As a uniquely metropolitan congregation, the people of Christ Lutheran Church are called to proclaim the Gospel, serve others, and invite all to experience God’s love and saving grace.

WORSHIP SERVICES

Wednesdays
11:00 am & 7:15 pm

Sunday Traditional
8:30 am & 11:00 am

Sunday Contemporary
8:45 am

BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays at 6:15 pm
Fridays at 10:00 am

CHRIST CHRISTMAS PAGEANT 2019

Thank You to all those who were involved in “telling the story”!
What a wonderful way to celebrate Jesus’ birth.

HARBOR LIGHTS
EPIPHANY 2020
ISSUE 389

Sunday, January 12
One worship service at 10:00 a.m.
followed by the Annual Meeting

Meeting agenda items include adoption of the budget, election of council members and distribution of annual reports.
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Weekly Worship Schedule

SUNDAYS
Traditional Service of Holy Communion
8:30 am

Contemporary Service of Holy Communion
8:45 am

Traditional Service of Holy Communion
11:00 am

WEDNESDAYS
11:00 am & 7:15 pm

In case of pastoral emergency, the pastors can be reached by their personal numbers.

Interim Senior Pastor Jim Cobb 443-632-4420
Interim Associate Pastor Judy Cobb 443-632-4496
Associate Pastor Patrick Ballard 919-215-0419

Please call the church office...

- if you or a member of your family is admitted to the hospital so the pastors may schedule a hospital visit.
- if you have a new address, telephone number, or email address.
- when your committee or group plans a meeting or an activity—the room MUST be cleared and the church calendar noted.
- if you have any questions about baptisms, weddings, serving, or any of our programs.

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One of our resources for worship ("Sundays and Seasons") says this about Epiphany:

"The feast of Epiphany ("manifestation") concludes the Christmas season with a celebration of God's glory revealed in the person of Jesus Christ. In Isaiah and Ephesians, that glory is proclaimed for all nations and people. Like the light of the star that guided the magi to Jesus, the light of Christ reveals who we are: children of God who are claimed and washed in the waters of baptism. We are sent out to be beacons of the light of Christ, sharing the good news of God's love to all people."

In the last two Sundays of the year, we will have witnessed 4 baptisms at Christ Lutheran Church. As we present a candle to the families and god parents, we say, "let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven."

It is Epiphany and the church will have certain texts that reveal who Jesus is. This is a calling: to be someone's light in their darkness just as you might remember who has been your light in your darkness. In either of these instances, God has celebrated epiphany in and through your life. That's the miracle!

Blessed Epiphany,
Pastor Jim Cobb

Add joy to your experience of worship!
It can be a powerful experience to volunteer in support of one of our worship services – once a year or once a month! You can take part as an individual or together with your family – as communion presenters, readers, acolytes, ushers, running the sound system, or preparing the altar! Join us!

If you are interested in knowing more, speak with one of the pastors or e-mail office@christinnerharbor.org.

Please join us on Sunday, January 26, 2020 as we celebrate the retirement of Carlien Parlett after 15 years of service as Director of Christian Education and a lifetime in service to Christ.

There will be a luncheon and a program in the fellowship hall following the 11:00 worship service.

Kindly RSVP by JANUARY 15 online at Carlien's Luncheon RSVP or call the church office at 410-752-7179.

The Planning Committee would like your help in the following ways:

We are creating a scrapbook of stories and photographs that represent Carlien’s time at Christ Church. If you have a story to share, please write about the fond memory and express your thanks. These expressions can be mailed (or e-mailed) to the church office as soon as possible but not later than January 15: Vicki Baublitz, Christ Lutheran Church, 701 S. Charles Street, Baltimore, MD 21230 or baublitz@christinnerharbor.org.

The members of the congregation will present Carlien with a retirement gift. If you wish to contribute to the gift, please make checks payable to Christ Lutheran Church with a notation on the memo line – Carlien’s Retirement. Checks can be mailed to the church office or placed in the offering plate.

Mark your calendars and join us on January 26 for farewell and God speed.

B e s t i l l a n d k n o w t h a t I a m G o d . ~ P s a l m s 4 6 : 1 0
In the very beginning of the season of Epiphany, we have
the story of the Baptism of our Lord. Jesus, the man,
begins his ministry by coming to John to be baptized. A
voice from heaven said, “This is my son, the Beloved,
with whom I am well pleased”. So the man Jesus is
proclaimed to be the Son of God- an epiphany, a
revelation. God claimed Jesus as God’s son.

In our baptisms, God claims US as God’s child. It isn’t
about how good we are, or how faithful we are. It is
about how good God is, and how faithful God is. God
chooses to call each of us “beloved”.

I believe that often we do not FEEL “beloved” or loved.
Our bodies ache. We are confused and wondering what is
important, or not. Sometimes we feel left out, or
forgotten. Many of us grieve the loss of people whom we
love who have died, moved, or who are separated from us
for other reasons.

Throughout this time after Epiphany, we are blessed with
other festivals that celebrate this gift of Christ in the
world: Baptism of Our Lord on January 12, Presentation
of Our Lord on February 2, and the Transfiguration of Our
Lord on February 23. What each of these festivals (and the
“ordinary” Sundays between them) remind us of is that
Christ revealed himself as our savior and the light of the
world precisely so that we can share this Good News with
others. The Advent and Christmas preparations mark the
beginning of a new year of Christian discipleship, not the
end of one.

As we gather for an annual meeting to set a mission plan
for 2020, as we give thanks for the ministry of our
longtime Christian Education director Carlien Parlett and
send her forth into the new vocation of retirement, and as
we begin to think about what we hope for in a new Senior
Pastor, we do so with great care and dedication as modern
day disciples doing our best to live out God’s calling for
our lives.

Nourished by the wonder and awe of the Christmas
season, now is the time to put Jesus’ words into action,
sharing the light of Christ wherever we go. By
rededicating ourselves to the mission and ministry of this
place, we will continue to be those beacons of hope to our
neighborhood, our city, and indeed to all the nations. Let
your light shine!

Peace,
Pastor Patrick
Caring Ministries

Card Ministry sends card to shut-ins and others to celebrate joys and acknowledge concerns as identified by the pastoral staff. This year over 221 cards have been sent. Thanks to all of those who volunteered. We welcome additional volunteers. If you have extra cards for any occasion, consider donating them to this ministry. Darlene Cole-Hope coordinates this ministry. Her email address is Coledarlene09@gmail.com or see her on Sunday morning.

CLAIM is part of the Delaware Maryland Synod. The annual CLAIM meeting to discuss upcoming educational, fellowship and volunteer activities will be held on Monday March 9, 2020 at Christ Lutheran Church in the evening. If you wish to attend to learn more about CLAIM send an email to BarbaraKimbrel@verizon.net.

Door Knocker Ministry has been operating since October 2018. The many people who have sought assistance at the church door have received a bag with a nutritional snack, a bottle of water and a pamphlet highlighting where services are available to them in Baltimore City.

Eucharistic Ministers parishioners who are unable to attend church have someone visit them monthly to share the sacraments through this ministry. Speak with Pastor Judy if you would like to be part of this ministry or know a member who is in need.

Meals for People with special needs are prepared by Hope and Bill Collins based on requests from the pastors. Adrienne Grant and Bill Kinsley have volunteered to assist when needed.

Prayer Chain includes several people from our congregation who pray for others daily. Vicki Baublitz organizes and communicates any prayer requests with those who are willing to include others in their prayer. Please contact Vicki at baublitz@christinnerharbor.org or call the church office to have someone added to the prayers or to volunteer to be on the prayer chain.

Prayer Shawl Committee is coordinated by Lydia Brown who can be contacted at lrbrown797@gmail.com. The ministry currently has a supply of various sizes of shawl, scarves and blankets and newborn hats. There is a need for "prayer squares" which are crocheted handheld reminders that someone has prayed for that person while making the square. These have become very popular among recipients as they are easily handled, are light weight and very transportable. If you have a talent for crocheting or would like to learn please contact Lydia. There is a pattern available and they are easy to make. This is an important ministry and is something that can be done at home in your spare time.

Stephen Ministry brings God's love into the lives of people who are going through a difficult time or experiencing a crisis.

The Caring Ministry has many useful assistive devices available to borrow. If you know someone who would like to donate a four wheeled or three wheeled rollator, ask them to consider donating to our medical equipment loan program. Contact Vicki at the church office to borrow or donate equipment.
There are some Sundays when the narrative and theme is clear but the deeper meaning seems to escape me. One of those Sundays is January 12th, the commemoration of the Baptism of Our Lord. The text couldn’t be more straightforward in telling of Christ’s baptism by John the Baptist. But what is the deeper meaning for me beyond taking it as a biographical lesson on the life of Christ? In these moments I often find it helpful to turn to the texts of our hymns.

One of the new hymns in our hymnal is “Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized,” which was written in 1979 by Bland Tucker. Reverend Tucker was educated at the Virginia Theological Seminary in Alexandria and served for a number of years at historic St. John’s Church in Georgetown. Three of the stanzas from this hymn read,

Christ, when for us you were baptized,
God’s Spirit on you came,
As peaceful as a dove and yet
As urgent as a flame.

Straightway and steadfast until death
You then obeyed the call
To serve with free and willing heart,
To give your life for all.

Baptize us with Your Spirit, Lord,
Your cross on us be signed,
That, likewise in God’s service, we
May perfect freedom find.

Christ wasn’t baptized into a faith but baptized into a mission. It would be a mission of grace and redemption that would lead him to the cross. The purpose of the incarnation wasn’t so that Christ could come to baptize the world. His purpose was to give his life as a ransom which would reconcile the world to God, and through that sacrifice the gifts of grace and freedom would flow.

As Luther mentions in The Small Catechism, the significance of our baptism with water is that our sinful self is drowned through confession and repentance for our sins and is raised to new life before God in righteousness. This truth comes from Saint Paul, who states that, “We have been buried with Christ by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.” (Romans 6:4)

Without Christ’s sacrifice and victory over death, my baptism would be fruitless. Water alone does nothing. But water used according to God’s command and with my faith will then baptize me into a mission to freely serve God with my life until, through my baptism into Christ’s death, I reach the courts of heaven.

The Baptism of Our Lord now serves as a reminder of my call to give my life to the work of the church for Christ’s sake, just as Christ gave his life for my sake. That is my mission, and I pray that I will always be grateful for the grace bestowed on me and open to the Holy Spirit revealing the path to me. “When Jesus Came to Jordan,” a hymn by Fred Pratt Green says,

He came to share temptation, our utmost woe and loss,
for us and our salvation to die upon the cross.
So when the dove descended on him, the Son of Man,
the hidden years had ended, the age of grace began.

Come, Holy Spirit, aid us to keep the vows we make;
this very day invade us, and every bondage break.
Come, give our lives direction, the gift we covet most:
to share the resurrection that leads to Pentecost.

What does the Baptism of Our Lord mean to you? Having been marked with the cross, to what mission have you been called for the sake of Christ’s kingdom?

Soli Deo Gloria!
Daniel Aune

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**We need Your Help!**

This year we would like to help parents of our younger children, ages 3-11 years of age by having breakfast foods for each child at the beginning of Sunday School. We need your help to supply these foods for our children. We need: Go-Gurts, Squeeze and Go Applesauce, Granola Bars, Cereal Bars. Please leave your donations in the container marked “Food for our Future”.

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**Breakfast for Sunday School**
The title of the concert series comes from a desire to find something unique, to recognize our church’s German heritage, and to connect ourselves with a strong geographic landmark. This series includes a wide range of music, from brass ensemble and vocal solo to chamber orchestra and collegiate choir.

The harp department of the Peabody Conservatory of Music returns to present another program of beautiful and enchanting music. This concert will feature solo harp works, ensemble repertoire, and also repertoire for harp with other instruments.

The Concert Choir is one of four choral ensembles in the Stetson University School of Music. It is a highly selective principal vocal touring ensemble made up of 52 vocalists that has performed concerts throughout the United States and Europe. The choir has also been selected by competitive audition to perform for several prestigious national, regional and state professional musical conferences. You can’t miss this concert!
Pray for their continued success here in America!

The Asende family arrived to BWI in December of 2016. Not only were they new to Baltimore, Maryland, but they were new to the United States of America. They were the newest family to be resettled by Christ Lutheran and only the second family to reside at the Rusk House. Supported by both CLC staff and a strong team of volunteers over the last three years, the Asende’s have accomplished so many great things, full-time employment, high school graduation, and attending community college, just to name a few. And as of Friday, December 20, they added homeownership to that long list of accomplishments.

Thank you CLC for your support and prayers during this journey and transition period of this awesome family. We ask that you continue to keep them in your prayers as they move into this next phase here in America.

“For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in” ~ Matthew 25:35
Christ Caring for People through People

Can a Stephen Minister Help Me?

The Stephen Ministry program has been in place at Christ Lutheran for three years. Trained lay leaders offer confidential care to those in distress. Are you in need? Could it help you? Here are some comments from anonymous individuals who have benefited.

“I’m so glad I accepted my pastor’s offer to match me with a Stephen Minister. I was reluctant at first, but my pastor was right: Having someone I could regularly meet with and talk to did make a difference.” T——

“When you first hear the word cancer, you wonder if you’re going to die. My Stephen Minister couldn’t fix or change that. But she let me share my fears, anxieties, and concerns with her. I knew I could always count on her—I wasn’t alone.” M——

“My Stephen Minister was there during the darkest of times — patiently listening and trying to understand my pain. Looking back, I can clearly see how my Stephen Minister kept me connected to God when I was falling away.” N——

“The care and support I received from my Stephen Minister was every bit as important to my recovery as the excellent medical care I received from the doctors and nurses. This is truly a life-giving ministry.” T——

Life Is Better Now

CAMBODIA
ELCA.org/hunger

Yim Kheng and her husband, Yi Pheng live in Cambodia with four of their children and one granddaughter. They received a plot of land through a social land concession, a government program intended to provide people who don’t own land with space for homes and to generate income through agriculture. They cleared the land themselves and planted potatoes next to the small hut they built. Often the land granted by the government is small, remote and not ready for farming. But thanks to your gifts to ELCA World Hunger, hundreds of families’ land is now usable to grow food. Yim Kheng and Yi Pheng rented a tractor to clear the land. Now they plant rice on their plot, selling half of the harvest and keeping the other half for their family, earning an average of $260 per year. Even with those improvements, the rice and income alone weren’t enough to feed and support the family. Because of your gifts, they also received chicken-raising training, materials to build a coop and a small flock of chickens. Their flock has grown to 100 chickens that produce eggs to eat and sell at the market. Your gifts also enabled Yim Kheng and Yi Pheng to start a small grocery stand, thanks to a loan from the village savings and loan group, supported and trained by Life With Dignity, an ELCA World Hunger partner.

“My life is better now. I have land for settlement and agriculture, a shop, and I am knowledgeable about chicken-raising,” Yi Pheng said.

"Your gifts to the ELCA World Hunger Appeal support creative efforts that fight hunger and poverty around the world, including the United States. For Yim Kheng and Yi Pheng, their small rice farm and chicken-raising business, started with the support of ELCA World Hunger Appeal, have given them a better life and a steady source of income and nourishment. You may make contributions by using the offering envelopes found in the kiosk in the Narthex or by properly marking them and forwarding to the church office. Thank you."
Pastors Jim & Judy Cobb

Annual Report

We were appointed by Bishop Bill Gohl to come and be your interim pastors through a time of transition. We know that you were not certain who we would be or how this time would be. But upon arrival, we found that this congregation is so gracious in every way. You have welcomed and encouraged. You have come to worship and stepped into so many helper roles that we quickly could see the foundational strengths of this congregation, so long known for its expansive ministries led by very special pastors and laity through the 132 years! We are so happy to be among you for this special time. We pledge to do our best to minister and serve and, as Pastor Tjornehoj said in her last sermon, “to love the people.” We arrived in Sept. in order to meet the various ministry boards that would meet in that month. We moved into Banner Hill apartments for this time which could not be more convenient to the church. Thank you for these arrangements.

Then, we met the staff! In all their duties, they each wrap around special work and ministries in areas that enhance all that we do in this ministry. This church enjoys this special staff who serve and we are grateful. And now, these are some of the things we know:

♦ The church is at its best in worship. In our baptisms, we are called into God’s kingdom who then calls us to assemble each week as the Body of Christ. Here, we claim Christ’s promise that “where two or three gather in His Name, He is present.” His presence is experienced in scripture, preaching, and sacraments. We offer our praise and thanksgiving and our songs rejoice in God our Savior. Contributing to this praise is the outstanding musical praise each and every week. Also, as I said in my Advent IV sermon: the car commercial of this season said it best, (a woman walks into her house where there is pure chaos, she backs out to find refuge in her car. As she reclines, the voice says, “experience the power of sanctuary.” With a tag line, “joy to the world.”) May our “sanctuary” in worship be a place where God’s kingdom dreams expand our dreams to match God’s!

♦ The church is at its best in reforming: this year we have combined youth ministry and Christian Education into a ministry team called “Faith Formation,” with Pastor Ballard as staff. With the retirement of Carlien Parlett, we will need children’s teachers and expanded adult offerings as we move forward to staff with lay leaders. We have added a Personnel committee to assess staffing, write new job descriptions and make evaluations (Cathy Wood-Rupert, chair), a Mutual Ministry Committee to be a pastoral concerns sounding board, and an Audit committee to assist the Treasurer as needed.

With the excellence in ministry of all the above, there are some concerns for the future:

♦ One is STEWARDSHIP, both financial and time/talent. I have spoken with Pastor Sabatelli who says he had hoped to do more in this area, especially in his last year but it did not happen. Pastor Tjornehoj tried once and received about 70 pledge commitments; this year, with about the same return, the committee has met and promises an on-going emphasis with the theme: “GENEROUS GOD-GENEROUS PEOPLE.” While financial offerings by members need to grow toward a tithe and beyond, the offering of time/talent is essential to ask lay leaders to step into council, committees and leadership. How do your gifts and abilities match with the needs of the church? Stewardship tries to be a match-maker within this Body of Christ.

♦ The church is at its best in serving. The shelter for women and children, the pre-school for children, the senior apartments, the Lutheran Center, the foresight of a parking garage, the foundation/endowment board, eucharistic ministers, Stephens’ ministers: all are serving in ways that serve others to the glory of God. With Thanksgiving baskets, or Seafarers boxes or Christmas gifts, this congregation often takes the lead immediately to pour forth an over-flow of abundant generosity. Outstanding serving of others pulsates through this Body of Christ.

♦ The church is at its best in inviting: proclaim and invite has saturated downtown with invitations to our special worship festivals; cards are available but we know from our church’s national research that the very best has to do with one-on-one personal invitations. This works. Try it and thanks to all who do! The gift of Jesus compels us to “go and tell” and “come and see.”

♦ The church is at its best in learning. We think of Sunday Church School for children; it more. Adults are primed to learn. There is a Wednesday bible study at 6:15 pm, there is a Friday morning bible study at 10 am, there is an adult forum (which is increasing in size) with various topics at 9:45 am, and there can be more. I would like to see increasing numbers of adults in our classes. Come!

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SHELTER DINNER DONATIONS

The Christ Church shelter dinner team will not be serving dinner on January 26. We will resume with our regular 4th Sunday serving schedule on February 26.

Sign-up for menu donations will be February 19 in the coffee hour room. Please stop by before or after any worship service and sign up to contribute an item from the menu.

If you are interested in becoming part of the serving team or simply helping out one Sunday, please contact Lynne Mason (lamason5@hotmail.com) or Yvonne Wilson (michaelyvonne@comcast.net).

Many thanks to the faithful members who assist in this ministry. The shelter guests are always grateful and appreciative, not only for the delicious meals but also for the time and effort that our members so generously contribute.
Join us for our monthly Adult Fellowship Events. Please note that dates/times are subject to change. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the chairperson of the scheduled event.

Members and friends of the congregation of all ages are invited to Adult Fellowship events. Sign-up is usually the two weeks before each event outside the coffee hour room or by contacting the coordinating persons.

Look for further details on these and future events in the weekly Christ Church email and in the Sunday worship bulletin.

**ONE-HOUR TOUR AND LUNCH AT THE GUINNESS OPEN GATE BREWERY**

**TENTATIVE DATE: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15**

5001 Washington Boulevard, in Halethorpe

12 Noon: Tour

1.00 PM: Lunch

*This event is for those 21 and over.*

Take a free, guided adventure around this historical site. Expert guides will get us up to speed on 260+ years of Guinness history, provide an overview of the Baltimore brewery, and answer any of our questions. We will also receive a complimentary keepsake combining over 260 years of Irish brewing experience with American beer creativity. Our site features an experimental brewery, taproom, restaurant, brand store, food truck and beer garden along with guided and self-guided tours.

Then, lunch from a menu of soups, salads, and brunch foods. Plus, of course, Guinness pints and soft drinks. To view the menu, visit the website at: https://www.guinnessbrewerybaltimore.com/menus/The_1817_Restaurant_Menu.pdf.

The brewery is easily accessible, almost directly off of Exit 3 on I-195, and offers dedicated parking onsite.

Contact Persons: Nancy Rice and Ed Tolzman, NLSMR@aol.com

**ADULT FELLOWSHIP SERVICE PROJECT**

**GENEROSITY FEEDS**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 21,**

10:00 am to 12:00

Christ Church Fellowship Hall

Come join us as Christ Church hosts a community event to package 10,000 meals to be distributed to area school children whose meals at school are often the only ones they get all week. Additional meal packages are put into their school backpacks on Fridays to give children food for the weekend.

This will be a friends and family event, the perfect opportunity to invite friends and acquaint them with some of the serving opportunities we have at Christ Lutheran.

We will need at least 100 folks to get all the meals packed that we hope to, so bring the whole family. There will be tasks for all ages.

There is no required cost for individual volunteers, but donations towards the cost of ingredients (which are about $1.00 per meal) is appreciated.

Contact: Rich Walther, rwalther@comcast.net

**Saturday, April 18**

Cryptologic NSA Museum Visit and Lunch in Laurel

**Contact:** james.steinmeier@verizon.net
We Share God’s Love at Christmas

Christmas is a time when the love and joy of serving our neighbor in need is so clearly evident here at Christ Church. Providing Christmas for 20 families in the shelter and 40 families that are former shelter residents takes the work of so families in our church and community. We provide the warm clothing they need as well as those special toys that they want. So many times it is the clothing – the socks, coats, boots, underwear and pajamas that are starred as the most desired items on the wish lists.

So many of our moms have recently moved to housing and need everything to set up a household. When we set up a household in transitional housing, we can usually do it for $2,000 with many donations of furniture and just buying the things that we do not have donated. Most of our moms who are working make a little above minimum wage and if they are receiving welfare, their checks are about $600 monthly. Imagine what a challenge it is to get all the basics things you need at those income levels.

There were many requests for pots and pans, microwaves, bed linens and towels this year that you so graciously filled.

The BOS Christmas party is a time of joy – a reunion with prior shelter residents. It is a time when we see how much the children grew. There are so many hugs and excitement as prior residents share what is going on in their lives. Every year we move 30 families from the shelter to permanent housing. There is so much gratitude at the help these families receive for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

One of the moms said, “I really appreciated the help I got in the shelter. But this is really special to me that you would continue to help our family at Christmas.” We are the only shelter that has this program. One of the moms said, “Well you are the best shelter.” I said, “That is our goal – to be the best and help the most.”

Every year some groups return – like the senior citizens from Divinity Lutheran who adopt a family and wrap gifts. We had twenty people from P.B. Mares - an accounting firm that one of our Board members works for help wrap and package all the gifts and make baskets for the kids to give to their moms. We had a new group from M&T Bank come this year with a Banner Hill resident who said, “I had no idea you were helping homeless families here with an emergency shelter and I live next door. The Department of Defense sent 3 groups to help – connections we got from attending Workplace Giving Fairs. Northrup Grumman and First Ellicott City adopt all the residents currently living in the shelter. Every year Val Harrison, Joyce Romnell and Joan Wright come faithfully to help prepare Christmas each week.

Children in our shelter and all over Baltimore are going to be so excited as they wake up to wonderful gifts on Christmas morning! May God bless you as you have blessed the lives of others.

Karen Adkins, Ph.D.
Executive Director, Baltimore Outreach Services
**GIFTS GIVEN TO GENERAL FUND**

In memory of:
- Kathryn Callahan
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- Harry Webster Hurst, Jr.
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- Harry Webster Hurst, Jr.
- Rebecca Meise
- Elsa Myers

By:
- GKG Law
- Linda Perry
- The Trebelhorns
- Bowen’s Farm Supply
- William & Jean Bay
- Charles Busse
- Dawn Carlson
- Karen Cockerham
- Daniel Meyers
- Charles & Shirley Ritter
- Ronald & Beth Ritter
- Mickie & Rob Sachs
- Ed Tolzman, Jr.
- Rae Shalowitz
- Ron Thomas & Lynn Mathieu

**GIFTS GIVEN TO ENDOWMENT FUND**

In memory of:
- Kathryn Callahan
- Harry Webster Hurst, Jr.

By:
- Edward Callahan
- John Holland

**GIFTS GIVEN TO MUSIC MINISTRY**

In honor of:
- Daniel Aune

By:
- Christ Church Choir

In memory of:
- Mark Drabkowski
- Mark Drabkowski
- Jim Wilmer

By:
- Donna Marie Wooditch
- Linda Lescalleet & Tony Konstant
- Pat Swayze

Recorded as of: December 30, 2019

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**PASTORAL ACTS**

“You are a child of God, sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.”

**December 1, 2019**
- Ryliee Badger

**December 22, 2019**
- Christopher Durfee
- Cullen Hutchison

**December 29, 2019**
- Alexandra Camp
- Ella Gainer

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**Deaths**

- Rebecca Meise
  - November 26, 2019

- Elsa Myers
  - December 22, 2019

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**Anniversaries**

- Jeannine & Paul Mueller
  - Celebrating 5 yrs. on January 2
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New Members
Received December 1

James Lebo
Stephanie Miller

Jennifer Anderson
Archibald & Sarah McKown
Lois Sieger

DEVOTIONS FOR JANUARY

January 1  Philippians 2:5-11
January 2  Psalm 72
January 3  Genesis 28:10-22
January 4  Exodus 3:1-5
January 5  John 1:[1-9] 10-18
January 6  Matthew 2:1-12
January 7  1 Kings 10:1-13
January 8  Ephesians 4:7, 11-16
January 9  Psalm 29
January 10  Acts 9:10-19a
January 11  1 Samuel 7:3-17
January 12  Matthew 3:13-17
January 13  Psalm 89:5-37
January 14  Jeremiah 1:4-10
January 15  Isaiah 51:1-16
January 16  Psalm 40:1-11
January 17  Acts 1:1-5
January 18  Matthew 16:13-19
January 19  John 1:29-42
January 20  Psalm 40:6-17
January 21  Hebrews 10:1-4
January 22  Isaiah 48:12-21
January 23  Psalm 27:1-6
January 24  Galatians 2:1-10
January 25  Galatians 1:11-24
January 26  Matthew 4:12-23
January 27  Psalm 27:7-14
January 28  Philippians 2:12-18
January 29  Luke 1:67-79
January 30  Psalm 15
January 31  1 Timothy 5:17-24

Attendance & Offering

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