

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24  
Do not quench the Spirit. (v. 19)



## CTK CONNECTIONS

Keeping you informed on the Mission and Ministry of Christ the King Lutheran Church, Delafield, WI

### The December Advocate Is Here

## This Sunday at Worship

### Sunday's Parable

This coming Sunday we light three candles on the Advent wreath. While our society goes crazy with Christmas preparations and the northern hemisphere grows darker each day, we gather to wait for God to bring us into peace and light. In the gospel reading, John the Baptist calls us to make a pathway for Christ. The poem from Isaiah likens us to a bride or bridegroom dressing for our wedding day.



### CTK Worship Leaders for December 17 & 24

Please contact the CTK office to volunteer for Christmas Eve Services!  
[office@ctkdelafield.org](mailto:office@ctkdelafield.org) or (262) 646-2343

After Worship: Fellowship  
*"Shaping Faith-Building Community"*



All are welcome to join us for our  
***Birthday Party for Jesus***  
in the Great Hall today after worship



### **Coffee & Conversation**

Faith forms through time at the table together!  
Fellowship is held each Sunday in the Upper  
Sanctuary following worship.

***All are welcome!***

## Children's Ministry

Christmas Eve  
Special Activity for Children  
*(offered during 4 pm and 7 pm worship services only)*

*Nativity Scene  
Snow Globe Ornament*

☞ All children are welcome ☞



## Youth Ministry



Members of the congregation  
are encouraged to participate  
with our youth!

## Donut Sunday

Donuts are  
baked fresh the  
3rd Sunday of the  
month during worship  
by our CTK youth  
and their families or  
other adults.

Donut bags are  
available for sale  
after worship @  
**\$2 per bag**

Proceeds benefit  
CTK's Youth Program  
& Activities

Contact **Shari Showers** with questions!

Sign up today!

## Music Ministry

### "Carols Around the World" fills CTK with 298 spirited souls!

On Sunday, December 10th, the pews of CTK were filled with who came to hear carols from around the world and to be filled with the Christmas spirit! Many talented musicians participated including CTK's very own choirs, hand bells and soloists! Thank you to Mark Gould and all who practiced and participated in the concert, those who helped to promote, those who provided technical support and all those who came to listen. God Bless!

**Photo Credit:** John Kimpel: [jeknb@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jeknb@sbcglobal.net) (contact for prints)





## Music Rehearsal Notification

**There will be no rehearsals on December 27th or January 3rd.**

Music rehearsals will resume on Wednesday, January 10th.



## Faith Formation & Fellowship

### Table Teams Needed for Table Time at CTK

In January, we hope to have 3-4 designated Table Time teams (4-5 people each). Each team will be responsible for one Wednesday per month (Fellowship will provide Lenten Meals). [Signup for Table Teams!](#)



Questions and/or suggestions may be directed to [Teri Bergendahl](#) or [Pastor Jordan](#).

*"We are followers of Jesus, gathered at the table for Meal & Ministry."*

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# Advent Small Group Study

**"Awaiting the Already" Advent Study** (by Magrey R. deVega)

Led by Pastor Nikki Blanks/Teri Bergendahl

Join us for this Advent journey through the Gospels

**7-8 pm at CTK Room 207**

Following our Table Time Meal on Wednesdays - Dec. 13, 20 & Jan. 3

*"Advent is not a time of pretending that Jesus has never been born; It is a time of preparing for what that birth might mean for us today."*

*All are welcome to join us!*

We will review the chapter on Luke on Dec. 13th

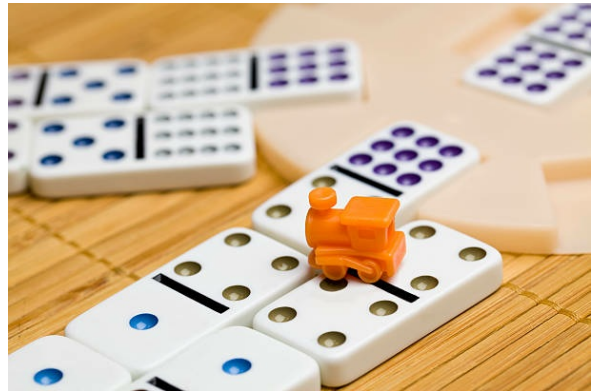
CONTACT Teri Bergendahl for your copy: [teri@ctkdelafield.org](mailto:teri@ctkdelafield.org)

## Mexican Train Game is Back!

**Mon., Jan. 8th - 6:30 pm**

Monday Mavens will be meeting on Monday, January 8th at 6:30 pm in the Upper Sanctuary to play Mexican Trains (Dominoes Game) and plan our activities for the year. Please join us!

Contact **Bev Waltz** with questions!



## Announcements



### Poinsettias for Christmas Orders are due this Sunday!

Each year, we adorn the chancel with beautiful poinsettias plants to offset the cost. What a simple way to beautify our sanctuary in remembrance of or in honor of your family, special friends or loved ones.

**Plants are \$8 each**

Order forms are available at the church. Please contact the church office at (262) 646-2343 or ask your usher for an order

form on Sunday morning.

**SAVE THE DATES** April 14-21, 2018  
**2018 ADULT SERVICE TRIP**

Houston, Texas

A participant meeting will be held on  
**Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at 6:30 pm**  
at St. Luke's Lutheran Church - Waukesha

Register online: [www.ctkdelafield.org/adultservicetrip](http://www.ctkdelafield.org/adultservicetrip)

[Register](#)

**Reminder: Stewardship Pledges**

The Stewardship Committee is grateful for your pledges. If you have not yet submitted your pledge, please consider doing so. Pledge cards are available at CTK. If you have questions, please contact [Jon Kilmer](#).



Thursday, January 11  
2-7 pm at



Sign up at [www.bcw.edu/delafield](http://www.bcw.edu/delafield) or call (877) 232-4376

**Future Leaders Needed**

Christ the King is blessed to have many willing to devote their time and talents to

carrying out the ministries of CTK. We are looking for those willing to serve in leadership roles on the council now and in the future. Prayerfully consider opportunities to serve CTK in this manner. Contact **Sue Ettmayer**, President, if you have any interest or want to hear more about the role of council in our church community.

## Opening for Delegate to Attend the ELCA Great Milwaukee Synod

We have an opening for one more delegate to attend the ELCA Greater Milwaukee Synod to be held May 31-June 2 at the Country Springs hotel in Waukesha. Anyone who would like to serve in the capacity, please talk to **Carol White** or **Sue Ettmayer** for additional details. For information on being a delegate, check the ELCA website or talk with the 2017 delegates, **Char Hall** and **Joel Gerth**.

## Ministry Partners

### Thank You!

Many thanks to ALL of our volunteers for their time and talents during our host week Dec. 3-10th. We understand and appreciate that your time is valuable, especially this time of year) and cannot thank-you enough and express enough how important you all are in the support of these families. We hosted three families and had a great week! Lots of delicious food, great conversations, activities and even a visit from St. Nick on Tues. evening! A special thank-you to "Mama T" for putting together ornament kits for the kids to craft!



Thank-you also to all who answered our own request for blankets, quilts and comforters and supplies for the Day Center.

Please continue to remember these families as they continue their journey to become self-sufficient and establishing a secure place to live.

Look for sign ups and information on our Host weeks in 2018! Our first week will be April 1-8th. We are always looking to expand our volunteer family!!

God's Work, Our Hands - from the Family Promise Team

## Event

### Delafield Christmas Carol Sing-Along Sat., Dec. 23rd - starting at 4 pm

All local area churches - children, youth and adults, are invited to make this a true community event! Please join us by the Christmas Tree in front of Rocky Mountain Ice

Cream on the NW corner of Genesee and Milwaukee Streets. There will be a large media screen with projected words along with a guitarist/singer to lead us in traditional carols such as *Silent Night* and *Away in a Manger*.

Sincerely, Members of the [Bark River Bible Fellowship](#)

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