peace.

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.

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.

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

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.

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

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.

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

Micah 5:2 - 5a

² Bethlehem Ephrathah,
you are small among the clans of Judah;
one will come from you
to be ruler over Israel for me.
His origin is from antiquity,
from ancient times.

³ Therefore, Israel will be abandoned until the time
when she who is in labor has given birth;
then the rest of the ruler's brothers will return
to the people of Israel.

⁴ He will stand and shepherd them
in the strength of the LORD,
in the majestic name of the LORD his God.
They will live securely,
for then his greatness will extend
to the ends of the earth.

⁵ He will be their peace.

I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day

Verse 1

I heard the bells on Christmas day
Their old familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet the words repeat
Of peace on earth, good will to men.

Verse 2

I thought how, as the day had come,
The belfries of all Christendom
Had rolled along the unbroken song
Of peace on earth, good will to men.

Verse 3

And in despair I bowed my head;
"There is no peace on earth," I said,
"For hate is strong, and mocks the song
Of peace on earth, good will to men."

Verse 4

Yet pealed the bells more loud and deep:
"God is not dead nor doth He sleep;
The wrong shall fail, the right prevail,
With peace on earth, good will to men."

Verse 5

Then ringing, singing on its way,
The world revolved from night to day
A voice, a chime, a chant sublime
Of peace on earth, good will to men

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Matthew 2:1 - 2

2 After Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of King Herod, wise men from the east arrived in Jerusalem, ² saying, “Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star at its rising and have come to worship him.”

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

Luke 2:29 - 32

²⁹ Now, Master,
you can dismiss your servant in peace,
as you promised.

³⁰ For my eyes have seen your salvation.

³¹ You have prepared it
in the presence of all peoples—

³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles
and glory to your people Israel.

Joy to the World!

Verse 1

Joy to the world! the Lord is come:
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart, prepare Him room,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven, and heaven
and nature sing.

Verse 2

Joy to the world! the Savior reigns:
Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods,
rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

Verse 3

No more let sins and sorrows grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make
His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found,
Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as the curse is found.

Verse 4

He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders of His love.