

Living Hope Lutheran Church and
Christ the King Lutheran Church
Joint Church Council Meeting
January 17, 2024

Attendance: Pastor Daniel, Mark, Ellen, Gary, Shannon, Joe, Deb, Paul, Chris, Jen, Brad

Pastor began with a devotion: Gospel reading from Luke, 10:25-37.

Discussion followed as to its meaning and relevance followed by reporting good things that happened this past year and challenges for the future.

Pastor's Report: Pastor's Report (find the report on the google shared drive)

Highlights:

During Lent Wednesday services will be held at 7:00 preceded by a supper at 6:00.

Ash Wednesday is February 14 and the service will be at Christ the King.

The joint Christmas program and "Baby Shower for Jesus" was a mixed success. Participation, especially in the baby shower activities, was much less than I hoped for, but we collected a LOT of diapers for the diaper bank!

Thank you to everyone who helped with Christmas Day worship, especially Ralph Luedtke, when I couldn't be there!

Thank you to Sue Dobberpuhl for putting together the joint Christmas program service & baby shower for Jesus!

Thank you to Jen & Chris for delivering cookies on Christmas Eve morning to local businesses!

On February 16-18, I'll be with youth from Lighthouse (including at least one from each of our congregations) at the Quake youth weekend in Wisconsin Dells. Pastor Jon Jacobs will be here to lead worship at both Christ the King and Living Hope.

2023 Combined In-Person Attendance Average: 66 (Living Hope: 33; Christ the King: 33)

2022 Full Year Combined In-Person Attendance Average: 50

Weekly online "attendance" has averaged 10 at each congregation all year.

Joint services will be two most likely during the summer-outdoor service and following Vacation Bible School. God's work our hands was discussed without conclusion. These plans are not firm at this time. Vacation Bible School will be held at Living Hope.

Adjourned Joint meeting at 7:15 so that individual councils could separately.