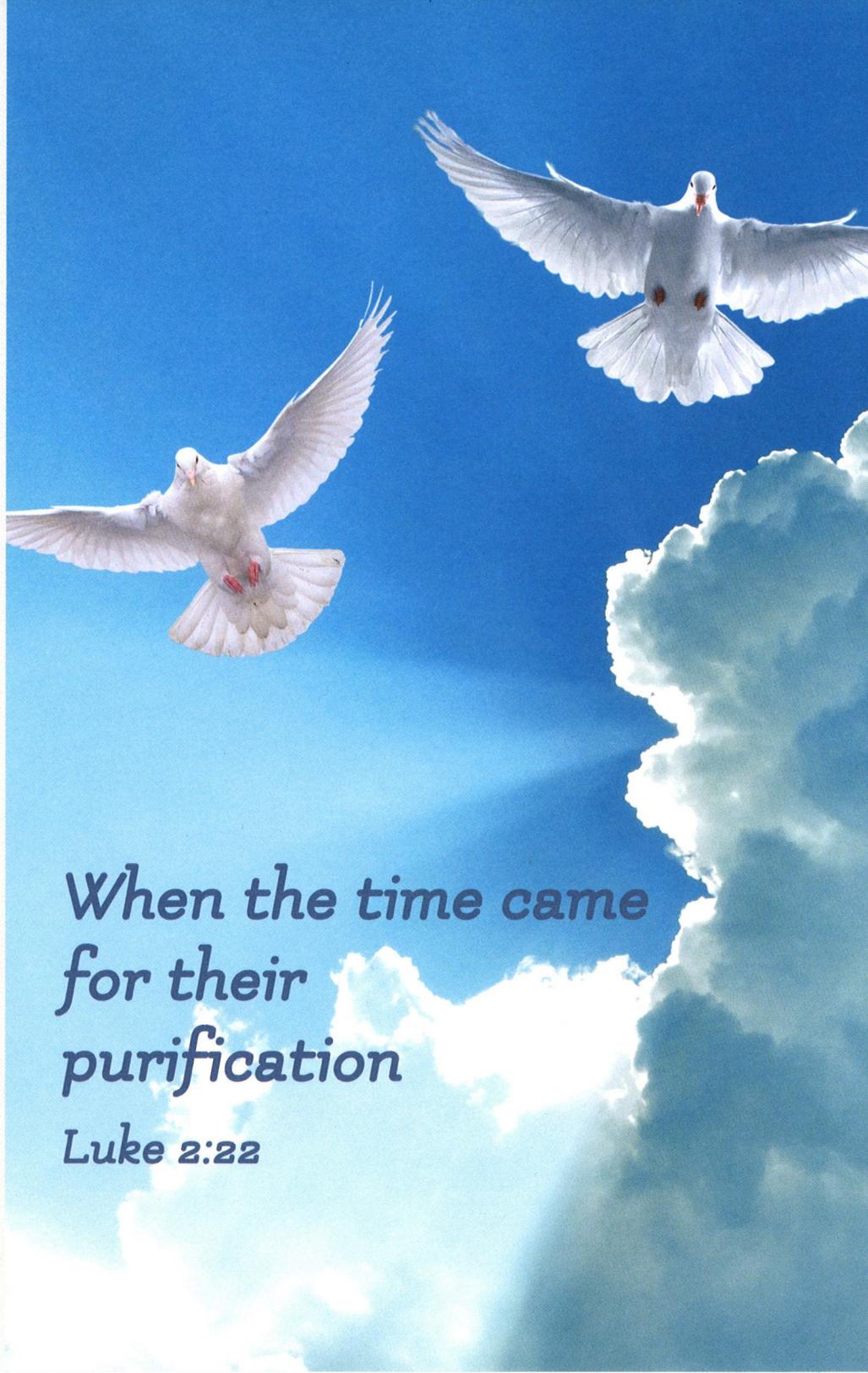




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*When the time came
for their
purification*

Luke 2:22

First Sunday after Christmas

December 30, 2018

Worship Leader: Pastor Thomas Engelbrecht
Preacher: Pastor Timothy Gerbing

Prayer: We thank you, God our Father for revealing your Son to us as our Savior. Our eyes are glad by the gospel light which shines amid the darkness of our sin. May we always see our Redeemer by that light and bow to him in worship. Grant that through our witnessing, prayers and gifts the people still sitting in darkness may see the dawn of Christ's appearing. We ask this in his name. Amen.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

“Come, Your Hearts and Voices Raising”

Please stand to sing the final stanza.



1 Come, your hearts and voices raising, Christ the
2 See how God, for us providing, Gave his
3 Christ, from heav'n to us descending And in
4 Ja - cob's Star in all its splendor Beams with
5 Gra - cious Child, we pray you, hear us; From your



Lord with glad - ness prais - ing; Loud - ly sing his love a -
Son and life a - bid - ing; He our wea - ry steps is
love our race be - friend - ing, In our need his help ex -
com - fort sweet and ten - der, Forc - ing Sa - tan to sur -
low - ly man - ger cheer us. Gent - ly lead us and be



maz - ing, Wor - thy folk of Chris - ten - dom.
guid - ing From earth's woe to heav'n - ly joy.
tend - ing, Saved us from the wi - ly foe.
ren - der, Break - ing all the pow'rs of hell.
near us Till we join th' an - gel - ic choir.

CALL TO WORSHIP

P: We worship in the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: A Savior has been born to you.

C: He is Christ the Lord.

P: Sing to the Lord, praise his name;

C: Proclaim his salvation day after day.

P: Declare his glory among the nations,

C: His marvelous deeds among all peoples.

P: Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness;

C: Tremble before him, all the earth.

CONFESSION OF SINS AND FORGIVENESS

P: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true and penitent heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and have failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

(all sing)

Hail, the heav'nly Prince of Peace!

Hail the Sun of Righteousness!

Light and life to all he brings,

Ris'n with healing in his wings.

(the song continues on page 3 →)

**Mild he lays his glory by,
Born that we no more may die,
Born to raise us from the earth,
Born to give us second birth.
Hark! The herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King!”** (CW 72:2,4)

Be seated

BAPTISM *Tyler Martez Mapson (10:30 am service)*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON *Exodus 13: 1-3a, 11-15*

The LORD said to Moses, “Consecrate to me every firstborn male. The first offspring of every womb among the Israelites belongs to me, whether human or animal.”

Then Moses said to the people, “Commemorate this day, the day you came out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery, because the LORD brought you out of it with a mighty hand. Eat nothing containing yeast.

“After the LORD brings you into the land of the Canaanites and gives it to you, as he promised on oath to you and your ancestors, you are to give over to the LORD the first offspring of every womb. All the firstborn males of your livestock belong to the LORD. Redeem with a lamb every firstborn donkey, but if you do not redeem it, break its neck. Redeem every firstborn among your sons.

“In days to come, when your son asks you, ‘What does this mean?’ say to him, ‘With a mighty hand the LORD brought us out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. When Pharaoh stubbornly refused to let us go, the LORD killed the firstborn of both people and animals in Egypt. This is why I sacrifice to the LORD the first male offspring of every womb and redeem each of my firstborn sons.’”

PSALM 111

P: Great are the works of the LORD;

C: They are pondered by all who delight in them.

P: Glorious and majestic are his deeds,

C: And his righteousness endures forever.

P: He has caused his wonders to be remembered;
C: The LORD is gracious and compassionate.

P: He provides food for those who fear him;
C: He remembers his covenant forever.

P: He has shown his people the power of his works,
C: Giving them the lands of other nations.

P: The works of his hands are faithful and just;
C: All his precepts are trustworthy.

P: They are steadfast for ever and ever,
C: Done in faithfulness and righteousness.

P: He provided redemption for his people;
C: He ordained his covenant forever—holy and awesome is his name.

P: The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;
C: All who follow his precepts have good understanding. To him belongs eternal praise.

EPISTLE LESSON *Colossians 3: 12-17*

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

“Now Sing We, Now Rejoice”



1 Now sing we, now re - joice, Now raise to heav'n our
 2 Come from on high to me; I can - not rise to
 3 Now through his Son doth shine The Fa - ther's grace di -
 4 Oh, where shall joy be found? Where but on heav'n - ly



voice; He from whom joy stream - eth Poor
 thee. Cheer my wea - ried spir - it, O
 vine. Death o'er us had reign - ed Through
 ground? Where the an - gels sing - ing With



in a man - ger lies; Not so bright - ly
 pure and ho - ly Child; Through thy grace and
 sin and van - i - ty; He for us ob -
 all his saints u - nite, Sweet - est prais - es



beam - eth The sun in yon - der skies.
 mer - it, Blest Je - sus, Lord most mild,
 tain - ed E - ter - nal joy on high.
 bring - ing In heav'n - ly joy and light.



Thou my Sav - ior art! Thou my Sav - ior art!
 Draw me un - to thee! Draw me un - to thee!
 May we praise him there! May we praise him there!
 Oh, that we were there! Oh, that we were there!

SERMON TEXT

Luke 2: 22-40

When the time came for the purification rites required by the Law of Moses, Joseph and Mary took him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, “Every firstborn male is to be consecrated to the Lord”), and to offer a sacrifice in keeping with what is said in the Law of the Lord: “a pair of doves or two young pigeons.”

Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord’s Messiah. Moved by the Spirit, he went into the temple courts. When the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the custom of the Law required, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying:

“Sovereign Lord, as you have promised,
you may now dismiss your servant in peace.
For my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you have prepared in the sight of all nations:
a light for revelation to the Gentiles,
and the glory of your people Israel.”

The child’s father and mother marveled at what was said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother: “This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too.”

There was also a prophet, Anna, the daughter of Penuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was very old; she had lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, and then was a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped night and day, fasting and praying. Coming up to them at that very moment, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were looking forward to the redemption of Jerusalem.

When Joseph and Mary had done everything required by the Law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee to their own town of Nazareth. And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was on him.

SERMON THEME REMAIN IN THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS

Stand

THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Be seated

GATHERING OF THE THANKOFFERING

Stand

PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (†) give you peace.

C: Amen.

Be seated

“Let Us All with Gladsome Voice”



1 Let us all with glad - some voice Praise the
2 To this vale of tears he comes, Here to
3 We are rich, for he was poor; Is not
4 O Lord Christ, our Sav - ior dear, Bless us



God of heav - en, Who, to bid our
serve in sad - ness, That with him in
this a won - der? There - fore praise God
and be near us. Grant us now a



hearts re - joice, His own Son has giv - en.
heav'n's fair homes We may reign in glad - ness.
ev - er - more Here on earth and yon - der.
glad new year. A - men, Je - sus, hear us!

SILENT PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Welcome!

If you are visiting, please sign the guest book in the gathering area and come back and worship with us soon! After signing the guest book, you are invited to join us for a cup of coffee or juice and refreshments after the Sunday morning service. We are happy to have you worship with us today. Please pick up a copy of our January newsletter, *The Crownical*. You'll find copies on the kiosk in the gathering area.

Baptism: Tyler Martez Mapson, fiancé of Meghan Gerbing, will be baptized in our 10:30 am worship service today. Pray that he will grow in the love and wisdom of our Savior.

Available Services: There are restrooms in the coatroom area and the parents' room. Hearing Assistive Devices are available from an usher. We have both ear buds and loop FM receivers for those with hearing aids. Our ushers are glad to provide large print bulletins for those who need them.

Attention Parents: If you need a place to take a crying or noisy child during the service, you may use the parents' room adjacent to the sanctuary. You can hear and view the service there. You will find a diaper changing station in the parents' room and in both restrooms located in the coatroom area.

Please note that there are no worship services on Wednesday, January 2. Our regular Wednesday services will resume on Jan. 9 at 12:00 & 6:30 pm. Our regular Saturday services will resume on Saturday, Jan. 5 at 5:00 pm. We will have a New Year's Eve worship service on Monday, December 31 at 5:00 pm. Our regular Monday services will resume on Monday, Jan. 7 at 7:00 pm.

A coat was taken by mistake on Sunday, December 23 during the 10:30 am service. It was a large gray men's jacket with the initials DRP inside. There is a medium gray Swiss Tech brand coat that was left behind in the coat room. If you took a coat by mistake, please return it to the church office so that it may be returned to its owner, and pick up your coat from the coat room. Thank you!

This Week at Christ Lutheran

- Today:** Worship Services 8:00 & 10:30 am
 (*No Christian Education Classes*)
 Worship Service at Erin School 5:00 pm
- Monday:** **NEW YEAR'S EVE**
 Worship with the Lord's Supper 5:00 pm
 Church Office Closed
 Lambs of Christ Closed
- Tuesday:** **NEW YEAR'S DAY**
 Church Office Closed
 Lambs of Christ Closed
- Wednesday:** (*No Worship Services*)
 Lambs of Christ Classes Resume
 Newsletter Mailing 9:00 am
- Thursday:** Sunday School Teachers Meeting 6:00 pm
- Saturday:** We Need(le) You 9:00 am
 Bible Information Class 3:30 pm
 Worship Service 5:00 pm
- Sunday:** Worship Services with the Lord's Supper 8:00 & 10:30 am
 Adult Bible Class 9:10 am
 Adult Sunday School 9:10 am
 Bible Information Class 9:10 am
 Sunday School 9:10 am
 Teen Bible Study 9:10 am
 Women's Bible Study 1:30 pm
 Worship Service at Erin School 5:00 pm

News & Events

Please note that there will be no Christian Education classes today, December 30.

Newsletters: Members who receive a paper copy of the newsletter will find it in their call box today. Members who receive the newsletter by email should have received it on Friday. Please contact the church office if you have any questions.

“Time and Space” Adult Bible Class: Dr. John Lawrenz will be leading our class on Sundays in January at 9:10 am in the fellowship hall. He has been a professor at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary and Asia Lutheran Seminary and is a Hebrew scholar. He will be teaching on the basics of the geography of Israel and Old Testament history.

Our Church Office will be closed on New Year’s Eve, Monday, December 31, and on New Year’s Day, Tuesday, January 1.

Our Lambs of Christ Learning Center is closed until classes resume on Wednesday, January 2.

Thank You! Pastors and church staff would like to thank everyone for the many cards, gifts, and well wishes received from so many this Christmas season. May the Lord bless our common labors to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ into the new year and beyond!

Take Down 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 8. The more people who help, the quicker we will be able to complete the task. Please join us!

If you have purchased a Christmas Poinsettia, you may pick up and take home at any time (now that the Christmas services are over).

International Friendship Center: All ages are welcome to join our Family Fun Night on Friday, January 11 starting at 6:00 pm! We will begin with dinner followed by cookie baking/decorating at about 6:45 pm. Many volunteer opportunities for our International Friendship Center (IFC) are available. Please see the signup sheet at kiosk in the gathering area. Join us as we reach out to our international neighbors through fun friendship-building activities! If you have any questions, contact IFC Coordinator Becca Berger at 262-302-1567 or becca.berger2017@gmail.com.

New Year's Eve

Worship with the Lord's Supper
5:00 pm on Monday, December 31

Hurricane Relief Volunteers: Do you have some building skills, or are you willing to learn? Can you offer one or two weeks? Join us with cleanup and relief work in Puerto Rico and Panama City through WELS Christian Aid and Relief! To apply to serve as a volunteer, visit <https://gf.wels.net/volunteer-application/> and fill out the volunteer form. Travel, room, and board are provided by WELS CAR. Elbow grease is provided by you, the volunteer! Christ Lutheran has a group of volunteers heading to Panama City. Contact Pastor Engelbrecht if you have any questions about this group.

2019 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Members: **New 2019 offering envelopes** are in your call boxes. Please discard any unused 2018 envelopes that you may have left. Please take a moment to check that the envelopes are yours and that the number printed on the label is identical to the number on the envelopes. If not, contact the church office. If you have any questions, please contact Gary Kamin at 262-691-0720, ext. 230.

Our offering counting volunteers ask that you **please write separate checks for the General Fund and Building Fund.** These funds are deposited into two separate bank accounts and it is difficult to “make change” to get a single check into two accounts. Thank you!

Job Openings at Lambs of Christ Learning Center!

Assistant Director Position: A part-time position with flexible hours assisting director with daily administrative tasks as well as serving as a substitute teacher in our preschool on occasion. For more information and to apply contact Lambs of Christ Director Molly Brooks at 262-691-0720 ext. 150 or email her at mbrooks@christpewaukee.org.

Substitute Teachers Needed: Lambs of Christ is also looking for individuals willing to serve as substitute teachers should the need arise! If you have willingness to serve in this way, please contact Director Molly Brooks for more details.

Volunteers: You are also able to serve your Lord as an LCLC volunteer by helping with events, reading to children, cutting out paper for projects, washing toys, and many more tasks to make the school day flow smoothly. In advance, we thank you for sharing your time with the children. Contact Director Molly Brooks to learn more.

Three-year Daily Bible Reading Program

Here are the daily readings for the next two weeks:

Dec. 30	Isaiah 36, 37	Jan. 4	1 John 3:11-4:6	Jan. 9	Isaiah 41
31	Isaiah 38, 39	5	1 John 4:7-5:3	10	Isaiah 42:1-43:13
Jan. 1	1 John 1:1-2:2	6	1 John 5:4-21	11	Isaiah 43:14-44:23
2	1 John 2:3-27	7	2, 3 John	12	Isaiah 44:24-45:25
3	1 John 2:28-3:10	8	Isaiah 40	13	Isaiah 46, 47



Building on Faith Appeal Update

We have received many commitments totaling \$664,589 for the 2019 general fund and \$1,306,429 for the *Building on Faith* Appeal! We hope to have all of the commitment cards returned to the church office. If you need a new commitment card, contact the church office. To all of you who have made your commitment to our appeal a most heartfelt "Thank you!"

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. (2 Corinthians 9: 6-7)

SCHEDULES

Sun. Dec. 30	8:00 am	10:30 am
Greeters	Doug & Clara Nettesheim	Jared & Jennifer Dempsey
Ushers	Scott Polzin (O), Andrew Polzin, David Baehler, Ray Bormann, Freddy Netzlaw	Glen Heuer (O), Dan Hahn, Mark Ramthun, Jon Erdman, Paul Schroeder
Nursery	Carol Delie	Kerry Andrews
Coffee Hour	Daryn & Jeannette Buss, Vicki Sowle, Linda Lazarine	Brett & Jean Weed, Jerry Breske, <i>Laura Hahn (bake)</i>
Ushers for New Year's Eve, Mon., Dec. 31, 5:00 pm: Ken Gehl, David Reid		

(No Worship Services on Wednesday, January 2)

Ushers for Saturday, January 5, 5:00 pm: Kelly Harrington, Dennis Szymanski		
Sun. Jan. 6	8:00 am	10:30 am
Greeters	Bernie & Joyce Urbanowski	Adam & Emily Knoelke
Ushers	Scott Polzin (O), Andrew Polzin, David Baehler, Ray Bormann, Freddy Netzlaw	Glen Heuer (O), Dan Hahn, Mark Ramthun, Jon Erdman, Paul Schroeder
Nursery	Mandy Pearce	Linda Lazarine
Coffee Hour	Rick & Cindy Eastman, Gary & Dawn Loke, Joe & Mimi Muehlbach	Gail Svitak, Shelley Druckrey, <i>Clara Nettesheim (bake)</i>
Ushers for Monday, January 7, 7:00 pm: Mike Whitney, Jim Olson		

Ushers for	12:00 pm	6:30 pm
Wed. Jan. 9	John Goldmann	Tim Rausch, Tom Eddinger

Pew Cleaning through Jan. 22: Sue Neumann, John & Judy Hasse
Altar Guild for December: Judy Tetting, Donna Gehl

SCREEN TEAM SCHEDULE					
Sun. Dec. 30	8:00 am	Krista Paras	Sat. Jan. 5	5:00 pm	Josh/Kelsey Lindner
	10:30 am	Steve Bothe		Sun. Jan. 6	8:00 am
Mon. Dec. 31	5:00 pm	Debbie Kamin	Wed. Jan. 9	10:30 am	Jon Erdman
				6:30 pm	Taleya Williamson

LAST WEEK'S STEWARDSHIP

General Fund 2018	2016-2018 Growing in Faith	Current Membership:	1493
Last Week: \$50,303	Last Week: \$19,245	Church Attendance:	1892
Fund to Date: \$1,107,908	Appeal to Date: \$2,791,652	Christian Education:	154



ABOUT THE COVER: Christ has fulfilled the Law in every way from the moment of his birth. Not even the rite of purification and two turtledoves are lacking. Christ has done all things well, and his work is all-sufficient. There was nothing left undone as he cried out on the cross, “It is finished” (John 19:30). As the season of Christmas continues, we see that all of this is for us.

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