



Sunday, November 26, 2023
Christ the King Sunday

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**American Lutheran Church walks in the faith of Jesus
as we walk with others.**

All are welcome to be a part of God's Church. There is a place for you here at American Lutheran Church. Our mission is to "share the good news of what God has done for us through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ!"

November/December Birthday Greetings this week . . .

- If your birthday is missing or wrong, please let Kelly in the office know or write it on the slips inserted in the Bulletin. Thanks!

27) Linden Olson, Megan Prins

30) Roger Kluever

2) Scott Bruse, Christine Bullerman, Rodney Obermoller, Jared Smith

3) Patricia Brandt, Ronnie Noerenberg

Today's Flower arrangement is given by:

Shirley Rempel

In memory of her sister JoAnn

Open dates are Jan. 7, 14, 28 – Feb. 4, 11

If you would like to sponsor altar flowers for 2023-24, contact Kelly Henkels in the office or Dee Hale at (507) 372-2786. The cost of a bouquet of flowers is \$30.00. You can keep them or donate them. Please remember to pay for your flowers in the office.

Scripture Readings for next Sunday's worship services:

Hymns, prayers, and preaching will be drawn from the themes in these stories.

Theme: *"How Does A Weary World Rejoice: We Acknowledge Our Weariness"*
Psalm 80: 1-7, 17-19 and Luke 1: 1-23

8 AM | First Word Worship Order
FM Ministry for this service is 88.3

GATHERING

Welcome

Announcements/Community News

Confession & Forgiveness

Gathering Hymn: *Jesus Shall Reign*

ELW 434

Sharing the Peace

Prayer of the Day

WORD

Old Testament Story: Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24

Psalm 95: 1-7a (prayed responsively by whole verse)

New Testament Story: Ephesians 1: 15-23

Gospel Song: *Jesus Loves Me*, vs. 1

ELW 595

Video: *Gospel on Five Fingers*

Gospel: Matthew 25: 31-46

Sermon

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn:

Beauty for Brokenness

The Apostle's Creed

The Prayers of the Church

Offering

Noisy Offering

Offertory:

As Saints of Old (vs. 1 & 3)

ELW 695

MEAL

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Communion Instructions

Communion Hymn:

Beautiful Savior

ELW 838

Communion Blessing

SENDING

Blessing

Sending Hymn:

The King Shall Come

ELW 260

Dismissal

Postlude:

8 AM | First Word Worship Leaders

Ministers: All people of the American Lutheran Church

Pastors: Anne Hokenstad and Jeremy Hallquist

Musicians: Sherri Isder, Jocelyn Horn & Dan Horn

Ushers: Greg Kvilhaug, Scott Langerud, Alec Langerud

Greeters: Gary & Lola Lindquist

Caring News | Prayer Ministry

Health Concerns: (Short and long-term sickness and illness)

- Ruth Rusche
- Maci Their
- Gerald Fuerstenberg
- Dorothy Koehn
- Cheryl Martinez
- Jeanene Townswick

In Sympathy: (Grieving the death of family and losses in life).

- Family and Friends of Kay Madsen, Mother of Sheena Eidhammer.
- Family & Friends of MaryJo Duerksen, Aunt of Shirley Rempel

Praise the Lord: (Joys and Answered Prayers):

- Baptism of Zion James Ordaz on Saturday, Nov 25.
- New Members:
 - Nic Kramer
 - Richard & Sarah Lehman

For Support: (On-going life circumstances)

- Mitchell Wagner- Grandson of Keith and Kathy Harberts
- Marvella- Mother of Sherrie and Kevin Adolph
- Montana Scholten- Granddaughter of Sherrie and Kevin Adolph
- Ruth Weiland- Granddaughter of Dee Weiland
- Patrick Weiland- Son of Dee Weiland
- Buddy and Sylvia Richter- Parents of Laura Bourquin
- Mary Hamlin-Palmer- Aunt of Jeremy Hallquist
- Makenna Johnson- Relative of Kristen Appel
- Mary Ferguson- Mother of Leslie Burnham
- Sandy Noerenberg- Wife of Don Noerenberg, Sister- in -Law to Ron & Ruth Noerenberg

Our prayer list will be updated every two weeks. Please notify the office or pastors if you wish to have someone remain on the list.

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Sermon

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn: *Beauty for Brokenness*
The Apostle's Creed
The Prayers of the Church
Offering
Noisy Offering
Offertory: *Take My Life* (vs. 1, 2, & 4) **ELW 583**

MEAL

Words of Institution
Lord's Prayer
Communion Instructions
Communion Hymn: *Beautiful Savior* **ELW 838**
Communion Blessing

SENDING

Blessing
Sending Hymn: *Jesus Christ is Waiting*
Dismissal
Postlude:

10:15 AM | Journey Worship Leaders

Ministers: All people of American Lutheran Church

Pastors: Anne Hokenstad & Jeremy Hallquist

Musicians: Sherri Isder, Jocelyn Horn & Dan Horn

Ushers: Bruce Juber, Dave Skog, Marc Janssen

Greeter: Erlin & Jean Weness

This Sunday 11/26

Fill: Shari Dale

Refill: Sharon Johansen

Clean up: Karen Pfeifer

Communion Servers: **8:00-** Grant Sorensen, Diana Kvilhaug, Russell Obermoller, Dave Nerem **10:15-** Mark & Kay Prunty, Laura Hoffman, Karen Hanbury

Next Sunday 12/3

Dennis & Dee Hale

Paul & Marlys Busse

Bob & Shirly Wieme

8:00- Dennis & Dee Hale, Paul Landberg

10:15- Bruce & Karen Juber, Judi Hoebet

Coffee Servers: Val & Vern Correll, Les Johnson

Church Lock-up: Paul/ Harlan



AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM -

Applications for the American Lutheran Church Scholarship Program are now being accepted. The application process has two phases:

1) An intent to apply must be submitted by January 31 of each year. The intent to apply is to fill out the scholarship application and submit it to the Scholarship committee.

2) The final scholarship application form with a transcript must be submitted by June 15. Application forms are available in the church office with a list of the regulations on the back side.

You may also access the application online by going to the church website, clicking on news and information, and then clicking on youth scholarship. To apply for this scholarship a student must be a member in good standing at American Lutheran Church and must be at the sophomore or higher level at any undergraduate or graduate college or university. You may only receive a scholarship for 3 years. A student cannot simultaneously receive a scholarship from both the ALC Scholarship Program and the Etta Janssen Scholarship Program.

Announcements | Nov. 26-Dec 3, 2023

Looking Ahead

Nov 24-25, Office Closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday

December 1, Journey to Bethlehem, Intergenerational Advent Event.

December 3, Advent Hymn sing happens 10-minutes before each worship service.

Milk Jugs- We are taking milk jugs again to stock up. Please make sure they are cleaned out. You can put the lids in the lid box when you drop them off. The lids need to be screw on lids. Please drop off your clean jugs in the office or bring them to “jug room” in the lower level.

Noisy offering: We return to a fun and familiar tradition with the “Noisy Offering” on the 4th Sunday of each month. Donations will be dedicated to ALC’s support of the Every Meal program served weekly at the Intermediate School. Bring your change and make a joyful noise unto the Lord!

4th Sunday Noisy Offering
starts Nov 26

Our noisy offering will support Every Meal a weekend food assistance program that helps feed Worthington students.

Bring your change for a great cause!




New Fundraiser to Reduce Our Building Debt: A group of visionaries from ALC

have combined their financial assets to provide the seed money for this unique matching gift project to reduce our debt. Your gift, small and large, will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$100,000. This matching gift program runs from Dec 1, 2023, through January 31, 2024. Write “Building Match” on the memo line. If you have questions, please contact one of the pastors, Sandy, or Marv.

Dec 1, 2023 - Jan 31, 2024
Dollar for Dollar

DOUBLE
YOUR
Impact

Your donation to the building debt retirement fund will be matched up to \$100,000



Advent & Christmas Season

Advent Hymn Sing: We sing the songs of our faith on Dec 3, 10, 17, and 24 for 10-minutess before each worship service. Pick an Advent or Christmas hymn to sing as we prepare for worship.

Advent Candle Lighters for Worship Services: Contact Pr. Jeremy if you would like to be one of the lighters of the Advent Candle at each worship service. Advent is celebrated on the following Sundays in December: 3, 10, 17, and 24.

Advent Calendars: This devotional resource will be available on Wednesday, November 22 and Sunday, November 26 and throughout the season. Get your copy at the Welcome Center in the new addition.

Advent Devotional: This devotional resource will be available on Wednesday, November 22 and Sunday, November 26 and throughout the season. Get your copy at the Welcome Center in the new addition.

Longest Night Worship Service: On Wednesday night, December 20 at 6:30pm, there will be a worship service of prayer and healing as we honor the tradition of the Longest Night. All are welcome to worship and to invite those whose hearts and lives are weary.

2023 Christmas Worship Schedule:

- December 24, 9am, 4th Sunday of Advent Worship
- December 24, 4pm, Family Focused Service
- December 24, 6pm, Traditional Festival Worship Service
- December 24, 10pm, Christmas Eve Vespers Service
- December 25, No Christmas Day Worship Service
- December 31, 9am Christmas Lessons & Carols (1 worship only)

Reminder of Annual Communion Registration – The synod requests a count of American Lutheran members who commune at least once during the year. To do this, please fill out the Communication Form slip included with your bulletin with your name, date and indicate that you have received communion. This is necessary to do only once a year and can be done at any time of the year. Thank you. The Worship & Music Committee

November 26-Dec 3 Calendar

<p><u>November 25</u> 10:30am</p>	<p>Baptism Rental follows</p>	<p><u>November 30</u> 1:45pm 3:00pm</p>	<p>Befrienders Caring Ministry</p>
<p><u>November 26</u> 8:00am 9:00am 9:15am 10:15am</p>	<p>Christ the King First Word Coffee & Kinship, NO Contemporary Coffee NO Sunday School, NO Faith Formation Journey Worship Rental 11-2pm</p>	<p><u>December 1</u> 5:30pm-8pm</p>	<p>Journey to Bethlehem</p>
<p><u>November 27</u> 9:30am 6:45pm 7:00pm</p>	<p>Staff Meeting Worship & Music Mission & Ministry</p>	<p><u>December 2</u></p>	
<p><u>November 28</u> 7:45am 11:00am 1:00pm 7:00pm</p>	<p>Men's Fellowship Worship Planning Bible Study- Gen to Rev Bell Choir</p>	<p><u>December 3</u> 8:00am 9:00am 9:15am 10:15am</p>	<p>Advent #1 First Word Coffee & Kinship Contemporary Coffee FF/SS Journey Worship First Communion Classes</p>
<p><u>November 29</u> 9:00am 5:30pm 6:30pm 7:00pm 7:45pm</p>	<p>Quilt Tying Meal Worship Faith Formation Busker Band</p>	<p><u>Church Hours</u></p>	<p><u>Monday-Thursday</u> 8:00am-2:30pm <u>Friday</u> 8:00am-12pm</p>
		<p><u>Office Hours</u></p>	<p><u>Monday-Friday</u> 8:00am-12pm <u>Monday-Thursday</u> 12:30pm-2:30pm <u>Friday</u> Pastors' Sabbath Day</p>