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*In the name of our Risen Lord Jesus Christ,
may you find within these doors rest of soul, peace of heart and
strength to walk with God all the days of your life.*

10:30 am

Holy Communion “is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the bread and wine, for us Christians to eat and to drink, instituted by Christ Himself.” (Luther’s Small Catechism) All who partake of this Sacrament are united to the crucified and glorified body and blood of Christ (1 Cor. 10:16) and, therefore, must also be united to one another in doctrine (Acts 2:42). Out of love for those who are not united to us in the Faith, we follow the biblical practice of “Closed Communion”. If you are not a member in good standing of a congregation of the Lutheran Church—Canada, her sister Synods or have met with the Pastor or Elders, we respectfully ask you to refrain from partaking of the Sacrament. Thank you for respecting our Scriptural practises.

OUR PRAYERS Please include in your prayers; Pastor Hamp (Kitchener), Carol Saar, Kathy Turcotte, Allen Mask, Betty Lorbetskie and those shut-in; Dorothy Craig, and in Long-term Care and Retirement homes; Hattie Nagora (Woodstock), Leona Mau (Miramichi), Ken Biesenthal (Marianhill), Frieda Biesenthal (Pinewood), and Shirley Gorr (Heritage Manor). **If anyone desires prayer on behalf of family or friends, please contact Pastor Williams or the Secretary.**

A big thank you goes to all who helped us in anyway to make our Children's Christmas Program and Jesus Birthday Party a big success. We were so blessed to have so many come out and join us. Thanks to your support, \$175 was collected for Christian Education in the donation basket. You are truly helping us light the way for these young hearts.

EPIPHANY SERVICE

Christ Lutheran Church, Petawawa will have an Epiphany worship service on **Tuesday, January 6th at 7pm**. Everyone is welcome to attend.

ANNUAL REPORTS

Council members and groups, please have your Annual Reports to the secretary no later than **Sunday, January 11th, 2026**.

NEW OFFERING ENVELOPES

The new 2026 offering envelopes are ready for pickup under the mailboxes at the back of the church. Members and visitors that do not have offering envelopes may use a regular envelope with **your name, address and date** added.

PARISH HALL FLOORING UPDATE

As of December 28th, 2025 the donations that have been received for the Parish Hall Flooring total \$21,061.85. The total cost of the flooring is \$31, 850.56 with a **balance owing of \$10,788.71**. Donations are greatly appreciated. If donating, please mark the envelope “*Parish Hall Flooring*”.

SCHEDULES

- **Youth Catecheses** -will resume **January 8th** at 5pm
- **Sunday School** -resume **January 11th** at 9:15am
- **Adult Catechesis/Bible Study** -resume **January 11th** at 9:30am
- **Fellowship** -resume **January 11th** following worship service

COMING UP THIS WEEK...

TUES	6:00pm	LWML Meeting (Parish Hall)
THURS	5:00pm	Youth Catechesis
SUN	9:15am	Sunday School
	9:30am	Adult Catechesis/Bible Study
	10:30am	Divine Service (Setting #3)

LAST WEEK’S DISCIPLESHP:

Worship Attendance - 29 (Dec 29/25)		Baptized Membership - 301
<u>Offerings</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Weekly Budgeted Requirement</u>
Total General Treas.	<u>\$2,088.00</u>	\$3,422.00
Missions	\$ 242.00	\$ 308.00
Lutheran Hour	\$ 25.00	
CLWR	\$ 65.00	
Christmas Offering	\$ 20.00	
Parish Flooring	<u>\$ 100.00</u>	
Total Offerings	<u>\$2,540.00</u>	<u>\$3,730.00</u> Total per Week
Total Offerings (Dec 24/25) 2,502.95, (Dec 25/25) \$1,470.00		

Isaiah 60:1-6 Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you. And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising. Lift up your eyes all around, and see; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from afar, and your daughters shall be carried on the hip. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and exult, because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall bring good news, the praises of the LORD.

Ephesians 3:1-12 For this reason I, Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus on behalf of you Gentiles assuming that you have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for you, how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I have written briefly. When you read this, you can perceive my insight into the mystery of Christ, which was not made known to the sons of men in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit. This mystery is that the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I was made a minister according to the gift of God's grace, which was given me by the working of his power. To me, though I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, and to bring to light for everyone what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things, so that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was according to the eternal purpose that he has realized in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through our faith in him.

Matthew 2:1-12 Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet: "'And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel.'" Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him." After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. And going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshipped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.