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Our Unchanging God

As we usher in a new year, and a new decade for that matter, I can't help but think of all the changes that have happened in my life over the past several years. In 2015, I graduated from the Free Lutheran Bible College. In 2016, I graduated from Crown College and began seminary classes. In 2017, Cassie and I got married. In 2018, I began my final year of seminary classes. In 2019, we moved to Pipestone for my internship, and we were blessed to discover that we would be welcoming a baby girl into our family. So many changes in just a few short years!

One of the comments I have most frequently heard leading up the birth of our new baby was: *Get ready for your life to drastically change!* Although I'm sure this is an accurate description of life with your first baby, I think it's important to recognize that all of us go through significant changes at different points in our lives, and that change can take many different forms: moving to a new city, starting a new job, losing a loved one, having a baby, graduating from school, getting diagnosed with a chronic illness. These are just a few of the many life changes that we can experience from one year to the next.

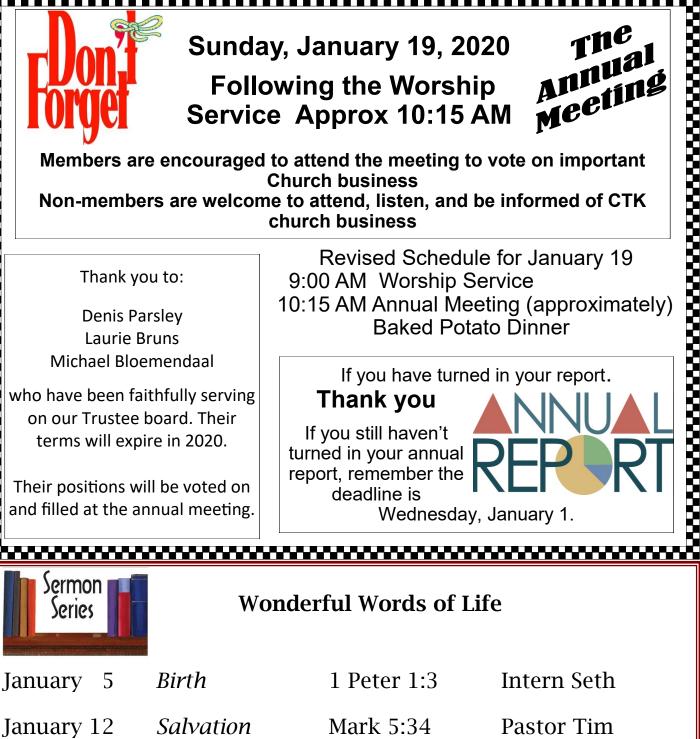
Change can often be a good thing, but it can also be a fearful thing causing great stress and anxiety in our lives. Leaving what is familiar and entering the unknown can often be rather daunting. When you experience change in your life, how do you respond? When you look at the future, how do you deal with the "unknowns"?

In Psalm 102:25-27, the psalmist speaks of God as the One who alone is unchanging. He says, "Long ago You established the earth, and the heavens are the work of Your hands. They will perish, but You will endure; all of them will wear out like clothing. You will change them

like a garment, and they will pass away. But You are the same, and Your years will never end."

Our lives in this world are full of changes, and the world in which we live will one day pass away. Still, our great Creator God remains the same. He is constant and unchanging, and because of Who He is, we can place our trust in Him. As we enter 2020 and consider the many unknown changes that are sure to come with a new year, I encourage you to keep your eyes fixed on the One who is unchanging, as Hebrews 13:8 says: *"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever."*





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January 19	Life	John 11:25	Pastor Tim
January 26	Light	John 8:12	Pastor Matthew
February 2	Bread & Water	John 6:35	Pastor Tim



Cash Basis

Balance Sheet

Christ the King Free Lutheran Church Financial Report As of November 30, 2019

Revenue

Expenditures

	Nov 30, 19		Nov 19
ASSETS		Revenue	
		Building and Grounds	225.00
Checking/Savings		Discipleship	559.50
Bank Total		General Revenue	23,793.02
Building		Outreach Revenue	6,658.17
Altar Guild	324.67	Total Revenue	31,235.69
Building Fund Account	8,099.70	Expenditures	
Total Building	8,424.37	Building & Grounds	783.43
General Total		Discipleship Expenditures	454.46
General	43,850.24	Family Support	31.95
Truth Help	308.09	Misc.	804.30
Total General Total	44,158.33	Office	651.14
Outreach		Outreach Disbursement	
20% Offering	5,946.78	20 %Outreach	3,767.20
Children's Mission Offering	263.96	Special Outreach	413.43
Thrivent	1,055.00	Voice of the Martyrs	208.33
Total Outreach	7,265.74	Total Outreach Disbursement	4,388.96
Share And Care	371.67	Payroll Expenditures	18,072.71
Special Accounts		Prayer and Worship	106.49
Local Outreach Ministry	1,100.00	Share And Care	80.00
Church Missions	1,493.74	Youth	43.08
Marriage Ministry	500.00	Total Expenditures	25,416.52
Scholarship	322.26	Net Revenue	5,819.17
Youth	2,935.39		
Total Special Accounts	6,351.39		
Total Bank Total	66,571.50		
Total Checking/Savings	66,571.50		

Trustee Meeting Minutes Christ The King Free Lutheran Church December 12, 2019 7:00 PM

Present: Denis Parsley, Dave Sutherland, Jim Otter, Mike Bloemendaal, Brandie Hulstein, Laurie Bruns, Jim Gawerecki Absent: Matthew Amdahl, Bill VanderPlaats **Also Present**: Mike Morgan, Collene Landgren, Pastor Matthew, Seth Moan

President Denis Parsley called the meeting to order. Devotions were led by Brandie Hulstein, read from a devotional Be Still and Know. Know that I Am God based on Psalm 46:10 and Isaiah 30:18. We need to limit distractions so we can get to know God. Often it is a choice to not slow down, because then we have to deal with life issues. We need to learn to be still to hear what God is telling us. We feel like we need to be doing something all the time, it isn't just one thing, it is 100 things. Still people are deep people, God will deepen our hearts. Intern Seth Moan will lead devotions in January. Elders' Consultation: Pastor Matthew reported for the Elders. Small groups were discussed and will encourage people to take part in the Alpha study. The 5-part small group study of Overcomer will begin the end of January. The elders also discussed the possibility of continuing with the intern program through the seminary and view it more as a part of outreach.

The Treasurer's report for November was presented. Jim G. moved, to accept treasure's report. Seconded by Jim O. Motion carried.

The Payment of bills, Brandie H. moved to approve the bills, seconded by Jim G. Motion carried.

Outreach was discussed; Jim G. moved to approve outreach, seconded by Laurie B. Motion carried.

AFLC \$ 1,046.78 Food Shelf \$ 100. Share N Care \$ 300. CRU:-Jeff \$ 500. Paul \$ 500. Steeles \$ 100. (review) Brazil Student \$ 100. Alpha Center \$ 1,000. ATLAS \$ 200 Kvale's(Wycliffe) \$ 500. Children's Life \$ 200. Local Outreach \$ 300. Matthew & Ednay Abel \$ 100. Lake Benton Food Shelf \$ 200 Union Gospel Mission \$ 500 San Antonio Church \$ 300.

The secretary's report from the November 14, 2019 meeting was presented. Laurie B. moved, seconded by Dave S. to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Youth Ministry and Family Ministry Reports:

Youth Ministry: Intern Seth reported for Youth ministry. The Christmas party will be December 18, the youth-led worship service will be December 15, with many of the youth participating in various parts of the service. The baked potato dinner will be January 19 following the annual meeting. Pastor Matthew will discuss with Judy Steuck the possibility of discontinuing the separate youth checking account.

Laurie Bruns reported for Forge: Jim O. has been involved with Forge activities; the kids seem to be having a great time. Deeper friendships are developing. Forge will participate in the February lock in. January will be meeting the 4th Sunday. **Family Ministry**: Intern Seth reported for the Family Ministry, due to the limited participation and the drop in attendance by the youth, Family night will be discontinued. The caroling party will be December 15 with meeting at Pizza Ranch to follow.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Tim submitted his report. Pastor Matthew highlighted a couple of points. Pastor Tim vacation dates are Dec 26 to Jan 1. The shut-in list has been updated. Pastor Tim encouraged everyone to support Laurie W. in the Alpha course in January.

Pastor Matthew submitted a report of activities. He has been actively trying to connect with the youth by attending sports games and meeting them for lunch at the school. Pastor Tim, Pastor Matthew, and Intern Seth have been rotating shut-in visitation schedules.

Old Business:

Cupboards under slat board: Brandie H. is working with Irene W. on this project.

Replace Doors: Mike B. reported the door has been ordered and will be delivered and installed.

Distribute hats, scarves & mittens: Brandie H. gave a brief report. Many of the hats, scarves, and mittens have been handed out.

Piano tuning: It was tuned on Dec 12.

New Business: Agenda for Annual Meeting: tabled.

Request to use multipurpose room: Delilah DeZeeuw requested to use the room Dec 28. Brandie H. moved to approve, seconded by Laurie B. Motion carried.

Sanctuary roof: The roof has been leaking at various times. The trustees are going to have the shingles inspected to see what needs to be done. There was discussion on options to deal with the eave spouts freezing. Mike Bloemendaal will check on some options.

Flood meeting: President Denis P. attended 3 meetings of the those affected by the flooding in the northeast area of Pipestone. The homeowners are discussing various options with attorneys. CTK will continue to attend meetings but will not contribute to the attorney fund at this time.

Other: Jim O. reported the reflectors are missing from the driveway. Mike B. will check with the street department and get them replaced.

Jim G. requested the trustees meet at 6 PM during the winter months and it was agreed to move the meeting time to 6 PM for a few months.

Denis P. closed in prayer. The staff was dismissed and the Trustees continued to meet.

Collene Landgren, recording secretary {Draft subject to approval by the trustees}

Happy New year & Happy New year & Happy New year



- 2 Matthew Amdahl
- 2 Wendy Woelber
- 3 Everly Hoheisel
- 3 Lincoln Hoheisel
- 7 Neliana Kvale
- 7 Carmen Paulson
- 8 Rich Hess
- 9 Linda Bruns
- 11 Cody DeRuyter
- 11 Alyssa DeRuyter
- 11 Trinity Halling
- 15 Hannah Berg
- 15 Seth Forness
- 17 Mason DeRuyter
- 18 Heather Huether
- 18 Seth Moan
- 19 Caelyn Haag
- 21 Elke Olivier
- 24 Trey Boelman
- 27 Barb Hubner
- 27 Jay Schiebout
- 27 Vicki Severeid
- 28 Lester Landgren
- 28 Scott DeZeeuw
- 29 Dave Krusemark
- 29 Chase Lueck
- 30 Mary Stangeland
- 30 Gary Winter
- 30 Joanne Winter
- 31 Jenny Otter

Notice: Check the website, KLOH or KNWC for cancellations or changes due to the Weather



Trustees Meet Jan. 9 @ 6 PM



Youth Ministry Meets Sun., Jan. 12 @ 11:45 AM



Family Ministry Meets Tuesday, Jan. 21 @ 7 PM

Thank you so much for your \$100 donation to our local food shelf. We appreciate it very much. Have a blessed holiday season. Thanks again. God Bless. Lake Benton Food Shelf Comm.	hks to Pastor i make the arrangements to purchase the items. home. Christ the King Church			
church family. Jim Gawerecki	curring		We wish to thank Christ the Church for the use of the fello	*
Dear Friends in Christ, On behalf of Hope Haven Int'l I want to King for your recent donation of \$300 to sp Your generosity bears present-day witness Apostle Paul: <i>Bear one another's burdens,</i> <i>of Christ.</i> Thanks to partners & volunteers over 126,000 wheelchairs to individuals. Please accept my sincere thanks for your Rich Koele, Manager of Church & I	ponsor wheelcha to the words of <i>and so fulfill th</i> we have deliver	airs. the <i>he law</i> red ion.	vember 10 when we celebrated ding anniversary. Also, we we the members for the cards an us, and Julie and Brynn Manze Landgren for serving the lunc the video and Lester Landgres equipment. Dan & Lynn Gorder	ould like to thank d celebrating with ey and Collene ch, and Collene for

Malva's 2019 Christmas letter Dear family and friends, With the Christmas holiday just are things I've been doing. Many of yo 3 generations of children so my cel and Mike Dahl were married this s was another wonderful celebration Granddaughter Sarah is my own pe weeks and do I love that. Sarah is r and my friends who visit and even package with special treats makes Celebrate the holidays and have a	ound the corr ou know I cele lebration was summer in an n for me. San ersonal hair a married to gra call me. The me feel wond	ebrated very b outdoo dy and nd nail andson day I re derful. Year.	time to give you a quick look d my 98 th birthday with my fan ousy. Granddaughter Sandy or wedding in Pipestone. This Mike live in Marshall. s stylist. She comes most Terry. Thanks to my family eceive your letter and even a Each day is a blessing.	

Bible Study Opportunities at CTK

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Alpha Course Coming to CTK!

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that freely explore the basics of the Christian faith in a friendly and honest environment. No pressure. No follow up. No charge. Alpha has 10 sessions, which include food, a short video, and a time of discussion in a small group setting where you are free to share your thoughts. It covers the following topics.

Alpha Topics

Is there more to life than this? Who is Jesus? Why did Jesus die? How can we have faith? Why and how do I pray? Why and how should I read the Bible? How does God guide us? Who is the Holy Spirit? What does the Holy Spirit do? How can I make the most of the rest of my life? How can I resist evil? Does God heal today?

Sunday Evenings 6:00 – 8:00 PM Beginning January 5, 2020

Free Meal and Sessions

Child Care Available For more information Contact 507-825-5958

Laurie Westerbur 507-384-7963 or alphausa.org

Alpha is for everyone, welcoming people from all backgrounds, religions and viewpoints and will gently introduce them to Jesus.

Invite a friend to come with you to the first session. They will most likely want

to come back for more. Imagine the fellowship and blessing this could be!



JANUARY SMALL GROUP STUDY

MOVIE: Overcomer at CTK!

Saturday, January 18 beginning at 6:30 PM

Five-session Video/Bible Study Discussion Groups will be offered at the end of January dealing with *Who are you?*

Adult Sunday School Series SONGS

Will continue with the Songs of the Season series.

Discover the stories behind some of our seasonal favorites

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Baked Potato Dinner (January 19)

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The youth will once again work together with parents to prepare a meal for the Sunday of the Annual Meeting. The preparation will mostly be done before hand to allow parents and youth to participate in the meeting. Christ the King will cover everything except the main toppings (chili,

stroganoff, and taco meat). We will delegate and plan the final details at our $\stackrel{\star}{\searrow}$ parents meeting on January 12.

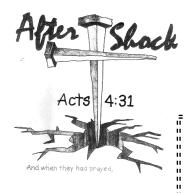




Hi! When we were with you we shared a letter from the seminarian your church has been helping. We are so thankful for this monthly help. It's been a blessing to many students through the years. In Christ, Becky Abel

Grace and peace to our brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus in Pipestone. With much love in our hearts we would like to express our happiness and gratefulness for the help you've given us to go to seminary. May the Lord repay you infinitely more. We have been

blessed through our time in seminary as we have learned about God's Kingdom and are being molded to be more like Jesus. I am in my fourth year of seminary classes. In 2016 I came here with the idea of doing a semester of Bible School but God has put a desire in my heart to serve Him in fulltime ministry as a pastor. I have been helping in a local congregation here in Campo Mourão. I started dating a nice girl named Aneise in 2016 and we were married this September. She is also studying at the Bible School and working in the local church here with the children's ministry. She tells Bible stories and does craft projects with the children. We would love to meet each one of you and personally thank you for helping us financially to get our seminary education here in Brazil. It's a blessing to know that there are people who invest in God's work. We hope to bless others this way in the future. May the blessings of the Lord cover your church. Thank you for everything! *"The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all." 2 Cor. 13:13 Jean & Aneise*





Saturday January 11 -Saturday Nights Alive

When: 4:30-7:30 pm (the church bus will leave at 3:00 pm & return at 9 pm)

Where: Abiding Savior, Sioux Falls, SD

What: Supper, games, worship, a speaker

We will take the bus to Sioux Falls (the church with a gym!!!) for SNA. For those coming from Pipestone, the bus will leave church at 3 & return about 9. For those coming from the basketball game in Lennox, we will work to coordinate rides to Sioux Falls. Bring your Bible & \$3 for pizza.

The speaker this year will be Aaron Arneson. Aaron is an FLBC graduate. He and his wife Rachel currently serve as the youth leaders at St. Paul's Free Lutheran in Fargo, ND.

Worship will be lead by the Vespers Team from FLBC (Formerly known as AFLBS).



Saturday, February 15

We will combine the popular NERF Wars event into a Sunday night lock-in. Forge is welcome to join Aftershock from 5-9 pm. Aftershock students are invited to stay until midnight.

Stay tuned for more details next month!

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8 Aftershock Resumes January January 11 SNA @ Sioux Falls, Aftershock January 12 Parents' Meeting January 19 Baked Potato Meal (after Annual Meeting) February 9 Parents' Meeting February 16 Nerf Lock - in TI

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The Forge: January Event!! January 26 following the worship service



<u>Missionary of the Month</u> Jonni Sliver: Miriam Home Brazil

108. That is how many children came through the Miriam Home in 2019. The oldest is Jennifer. She is 17 and has lived with us twice just this year. If you met her you wouldn't believe that she has spent that much time in the Miriam Home. There is no problem with addictions in her family, she does well in school, she had all the food she needed and nice clothes. The problem is that her mother has serious mental problems, which she refuses to acknowledge or treat. As far as we know Jennifer does not have the same issues as her mother, but she does have some of the same behavior - just because that is all she had to mirror! We are seeing growth in Jennifer, but only in baby steps.



Emanuelly is our youngest visitor. She arrived in the Miriam Home

when she was 3 days old, but in reality she had been with us for four months already, because Josi, her 13 year old mom had come to us in September. We have been helping Josi prepare in every way we can, from learning to cook rice and beans and wash clothes to exercise and eat right. But the most important thing we could teach her to help her be a good mom, is how to be a good daughter - to the Father, who loves her and sent His only Son to give her new life!

Between Jennifer and Emanuelly there are 106 children - all ages and sizes, everyone with a story, and every story known by God.

Thank you for your prayers for the kiddos who will be with us in 2020! Thank you for praying that each child would have the opportunity to learn how precious they are to us, but more important, to God, and that each work would show God's patience grace and love in a ways that the children can understand. Bless you all! Jonni



Give a Filter to a Family

Sitheang's son was frequently sick from drinking contaminated water. She didn't understand the importance of clean water until Samaritan's Purse gave her

family a water filter and taught them about proper hygiene. Now, everyone is much healthier, and through the witness of our teams, Sitheang and many of her neighbors repented of sin and accepted Christ as Savior!

Your gift of \$100 makes it possible for us to give a family a household filter—providing an ongoing source of

pure water—and share the Lord's great love with them "Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God" (1 John 3:1).



Here are some prayer needs:

- Travel mercies for me while I am on deputation and a quick release of my visa so I can return to Brazil!
- For Josi, as she learns to be a mother, and that she would truly give her life to Jesus!
- For wisdom and grace for the house moms.
- For God's strength and renewal for Pr. Silvio, who cares for everyone the children, the staff, as well as being the vice-president of the AFLC Brazil national board.



Matthew 5:16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

Altar Guild

Communion

Jan Muller

Pat Haag

Jason Steuck

Acolytes

January

- 5 Mataya Pantekoek
- 12 Nathan Sutherland19 Corrie Thomson
- 19 Corrie Thomson
- 26 Cameron Haag

Ushers

Cal Hulstein

Justin Hulstein

Greeters

January 5

Rich & Kathy Hess

- 12 Justin & Ashley Hoheisel; Kolton, Lincoln, Everly
- 19 Dustin & Nicki Holt; Connor, Carter
- 26 Barb Hubner

Kitchen Clean-up

Rose Beck Joanne Griebel

Money Counters/ Trustees

Jim Gawerecki Matthew Amdahl



Hospitality Greeters

January

- 5 DeClerks & Smiths
- 12 Woelbers & Warners
- 19 Amdahls & Remunds
- 26 Scholtens & Mullers

Nursery

January 5 Marcine Olsen

- 12 Amy Steuck
- 19 Melissa Zephier
- 26 Rebecca Gilbery

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Worship Leaders

January 5 Matthew Amdahl, Jane Smith, Janelle Brockberg, Susan Parsley

- 12 Praise Band Seth Moan
- 19 Bill Steuck, Laurel Berg, Julia Pillman, Judy Steuck
- 26 Lynn Glidewell, Irene Warner, Jane Smith

	Saturday	4	11 3:15 PM SNA in Sioux Falls	18 6:30 PM Overcomer Movie Night	25	
	Friday	e	10	21	24	31
	Thursday	2	9 6:00 PM Trustee Meeting NOTE TIME CHANGE	I G 7 PM Elders Meeting @ CTK	23	30 2 - 5 PM CTK @ Food Shelf
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