



## Christ Ev. Lutheran Church

### January 2026 Newsletter

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#### From Pastor Mumm

Epiphany is always on January 6. The word "epiphany" is from the Greek, meaning "manifestation." The earliest Christians called the Feast of the Epiphany the "Theophany" which means, "revelation of God." The Epiphany celebrates the arrival of the Magi. When these Gentile men came to worship Jesus, this showed that everyone has access to the Savior.

The Season of Epiphany can have as many as nine Sundays, depending on when Easter occurs. Here are the events of the Epiphany season:

January 6 - The Epiphany of our Lord.

**January 11 - First Sunday after the Epiphany.**

Baptism of our Lord Sunday.

**January 18 - Second Sunday after the Epiphany.**

This is also Right to Life Sunday.

Jan 24 is the Day of St. Timothy, Pastor and Confessor.

**January 25 - Third Sunday after the Epiphany.**

This is Conversion of St. Paul Sunday.

In the traditional lectionary, this is

Transfiguration of our Lord Sunday.

Jan 26 is the Day of St. Titus, Pastor & Confessor.

**February 1 - Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany.**

In the traditional lectionary this day is known as "Septuagesima."

Feb 2 - Purification of Mary and Presentation of our Lord.

**February 8 - Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany.**

In the Traditional liturgy this is "Sexagesima."

**February 15 - Transfiguration Sunday.**

In the traditional liturgy it is "Quinquagesima."

It also is the day of Philemon and Onesimus.

January has a lot going on. February is even busier, as we begin the Lenten Season on February 18. May the Lord bless and guide us as we observe The Season of the Epiphany of our Lord.

*Kathy and I would like to thank everyone for the Christmas gift. It is truly a joy to serve here at Christ Lutheran.*

*Pastor David Mumm*

### 2026 Church Officers

President: *Ronnie Beisert*

Secretary: *Billy Beisert*

Treasurer: *Nathan Schimank*

Elders: *Carl Exner, Billy Beisert, Michael Beisert*

Bd of Stewardship: *Craig Exner, Kevin Kasper, Daniel Fritsche*

Trustees: *Craig Exner, Wm. Medack, Kevin Kasper, Clyde Schulze*

Board of Education: *Kevin Kasper, Craig Exner*

Sunday School Superintendent: *Chad Kunkel*

Assistant Sunday School: *Craig Exner*

Head Usher: *Douglas Lehmann*

Assistant Head Usher: *Steven Schmidt*

Cemetery Manager: *Billy Beisert*

**Installation of Officers will be during the Jan 4, Sunday Worship**

### Christ Lutheran Church History, 1908-1924

In the summer of 1908, after 4 years of being served by vacancy pastors, Candidate Otto Bahr was called to Christ Lutheran through the Missouri Lutheran Student Distribution Center of St. Louis, MO. He served as pastor and teacher until 1910 when he was called by the Mission Commission of the Southern District to El Paso as missionary.

After Rev. Bahr left, the Rev. G. W. Fischer was vacancy pastor. In the early fall of 1910, the Student Distribution Center of St. Louis again was asked to send a candidate, preferably Candidate Carl Durow to be their pastor and teacher, which was granted. Candidate Carl Durow became the fifth pastor of the congregation. He also served at Dime Box. He served faithfully until 1933 when he was called to his heavenly home. The congregation grew spiritually and in membership under Rev. Durow's leadership.

On January 8, 1911, the parsonage was destroyed by fire and the congregation was compelled to build a new home as soon as possible. Neighboring congregations sent in contributions to help defray some of the building expenses. A 6-room home was erected.

In 1912, the congregation voted to add a steeple and bell to the church. The dedication service was conducted by Rev. Kilian of Serbin.

A new church was built in 1917, 34 x 58, and the old church was converted to a school house. In the fall of 1917, Christ Lutheran celebrated its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary to coincide with their Mission Festival.

In the spring of 1924, the congregation erected a teacherage and also called a teacher to relieve the pastor of his teaching duties. Mr. Wm. Boettcher donated the land to the church for the teacher's home. Mr. Erich Wendland accepted the call and was installed on October 6, 1924.

*To be continued ...*

**But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. 2 Peter 3:18**