



RAM House dining room is closed through January. Bagged lunches will continue on *January 22nd, February 5th & 19th*. Questions contact Kathy Arle: swakba@gmail.com

Caring for our Community

Sponsor a church member for Valentine's Day! For \$15 a Valentine's gift will be sent to one of our members that may not be able to leave their home, doesn't have family nearby, or that would just enjoy a Valentine this year!

The gift will include a piece of jewelry from Plunder Design as well as other "feel good" items such as fuzzy socks, lotion, hand sanitizer, snacks, etc. We will have an option for our men, too! Our Sunday School children will be making cards to include in the gifts as well. During a time where many of us have been isolated, this would be a wonderful way to spread a little love and put a smile on someone's face! If you would like



to donate items for the Valentine's Day gifts, you can drop them off at the church by Sunday, January 31st. If interested in sponsoring or have any questions, please contact Laura Krell:

LauraKrello7@gmail.com or 540.525.0937. Checks can be made out to Christ Lutheran, memo: Valentine Gift. Thanks again!
Laura



Christ's Mini Communique

My dear friends in Christ,

Like many of you, I found myself longing for 2020 to end and looked forward to a new beginning in 2021. Like many of you, I have been disappointed that the change in the calendar did not automatically bring change to our world and our lives. Of course, we all know that such hopes were only wishful thinking. Our true hope yesterday, today, always is in Christ our Lord. Our true hope is in Emanuel, God with us, who lived and died and now lives again for us and with us. Our true hope is in Jesus, the Son of God, who calls us to follow him in lives of love and peace. Our true hope is in the Prince of Peace who, even now, is ushering in the Kingdom of God in which true justice prevails and no one is left out.

January 6, the day we watched in horror as protest turned to violent insurrection, was the Christian festival of Epiphany. On that day we celebrated the revelation of Jesus as our savior, the light of the world, our hope. On that day, we recall the Wise Men who followed a star to bring gifts and pay homage to the Christ child. Sadly, that age-old story is not only one of celebration, but of fear and violence. Afraid of losing his power, King Herod sought out young Jesus to have him killed. When the Wise Men failed to return with the child's location, "...he was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under..." (Matthew 2:16). Such violence continues in our world, our nation, our lives. Of course, fear is a natural response, but because we are followers of Jesus, so is hope and determination to live into God's Kingdom of love and justice.

In her video statement on January 8, ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton shared these words: "Perhaps our epiphany from this year's Epiphany events is that our country is broken... May we have an epiphany of looking squarely and truthfully at ourselves, our church, our communities, our country acknowledging where we are broken and then determining that we are going to be part of the solution, so that there is equity and justice and equality for all. Let this be our epiphany, that we are, in Christ, given the power and also the mission to be healers of the breach."

May we live into that hope and that mission in this new year and beyond!

Peace be with you, *Pastor Cindy*

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Pray for Our Homebound Members:

*Betty Sittler, Katie Perfater,
Benson Stanley, Marianne Shane.*

Please also pray for:

1/011— Clara & Frank Equi, Lew Snead, Dick Street, friends and family recovering from covid19, speedy distribution of the vaccine, Russell Booth Jo Markham (surgery).

1/04— P. Dave's recovery & Diane, Bill Burgess, Natalie Thorell, Kenneth Reckford (in ICU), Amanda Richardson, Lawrence family, Carolyn Sommardahl (covid19) and Bobby & Jean, Chas Downs (dog bite).

12/28— Mary Hamill, Tom Shrum, Dee Shrum, Danny Witt, Mel Baker, Stephanie, Devan Turner, Jessica, Sean & Seth Rider, Nancy her family tested positive.

12/21— Dkoa Jones.

Families of: 12/28— Kawvan Ray, **1/04**— Frank Downs, Weinacht family, Ruth Frisz (Judy Addison's mother).



Sunday 10am in the parking lot & Live Stream for January.
Continuing to stream live on Facebook & later on our website.

Sunday Scripture Readings

January 17th— 2nd Sunday After Epiphany:

1 Sam 3:1-10-20, Ps 139:1-6, 13-18, 1 Cor 6:12-20, John 1:43-51.

January 24th— 3rd Sunday After Epiphany:

Jonah 3:1-5, 10, Ps 62: 5-12, 1 Cor 7:29-31, Mark 1:14-20.

January 27th— 4th Sunday

After Epiphany: Duet 18:15-20, Ps 111, 1 Cor 8:1-13, Mark 1:21-28.





Confirmation

- ◆ Assignments and resources: www.faithachrist.com/confirmation
- ◆ Mentor/Student Meetings by Jan. 31
- ◆ Family Project due January 31
- ◆ Next group gathering February 7

Thank you so much to all of the kind folks who expressed their sympathy to me in cards or phone calls upon the death of my twin sister. These thoughtful gestures make me once again be grateful to be apart of such a loving church family.

Thank you Steb (Stella) Lindsey

Virginia Department of Health - Roanoke City & Alleghany Health District - COVID-19 Vaccine Inquiry: Phase 1B

The Roanoke City and Allegheny Health Districts have moved to phase 1B of the vaccination program. If you are 75 or above and reside in any of the following localities you are eligible to register for the vaccine: Alleghany County, Botetourt County, Craig County, City of Covington, City of Roanoke, Roanoke County, and the City of Salem.

You can register here:

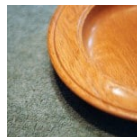
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RCAHDPHase1B>

Once you are registered they will contact you for an appointment.

Thank you for continuing to give support to Christ Lutheran Church & our community.
Offerings: online at our website or through the postal service.

DEC. 2020 YTD FINANCIAL RESULTS

Income	\$535, 791
Expense	475, 726
Net	\$ 59, 065



ONLINE EACH WEEK

- Daily Devotions on Facebook
- Sundays 10am Drive-In & Facebook Live Worship
- Mondays 10:30 am Adult Bible Study ~ Via Zoom
 - Tuesday Evenings Jan. 19th. Christ Youth Group Meeting 7 pm ~ Via Zoom (check remind app & emails for updates)
- Wednesdays Evening Prayer 7 pm ~ Facebook Live
- Thursdays Prayer & Meditation 1-3pm ~ Sanctuary
Call church office prior for appoint. 540-982-8334.

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Watch for ZOOM links for online gatherings.

via: email, first class mail, Facebook & Christ Lutheran Church website.

Contact one of the pastors for Zoom login information.

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Christ's Mini Communique

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