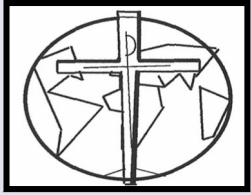


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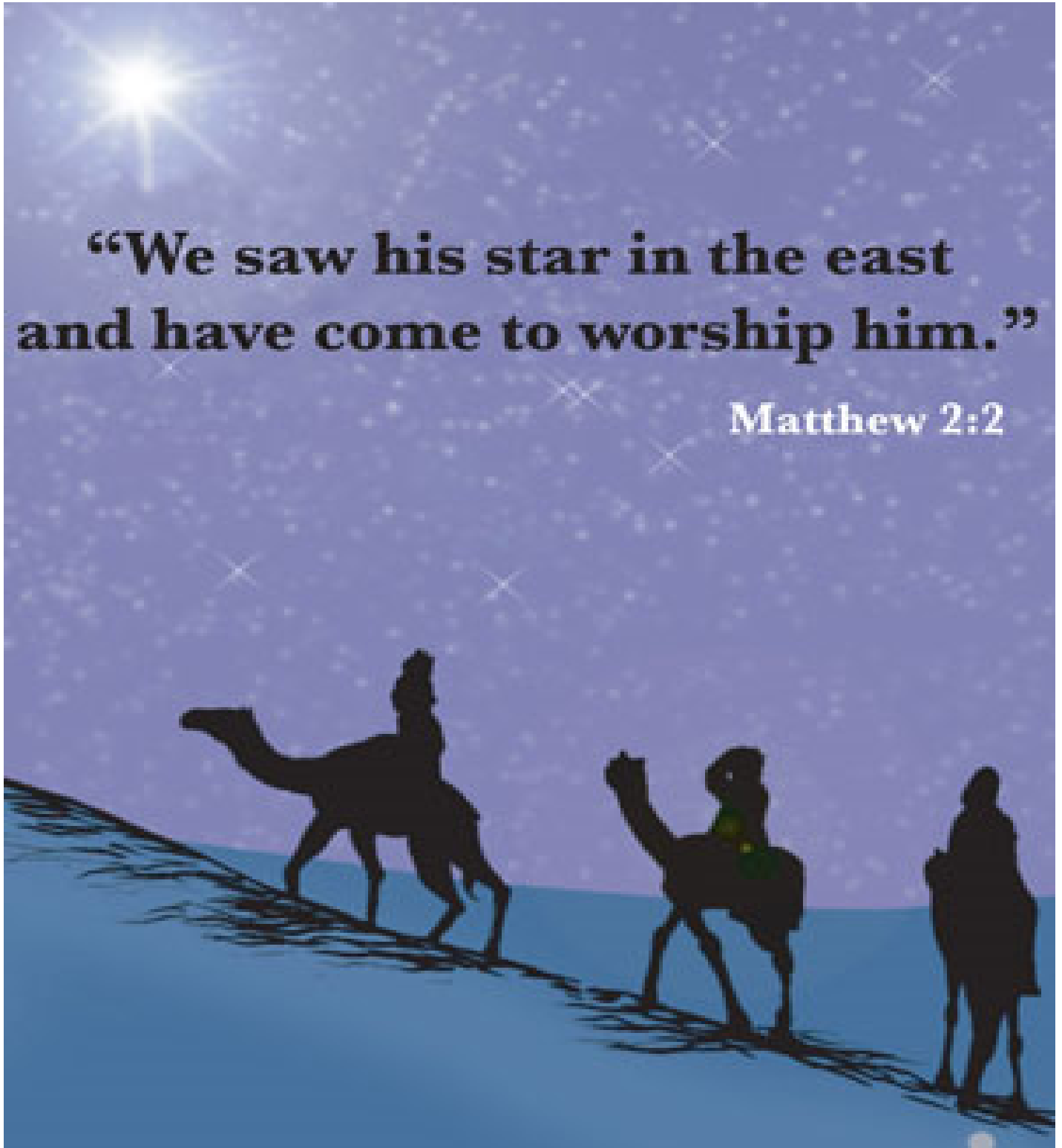
JANUARY 2024



**“To bring the Life, Love and Teachings of Jesus
Christ to today’s world”**

**“We saw his star in the east
and have come to worship him.”**

Matthew 2:2



Hello Christus Victor Family and friends,

As the New Year begins, I would like us to consider gathering and filling, Shoe Boxes for children in the schools in Ethiopia that Acts of Wisdom sponsors. This is the organization that I traveled with when I went to Ethiopia. Meeting these children and seeing the joy in their eyes because they were able to go to school was amazing. Several show up without shoes. Some walk several miles to attend. Often there are not enough classrooms for all the children so they have some classes outside the building under a tree if they can find one in the very hot sun. Acts of Wisdom has worked tirelessly to improve the schools in several villages in Ethiopia and Liberia.

Acts of Wisdom will be traveling to Ethiopia in January, and they plan to take shoe box gifts for the school children with the greatest need. All you need to do is get a shoe box and fill it with items that we barely think about, yet for these children, they will improve their ability to attend school and keep healthy. The list is not exhaustive. If you can think of other things to add you may do so, they just have to fit in the shoebox.

Toothpaste, toothbrush, underwear (various kids sizes from 5T-9/10), T-shirt's of same sizes, soap, pens, small notebooks.



These are few pictures of the children I was able to meet and spend time with. It is amazing to me to see such joy on their faces when they are doing without so many things we take for granted. They are appreciative of whatever they have and want nothing more than to get an education so they can improve life for themselves and their families. Anything you can do for them will make a larger impact than you can imagine.

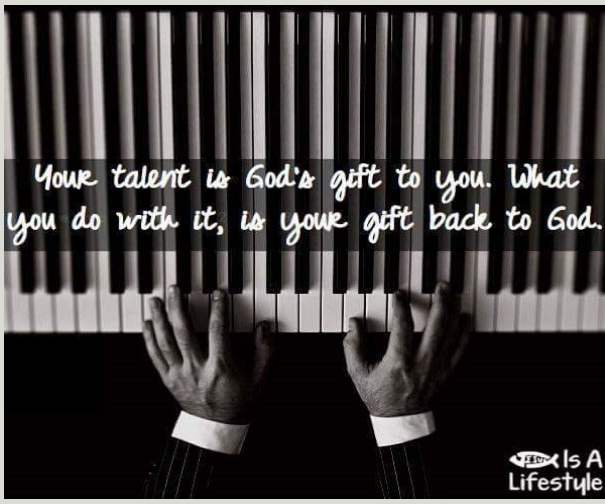
We prefer you not use children's shoe boxes as they are too small, but whatever box you can do will be appreciated.

I know it is short notice, but I MUST HAVE THE SHOE BOXES BY JAN. 9TH. I MISUNDERSTOOD WHEN THEY WERE LEAVING FOR ETHIOPIA SO I APOLOGIZE!

If you would rather give me the money to shop I am happy to do so. I know that is tough for some.

Thanks for whatever help you can give.

God bless you all,
Pastor Tammy PS This will go out as an email as well.



MUSIC DEPARTMENT

I hope everyone experienced a meaningful Christmas season. I know I was especially grateful for all the choir members that chose to share their talents in worship on Christmas Eve. Thanks to each and every one of you.

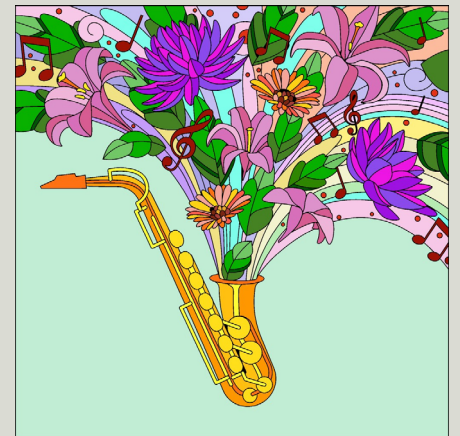
I always look forward to the new year. I love to seek out new opportunities that bring me joy. I evaluate my health and try to do better in taking care of myself, and I continue to make certain I am serving my Lord and Savior in as many ways as possible.

May I suggest you pray about your "new year" in faith? Consider stepping forward in faith and talent and come join us in one of the choirs. Ask the choir members how much joy singing or ringing brings them. I know they would enjoy having a larger group.

Thank you again for allowing me to serve Christ Victor. If there is ever a song you would like to hear, please let me know. I bet there are others who would like to hear that very song.

Blessings to you! 💜

Trish



Coming Soon



Women, Wine, and Wisdom will meet on **Saturday, January** at 6:00 at Sara's house for a Dip and Sip Game Night. Bring a sweet or savory dip to share and your favorite thing to sip and play games with us. Please let Sara know if you plan to come. We can't wait to see you there!

Faith Lutheran from Dickinson will begin worshiping in our sanctuary on Sunday, January 21st. Their service will be at 9:00. If you see Pastor David or their congregants, please say hi and welcome them.



Unwind at Lutherhill, **February 23rd- 25th**. A gathering for women of all ages to renew body and spirit. Gather the ladies in your life for a weekend away specially crafted to renew body and spirit. There's something for everyone!

Join us at the Hill to Unwind. Cost is \$175. Please let Lisa Kutinac know if you are interested in going or want more information - it is an awesome experience! We'd love to have a group go!

Camp Firelight VBS is coming to Christus Victor in June. We need your help to make VBS a success! Please join us for a meeting on **Wednesday, January 31st** at 6:30 if you'd like to volunteer. If you can't make it but would like to help, please let Lisa know- 225-236-6786 or lisakutinac@hotmail.com. There will also be a donation board in Narthex if you'd like to help our VBS outreach in that way.



We will be going to Lutherhill Week 2- Sun, June 16th through Fri, June 21st. Kids that have finished 1st grade through high school can go. Please register your campers and pay the deposit now. **Our group code is CVLC.** (This also automatically gives you a \$50 discount.) If you have fundraising ideas, please let Lisa know. If you would like to sponsor one of the kids and/or donate to our camp fund, please let Pastor Tammy know.



Christus Victor Children's School

Our Bible verse this month is

“I am the Lord your God.”

Psalms 81:10

We have a few openings in our pre-school class and toddler class. If you know anyone looking for care for their children, please send them our way.

We had a fun-filled December at CVCS! We had our Christmas program, Christmas parties, and Santa visited the children! Our staff enjoyed spending time together for our Christmas celebration. We are looking forward to what the new year will bring!

In January, we will be learning about:

The winter season and leaders around the world.



The January songs for Praise Sunday (3rd Sunday of the month) are as follows:

Follow Me	CCLI 7016097	Prelude
Step by Step	CCLI 696994	Gathering
You Have Come Down To The Lakeshore	ELW 817	Hymn of the Day
Build My Life	CCLI 7070345	Offertory
All Who Are Thirsty	CCLI 2489542	Communion
I Will Call Upon The Lord	CCLI 11263	Recessional

The “Main Street Messengers” have their own YouTube channel. We use that to record our rehearsals to upcoming service songs. You are welcome to take a listen to those, too, to familiarize yourself with upcoming songs. As a fair warning, these are only in the rehearsal stages and can be a bit rough.

Main St. Messenger’s

If you are interested in singing praise songs, please come to practice on Sunday mornings at 9:00 am

Everyone welcome!

January Birthdays!

Jennifer Mallios	1/1
Martin Danielson	1/3
Trish Fowzer	1/7
Karen Hernandez	1/11
Andrew Duffield	1/13
Emily Vykukal	1/16
Parker Campbell	1/19
Amy Myers	1/20
Wendy Gram	1/27
Ken Schafman	1/30

*Happy
Birthday*

Thank You!
to the following for our
Poinsettias for Christmas Eve

Don Birkelbach & Laurie Stockstill
Doris Coury
Debbie & Paul Davis
Penny & Tom Dougherty
Karl & Mary Klug
Patty Parker
Sandie Price
Mary Ann & Kurt Rathjen
Rick & Tammy Sharp
Paula & John Towner



Debbie & Paul Davis

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JANUARY 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 11:00 am Bible Study	4	5	6
7 9:00 Praise Team Practice 10:30 am Worship Service	8	9	10 11:00 am Bible Study	11	12	13
14 9:00 Praise Team Practice 10:30 am Worship Service	15 5:45 pm Chancel Choir 6:15 pm Bell Choir	16	17 11:00 am Bible Study	18	19	20
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Health Concerns

(removed after 30 days)

Personal Needs

(removed after 30 days)

Bereavement

(removed after 2 weeks)

The Hernandez & Rios
Families

Serving in our Military

Kyra Derr
Brandon Geiger
Blake Meyer

**Long Term Care/Medical
Treatments**

(remains until requested to be re-
moved)

Raymond Aguilera (08/23)
Earl Armstrong (04/20)
Diana Bredeson
Ashlynn Coury-Moseley
Helen Danielson (8/23)
Letha Frederick
Elissa Gould-Schautd
Brad Loucas (02/22)
Scott Massey (09/23)
Merl Matthewman (04/22)
Daryoal Ondick (10/22)
Marvin Parker (11/2023)
Penny Plumlee (05/23)
Kathy Pulliam (03/21)
Patricia Meyer Schalla
Carol Schautd
Ken Schautd
Natasha Slawson (05/22)
Cathy Vaughn-Ortiz
Kathleen Womansong (10/21)

Due to HIPPA regulations and pastoral confidentiality issues, we do not give specific details of prayer concerns in the bulletin. Please pray, however, for those who ask for our prayers for God knows and understands their needs. We pray that God's will be done.

When a prayer request arrives marked confidential it is not placed on the prayer list. Pastor Tammy will pray for the request.

Please obtain permission from the person or the family before adding them to the list.

Christus Victor Lutheran Church....281-332-6847

Vision Statement: "To bring the Life, Love, and Teachings of Jesus Christ to Today's World"

Sunday School: 9:00 am Sunday Worship: 10:30 am

Church and School Contact Information :

Contact info for Pastor Tammy Sharp - Cell # 281-924-1667

Tammy's E-mail: pastortammy@comcast.net

Tammy's Office Hours: 9 am until 4pm Monday thru Thursday. [Friday...out of office.]

Church Office Hours: 8:30 am until 3:00 pm M—T Office closed on Friday

Church Secretary, Sandie Price Office# 281-332-6847

Church Office E-mail - cvlctx@comcast.net

Website- www.christusvictor.us

Choir Director, Patricia Fowzer

Children's School Director, Tebertha Henderson...281-332-2821 E-mail...directorcvcs@comcast.net

Church Council Members:

Council President: Sara Beaudet-Smart

Council Vice President:

Council Secretary: Lisa Kutinac

Church Treasurer: Carol Vykukal

Property:

Outreach:

Education:

Worship:

Parish Life:

Stewardship:

School Board President: Lisa Kutinac

OFFERING REPORT YEAR-TO-DATE (12/31/2023

2023 Offering Needed: \$202,692.00

Current Offerings Received: \$108,445.79

Shortfall: \$94,246.21

Building Fund Offerings ytd: \$8,740.00

**Building fund loan balance: \$7,514.89
(as of December 11, 2023**