



Capitol Drive
Lutheran Church
Sounding the Love of Christ

WEEKLY NEWS

January 13, 2019
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<http://capitoldrivelutheran.net> (It's new!)

Capitol Drive Lutheran Church -
A congregation
Sounding the Love of Christ
by caring for the poor
and vulnerable
in our community

Welcome to Visitors

May God bless your experience in worship today! You are invited to join us as we share the Lord's Supper. If you would like to know more about us, you can chat with any member after worship. We'd also be delighted if you sign our guest register located near the church entrance. If your children need a break, they can play in the area in the back right part of the sanctuary.

NEW START TIME FOR WORSHIP

Beginning this morning, Sunday, January 13, our weekly worship service begins at **10:30 AM**.
Please mark your calendars and make sure to inform your friends and guests.

Week of January 6, 2019

SUNDAY Attendance: 32

OFFERING: \$1,869.00 (Sunday collection)
\$505.00 (Automatic deposits)

Total: \$2,374.00

Steve O'Connell; Audrey Gee; Patrick Kiley; Marilyn McIntosh (Laura Goeckermann's mother); Lori Mierendorf (friend of Julane Sebastian); Janette Richardson (friend of Dennis Smoody); Donna and Al Eiglmeier (friends of Liz Bollmann); Ardiss Nelson; Daniel Succa (Donna Weis' nephew); Melanie Roberts (friend of Linda Jaeger); McKenzie O'Conner (granddaughter of Neva and Chris Conlon; per Kathy Kannass); Ed Six (friend of Linda Jaeger); Nicole and Danari Byrd (Marie Byrd's daughter and grandson); Sherri Holt; Donna Schmidt (friend of the quilters); Ron Shikora (friend of Kathy Kannass).

Anyone wishing to add a person to the Prayer Corner list or to remove someone with thanksgiving may do so by calling the church office (414-445-1656).

Gloria Beal sends handmade cards of comfort, condolence, or congratulations. Please call (414-282-0111) or e-mail her (glowrm64@hotmail.com) with your requests to send a card.



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2019

WELCOME TO CDLC

Pr. BILL MAINS!

Prayer for the Week

O God, the waters of faithfulness run deep, and we have been afraid they will overwhelm us. The fires of your Spirit burn brightly, and we fear we may be consumed if we display too much enthusiasm. We retreat to safe places where we hope to avoid challenges, conflicts, and uncertainty. When we shrink from risks, we miss much that enriches life. We fail to notice your amazing activity among those who respond to your leading. Free us, we pray, for daring service.

God of gifts and blessing, who opened the heavens to the prayers of Jesus, send your Spirit among us that we, too, may learn to please you and live as your beloved children. Baptize us with the Holy Spirit and with fire so our lips may sing to your glory and our hands reach out to heal and bless your people, in Jesus' name. Amen.

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The Week Ahead

Sunday, January 13	10:30 AM Worship
Baptism of Our Lord	11:30 AM Fellowship
	Pastor Bill Mains
<u>Monday, January 14</u>	1:00 PM Council Meeting 1:30 PM Neighborhood Capts.
<u>Tuesday, January 15</u>	<i>No Gathering Place meeting</i>
<u>Wednesday, January 16</u>	<i>No Gathering Place meeting</i>
<u>Thursday, January 17</u>	7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 9:00 AM Quilters
<u>Friday, January 18</u>	
<u>Saturday, January 19</u>	
Sunday, January 20	10:30 AM Worship
Second Sunday after Epiphany	11:30 AM Fellowship

Monday, January 14 - John 3:34

I give my Spirit in unlimited measure.

John the Baptist is referring to Jesus when he makes this statement: "For he is sent by God. He speaks God's words, for God gives him the Spirit without limit" (NIV). If we are united with Christ and co-heirs with him, then everything that belongs to Jesus belongs to us. The Bible says that we are the temple of the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 3:16). It also says that God has given us his own Spirit as a deposit to guarantee our inheritance (2 Corinthians 1:22). If we no longer live, but it is Christ living in us (Galatians 2:20), then we can only assume that if God gave his Spirit in unlimited measure to Jesus, then God has given his Spirit in unlimited measure to us. Jesus said that nothing would be impossible to those who believe (Matthew 17:20). With this in mind, may faith rise up in our hearts today so that we would know that the Spirit that lives in us is the same Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead (Romans 8:11). There is no limit to what our God and Father will do in our own lives because God has given us the Spirit without measure.

Tuesday, January 15 - Psalm 37:24

I will take hold of your hand to keep you from falling.

The fear of failing is a powerful motivator to keep us from doing things that require some form of risk. If we believe that we will be rejected by God if we stumble and fall, then we may not be willing to risk at all. Today's verse shows that it doesn't bother the Lord in the least when we stumble and fall. The truth is God is always ready to take us by the hand to help us get back on our feet again. When children are toddlers, they all have to learn to walk. The first time they tried, they would fall down. And the second time, and the third time, etc. With every step that they take, parents cheer them on and are ready to catch them if and when they fall. The fact that they stumbled was of no surprise and no real consequence because we know the kids would get up and try again. It is the same with the Lord. From God's perspective, we are little children learning to walk through this life. God knows us completely and God's heart is full of compassion towards us. When we stumble and fall, God is right beside us, ready to take our hand and help us continue our journey.

Wednesday, January 16 - Hebrews 13:20-21

*I will provide everything good thing
you need to do my will.*

Our God and Father is the source of all that we need to live a godly life. God will equip us with every good thing that we need to accomplish God's plans and purposes. In John 3:27, John the Baptist is speaking to his disciples: "A man can receive nothing, unless it has been given him from heaven" (WEB). All we have has been given to us from heaven. In James 1:17 the author says that every good and perfect gift comes from the Father of Lights. Whatever you need, whenever you need it, will be given to you from your Heavenly Father through the life of the Son who abides in you. We can rest in that promise. We do not have to try and live this life on our own in our own strength and resources. May we all know that our God promises to provide every good thing we need in order to do God's will.

Thursday, January 17 - Proverbs 3:11-12

*I will discipline you in love as a father
who loves his children.*

When we think of being disciplined, we usually default to our own life experience of what that meant for us. If we were treated harshly as children, it would be understandable for us to fear the Lord's discipline because we might see it through the same lens of our own parents. But the reality is that God is not like any parent on earth. Matthew 5:48 says that God is the perfect father. When our Heavenly Father disciplines us, God's motivation is not anger or rejection, but complete love. Just like we would not want our little ones to be burned by putting their hands on a hot stove, so along the way there will be times when God will need to correct us to that we can learn from our mistakes. In Hebrews 12:4-12, the writer talks in more detail about the discipline of the Lord and how it is a sign that God is treating us as God's children. The end result is for our good and will lead to a harvest of righteousness. Allow the Holy Spirit to dismantle any fear of our Father's discipline that is based on any human form of punishment that we have received. May we all see that God trains and corrects us for our own good because of God's great love for us.

Friday, January 18 - 2 Corinthians 12:1-10

My power will rest on you when you are weak.

Today's text comes from an encounter Paul has with the Lord Jesus himself. In a nutshell, Paul has this incredible third heaven experience where he sees amazing things that he is not able to share with others. Afterwards he encounters a 'thorn in his flesh,' a messenger of Satan sent to harass him. Three times he asked the Lord to take away this 'thorn in his flesh' and Jesus' response to Paul was "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." After Paul heard these words from Jesus himself, he received a new revelation of how the kingdom works. Paul responds to Jesus by saying "Most gladly therefore I will rather glory in my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may rest on me" (WEB). The kingdom of God is opposite to the kingdom of this world. It is the poor in spirit who will inherit the kingdom. God has chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise. The last shall be first and, of course, the weak will be made strong. May we have eyes to see the kingdom of God and embrace it with all our hearts. When we are empty of our own ability to manage life, may we see that it is then that Christ's power rests on us. May we all be able to boast in our weaknesses so that the strength of Jesus might be perfected in us.

Saturday, January 19 - Numbers 6:24-27

I will bless your life and keep watch over you always.

God instructed Moses to pray a special prayer of blessing over the Israelites every day. It is an often quoted blessing. Let us focus on the first line of this priestly blessing to God's people: "May the Lord bless you and protect you" (NLT). Whatever translation of the Bible you prefer, the message is the same. The Lord's heart is to bless you and watch over you in all your ways. Just like a mother hen broods over her chicks, our God watches over us with mighty, ferocious, protective love. May each and every one of us be aware of God's nearness today and God's desire to bless us in all that we do.

January 2019

December 30 First Sunday of Christmas 9:30 Worship 10:45 Adult Forum <i>Pr. Carol Hegland</i>	31	January 1, 2019 9:30 Second Annual Prayer for Peace in the New Year Service <i>The Name of Jesus</i>	2 No Gathering Place	3 7:00 AM: Men's Breakfast	4	5
January 6, 2019 Epiphany of Our Lord 9:30 Worship 10:45 Fellowship <i>Pr. Diane Olson</i>	7	8 No Gathering Place	9 No Gathering Place	10	11	12
January 13 Baptism of Our Lord 10:30 Worship 11:30 Fellowship <i>Pr. Bill Mains</i>	14 1:00 PM: Council Mtg. 1:30: Neighbor- hood Captains	15 No Gathering Place	16 No Gathering Place	17 7:00 AM: Men's Breakfast 9:00 AM: Quilters	18 <i>Confession of Peter</i> Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins	19
January 20 Second Sunday after Epiphany 10:30 Worship 11:30 Fellowship <i>Pr. Bill Mains</i>	21 <i>Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</i>	22 9:30 Gathering Place	23 9:30 Gathering Place 10:15 YMCA Exercise 11:00 GP WORSHIP 12:00 GP Meal	24	25 <i>Conversion of Paul</i> Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ends	26 10AM : Neighborhood Watch Meeting (Lounge)
January 27 Third Sunday after Epiphany 10:30 Worship 11:30 Fellowship <i>Pr. Bill Mains</i>	28	29 9:30 Gathering Place	30 9:30 Gathering Place 10:15 YMCA Exercise 11:00 GP Bible Study 12:00 GP Meal	31	February 1	2 CONGREGATIONAL MEETING SUNDAY <i>Presentation of Our Lord</i>