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## **Happy New Year?**

*“I delight greatly in the Lord; my soul rejoices in my God. For he has clothed me with garments of salvation and arrayed me in a robe of his righteousness”  
Isaiah 61:10*

At the beginning of a new year, it is customary to greet each other with “Happy New Year!” Do we mean “day” rather than “year”? Are we still saying it on the seventh day of the new year? Can you be happy if, in the coming year, you may have less to eat, if you must make old clothes last for another year, if a vacation is out of the question, and if you must worry about the bills coming due?

Christians have good reason to be the happiest people in the world. Their happiness is not based on the condition of the world but on the condition of the heart. They are happy because of God and not because of man, just as Isaiah said, “I delight greatly in the Lord; my soul rejoices in my God.”

According to Scripture, each of us is born in slavery to sin and Satan, coming into a world that has fallen under the power of Satan, groaning and miserable with fear and worry, facing everlasting gloom and destruction.

But Christians are the happiest people in the world because they have been set free by Christ’s death on the cross. His sacrifice frees us from both the guilt and power of sin. Free from having to earn acceptance with God. No longer do we worry about how to be good enough to be acceptable to God since Christ, God’s Son, paid the price of sins, freeing us from condemnation and hell. Now “clothed with the robe of righteousness” supplied through faith by the perfect righteousness of Jesus, God does not see us in the nakedness of our sins, but sees us covered with his Son’s perfection.

Live each and every day of this new year with the happiness of a newly released prisoner, for each day you receive forgiveness for all of your sins. Each day you live without fear of future punishment for your sins. Through your faith in Christ, the door of heaven is wide open to you. Live in Christ, in the blessed assurance that because of him all is well with your soul.

— Pastor Timothy Gerbing

# Worship & News

## Wednesday Worship Services

12:00 & 6:30 pm

### The Faces of Jesus' Ministry

During Jesus' earthly ministry, he crossed paths with a wide range of individuals. He met people who came from different backgrounds. He gave attention to various problems and concerns. As well as giving his time to those who have been overlooked. One thing these people all had in common was the fact that they needed Jesus their Savior. A need that still exists for us. In our sermon series, "The Faces of Jesus' Ministry" we will take a closer look at this diverse group of people that Jesus met. Through these individuals we learn important lessons about following Jesus, our life of faith, and serving his kingdom.

- 1/8 Andrew – Brought His Brother to Jesus  
*John 1:35-42*
- 1/15 Matthew – Jesus Calls and Uses the Unlikely  
*Matthew 9:9-13*
- 1/22 Mary and Martha – The One Thing Needed  
*Luke 10:38-42*
- 1/29 Nicodemus – A Change is Possible  
*John 3:1-16*
- 2/5 Jairus – Given Hope in a Hopeless Situation  
*Mark 5:21-24; 35-43*
- 2/12 Adulteress Woman – Forgiveness Instead of Stones  
*John 8:2-11*
- 2/19 Little Children – All Christians are Important in God's Kingdom  
*Mark 10:13-16*
- 2/26 Persistent Widow – Be Tenacious in Prayer  
*Luke 18:1-8*

### ERIN CAMPUS

We worship at Erin School (6901 Co. Hwy O, Harford, WI) at 5:00 pm on Sundays. Bible Study at Erin begins at 3:45 pm on Sundays before the worship service. Join us! (Please note—no worship on Dec. 29.)



## VOTERS MEETING & ANNUAL REPORT

The Annual Voters Meeting will be **Thursday, January 30 at 6:00 pm**. All voters are encouraged to attend. The **2024 Annual Report** will be presented and available to the congregation the following weekend. This report is not only a recap of the financial aspects of the past year, but also contains much information from the many organizations within the congregation as reported by your fellow members.



## Help Us Take Down Our Christmas Decorations!

Please consider lending a hand to help take down the Christmas decorations that adorned the church for the Christmas season. We'll begin at church at 5:00 pm on Tuesday, January 7. The more people who help, the quicker we will be able to complete the task. We will especially need volunteers with a strong back to help us move trees. Please join us!

### Worship at the Waters

Our next worship service at the Waters of Pewaukee (W239N2540 Dahlia Blvd, Waukesha, WI 53188) will be Thursday, January 2 at 10:00 am in their community room on the first floor. The Waters is located about a mile south of our Pewaukee Campus on Pewaukee Rd/ Hwy 164. All are welcome!

### Worship at Kirkland Crossings

We continue to offer a worship service at Kirkland Crossings (700 Quinlan Dr, Pewaukee, WI 53072) on the third Thursday of each month (January 16) at 1:30 pm. Join us for worship!

### WAUWATOSA CAMPUS

Worship Services at our Wauwatosa Campus (724 N 112th Street) are held on Sundays at 11:00 am. All are welcome!

# Christian Education

## BIBLE INFORMATION CLASS

*with Pastor Krause*

Bible Information Class (New Member Class) is offered every Sunday from 9:10-10:10 am in the church office conference room. This class covers the major teachings of Scripture. It is a time for questions and discussions of spiritual concerns that may be on your heart for which you would like an answer. Come and bring a relative or friend. Contact [Pastor Krause](#) with any questions.

## EARLY RISERS BIBLE STUDY

**“Revelation: Not Really Scary”** *with Pastor Gerbing*

One of the least familiar books of the Bible, and one of the most requested for study, is Revelation. As we study this book, you’ll be amazed how much of its content has been taught in other books of the Bible. Revelation will raise in you and all of the elect the hope of the glory that awaits us in heaven. Join us on Tuesdays at 8:00 am in the lower level confirmation classroom.

## ENDURING WORD BIBLE STUDY

**“Jesus—The Tireless Servant of God & Us: The Gospel of Mark”** *with Pastor Gerbing*

Even Jesus had feelings: disappointment, weariness, wonder, sighs, and affection. At the same time, his wonderful and powerful works testified to the fact that he was no mere man, he was also in fact divine. Mark’s short Gospel will convince you in a way unlike the other three Gospels. Join us on Thursdays at 9:00 am in the lower level confirmation classroom.

## PRAYER PARTNERS

*with Pastor Krause*

Prayer Partners will meet on Wednesday, January 15 at 10:00 am in the conference room. We study the Book of Psalms and pray for individuals who have requested prayers. All are welcome!

## “JESUS AND ME” PLAYGROUP

Our “Jesus and Me” playgroup for caregivers and children meets on select Wednesdays in January from 9:00-11:00 am. Please contact Erin Rausch if you plan to attend ([erin.rausch1@outlook.com](mailto:erin.rausch1@outlook.com)).

## SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS

*with Pastor Gerbing*

January 5 & 12 we will be studying “Angels and Demons: Have Wings—Will Travel.” The battle between good and evil—a conflict that has been part of the universe since soon after creation. God created angels, holy and pure, to be his messengers and servants. But Satan rebelled and since that time sin has done damage and death has reigned. Join our new Bible series to learn both the light and the dark side of the world of angels, and what Jesus has done to put a final end to Satan’s demonic power.

On January 19 we will begin “Households of Faith.” Have you wondered how to transform your household into a more open and engaging place where God’s love is openly shared and people are encouraged to learn more about Jesus? In this video study, we’ll learn how to apply spiritual disciplines, extend hospitality, and engage in spiritual conversations to do just that! A great opportunity for Christian households of all types and generations, whether single, multi-generational, empty nesters, single parent, or couples. **Join us on Sundays at 9:10 am in the grand hall!**

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

*with Pastor Tom Speidel*

This adult class is open to all but is especially ideal for parents as we follow the same lessons and meet at the same time as Sunday School on Sundays at 9:10 am in the lower level fellowship hall.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School for children 3 years old to 6th grade meets on Sundays at 9:10 am in the lower level classrooms. Contact Sarah Haeuser if you have any questions at [shaeuser@christpewaukee.org](mailto:shaeuser@christpewaukee.org).

## YOUTH CONFIRMATION

*with Pastor Gerbing*

Youth Confirmation for 7th-8th graders meets on Sundays at 9:10 am and Tuesdays/Thursdays at 5:45 pm. Contact [Pastor Gerbing](#) to learn more.

## TEEN BIBLE STUDY

*with Hannah Burke and Eric Ulm*  
Sundays at 9:10 am in the Teen Room

# Fellowship Events & News

## Outdoor Chili & Bonfire

**Saturday, January 25 at 2:00 pm**

All are welcome to join the outdoor Chili & Bonfire on Saturday, January 25 starting at 2:00 pm, held outdoors on the west side of the upper parking lot. Sign up to bring a side and/ or chili on the kiosk in the gathering area. We ask that chili is made without noodles, as that will be one of the sides that attendees can add to their chili. All chilis will be combined into a large cast iron pot over a wood fire. Hot chocolate, bowls, napkins, and utensils will be provided. Bring your own chair. Questions? Contact Craig Harstad (262-408-7801 or [chharstad@gmail.com](mailto:chharstad@gmail.com)).

**Pickleball** meets on Saturday mornings from 9:00-11:00 am in the gym at our Pewaukee Campus starting January 18. Use the QR code or link on our church



website to reserve your date/time. All guests will need to be accompanied by a member of Christ and that will be noted at sign up. If you have any questions or would like to be a pickleball leader, please contact Sophia Kositzky, at 262-691-0720 ext. 260 or [skositzky@christpewaukee.org](mailto:skositzky@christpewaukee.org). Thank you to the Christ members who signed up to be a leader. Pickleball could not happen without them!

## LEGO NIGHT

All ages are welcome to join us for Lego Night on Friday, Jan. 10 from 5:00-7:00 pm! Legos will be available for all ages on tables in our grand hall. Duplo mats will be set up for the little ones. A light supper will be offered. Invite your friends and neighbors to join the fun. For more information or to volunteer to help, contact Erin Rausch at [erin.rausch1@outlook.com](mailto:erin.rausch1@outlook.com).

**Card Making** will meet next on Saturday, January 11 from 9:00 am until 4:00 pm in the lower level confirmation classroom. You can bring your own project to work on or use the provided supplies to make cards for church use. Please park in the lower level lot and use the IFC lower level entrance.

**Fellowship Planning:** Looking to help in a fun way at church? Please join us Tuesday, January 14 at 6:30 pm to plan family fun events for the year. If you cannot make the meeting, but have an idea for an event, please contact Pastor Krause.

## French Classes

French Classes will meet on Tuesdays, January 7, 14, 21, & 28 at 6:30 pm in the grand hall. Sue Speidel leads the class. Please contact Pastor Krause to learn more.

## Sewing Groups

**We Need(le) You** will meet Saturday, January 11, and **Piecemakers** will meet Tuesdays (except January 1) from 9:00 am until noon in the sewing room in the lower level. Enter through lower-level parking lot IFC (C3) doors.

We would like to thank everyone who donated fabric, yarn, supplies, and money so the group has the needed resources. A big thanks for your time and effort goes to all the ladies involved in sewing, knitting, crocheting and the other tasks we do. These efforts have allowed us to donate over 900 items so far this year, such as walker bags, quilts/blankets, toys, hats, scarves, mittens, baptismal napkins, pillowcases, shorts, and tank tops, to various organizations, such as Christ church, Children's Hospital, fire departments, care facilities, Ronald McDonald House, Tomorrow's Choice, Haiti, students and individuals to name a few. Our recipients are thoroughly happy to receive these items. God has truly blessed us this year.

We welcome new members to join us as we use our God-given talents to serve our internal and external community needs. All skill levels welcomed. No experience necessary. Join us for the fellowship and meet fellow church members. You will be blessed.

For more information, contact Cary Tessmann at 262-271-0429 or Ellen Tarczewski at 262-965-4421.

## The Building & Grounds Committee

will meet on Tuesday, January 7 at 6:00 pm in the church office conference room.



## STEWARDSHIP UPDATE (as of 12-22-2024)

### 2024 General Fund

2024 Goal	2024 Giving-to-Date	% of Goal
\$1,835,647	\$1,424,300	77.6%

### 2022-2024 Building on Faith Appeal

2022-2024 Goal	Giving-to-Date	% of Goal
\$2,000,000	\$2,067,235	103.4%

### NEW STEWARDSHIP GOALS

2025 General Fund: \$1,855,531

2025-2027 Growing in Faith Building Fund: \$2,200,000

## Employment Opportunity: EVENT MONITOR

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church is looking for a part-time Event Monitor. The Event Monitor reports directly to the Activities Director. Responsibilities consist of, but are not limited to, serving as the on-site Event Monitor for rentals and special events programmed through the Activities Director; being responsible for facility preparations, event supervision, event take-down; providing a welcoming, positive, inclusive environment for participants/renters; and possessing strong communication skills. Must be available to work a flexible schedule including nights and weekends. Experience in event and customer service-orientated environment is preferred. Additionally, a Christ-oriented environment for renters/ participants at all times. For more information about this position or to apply, please contact Activities Director Sophia Kositzky at [skositzky@christpewaukee.org](mailto:skositzky@christpewaukee.org) or 262-691-0720 ext. 260.



**Lambs of Christ  
Learning Center**

Lambs of Christ ended 2024 sharing the message of Jesus with families during our Christmas Service before break. We shared the Christmas story by asking different characters of the nativity story what they saw, similar to the back and forth responses in the book "Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?". The songs they sung could be heard in the hallways in the days following the program and many families said their children continued to sing them at home too! The message of our Savior's birth is such a sweet one and our students are great examples of going and "telling it on the mountain!"

Classes resume Thursday, January 2. Thank you for keeping the students, families, and staff in your prayers as the new year gets started! As 2025 begins, we are preparing to open registration for our Summer Camp and the 2025-2026 school year. Registration for both programs will open in late January. Check the Lambs of Christ webpage for up-to-date information: [www.christpewaukee.org/lambs-ofchrist](http://www.christpewaukee.org/lambs-ofchrist). All are welcome to tour the Learning Center and learn more about the early care and education provided there. Contact Mrs. Elizabeth Melott, Director, to schedule a visit at [emelott@christpewaukee.org](mailto:emelott@christpewaukee.org) or call 262-737-6210.

— Mrs. Elizabeth Melott, LCLC Director

## LCLC EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Lambs of Christ Learning Center, a ministry of Christ Ev. Lutheran Church, Pewaukee, WI, is seeking people to fill **Extended Care Assistant** positions in the morning (6:30-8:30 am) and afternoon (3:30-5:30 pm) and **Summer Camp** positions. If you are interested, please send a resume and application to Director Elizabeth Melott at [emelott@christpewaukee.org](mailto:emelott@christpewaukee.org). Please reach out by email to request more information about these positions.

**The Wisconsin Lutheran High School** girls basketball team paused from the routine of shooting hoops to bring a little joy into the community. The team visited 3K preschoolers from our conference school at Lambs of Christ in Pewaukee to make Christmas ornaments with them. While it started out as a service project, both teens and the 3-year-olds felt a cheerful connection. "We do projects like this for team building, but the little kids looked up to us and were so excited to see us," said senior varsity basketball player Kenly Frey. "It was lots of fun making ornaments with the kids. They were so sad to see us go, but it was heartwarming. We knew we had made memorable difference in this small moment," said sophomore varsity basketball player Ronna Kelly.

**MEMORIALS:** The church thanks those who have given memorials in remembrance of dear friends and loved ones. New memorials were received in memory of Pawn Neumann (\$165), Robert Gerbing (\$400), and Barb Constantino (\$500).

# News & Events

## Parish Nurses' News

### Seasonal Affective Disorder

Seasonal affective disorder (SAD) is a type of depression that's related to changes in seasons — seasonal affective disorder (SAD) begins and ends at about the same times every year. If you're like most people with SAD, your symptoms start in the fall and continue into the winter months, sapping your energy and making you feel moody. These symptoms often resolve during the spring and summer months.

There's no known way to prevent the development of seasonal affective disorder. However, if you take steps early on to manage symptoms, you may be able to prevent them from getting worse over time.

Things you can do on your own:

- Make your environment sunnier and brighter— open shades
- Get outside—10-15 min of fresh air twice daily
- Exercise regularly—150 min per week
- Normalize sleep patterns—go to sleep/wake up same time

It's normal to have some days when you feel down. But if you feel down for days at a time and you can't get motivated to do activities you normally enjoy, see your healthcare provider.

Sources: *Source Mayo Clinic—Seasonal Affective Disorder*  
—Gwen Travis, BS, HC, CMA

## Our Parish Nurses' Program and Annual Meeting

Perhaps you have wondered what a parish nurses' group is all about. Galatians 6:20 encourages Christians to "carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." A parish nursing program is an organized way to respond to Christ's call to carry each other's burdens.

Parish nursing is not new, in fact the Christian church has often led the way throughout history in providing for the health needs of the members of the church and community. Following the example of Jesus who cared for both the body and soul of those to whom he ministered, a parish nursing program allows us opportunity to help our brothers and sisters bear their physical and emotional needs. In this way too our congregation shows its love and concern for one another.

If you are a nurse or health care provider, please consider attending our **Parish Nurses' Annual Meeting on Monday, January 6, at 6:30 pm** in the church office conference room. You will learn more information about our group, are invited to share your thoughts for how our group can serve our members in the new year, and have opportunity to become involved in what is planned. No commitment will be required of any who attend our meeting. For more information you are invited to call Clara Nettesheim, our head parish nurse, at 262-527-0072, or Pastor Gerbing at 262-691-0720, ext. 220.



Christ Lutheran Church  
International  
Friendship  
Center

## English Classes

A new session of International Friendship Center English Classes will begin on Monday, January 20 and Tuesday January 21 and conclude with a Banquet on Tuesday, May 13. There will be two breaks in the schedule. The first is for Spring Break on March 24 and 25 and again for Easter Break on April 21 and 22. If you are interested in volunteering for the IFC, we can use additional assistance with volunteers who are willing to supervise children, provide rides to students, and volunteers who can work with teachers during classes as teaching assistants. If interested in volunteering your time and talents in this important outreach to our community, contact Carol Krause ([cmariakrause@gmail.com](mailto:cmariakrause@gmail.com)).

**PARKING NOTES:** Parents, when dropping off or picking up your children for Sunday School, please park your vehicle in the parking lot and walk with your children in and out of the church building. **Please do not park your vehicle anywhere in the circle drive in the upper level main entryway and canopy area of the church.** There are many elderly and handicapped members who have difficulty getting into the entryway to our church because of the number of vehicles in the circle. There is one section of the entryway where the curb is sloped for wheelchairs and walkers. There is one handicapped accessible door in the entryway. It is important that these areas are not blocked. This is also a designated fire lane and emergency vehicle area. Reminder that by law our **handicapped parking spaces** are reserved for those who have a handicapped parking permit. **Thank you** for your help in making our church accessible to all!

## Elder's Message

Happy New year! Did you make a New Years resolution? I personally am not one for New Year's resolutions. I think if something is worth doing it is worth doing all the time (or at least trying to do all the time). I put New year's resolutions in the "adiaphora" category. (Adiaphora is a theological term that refers to things that are neither commanded nor forbidden by God in Scripture.) So if you want to make a New Year's resolution - I wish you well. As a lifelong Christian who (like you?) has had my religious ups and downs, I know that there are things that I am free to do or not do as a Christian. But if I am honest, there have been times when I have not always thought of and treated my pastors (dozens who have served me) with complete respect, with honor, with love, and with kind and encouraging words. Was this ok? Is the manner in which I think of, and treat my pastor adiaphora? Think about that question for a moment. Think about if you may have done the things I have confessed. Then read these words Paul wrote in 1 Thess. 5:12-13, "Now we ask you, brothers and sisters, to acknowledge those who work hard among you, who care for you in the Lord and who admonish you. Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work. Live in peace with each other." Being a Pastor is hard – especially because there are people like me who, inexcusably, do not always, "hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work." They serve us on our journey through this life so that we may "run with perseverance the race marked out for us" (Heb. 12:1). They admonish us with the law when we transgress, They serve up God's grace when we repent of our sins. And they help us know what adiaphora is and what it is not. Thank our gracious and merciful God for the faithful servants he has provided to lead us. And as you "hold them in the highest regard in love" be sure to thank them as well! And if you, like me, confess your sins, I know they will share words of mercy such as 1 John 1:9 "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." God is good, so thank him and thank you Pastors for helping us stay on "the straight and narrow road that leads to life" (Matt. 7:13-14). And "Live in peace with each other", because when we don't, we make our Pastor's work even harder!

— Tom Eddinger, Education Elder

## 2025 ALTAR FLOWER CALENDAR

You may sign up to furnish altar flowers for worship services in the coming year on the signup sheets on the wall just inside the coat room and call box area off the gathering area. You may indicate if you are placing flowers in honor of a special occasion or in memory of a loved one. Let us know whether you would like to pick up the flowers after services or leave them to be delivered to one of the shut-ins.

Please note that if you would like altar flowers for the month of December 2025, please sign up for a poinsettia when the signup sheet becomes available. If you would like flowers for the weekend of Easter, April 20, 2025, please sign up for an Easter lily when they become available.

There are stands to adorn the altar area with flower arrangements, and we hope to have one, two, or more arrangements each week. The arrangements will be prepared and placed. **Cost of arrangements is \$30 each for 2025.** Please place cash or check marked "flowers" in the collection basket or drop it off in the church office. Payment may be made in advance or when the flowers are furnished. Thank you!

## Growing in Faith Update

During 2024 our congregation conducted the *Growing in Faith* fund raising appeal. The purpose of the appeal was twofold: 1) Make our monthly mortgage debt payment for the next three years. 2) Support the annual general fund and our efforts to share the Gospel by providing uplifting worship service, Christian education for all ages, and outreach throughout 2025.



Our Lord used this appeal to bring out the best in our congregation. Over 20 members demonstrated their faith and commitment to their loving Savior by using their time and talents to serve as Chairpersons, Leadership Team Members, Gathering Leaders, and Telephone Callers. The membership responded in faith with their generous financial gifts in support of our church expansion project and in support of our programs to spread the good news of salvation of Jesus Christ.

We pledged \$1,463,350 to our Building Fund, toward our goal of \$2.2 million. We will now be able to make our monthly mortgage payments for the next three years. In addition, we will be able to prepay a portion of our loan principal which will save us thousands of dollars in interest over time. We have also received general operating fund commitments for \$793,434 toward our 2025 budget goal of about \$1.9 million.

# News & Events

## The Christ Lutheran Endowment Fund

The Endowment Fund exists to support the long-term mission of Christ Pewaukee: "United in faith by the Word of God, we exist to praise, honor and glorify Christ by joyfully nurturing lives for Christian service and sharing Christ with all." Estate gifts or tax-deductible donations to the fund are anticipated to remain invested into perpetuity, with a portion of the earned income and capital appreciation of the fund made available to the church annually to financially support and enhance the ministry of the church. As you plan your financial support of the church consider giving to the Endowment Fund as part of your estate planning or as the third option after gifts to the General and Building Funds. Estate gifts, memorials, cash and appreciated stock are accepted. There is no minimum amount for a gift. Every gift is meaningful to the Endowment regardless of size. Donations are to be made to Christ Lutheran Endowment Fund. For additional information contact any of the Planned Giving Committee members: Rick Eastman (Chairman), Jeff Delahaut (Secretary), Barb Demmer (Treasurer), Glen Heuer, Paul Hanson or Pastor Krause.

## LIBRARY NEWS

### "Who Am I? Understanding Your Identity in Christ through Facts Not Feelings"

By Dr. Phil Huebner

In fast-paced and frantic modern times, Christian teens are becoming increasingly overwhelmed by the problems, challenges, and temptations of life. Many teens feel completely lost in life because they also feel unloved, guilty, worthless, weak, alone, anxious, and afraid. Teens quickly become so overwhelmed that these feelings can become their new reality and identity. Teens become so lost that they can't answer one crucial question, "Who am I?"

This book will help teens to understand that their identity can be found in Jesus Christ and the facts of who he is, what he has done, and what he has said. Those facts will provide a sure foundation for life and in turn will bring true feelings of happiness, joy, and peace. Teens who read this book will find help in living with certainty and confidence because they know the answer to the question, "Who am I?"

This book is also an excellent resource for parents who want some talking points to engage with their teens in conversation about worth.

## **The Crownical** is the monthly newsletter of **Christ Lutheran Church, Pewaukee, WI**

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# January Birthdays

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| 1 Kristopher Sardina<br>Devnee Volden-Krueger                                                                   | 9 Beverly Franke<br>Linda Hintz<br>Marla Lindee<br>Gloria Poulsen<br>Peter Strucely<br>Jonathan Wieschel                                                    | 16 Jeremiah Erickson<br>Brandon Kienast<br>Mitch Matley<br>Nathan Verbeten<br>Kimberly Wilhelm                                                               | Barbara Knueppel<br>Aaron Krueger<br>Herbert Lindenstruth                                                                       |
| 2 Nora Antalis<br>Brandi Clements<br>John Strecok                                                               | 10 Lisa Barnekow<br>Emma Ehlke<br>Lilah King<br>Michele Laabs<br>Sam Ramlow<br>Tim Rausch<br>Mitchell Starczynski<br>Thomas Tieman<br>Amanda Wilson-Mueller | 17 Samantha Brewster<br>Ryan Eastman<br>Griffin Schaefer                                                                                                     | 25 Ashton Myhre<br>Amy Payne<br>Allan Smith                                                                                     |
| 3 Chuck Garbedian<br>Aaron Koeppen<br>Kiera Nettessheim<br>Jordan Riemer                                        | 11 Karen Erbstoesz<br>Bruce Miller<br>John Stahl<br>Joe Warren                                                                                              | 18 Coreen Ninneman<br>19 David Feather<br>20 Lia Chworowsky<br>Olivia Fladhammer<br>Lori Flynn<br>Dale Kuphall<br>Lynn Lovrine<br>Dave Matz<br>Lydia Miselem | 26 Wayne Avery<br>Andrew Buss<br>Remington Davis<br>Shoby Gnanasekaran<br>Stacie Kaminski<br>Ev Urban<br>Amanda White-Rosenthal |
| 4 Liz Baumgarten<br>Emery Bitzan<br>Amanda Chao<br>Nicole Eastman<br>Christopher Hubbard<br>Wesson Rogers       | 12 Richard Feest<br>Gannon Hahn<br>Linda Hanson<br>Cory Loppnow<br>Elsa Natynski<br>Alaina Salamone<br>Pat Steinbrecher                                     | 21 Mike Brown<br>Matthew C. Miller<br>Kurt Nettessheim<br>Cindy Wessel<br>Samuel Wilhelm                                                                     | 27 Kevin Moloney<br>Steven J. Mulvey<br>Zeth Nettessheim                                                                        |
| 5 Jody Goede<br>Harold Hoepfner<br>John Marquardt<br>Hayden Russ                                                | 13 Angie Sadowski<br>Heather Sunderlage<br>Peggy White<br>Carter Wolf                                                                                       | 22 Peter Claus<br>Caroline Gates<br>Jim Pawlowske<br>Sarah Rosolack                                                                                          | 28 Lydia Festerling<br>Skylar Hrycyna<br>Nancy Zahrt                                                                            |
| 6 Jason Fladhammer<br>Rachel Huntington                                                                         | 14 Kathleen Plaushines                                                                                                                                      | 23 Matt Carleton<br>Barb Demmer<br>Kathy Harrington<br>Heather Holtz<br>Dani Reynolds<br>Jim Schall                                                          | 29 Barbara Larson<br>Klaire Ledger<br>Stella Mancuso<br>Emma Sindelar                                                           |
| 7 Jeff Delahaut<br>Pastor Tim Denney<br>Jim Fischer<br>Sydney Hiser<br>Amber Jakubek<br>Sharon Oh<br>Jeff Smith | 15 Steve Gabb<br>Bill Restock<br>Lori Schweiger                                                                                                             | 24 Shawn DeMain<br>Tylor Groth                                                                                                                               | 30 David Chao<br>Grayson Kuenn                                                                                                  |
| 8 Amanda Andrews<br>Marjorie Ding<br>Terry Lytle<br>Ryan Pratt<br>Nicole Tieman<br>Chloe Treder                 |                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                              | 31 Tom Clements<br>Aaron Kisting<br>Tina Lange<br>Terry Miller<br>Ava Nowak<br>Mike Stricker                                    |



## January Wedding Anniversaries

- 3 Matthew & Jennifer Lindee, 21 years
- 5 Mike & Mary Brown, 45 years
- 6 Julie & Perry Green, 19 years
- 8 John & Jan Kovacich, 42 years
- 8 Jan & Claude Melson, 25 years
- 12 Miles & Rita Buske, 44 years  
Keith & Leigh Ann Treichel 51 years
- 20 Steve & Elizabeth Gabb, 52 years  
Aaron & Jaime Krueger, 7 years  
Tom & Erin Treder, 15 years
- 24 Doug & Clara Nettessheim, 55 years
- 27 John & Sharon Manka, 57 years
- 29 Jonathan & Melissa Wieschel, 20 years
- 30 Wayne & Carolyn Avery, 65 years

## 3-Year Bible Readings - Jan. 2025

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| 1   John 1:1-2:2       | 17 Isaiah 51:17-52:12 |
| 2   John 2:3-27        | 18 Isaiah 52:13-53:12 |
| 3   John 2:28-3:10     | 19 Isaiah 54          |
| 4   John 3:11-4:6      | 20 Isaiah 55          |
| 5   John 4:7-5:3       | 21 Isaiah 56, 57      |
| 6   John 5:4-21        | 22 Isaiah 58          |
| 7 2, 3 John            | 23 Isaiah 59          |
| 8 Isaiah 40            | 24 Isaiah 60          |
| 9 Isaiah 41            | 25 Isaiah 61:1-63:6   |
| 10 Isaiah 42:1-43:13   | 26 Isaiah 63:7-64:12  |
| 11 Isaiah 43:14-44:23  | 27 Isaiah 65          |
| 12 Isaiah 44:24-45:25  | 28 Isaiah 66          |
| 13 Isaiah 46, 47       | 29 Matthew 1          |
| 14 Isaiah 48           | 30 Matthew 2          |
| 15 Isaiah 49:1-50:3    | 31 Matthew 3          |
| 9 16 Isaiah 50:4-51:16 |                       |



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**Wednesday 12:00 & 6:30 pm**

**Saturday 5:00 pm**

**Wauwatosa: Sunday 11:00 am**

**Erin: Sunday 5:00 pm**

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# JANUARY 2025 SCHEDULES

## Sunday Ushers Schedule

### Sunday, January 5

- 8:00 Scott Polzin (O), Alex Grill, Dan Nitz, Ben Melott, Dennis Szymanski
- 10:30 John Lindner (O), Blake Lindner, Peter Filber, Gary Zellmer, Jayden Bauer

### Sundays, January 12 & 19

- 8:00 John Gilbert (O), Mike Laabs, David Fry, Jacob Schilling, Nathan Bilitz
- 10:30 Gerald Houtler (O), Derek Leopold, Glenn Neumann, Louis Blanc, Doug Bartsch

### Sundays, January 26 & February 2

- 8:00 Gary Hanke (O), Brad Tessmann, John Johnson, Cory Loppnow, Al Rosenthal
- 10:30 Richard Zirbel (O), Mike Panno, Dan Zirbel, Craig Harstad, Nathan Verbeten

## Saturday Ushers at 5:00 pm

- Jan 4** Jerry Stine, Braxton Davis
- Jan 11** Dennis Szymanski, Kristopher Sardina
- Jan 18** Scott Polzin, George Klement
- Jan 25** John Stahl, John Gilbert

## Wed. Ushers at 6:30 pm

- Jan 8** Tim Rausch, Tom Eddinger
- Jan 15** Jordan Nelson, Franz Schaller
- Jan 22** Jon Mann, Caleb Gerbing
- Jan 29** Dale Lindenberg, Wayne Lindenberg

## Wed. Ushers at 12 pm

- Jan 8** Tom Lindner
- Jan 15** Brett Weed
- Jan 22** Keith Treichel
- Jan 29** Mark Ramthun

## Coffee Fellowship Schedule

- Jan 5 & 26** 8:00 *Coffee Only - Katie Weitkunat*
- Jan 12** 8:00 Rick & Cindy Eastman, Gary & Dawn Loke
- 10:30 Van Landeghem Family, Dempsey Family, Kim Seib (bake)
- Jan 19** 8:00 Rachel Rehn, John & Kathleen Ford, *Clara Nettesheim (bake)*
- 10:30 Laura Clemmons, Elizabeth Gabb, *Jen Hill (bake)*

## Sunday Greeter Schedule

- Jan 5** 8:00 Janet Kieselhorst  
10:30 Steve & Gwen Travis
- Jan 12** 8:00 Tom & Jane Eddinger  
10:30 Glen & Deb Heuer
- Jan 19** 8:00 Barb Brandt  
10:30 Riege Family
- Jan 26** 8:00 Marc & Sally DeVillers  
10:30 Rick & Cindy Eastman

	<u>Sat. 5 pm</u>	<u>Sunday 8 am</u>	<u>Sun. 10:30 am</u>	<u>Wed. 12 pm</u>
<b>SCREEN TEAM</b>	Jan 4 – 5 pm Wendy Gottschalk	Jan 5 – 8 am Andrew Buss	Jan 5 – 10:30 am Allison Lovrine	Jan 8 – 12 pm Joel Berth
	Jan 11 – 5 pm Kathy Keymar	Jan 12 – 8 am Braxton Davis	Jan 12 – 10:30 am John Schweiger	Jan 15 – 12 pm Karen Mulock
	Jan 18 – 5 pm Darla Garbedian	Jan 19 – 8 am Jacob Fralick	Jan 19 – 10:30 am Allison Lovrine	Jan 22 – 12 pm Scott & Wendy Page
	Jan 25 – 5 pm Wendy Gottschalk	Jan 26 – 8 am Andrew Buss	Jan 26 – 10:30 am John Schweiger	Jan 29 – 12 pm Janet Herr

**Please consider serving** as an usher, greeter, coffee fellowship server, or screen team member.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>29</b> (No Christian Education) 8:00 & 10:30am Worship 11:00am Wauwatosa Worship (No Erin Worship)	<b>30</b> 10:00am Newsletter Mailing	<b>31</b> <i>New Year's Eve</i> Church Office Closed 5:00pm Worship	<b>1</b> <i>New Year's Day</i> (No Worship Services) Church Office Closed	<b>2</b> <i>Lambs of Christ</i> Classes Resume 10:00am The Waters Worship Service	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 5:00pm Worship
<b>5</b> 8:00 & 10:30am Worship 9:10am Christian Education 11:00am Wauwatosa Worship 5:00pm Erin Worship	<b>6</b> 6:30pm Pioneers 6:30pm Parish Nurses Meeting	<b>7</b> 8:00am Early Risers Bible Study 9:00am Piecemakers 5:00pm Decorations Take-Down 5:45pm Confirmation 7:15pm Robe Fitting 6:00pm Building & Grounds Meeting 6:30pm French Class	<b>8</b> 9:00am JAM Playgroup 12:00 & 6:30pm Worship 4:30pm LCLC Bible Study	<b>9</b> 9:00am Enduring Word Bible Study 5:45pm Confirmation 7:15pm Robe Fitting 6:00pm Bell Choir 7:15pm Adult Choir	<b>10</b> 5:00-7:00pm Lego Night	<b>11</b> 9:00am Card Making 9:00am We Need(le) You 5:00pm Worship
<b>12</b> 8:00 & 10:30am Worship 9:10am Christian Education 11:00am Wauwatosa Worship 5:00pm Erin Worship	<b>13</b> <i>Annual Report</i> <i>Deadline</i> 6:00pm Sunday School Teachers	<b>14</b> 8:00am Early Risers Bible Study 9:00am Piecemakers 5:45pm Confirmation 6:30pm Fellowship Planning Meeting 6:30pm French Class	<b>15</b> 10:00am Prayer Partners 12:00 & 6:30pm Worship 4:30pm LCLC Staff Meet	<b>16</b> <i>Newsletter Deadline</i> 9:00am Enduring Word 1:30pm Kirkland Crossings Worship 4:00pm Elders 5:45pm Confirmation 6:00pm Bell Choir 7:15pm Adult Choir	<b>17</b> 4:00pm Hansen-Debrabander Rehearsal	<b>18</b> 9:00am Pickleball 2:00pm Hansen-Debrabander Wedding 5:00pm Worship
<b>19</b> 8:00 & 10:30am Worship 9:10am Christian Education 11:00am Wauwatosa Worship 3:30pm South Asian Worship 5:00pm Erin Worship	<b>20</b> 8:30am English Classes 6:00pm Directors 6:00pm Preschool Committee	<b>21</b> 8:00am Early Risers Bible Study 9:00am Piecemakers 5:45pm Confirmation 6:30pm English Classes 6:30pm French Class	<b>22</b> 12:00 & 6:30pm Worship 4:30pm LCLC Bible Study	<b>23</b> 9:00am Enduring Word Bible Study 5:45pm Confirmation 6:00pm Bell Choir 7:15pm Adult Choir	<b>24</b> 10:00am Newsletter Collating	<b>25</b> 9:00am Pickleball 2:00pm Outdoor Chili & Bonfire 5:00pm Worship
<b>26</b> 8:00 & 10:30am Worship 9:00 & 11:30am B.P. Testing 9:10am Christian Education 11:00am Wauwatosa Worship 5:00pm Erin Worship	<b>27</b> 8:30am English Classes 6:30pm Pioneers	<b>28</b> 8:00am Early Risers Bible Study 9:00am Piecemakers 10:00am News. Mailing 5:45pm Confirmation 6:30pm English Classes 6:30pm French Class	<b>29</b> 9:00am JAM Playgroup 12:00 & 6:30pm Worship	<b>30</b> 9:00am Enduring Word Bible Study 5:45pm Confirmation 6:00pm Voters Meeting 6:00pm Bell Choir 7:15pm Adult Choir	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b> 9:00am Pickleball 5:00pm Worship