



Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Happy and blessed New Year to you all. This is an exciting time as we prepare for the arrival of our new pastor, Reverend Eric Ishimaru. I feel blessed to have served as your president this year. You have all worked so hard together to keep the Church running as normal as possible during this time. We need to especially thank the Office staff and committees for their hard work and dedication throughout the year. If you see committee heads or office staff attempt to thank them personally.

As you all know, Pastor Ishimaru will be at Christ the King for our annual meeting. I would encourage you all to attend the service, the annual meeting, and the meet and greet meal following the meeting. All of you are excited to meet Pastor Eric, understandably, but we must be mindful of his time here during his visit so he does not get overwhelmed right away.

My term as president is coming to an end this month. I want to thank you all for being the wonderful congregation you are. I am proud to be part of this church family. Blessings to you all.

Your brother in Christ,
Hunter Jenzen
Christ the King Council President

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Worship , Annual Meeting & Luncheon, Jan. 22





WOW

For the WOW meeting, Saturday, January 14th, 9:30 a.m., the Love Fellowship group will serve and for Sunday morning Fellowship during the month of January, the Faith Fellowship group will serve.

We invite all the ladies to come to our meetings — we meet once a month, on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 9:30 a.m. Would be great to see you there!

Thank you, All, for your overwhelming generosity in giving warm outerwear to the younger Waseca area students! 42 hats, 6 pairs of mittens and 26 pairs of gloves, 4 sets of hats and gloves, 3 hat/scarf combinations, 18 pairs of sox, and 2 pairs of slippers were donated. The staff at Hartley was totally in awe of the quantity of items presented and said the need for these items is incredible. **THANK YOU** for giving so very generously!!!! To God be the glory!!!



DESIGNATED FUNDS

YTD & Carried Forward Designated Funds (as of November 2022):

Building:	1,381.01
Adult Education:	38.27
Sunday School:	88.54
Scholarship:	2,294.88
Youth Group:	719.95
Memorial:	6,071.68
Mission tithe:	5,866.89
Mission Offering:	270.00
Quilters:	1,295.30
Property:	455.78
Property Sub Account	
Building Impr.	3,420.00
Audio/Visual:	4,268.99
Evangelism:	688.23
Light house Worship	6,318.51
Worship Fund:	626.49
TOTAL DESIGNATED	33,804.52

Year-To-Date General
Fund Budget Totals as of
11/31/22

GF Offering: \$202,207.77

GF Budget: \$222,626.44

Short: (\$20,418.67)

GF Offering: \$202,207.77

GF Expense: \$204,076.20

Short: (\$1,868.43)



Biblical Roots of Common Phrases

Phrase: *"Raising Cain!"*

Meaning: To be causing trouble or creating an uproar, equivalent to "raising the Devil".

Origins: In the Book of Genesis we read how wicked Cain killed his brother Abel because the Lord valued Abel's gift "of the first born of his flock" over Cain's "offering of the fruit of the ground." In Genesis 4:8-10 we read: "Cain spoke to Abel his brother and when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel and killed him. Then the Lord said to Cain, 'Where is Abel your brother?' He said, 'I do not know, am I my brother's keeper?' And the Lord said, 'What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood is crying to me from the ground.'"

Note: When you are tempted to "Raise Cain", remember that the Lord cursed Cain "from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand" and for his action Cain was "to be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth." (Genesis 4:11-12) So when you make trouble you are raising or conjuring up the accursed spirit of Cain. This is similar to several phrases that allude to calling-up or "raising" the Devil. There's "raise the Devil", of course, but also and "raise Hell" and "raise Hob". (Not Biblical, "Hob" was the familiar name of the spirit, Robin Goodfellow, who in English folklore was a household spirit full of mischievous, sometimes malicious, acts.)

**SUNDAY SCHOOL RESUMES JANUARY 8TH, 10:15
A.M. There will not be Sunday School on Sun, Jan
22nd because of the
Congregational meeting.**

LIVE NATIVITY



The **Live Nativity** was a success thanks to our 30 volunteers who gave so generously and graciously of their time and energy. 944 people were counted as people walking or driving through to enjoy the event. \$1630 and 262 pounds of non-perishable items were collected to be given to our local Food Shelf. This event was a heart-warming way of sharing the Christmas story to all and to God be the glory!

WE NEED PEOPLE TO SIGN UP FOR USHERING DUTIES. Please contact the office if you can help usher or there are sign-up sheets in the narthex on the wood cabinet. We need for both 1st and 2nd service. **THANK YOU** for your help!!!!.

THERE ARE MANY COMMITTEES AND GROUPS FOR YOU TO PARTICIPATE IN AT OUR CHURCH. ALL COMMITTEES AND GROUPS COULD USE MORE PEOPLE. THIS IS A WONDERFUL WAY TO GIVE OF YOUR TIME & TALENTS. PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING. NO INVITATION NEEDED, JUST SHOW UP.

PROPERTY:
JAN 3, 6:30PM

WORSHIP:
JAN 4, 5:00 PM

SAT., JAN 14
MEN'S BIBLE: 8:00 AM
WOW: 9:30 AM

STEWARDSHIP
JAN 3, 6:30 PM

EVANGELISM
JAN 24 6:30PM

EDUCATION:
JAN 24, 6:30PM

QUILTERS:
TUESDAYS 10:30AM-3PM

CHOIR STARTING FEB:
WEDNESDAYS, 6:30 PM

USHERS:
NEEDED MONTHLY .
CONTACT GARRY HUCK-
FELDT OR CHURCH OF-
FICE

READERS:
READ DURING SERVICES
ON A ROTATION
CONTACT CHURCH
OFFICE

GREETERS FOR the month of JANUARY

Jan 1: Maynard & Elaine Breck

Jan. 8 Jerry & Karen Meister

Jan. 15: John & Doris Krause

Jan. 22: Dan & Bonnie Heyer

Jan 29: Naomi & Greg Easton

USHERS:

We need January & February ushers — please contact the office if you can help in

January or February —
THANK YOU!

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

We will continue with one church service at 9:00 a.m. until Pastor Ishimaru moves to Waseca. Thank you for being flexible with this — it has really helped out with having limited musicians — it's difficult to sustain playing weekly for the traditional or contemporary services. This has also been very helpful in supporting our guest pastors having one service. We will continue to alternate between traditional and contemporary services with a "5th Sunday of the month" being a Blended Service. Sunday School will be held from 10:15 - 11:00.

ANNUAL MEETING and LUNCH

We're very excited to have Pastor Ishimaru joining us for our Annual Meeting January 22nd. Pastor Ishimaru will be leading our worship service. Immediately following our service, we will have the Annual Meeting, and following this meeting there will be a luncheon. We hope you will join us for the Meeting, and Luncheon. This will offer you an opportunity to meet Pastor Eric during the luncheon. There will be a sign-up sheet in the narthex for the luncheon— we simply need to know how many will be attending the luncheon so we have an idea for amount of food.

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Do you like to sing? I hope you will give it some thought to come join Choir. We start practice in February and meet Wednesdays at 6:30. Put a song in your heart and give it some thought — the more the merrier!!!!

