



# CELC Weekly Gospel in Action Moments

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church



For the week of  
Sunday, January 7, 2024

## Welcome to Worship

✚ We are happy to have you with us and wish you a warm welcome. If you would like more information about our church and its ministries, please contact our church office, 440-933-6263.

✚ **Attention families:** We encourage you to have your children participate in worship. They learn about worship and faith by being involved. If you or your children need a break, we have Wiggle Beach off to the left of the sanctuary. If you need assistance, an usher will happily direct you.

✚ **We honor our military among us.** Please lift in prayer all who serve in the military, past and present, along with their loved ones. Currently serving: Marty Koch, Coast Guard.

## Prayers

✚ **For prayer requests** please fill out a prayer request form found in the gathering area and place it in the offering plate during the service, contact Sharon Davidson at 440-933-3923, skid440@yahoo.com or contact the church office.

## Epiphany Announcement

✚ **This Sunday we will celebrate Epiphany.** Pastor Laura has invited everyone to bring home an Epiphany Star Word after worship this Sunday! **What are star words?** The use of star words, also called “star gifts,” is a prayer practice connected to Epiphany and the new year that has been growing in popularity in Protestant churches for nearly a decade now. The idea is that a list of intention words, or guiding words, are written or printed on paper stars. These paper stars are then distributed at random. Individuals are often encouraged to place their star word somewhere they will see it regularly throughout the year to allow consistent reflection on how God has moved through, around, or in connection to that word.

## ASP Fundraiser update

✚ **The ASP Youth Mission Trip has received some wonderful donation baskets.** There is one basket left and it is an amazing Spa Basket. Please see the Gathering Area for the opportunity to support the youth mission team with your free will donation and take home this great basket.

## Congregation News

✚ **When the Church Stops Working** book study/discussion group will begin today after worship, on Sunday, January 7 and continue through Sunday, February 11, meeting from 11:15 a.m.-12:45 p.m.

✚ **Taking Down the Greens** Join us today Sunday, January 7, after the worship service. to help ‘spruce up’ the church. All ages are welcome! It's an enjoyable time and the work goes quickly. Hope to see you there!

## 2024 Solar Eclipse Committee

✚ **In April of 2024, our community will experience an influx of visitors** to view a total eclipse. Our church is seeking volunteers who would be interested in being part of the event planning process.

## 2024 ASP Youth Mission Trip News

✚ **Calling all 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Graders,** you are invited to join our annual ASP Youth Mission trip. We have started to make plans with Bay United Methodist again this year. The week that the trip is set for 6/17 through 6/23. If you would like more information, please reach out to the church office so you can be put on the list to receive updates and information. There is a study session at Bay this Sunday, January 7 right after church. If you need more information please see Eric Mohny.

## Congregation Calendar

### **Sunday, January 7**

#### *Epiphany Sunday*

10:00 a.m. Holy Worship

10:00 a.m. Prek-6 Grade Sunday School

11:15 a.m. Book Study

11:30 a.m. Choir

11:30 a.m. Taking Down the Greens

### **Wednesday, January 10**

6:15 p.m. Bells

8:26 p.m. Unite in Prayer

### **Friday, January 12**

Pastor's day off

### **Sunday, January 14**

10:00 a.m. Holy Worship/Choir Sing

10:00 a.m. Prek-6 Grade Sunday School

11:15 a.m. Book Study

## Christ Lutheran Preschool

Monday-Friday 9 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.

ALL ARE WELCOME HERE

**Good Kids Childcare Calendar**

Monday-Friday 7a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

**Worship Assistants and Volunteers**

**January 7**

Usher: Chip Crout  
Lector: Ron Jantz  
Cantor: Michelle Young  
Live Stream: Tim Gottshall  
Altar Care: Jan Wunderle  
Bulletin Folding: Katie Koch  
SS Teachers: Tim Neumann  
Bread Maker: Ron Jantz

**January 14**

Usher: Betsy Floyd  
Lector: Betsy Floyd  
Cantor: Rob Pedersen  
Live Stream: Bill Higgins  
Counter: Eric Klenz  
Altar Care: Jan Wunderle  
Bulletin Folding: Katie Koch  
SS Teachers: Elizabeth Misson  
Bread Maker: Marilyn Culler

**January 21**

Usher: Brian Knip  
Lector: Cathy Mohny  
**Cantor:**  
Live Stream: Bill Higgins  
Altar Care: Jan Wunderle  
Bulletin Folding: Katie Koch  
SS Teachers: Marilyn Culler  
**Bread Maker:**

**January 28**

Usher: Ryan Smarsh  
Lector: Frank Lee  
Cantor: Anita Hlava  
Live Stream: Bill Higgins  
Counter: Chuck Heindrichs  
Altar Care: Jan Wunderle  
Bulletin Folding: Katie Koch  
**SS Teachers:**  
**Bread Maker:**

**February 4**

Usher: Eric Mohny  
Lector: Tim Gottshall  
Cantor: Michelle Young

**Live Stream:**

Altar Care: Nadine Carlson  
Bulletin Folding: Nadine Carlson

**SS Teachers:**

**Bread Maker:**

**February 11**

Usher: Betsy Floyd  
Lector: Betsy Floyd  
Cantor: Rob Pedersen  
Live Stream: Bill Higgins  
Counter: Julie Skaggs  
Altar Care: Nadine Carlson  
Bulletin Folding: Nadine Carlson

**SS Teachers:**

Bread Maker: Marilyn Culler

**February 18**

Usher: Brian Knip  
Lector: Tim Neumann  
**Cantor:**  
Live Stream: Bill Higgins  
Altar Care: Nadine Carlson  
Bulletin Folding: Nadine Carlson  
**SS Teachers:**  
**Bread Maker:**

**February 25**

Usher: Ryan Smarsh  
**Lector:**  
Cantor: Sue Frantz  
Live Stream: Bill Higgins  
Counter: Brenda Crout  
Altar Care: Nadine Carlson  
Bulletin Folding: Nadine Carlson  
**SS Teachers:**  
**Bread Maker:**

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