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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

I pray your Christmas celebrations provided you time with family and friends, meaningful worship, and opportunities to receive the Good News Christ is born to bring

It is with a grateful heart that I reflect upon our Advent season and Christmas celebrations at Coon Valley Lutheran Church. I give thanks to God and to you for your many expressions of Christ’s love this season: From your generous gifts to the Giving Tree ministry to the Quilts given to Bethel Butikk, to the countless ways you have shared the light and love of Christ with those who are hurting this Christmas, especially. I give thanks for the many people who served to make our Children’s Christmas Program and Christmas Eve and Christmas Day worship services opportunities for us to hear and receive the Good News of Christmas in scripture, song, sacrament, prayer, and fellowship.

As we enter the Season of Epiphany, which is both the day and the season in the church year in which we celebrate the visit of the Wise Men bearing gifts to the Baby Jesus, I give thanks for the countless ways your dedicated staff, faithful council members, skilled musicians, joyful committee members and each one of you in thought, word, prayer, and deed bear Christ’s light all year through.

A group of camels in the snow with the moon in the background

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As we have heard it proclaimed this Christmas season, “What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.” Jesus is born to us—a light no darkness will overcome. May this promise be our guide as we welcome a new year.

In the peace and hope of Christ,

Pastor Julie

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This year our Annual Meeting will take place on **Sunday, February 6 immediately following the 10am worship service. Please note that this date has changed due to extenuating circumstances.** At this time, we are planning for an in-person meeting with a Zoom option available. If you wish to join via Zoom, please contact Jamie.



ANNUAL REPORTS

Deadline for Committees to submit their Annual Reports to Jamie is **Tuesday, January 4th.** Please send to jamiel@mwt.net in Microsoft Word or PDF format. Reports will be available at the church at least one week before the Annual Meeting for pick up during worship services or while visiting the office. Please contact Jamie If you would like a digital version sent to your email or a copy mailed to you.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering envelopes are available at the church during office hours, Tues 9am-2:30pm and Wed. & Thurs, 9am-4pm. If you are able to pick them up for yourself, family or neighbors please do so. If you would like your envelopes mailed to you, please contact Jamie. Thank you!

MCj03226430000[1]NOVEMBER CHURCH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

The CVLC Council met on November 11th at 6:00 p.m.

\*Treasurer’s Report: was presented by Becky Lusk. Report accepted.

\*Finance Committee: Nancy King reported that the committee met and is working on the 2022 budget. Phil Moilien, Finance Comm. Chair will attend the December meeting to present the budget to Council.

\*Men’s Club: Glen Hoff reported that the Meatball Dinner earned $2,300 with $2,000 going toward the Parking Lot Fund. The Stockyard donated $350, Thrivent donated $250 and Kwik Trip donated $50. Mike & Marla Fencl donated 2 new roasters to the kitchen.  
\*Social Ministry: Birthday cards have been sent to homebound and facility members. The Giving Tree is being organized and a meeting is being planned.

\*Property & Grounds: Brian Strangstalien reported that the doorknob will be changed on the treasurer’s office door. He said that the wall in the boiler room will need to be re-mortared in the spring.

\*Worship: Nancy reported that the Worship Committee met, on November 28th there will be one service at 9am. All proceeds of the Thanksgiving offering will be given to ELCA World Hunger.

\*Stewardship: The Committee is meeting December 5th at 9am.

\*Action Items: A Church Management software proposal was presented. A motion was approved to purchase new software.

\*Next Council Meeting will be December 16th at 6:00pm.

The meeting adjourned at 7:32pm followed by the Lord’s Prayer.

Sarah Ofte, Council Secretary

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Description automatically generatedGIVING TREE

Thank you to all who purchased gifts for our Giving Tree project this year. We were able to give gifts to people in need in our area. Thank you to the Social Ministry Committee and Pam Olson for shopping and wrapping gifts and putting forth the extra effort to make this project a success!

Thanks Mike & Marla Fencl Thank you to Mike & Marla for purchasing two new roasters for the kitchen!

A christmas tree in a room

Description automatically generated with low confidenceThank you **to Steve Pauloski** for picking up, setting up, (and eventually taking down) the Christmas tree in our Sanctuary!



Thanks to all who gave on Thanksgiving! We collected $460 to send to ELCA World Hunger!

THANK YOU, QUILTERS!

Our quilting group meets the second and last Wednesday of each month and enjoys fellowship as quilts are tied and squares are sewn. This month, fifteen of the quilter’s beautiful creations were given to Bethel Butikk’s Operation Christmas. The quilts will be given to people who may need an extra measure of warmth and care this Christmas. If you are interested in learning more about the quilting ministry, please stop by the fellowship hall the second and last Wednesday of the month. The quilters begin at 9:00 a.m.! Thank you, quilters! God’s Work. Our Hands.

ASH WEDNESDAY LUMINARY ORDERS

Once again, our Confirmation Youth will be making Luminaries in memory of our loved ones, to shine on Ash Wednesday, March 2. You can order by using this form, OR by contacting Jamie, OR by ordering from our Confirmation Youth. All orders should be made and paid for by February 21. \*Make checks out to “CVLC YOUTH.” Luminaries are $5 per person. If you want two people named on one Luminary, the cost will be $10. List both names on the same line, if you would like two names on one luminary.

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LUMINARY ORDER

FOR FROM $5

Need by Monday, February 21 ☺

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**Coon Valley Lutheran Church Cancellation Policy Adopted by Council on February 13, 2019.**

**Weekday cancellations:** The Church cancellation policy will follow that of Westby Area School District. If, because of inclement weather, school is canceled or there is an early release, all activities involving youth will be canceled for that day and evening as well. The cancellation of Committee meetings, Council and other events will be determined by Committee chairpersons, Council President or others in leadership of those events. Whenever possible, cancellation notices will be given 4 hours prior to the scheduled event or meeting.

The church office will be open as possible.

**Sunday Morning Cancellations:** Sunday morning worship service, Sunday School, coffee fellowship and all other Sunday morning events will be cancelled at the determination of the Council President, Pastor in consultation with council members and/or worship leaders. The decision will be made by 6:30 a.m. that morning and communicated to the congregation as soon as possible. The organist, choir director and those scheduled to serve coffee will be notified directly.

For weather-related cancellations, please consult any of the following after 6:30 a.m. on Sundays:

1. WVRQ 102.3 FM and 1360 AM Radio
2. The Church Facebook Page
3. The Church website: www.coonvalleylutheranchurch.org
4. By Recording on the Parish Office Phone

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Thank you to all who supported our Cross Ornament Fundraiser! Thank you to Mike Lusk who donated his time, materials, and labor on each of the beautiful handmade crosses and Ava Berg who made the charms for each cross. All proceeds benefit the CVLC Youth Fund which supports High School Mission Trips and High School Youth ministries. 35 Crosses were purchased. Thank you!

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2022 ELCA YOUTH GATHERING NEWS!

Eighth Graders Grady Evenstad and Chase Quellhorst and Pastor Julie will be participating in the National Youth Gathering to take place July 24-28, 2022, in Minneapolis, MN. Our group has registered for the Gathering with three students and two Chaperones and Pastor Meg Eiben Hoversten from Middle Coon Valley Lutheran Church. There are many benefits of going as one group including traveling together, sharing evening devotion time, serving as one group for the Servant Day, and worshipping as one group at the Mass Gatherings held each night.

Because of the size of our group, we were able to register for the pilot Servant Day program, tailored to smaller groups. We have also volunteered as a group to assist with serving Communion at the last Mass Gathering worship service!

A Zoom meeting is scheduled for all meeting participants for Tuesday, January 25 at 6:00 p.m.The meeting will be recorded for those who cannot attend. We also plan to schedule an in-person get-together this Spring!

[](http://www.souperbowl.org/multimedia/logo/soupPot.jpg) “SOUPER BOWL” OF CARING ON FEBRUARY 13.

CVLC will again participate in this program. On SUPER BOWL SUNDAY **please remember to wear your team jersey** and give to those in need! 100% of the money given will go directly to the ELCA WORLD HUNGER APPEAL. We invite you to give a donation. Cash and checks will be accepted (make checks payable to CVLC and write “world hunger” in the memo line) we will send all money to the Synod and they will forward it to the ELCA WORLD HUNGER APPEAL. During these football festivities please remember **to give!**



STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

The Stewardship Committee is going to ring in the new year by highlighting the ministries of Coon Valley Lutheran Church throughout 2022 with temple talks, articles, and stories during services and in our Carillon. We are looking forward to sharing how we are stewards of the faith in our local community and abroad.

Sarah Ofte, Daryl Brye, and Mike Lusk

Stewardship Committee

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Thanks to numerous generous memorials, new altar candles were purchased! (Pictured on the left). Our previous candles served us for 40 years and were a memorial gift given by the family of Helmer & Peter Bjornstad. In 1998 the candelabras were fitted with liquid oil candles in memory of Olga & Phillip Stakston. With time, the finish of the candles had worn, they also leaked and required a lot of attention from our Altar Guild co-chairs, Cindy Swartz and Karen McGarvey. We retired our candles at the Dec. 5 service. Thank you to all the families who donated in memory of their loved ones for this wonderful gift to our church!

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Description automatically generated WELCA NEWS

As 2022 approaches, I’m sure we’re all anxious to return to some sort of normalcy. We thought we would be able to do that in 2021 – but, it didn’t happen. We were able to hold most of our meetings and events but that came to a halt in December when we had to cancel our Cookie Walk and Christmas Brunch.

The General Board did meet in December and we made some decisions regarding end of the year disbursements, plans for 2022 and changes to the year book.

We are hoping to meet in January but “tentative” is the word right now. Please bear with us as we try to navigate through these crazy times.

DATES TO REMEMBER – **TENTATIVE**

Thursday, January 20, 2022 – **10 am** – WELCA

Installation of officers, overview of year book.

Servers: Gloria Galstad, Nancy Rogers. Paying Hostesses: Nicole Peters, Sara Rudie, Ashley Sacia, Allison Williamson, Suzanne Dickman.

LOOKING AHEAD – **TENTATIVE**

Thursday, February 17 – **10 am** – WELCA

Birthday Month. Servers and Paying Hostesses TBA.

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE SERVERS 2022 **TENTATIVE**

Jan. 2 No Coffee

9 Michele Frydenlund, Rhonda King

16 Suzanne Dickman, Cathy Foster

23 Allison Williamson, Melinda Marsh

30 No Coffee

Feb. 6 Elissa Kinstler, Samantha White

13 Sherri Berg, Tracy Stellner

20 Kim Hatlan, Renee Quellhorst

27 Sunday School Youth

Looking forward to a new year full of hope and promise.

God Bless, Ellie Brye, President

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**Here’s how:**

**Facebook:** Services are live streamed, recorded and available Sunday mornings on the CVLC Facebook page.

**Our Website:** [www.coonvalleylutheranchurch](http://www.coonvalleylutheranchurch).org

**Vernon Communications Channel 15:** With many thanks to our partners at Vernon Communications, this is currently when our Sunday Worship services air on Channel 15.

Mondays: 3:30 a.m.

Tuesdays: 12:30 a.m. and 10:30 p.m.

Wednesdays: 8:30 p.m.

Thursdays: 6:30 p.m.

Fridays: 4:30 p.m.

Saturdays: 2:30 p.m.

Sundays: 5:30 a.m.

KEY POLICY

If your circle or committee would like to meet at the church outside of the church office hours, please contact Jamie to obtain a key. Thank you!

A NOTE FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE:

If you are giving an offering or donation to several church funds or groups, please write a separate check for each fund or group. This makes our bookkeeping much easier. Thank you for your continued gifts and support of Coon Valley Lutheran Church!

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Would you like to receive our newsletter via email? This saves the church the cost of office supplies and postage. If you would like to subscribe visit our website at [www.coonvalleylutheranchurch.org](http://www.coonvalleylutheranchurch.org) scroll to the bottom of the page and enter your full name and email. That’s it! Thank you!

**ATTENDANCE & OFFERING**

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| **2021** | **November** |  | **2021 YTD** |
| **Total Offerings** | $14,179.08 |  | $163,097.66 |
| **Expenses** | $21,772.00 |  | $180,389.20 |
| **Balance/Shortfall** | **-$7,592.92** |  | **-$17,291.54** |
| **Parsonage Int. Fund Transfer** | $0 |  | $0 |
| **Building Fund Transfer** | $2,300.00 |  | $3,157.31 |
| **Memorial Fund**  **Transfer** | $0 |  | $0 |

**11/21 – 8a:** 43; **10:30:** 20=63 total

**Offering:** $2,117.71

**11/28 – 9a:** 50; **Offering:** $1,952.71

**12/5 – 8a:** 47; **10:30:** 39=86 total

**Offering:** $11,700.01

**12/12 – 8a:** 43; **10:30:** 38=81 total **Offering:** $5,884.71

**Sunday School Attendance**: 11/21:16; 12/5:19; 12/12:30

**\*\***Approximately **$3,925.00 a week** is needed to meet operating expenses.

**General Fund Balance:** 11/30/21: $28,424.71

**Memorial Fund Balance:**11/30/21: $48,102.29

**Building Fund Balance:** 11/30/21: $40,384.32

**CD Interest Balance:** 11/30/21: $19,059.03

MEMORIALS

**Burton Lee**

Memorial Fund: $1,250.00

Shepherd Fund: $20.00

**Janice & Jim Lee**

Memorial: $2,000.00

ONLINE GIVING

There are several ways you may get your offerings to the church. You may simply mail it to the church office, P.O. Box 280. Or use one of our eGiving options. 1) You may go to our website and click the Donate button at the top. 2) Give through the mobile app Vanco Mobile. Please let Jamie know if you need assistance in any way with these options. Thank you for your support!

Doing your shopping on **Amazon**? Please go to [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com), enter ***Coon Valley Congregation*** do your shopping and **Amazon Smile** will donate a small percentage to our church!

**YEAR-TO-DATE BALANCE**

PRAYER GROUP

The Prayer Group continues to pray for the church, the congregation and our extended family and friends.

**† *Our church staff***

**† *Our members*:** Randy Amundson, Beverly Bagstad, Eleanor Bagstad, Tip Bagstad, Clifford Bakkum, Inez Beck, Kristin Boettcher, Ellie Brye, Kim Cade, Jeanne Ebli, Kira Foster, Lucy Hardie, Bonnie Holey, Becky Ihle, Jim Knutson, Paul Kogut, Margaret Lee, Russell Lee, Aaron Leisso, Larry Lichtie, Gerri Leum, Cindy Manske, Aaron Marx, Frank Mathison, Judy Mathison, Skyler Midtlien, Bud Miyamoto, Corrine Nelson, Romaine Nelson, Sandy Nelson, Cathy Ofte, Lisa Olson, Pam Pauloski, Jeremy Pratt, Eunice Quast, Jojo Satona, Mary Schultz, Billie Slater, LaVonne Stendahl, Floyd Storey, Nancy Stuempges, Joyce Temp, Lanny Westphal, Renita Williamson.

**† *Our members who are currently in health care facilities*:** Rachel Berg, Evelyn Dahlen, Joanne Fletcher, Erma Graupe, Sylvester King Jr., Irene Larson, Glen Marshall, Irene Nestingen, Tim Ofte, Beatrice Olson (Alden), Beatrice Olson (Leonard), Arlene Townsend, Betty Sanders, Alice Marie Sather.

**† *Those who grieve:*** Bill & Nancy Rogers in the death of their daughter Laura; Family of Roger Olson; Family of Ray Sedevie,Family and friends of Burton Lee;Family of Valarie Holey; Family of Tiffany Rundhaugen

**† *Family and friends of members***

**† *Local Military:***Austin Holen

**† *All those affected by the COVID-19 virus***

**DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

**WEEK OF JANUARY 2**

**SUNDAY** Jeremiah 31:7-17 *Joy as God’s scattered flock gathers*

Psalm 147:12-20 *Praising God in Zion*

*Or* Sirach 24:1-12 *Wisdom lives among God’s people*

Wisdom 10:15-21 *Praising the holy name*

Ephesians 1:3-14 *The will of God make known in Christ*

John 1:1-19 *God with us*

**MONDAY** Daniel 2:1-19 *The king searches for wisdom*

**TUESDAY** Daniel 2:24-49 *Daniel reveals the dream’s meaning*

**WEDNESDAY** Isaiah 60:1-6 *Nations come to the light*

**EPIPHANY** Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14 *All shall bow down*

Ephesians 3:1-12 *The gospel’s promise for all*

Matthew 2:1-12 *Christ revealed to the nations*

**THURSDAY** Numbers 24:15-19 *A star coming from out of Jacob*

**FRIDAY** Ephesians 4:17—5:1 *Life lived in Christ*

**SATURDAY** Daniel 2:20-23 *Praise God’s wisdom revealed*

**WEEK OF JANUARY 9**

**SUNDAY** Isaiah 43:1-7 *Passing through the waters*

**BAPTISM OF**Psalm 29 *The voice of the LORD upon the waters*

**OUR LORD** Acts 8:14-17 *Prayer for the Holy Spirit*

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 *The baptism of Jesus*

**MONDAY** Judges 4:1-10, 12-16 *Israel’s enemies drown*

**TUESDAY** Judges 5:12-21 *The song of Deborah*

**WEDNESDAY** Luke 11:33-36 *Your body full of light*

**THURSDAY** Numbers 27:1-11 *Daughters also promised inheritance*

**FRIDAY** 1 John 5:13-21 *The life of those born of God*

**SATURDAY** Psalm 106:1-12 *God saves through water*

**WEEK OF JANUARY 16**

**SUNDAY** Isaiah 62:1-5 *God like the bridegroom and bride*

Psalm 36:5-10 *We feast on the abundance of God’s house*

1 Corinthians 12:1-11 *A variety of gifts but one Spirit*

John 2:1-11 *The wedding at Cana*

**MONDAY** Isaiah 54:1-8 *God is married to Israel*

**TUESDAY** Jeremiah 3:19-25 *Israel is a faithless spouse*

**WEDNESDAY** Luke 5:33-39 *Christ the bridegroom*

**THURSDAY** Song of Solomon 4:9—5:1 *A love song*

**FRIDAY** 1 Corinthians 1:3-17 *Appeal for unity*

**SATURDAY** Psalm 145 *Praise God’s faithfulness*

**WEEK OF JANUARY 23**

**SUNDAY** Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 *Ezra reads the law*

Psalm 19 *The law revives the soul*

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a *You are the body of Christ*

Luke 4:14-21 *Jesus reads the prophet Isaiah*

**MONDAY** Jeremiah 36:1-4, 20-26 *The king burns the scroll*

**TUESDAY** Jeremiah 36:27-32 *Jeremiah dictates a second scroll*

**WEDNESDAY** Luke 4:38-44 *Jesus heals and preached in synagogues*

**THURSDAY** Isaiah 61:1-7 *The spirit of God upon me*

**FRIDAY** 1 Corinthians 14:1-12 *The assembly’s gifts*

**SATURDAY** Psalm 119:89-96 *The law of God gives life*

**WEEK OF JANUARY 30**

**SUNDAY** Jeremiah 1:4-10 *A prophet to the nations*

Psalm 71:1-6 *You have been my strength*

1 Corinthians 13:1-13 *Without love, a noisy gong*

Luke 4:21-30 *The prophet Jesus not accepted*

**MONDAY** 1 Kings 17:8-16 *The widow of Zeraphath fed*

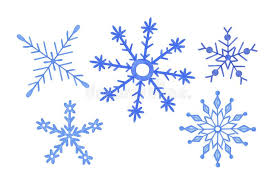
**TUESDAY** 2 Kings 5:1-14 *Naaman the Syrian healed*

**WEDNESDAY** Luke 19:41-44 *Recognizing the works of God*

**THURSDAY** Jeremiah 1:11-19 *Jeremiah warns of disaster*

**FRIDAY** 1 Corinthians 14:13-25 *Interpreting tongues*

**SATURDAY** Psalm 56 *In God I trust*



**Moving? New contact information? Please update the church office.**

**Thank you!**

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Indoor Custodian: Tracy Stellner

Choir Director:

Church Council President: Nancy King

Vice President: Ray Williamson; Secretary: Sarah Ofte

Amanda Buros, Glen Hoff, Debbie Holen, Carl Holte,

Andrea Stakston, Brian Strangstalien

**Worship Schedule**

**8:00 & 10:30 am (9th, 16th 23rd); 9:00 am (2nd); 10:00am (30th)**

**Sunday School 9:00 am (No class Jan 2nd)**

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| January 2022 | | | | | | |
| **Sunday** | **Monday** | **Tuesday** | **Wednesday** | **Thursday** | **Friday** | **Saturday** | |
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| **2**  **9:00a-**Worship with Holy Communion | **3**  Pr. Julie’s Sabbath | **4**  **5:00p-**Worship Committee  **Annual Reports deadline** | **5**  **5:00-6:00p** Confirmation | **6**  **Day of Epiphany** | **7** | **8**  A picture containing background pattern  Description automatically generated | |
| **9**  **8 & 10:30a-**Worship with Holy Communion  **9:00a-**Sunday School  **9:00a-**Stewardship Committee | **10**  Pr. Julie’s Sabbath  **6:00p-**Finance Committee | **11** | **12**  **9:00a-**Quilting  **5:00-6:00p** Confirmation | **13**  **6:00p-**Church Council | **14**  **Carillon Deadline** | **15** | |
| **16**  **8 & 10:30a-**Worship  **9:00a-**Sunday School | **17**  Pr. Julie’s Sabbath | **18** | **19**  **5:00-6:00p** Confirmation | **20**  **10:00a-**WELCA | **21** | **22** | |
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