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**OUR MISSION:** *Christ the King Evangelical Lutheran Church gives all praise and thanks to the Triune God for His grace received through Word and Sacrament by sharing the saving Gospel of Christ with the people of this community and the world.*

## OCTOBER 2020 NEWSLETTER

### No Fear by Pastor Van Kampen

Early one morning, when the prophet Elisha's servant woke up, his eyes took in a frightening scene. Everywhere he looked, the young man saw enemy soldiers, cavalry and chariots. They surrounded the entire city!

The servant quickly went to Elisha and told him what was happening. "Alas, my master!" he said, "What shall we do?" Elisha's servant believed that he and his master were doomed. With the entire city surrounded, Elisha had no way to escape.

Yet Elisha the prophet remained calm. As he surveyed the scene around him, Elisha told his young servant reassuringly, "Do not fear, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them" (2 Kings 6:16, NKJV).

How could that be possible? There was an entire army camped outside the city, surrounding it!

Then Elisha prayed. He said, "LORD, I pray, open his eyes that he may see." (v. 17) So, the LORD opened the servant's eyes. What did he see? "And behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha."

The young man caught a rare glimpse of the LORD's army—an army of angels with fiery chariots. He now could see what Elisha already knew. Sure, there was an army of men surrounding the city, but they had an angel army on their side. And in the face of that angel army, the enemies of

God's people didn't stand a chance. He and Elisha had no reason to fear at all.

When we look at the world around us, it can feel like we're being surrounded by evil. We see many frightening things going on right now. Racial strife and tension. Violence on the news. Power-hungry politicians who are less than honest. In our own lives, we see broken relationships. We see the scary reality of shrinking numbers in our churches. Not to mention COVID-19 and all the scary stuff that might—or might not—happen if you catch it.

***"Do not fear,  
for those who are  
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- 2 Kings 6:16***

In the midst of all that evil, our natural reaction is fear. We feel like we're surrounded, like there's no escape. Our hearts race. We get edgy and irritable. And worst of all, our fear saps any hope that we have.

Yet, in these evil days, the Word of the LORD has a message of

reassurance for us: "Do not fear, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them." In this world where we are seemingly surrounded by evil, a spiritual reality exists beyond our perception, the reality of angel armies and chariots of fire. And these angel armies are on our side! By the grace of God, they fight for us! And they outnumber and defeat every frightening evil that we face!

Beyond that, the fact that angels exist as God's servants for us (Hebrews 1:14) reassures us that we have a God who deeply loves us and promises to protect us. He already has given us the ultimate way out of all our troubles by willingly offering up His own Son to save us from eternal punishment in hell! How will He not also, along with Christ, graciously give us all that we need? (Romans 8:32) He sends His angels to guard us in all our ways (Psalm 91), even to bring us to heaven (Luke 16:22). Truly, we have nothing to be afraid of.

So, as Elisha says, "Do not fear." As a teenager one of my friends drove a bright red Pontiac Firebird. Emblazoned in a graphic over the rear window was the tagline: "No Fear." And so, wherever he drove, my friend literally had "No Fear" with him.

In this time of turmoil, we can take the same tagline with us. "No fear." As

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# News & Notes

we face the evils of the devil and the world—as well as our own evil hearts, have no fear. Sure, there’s an army of evil out there, but we have the Lord on our side! Instead of fear, take love. For “Perfect love casts out fear.” (1 John 4:18)

—Pastor Van Kampen

*September 29 marked the feast of St. Michael and All Angels (Michaelmas), a day to remember God’s gracious help that He provides through His angels.*

## OUTDOOR SERVICE

Thanks to everyone who helped pull off our outdoor service on September 13! And thanks to all of you who came and braved the slightly cool weather and sprinkles to worship on our driveway!

## THIRD QUARTER CONGREGATIONAL & VOTERS MEETING

Christ The King will hold its congregational and voters meetings on Sunday, October 11, at 10:30 a.m. Elections will be held for various positions, including congregational president, secretary, treasurer, the board of elders, and the board of evangelism. All members are encouraged to attend the congregational open forum. Voting members are highly encouraged to be in attendance for the voters meeting.



## CHOIR PRACTICE RESUMES

As we get into the fall season our choir practices will be resuming. We intend to carry out our rehearsals and performances in a safe, physically distanced fashion.

- Rehearsals will be kept to a half an hour in length. We will only practice the music we will be singing the next Sunday.
- During rehearsal and performances, we will be physically distanced from one another.
- When we sing for the service, we will also be physically distanced from the congregation.
- Only healthy people will sing.
- Some weeks will be even smaller groups coming to rehearsal (i.e., men only, or women only, or small ensembles). So we will have to watch our calendars.

## TRUNK OR TREAT

The Village of Howard is still planning on offering Trick or Treating hours on the 31st of October. Therefore, at this point, we are tentatively planning to hold our Trunk Or Treat on that day. We are looking to scale it back a little bit this year, to allow for more social distancing. Watch for more information in coming weeks as to how we will do that. In the meantime, if you’d like to participate, feel free to sign up on the sheet in the fellowship hall. **Your willingness to participate will be the gauge by which we decide to go through with the event.**



## FALL MISSION RALLY

This year’s ELS mission rally has been cancelled, but our brothers and sisters in the WELS are still holding theirs. And they’ve invited us to come! The LWMS Paperland Circuit is holding their fall rally on Saturday, October 24, at Riverview Lutheran Church in Appleton (136 W Seymour St.). Registration and coffee at 8:00 a.m., with an opening devotion at 9:00 a.m. The program runs until 12:30 p.m. Emily Kom will speak on her mission journey that she took to Russia. Jerry Worden will address the mission of campus ministry at UW Stevens Point. Their theme this year: **“We Are Therefore Christ’s Ambassadors.”**

# October Birthdays!

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| 3 Ronald Anderson    | 19 Nicholas Kubitz |
| 3 Jason Diestler     | 20 John Greenwood  |
| 4 Paul Kirchner      | 20 Julie Larsen    |
| 13 Jeanette Diestler | 25 Sally Drewery   |
| 15 Max Greenwood     | 31 Peter Tilkens   |
| 17 Janet Klingbile   |                    |



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**ALTAR GUILD FOR OCTOBER:**  
Donna Carter & Linda Koch



## YEAR AT A GLANCE

- 10/11 - Third Quarter Cong./Voters Meetings
- 10/31 - Reformation Day/Trunk or Treat
- 11/25 - Thanksgiving Eve Service, 6:30 p.m.
- 11/29 - Advent Begins
- 12/6 - WOM - Advent by Candlelight
- 12/24 - Christmas Eve, 5:30 p.m.
- 12/25 - Christmas Day, 9:00 a.m.
- 12/31 - New Year's Eve, 5:30 p.m.

# October 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>4</b> 9:00 Divine Service w/Holy Comm. 10:00 Fellowship 10:20 Education Hour 11:15 Church Council Meeting USHERS: Group 2	<b>5</b> 4:00 Conf. Class 6:30 Divine Service w/Holy Comm.	<b>6</b> 9:00 Tuesday Bible Class 6:30 Board of Elders	<b>7</b> 4:00 Emerald Bay Service 6:30 Choir Practice	<b>8</b> 9:00 ELS Circuit 6 Pastors Winkel	<b>9</b> 9:00 ELS Circuit 6 Pastors Winkel	<b>10</b> 9:00 Pastor @ CLR Board Meeting (Virtual)
<b>11</b> 9:00 Divine Service 10:00 Fellowship 10:20 Sun. School 10:30 Third Quarter Congregational & Voters Meetings USHERS: Group 3	<b>12</b> 4:00 Conf. Class 6:30 Divine Service  Columbus Day	<b>13</b> 9:00 Tuesday Bible Class 4:00 Brookview Meadows Service	<b>14</b> 4:00 Emerald Bay Service	<b>15</b> 4:00 Emerald Bay Service	<b>16</b> 4:00 Emerald Bay Service	<b>17</b> Sweetest Day
<b>18</b> 9:00 Divine Service w/Holy Comm. 10:00 Fellowship 10:30 Education Hour USHERS: Group 4	<b>19</b> 4:00 Conf. Class 6:30 Divine Service w/Holy Comm.	<b>20</b> 9:00 Tuesday Bible Class	<b>21</b> 4:00 Emerald Bay Service 6:30 Choir Practice (Men)	<b>22</b> 4:00 Emerald Bay Service	<b>23</b> 4:00 Emerald Bay Service	<b>24</b> 4:00 Emerald Bay Service
<b>25</b> 9:00 Divine Service—Reformation Sunday 10:00 Fellowship 10:30 Education Hour USHERS: Group 1 	<b>26</b> 4:00 Conf. Class 6:30 Divine Service	<b>27</b> 9:00 Tuesday Bible Class 4:00 Brookview Meadows Service	<b>28</b> 4:00 Emerald Bay Service	<b>29</b> 4:00 Emerald Bay Service	<b>30</b> 4:00 Emerald Bay Service	<b>31</b> Trunk or Treat 4-7 p.m. Reformation Day

"The Son of Man did not come  
to be served, but to serve,  
and to give His life a ransom for many."  
- Matthew 20:28

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