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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.*

FEBRUARY 2021 NEWSLETTER

The Story Hands Can Tell *by Pastor Piet Van Kampen*

Be reconciled to God. For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

- 2 Corinthians 5:20-21, NKJV

A person's hands can tell you a lot about them. You can learn quite a bit about what they do for a living. If you've ever shaken the hands of a really talented surgeon, for example, you probably noticed a strong grip. Yet at the same time there's a surprising lack of callouses! A nurse's hands may be chapped from repeated handwashing several times a day. A mechanic's hands tend to have a little grease under the nails.

What we do with our own hands can tell us about ourselves. Sometimes our own hands are shaking and trembling with fear. Or we wring our hands in anxiety. At other times we beat our chests with our hands in repentant sorrow over the things we've said or done.

This Lenten season, for our midweek services we're going to be focusing on "The Hands of the Passion." From the betraying hands of Judas Iscariot to the overzealous hands of Peter, from the self-preserving hands of Pontius Pilate to the brutal hands of the soldiers, each week we'll consider a specific pair of hands—and the person they're attached to—and how they fit into the history of our redemption in Christ.

As we consider their part in Christ's passion, it's impossible for us to notice how we sinners have the same sinful hands as those who surrounded Jesus. Hands that betray, hands that hurt, hands that seek to save ourselves.

Yet there's one more pair of hands for us to consider, the most important hands of all: the hands of our Lord and Savior. Hands that exemplified humility in



His willingness to wash His disciples feet on the night He was betrayed. Hands that were nailed to the cross, so He could suffer the punishment that our sins deserved. Hands raised from the dead, along with the rest of His body, to offer us life and salvation through faith in Him. God "made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him" (2 Cor. 5:21). Through His death and resurrection, Jesus our Savior has touched us with His hands of grace.

Come join us this Lenten season, either in person or online, as we consider "The Hands of the Passion." Whether your own hands are shaking from fear, wringing in anxiety, or beating your chest in repentance, you can always remember the love in Jesus' hands.

—Pastor Van Kampen

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News & Notes

4TH QUARTER CONGREGATIONAL MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 10, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 1019 a.m. by President Paul Koch.

Pastor VanKampen opened the meeting with Psalm 1 and prayer.

The agenda was reviewed. Motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the agenda.

The minutes for the 3rd Quarter Congregational meeting were reviewed. Motion was made, seconded and approved to accept.

Voting members present:

- Dennis Barlament
- Charles Hartwig
- Rick Schnese
- Jay Brown
- Paul Kirchner
- Andrew Van Kampen
- Brian Busse
- Dr. Paul Koch
- James Van Kampen
- David Diestler
- Dr. Rod Meves
- Pastor Van Kampen

Pastor's Report -Because of the pandemic, many people are fearful. We are afraid to speak our minds, afraid of government overreach, afraid of catching Covid, etc. We see it in the shrinking attendance and membership and ever-shrinking Sunday School. Average for weekly attendance was 46. Online viewers were 7-9 weekly. We had 1 net loss and 1 gain in members, 1 death, Elmer Beimborn, and his funeral will be April 25, 2021. Annual stats: 124 baptized members to 117, 103 communicant members to 98. Our offerings remained steady. Other positives: Two people stepped to serve as President of congregation and Treasurer for the remainder of the year. Bible class attendance was steady. We held Trunk or Treat; there were fewer volunteers and also fewer children.

Reviewing coming events, Ash Wednesday is 2-17-2021, and Easter is 4-4-2021. We host the ELS Great Plains Pastoral Conference 4-13 and 14. We will have Vacation Bible School in August (evenings of 8-2

through 8-5). Volunteers are needed for the June ELS Synod Convention.

Pastor's report ended with the reading of 2Timothy3:1-5, 2 Timothy 3:14-17, and 2 Timothy 4:18.

REVIEW OF COMMITTEE REPORTS A-I

Sunday School – No report this quarter.

Youth Report– No report this quarter...

Evangelism Report – One event was held on October 31 – Trunk or Treat. We had a slight decrease in attendance. Extra postcards were sent for the Christmas services.

Trustee Report – Refer to written report.

Altar Guild – Thank you to Jill Brown for the remote candles and decorations on the pews. Thank you to Charles Hartwig for painting of the wine dispenser and the large weather on the carport.

Kitchen Committee – No report this quarter.

Women on a Mission Report – Refer to written report.

Worship Committee – Refer to written report.

Children's Music & Choir – No report this quarter.

No additions or corrections were made to any of the reports. Motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the Committee Reports as presented.

Board of Elders Report – Refer to written report. Motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the report as submitted.

Council Report – Council report for the 3rd quarter was reviewed. Also, the Council report for the 4th quarter was reviewed; there was a correction to the 2020 April Council and Congregation meeting dates: April 13 and April 19. Motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the Council Reports as presented and with noted changes.

Treasurer's Report - Brian Busse reviewed the Treasurer's report. We spent less than budget. Giving amount was more than actual expenses. Motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented.

Budget Committee and Proposed 2021 Budget – Brian

Busse reviewed each line item and indicated if the amount was being increased or decreased. Highlighted changes:

- Line item 1 – increase to Pastor’s salary
- Line item 10– increased
- Line item 12 – same
- Line item 13 - same
- Line item 14 – increased for organist assistance since Carol Schmidt left
- Line item 15 – no compensation for music director
- Line item 17 – includes workers comp
- Line item 18 – decreased
- Line item 20-21 – Lawn care and snow removal are now separated to better track cost.
- Line item 24-27 – increase to secretary’s salary and copier contract
- Line item 31 – decreased
- Line item 32 – decreased (based on previous year’s givings to synod
- Line item 33 – same
- Total - \$175,536.64

Other Business – Synod Convention is June 21 through June 24. We need two delegates to attend with Pastor.

New Business – Question was raised about the organ. What is status? Have we reviewed our options? What is cost to replace organ (new or used)? Trustees along with organist Deb Meyer are designated to review and present options/recommendations at the next Congregational & Voters Meeting.

Motion was made to close the general meeting and open the voters meeting.

The following was voted on in the Voters Meeting:

- Approve Pastor’s report, all board and committee reports and the Treasurer’s reports as submitted.
- Approve budget with changes (increases and decreases).
- Approve motion to direct the Trustees to meet with Deb and present options/recommendations at the next Congregational & Voters Meeting.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The meeting ended with the Lord’s Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara K Schnese
Recording Secretary

WOMEN ON A MISSION

Mark your calendars! The next meeting of Christ The King’s Women on a Mission is scheduled for Tuesday, March 9, at 6:00 p.m. CTK Women on a Mission is a service organization for the women of the congregation.



LENT & EASTER SERVICE SCHEDULE

- Ash Wednesday Communion Service on February 17, 6:30 p.m.
- Midweek Lenten Services on Wednesday Nights at 6:30 p.m. from Feb. 24 - March 24
- Maundy Thursday Communion Service on April 1, 6:30 p.m.
- Good Friday Tenebrae Service, April 2, 1:00 p.m.
- Easter Festival Service on Sunday, April 4, 8:00 a.m.



LIFE-LINE SCREENING

Life Line Screening, the nation’s leading provider of preventive health screenings, will offer affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at Christ the King Evangelical Lutheran Church on Tuesday, April 6, 2021.

A package of five screenings to identify risk for stroke, heart disease and other chronic conditions will be offered:

- Carotid artery ultrasound to identify plaque buildup in the carotid arteries, a major risk factor for stroke
- Abdominal aortic aneurysm ultrasound to identify presence of an enlargement in the largest blood vessel in the body
- An EKG to identify the presence of atrial fibrillation, which increases the risk for stroke
- Ultrasound of the lower legs to look for plaque buildup known as peripheral artery disease
- Ultrasound of the shin bone to identify risk for osteoporosis

These 5 vital screenings are offered for only \$149 and take 60-90 minutes to complete. If you register today, you will receive a \$10 discount.

Register by calling toll free 1-888-653-6441 or text the word "circle" to 797979.

HYMNALS ARE BACK

Starting in February, we will begin using the hymnals again during our worship services. For a time, words for hymns will still be printed in the bulletin. But hymnals will be available for use. If you have questions or concerns, please speak with Pastor Van Kampen.



DO YOU HAVE OLD EYEGASSES?

Used eyeglasses in good condition are in need. You can drop them in the donation box in the entryway to church at any time. They will be collected, their prescriptions read, refurbished and given to those in need. Thanks!

THANK YOU

On behalf of my wife, Charity, and all of my family, I thank you, the congregation of Christ The King Lutheran Church, for our extremely generous Christmas gift this year. God's blessings to all of you in the coming year.

—Pastor Van Kampen

Happy
Valentine's
Day

February Birthdays!

5 Emily Brodhagen
8 Olivia Kirchner
15 Sandra VanderHeyden
24 Allen Johnson

Happy Birthday!



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ALTAR GUILD FOR FEBRUARY:

Julie Busse & Sandra VanderHeyden

YEAR AT A GLANCE

- 2/17 - Ash Wednesday
- 2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24 - Midweek Lenten Services
- 3/21 - Celebration of Life Sunday
- 3/28 - Palm Sunday (Confirmation Day)
- 4/1 - Maundy Thursday
- 4/2 - Good Friday
- 4/4 - Easter Sunday
- 4/11 - 1st Quarter Cong. & Voters Meetings
- 4/13-14 - ELS Great Plains Pastoral Conference 5/9 - Mothers' Day
- 6/20 - Fathers' Day/Synod Sunday
- 6/21-24 - Annual Convention of the ELS
- 7/11 - 2nd Quarter Cong. & Voters Meetings
- 7/29-8/1 - ELS LYA Youth Rally
- 9/12 - Rally for Christian Education (First Day of Sun. School & Bible Class)
- 10/6-8 - ELS General Pastoral Conference
- 10/31 - Reformation Day & Trunk or Treat
- 11/24 - Thanksgiving Eve Service
- 12/1, 12/8, 12/15 - Midweek Advent Services
- 12/24 - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
- 12/25 - Christmas Day Festival Service
- 12/31 - New Year's Eve Service



February 2021

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | 1 4:00 Conf. Class 6:30 Divine Service | 2 9:00 Tues. Bible Class | 3 4:00 Emerald Bay | 4 6:30 Board of Elders | 5 | 6 |
| 7 9:00 Divine Service w/Holy Comm. 10:05 Fellowship 10:30 Education Hour USHERS: Group 4 Super Bowl | 8 4:00 Conf. Class 6:30 Divine Service w/Holy Comm. | 9 9:00 Tues. Bible Class 4:00 Brookview Meadows | 10 4:00 Emerald Bay | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 14 9:00 Divine Service 10:05 Fellowship 10:30 Education Hour USHERS: Group 1 Valentine's Day | 15 4:00 Conf. Class Washington's Birthday | 16 9:00 Tues. Bible Class | 17 4:00 Emerald Bay 6:30 Ash Wed. Service (Comm.) Ash Wednesday | 18 Anniversary of Martin Luther's Death | 19 9:00 ELS Circuit 6 Winkel | 20 |
| 21 9:00 Divine Service w/Holy Comm. 10:05 Fellowship 10:30 Education Hour USHERS: Group 2 | 22 4:00 Conf. Class | 23 9:00 Tues. Bible Class 4:00 Brookview Meadows | 24 4:00 Emerald Bay 6:30 Midweek Lenten Service | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 28 9:00 Divine Service 10:05 Fellowship 10:30 Education Hour USHERS: Group 3 | 3/1 4:00 Conf. Class | 3/2 9:00 Tues. Bible Class 6:30 Board of Elders | 3/3 4:00 Emerald Bay 6:30 Midweek Lenten Service | 3/4 | 3/5 | 3/6 |



The Hands of the Passion

Ash Wednesday Communion Service
February 17, 6:30 p.m.
