Connecting with Christ

July Worship ScheduleSunday worship is held at 9:30 am. Coffee fellowship follows the 9:30 am service.

Sunday, July 7 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost9:30 am Service: Katie Ciorba, preaching and Jeff Lindgren, presiding

Sunday, July 14 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost-9:30 am Worship: Jim Bennett, preaching and presiding

Sunday, July 21 Sixth Sunday after Pentecost-9:30 am Worship: Stephanie Doeschot, preaching and presiding

Sunday, July 28 Seventh Sunday after Pentecost- 9:30 am Worship: Stephanie Doeschot preaching and presiding, Baptism of Iris Nickodemus

Staying in Touch with Each Other

We love to pray for one another, provide care and support when needed and celebrate good news in each other's lives. When you have a special occasion to share, please let us know at office@christwg.org and pastor@christwg.org. If you will be hospitalized or have another pastoral care need, please also let us know, so we can provide the level of support that you would desire. Especially in the summer with vacation times planned it can be difficult to know whether a person is absent from us for reasons other than vacations, so please keep us informed because we care about you and your well-being.

As you have noticed, we continue to welcome babies into the church family! It has been a welcome support for many to have a meal provided in the early weeks of adjustment for the parents, so Meal Trains are often organized. If you are willing to be on a list to be notified when a Meal Train is established for someone celebrating a birth, or when a person needs support following a hospitalization, please let Lisette know at office@christwg.org. Thanks for your care!

You have probably heard of the many "one anothers" in the Bible. Here are a few of the ways mentioned where we are directed to be connected with one another as members of the Body of Christ:

"Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." Galatians 6:2

"Be hospitable to one another." I Peter 4:10

"Encourage one another." Hebrews 10:25

"Be kind to one another." Ephesians 4:32

"Love one another." Romans 13:8 (and many more references)



Pastor's Word



Happy July!

As people of faith we live in the tension between being aware of the fallen world in which we live while simultaneously noticing where we see God's work of reconciliation and restoration taking place.

Worship models those two realities as we confess our brokenness and offer our prayers of intercession for the needs of others around us and in the space of the same hour, we receive the good news of the gospel and celebrate God's grace to us in Holy Communion.

I recently came across a news story that shows brokenness and the transcendent presence of God in such a beautiful way. Perhaps you have also heard of the protests that have been occurring in Hong Kong, a city of some seven million people. When legislation was proposed that would allow China to extradite fugitives from Hong Kong for the first time, concerns arose that it could lead to further erosions of the city's cherished freedoms.

Somehow as small groups gathered in protest, singing a simple round together over and over, a movement was born, with eventually nearly two million people participating in the process. And the song? It's "Sing Hallelujah to the Lord," with this simple chorus:

Sing Hallelujah to the Lord, Sing Hallelujah to the Lord, Sing Hallelujah, sing Hallelujah, Sing Hallelujah to the Lord.

Would you like to hear this song being sung by the populace of Hong Kong? Check it out here: https://time.com/5608882/sing-hallelujah-to-the-lord-protestors-hong-kong-extradition-anthem/

This movement has caused the officials to take notice, resulting in the suspension of the proposed legislation, even though resolution of this issue has not yet fully come. Not only is this good news for the citizens of Hong Kong, it's also inspiring for us to notice how this song of Hallelujah was sung in one accord by people of many different religious affiliations or of none at all. When conflicts with the enforcement authorities threatened to break out, as people continued to peacefully sing, the environment was transformed.

The gracious presence of God unites people and gives them a common hope. It is so encouraging to see this happening. Makes one wonder where and when similar movements of the spirit are bringing people together and giving them hope.

Let's open our eyes and the windows of our hearts to perceive what God is doing. Isaiah 43:19 says this:

"Behold I am doing a new thing, now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert."

I hope we'll share the signs of encouragement of what we perceive as God's redemptive actions with one another. As a counterpoint to sharing what concerns us in this broken world, let us also share where we see restoration and hope.

Peace! Pastor Stephanie

Encountering Meaning



July 4th at Christ Lutheran!

Please SIGN UP IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL or call

Joan O'Brien 314-991-4616, so we can determine the amount of ribs to purchase for lunch and who is available to help at what time. Join us for a fun day watching the Webster Groves Parade, which begins at 10AM (within a block of our Church). We need helpers starting at 8 a.m. to welcome float builders, parade walkers and spectators to our church as we open our restrooms, provide water, and offer a cooling room should the temperature soar. We will also need helpers after lunch to clean-up.

For early arriving Church members we'll need light breakfast food (bagels, fruit, and orange juice). These members will help set-up tables

and chairs – weather permitting- for our front lawn lunch, will help serve water to all, as well as distributing our holiday beads to the spectators seated near our Church. A Pot-Luck lunch will immediately follow the parade (about 1130AM).

PARKING – Selma and Lockwood Avenues are closed to traffic at 8 a.m., parking is available for Church members in our parking lot before 8:00 AM near the kitchen door; most other parking spaces have been set aside for Parade Administrators' parking.

WATER AND BEADS – There will be a stand in the Lockwood Ave. yard from which water and holiday beads will be handed out.

RESTROOMS –The church rest rooms will be available to the public. This is for both those involved in the parade and those watching it.

BARBECUE LUNCH – **approximately 1130AM** - A barbecue lunch will be served on the church front lawn (weather permitting) or in the Fellowship Hall. Delicious Webster Groves Lions club BBQ ribs will be provided, plus water, lemonade and iced tea. Those attending are encouraged to please bring a side to share – salad, dessert, etc... a free-will offering will be collected.



Creation Care Tip

Did you know you can easily start reducing the junk mail you receive by emailing and/or calling the sender? This is a great way to reduce how much is going into your recycle or trash bin daily. First, look on the junk mail for an email, website or phone number to contact to unsubscribe. If one isn't listed, you can visit the company's website for their contact information or unsubscribe form. Also, visit dmachoice.org to stop many direct mailings right away. Do you read the paper copy of Living Lutheran? No? Just email them at subscriptions@augsburgfortress.org. The publication is always available online and can be emailed to you like many other magazine subscriptions. Contact Kate Hoerchler in case of any questions about how wonderful it is to open a mailbox that isn't full of junk everyday!

Christ in the Country- Saturday, July 20th

See sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall or call the O'Brien's



The congregation is invited to the country log-home of Bob and Joan O'Brien Saturday, July 20th. Bob and Joan open their lake front/country home near St. Clair, MO (1 hr from Hwy 270 & 44). Please bring drinks for yourselves, plus food to share for the potluck lunch and sides to share for Bob's fish-fry dinner (fish is furnished). Rain or shine activities include: upper Meramec river for floating and swimming, paddle boating, children's fishing derby, jeep rides, games of washers, badminton, or just relaxing with a good book. Directions will be given to you upon sign-up; please be sure you receive them!

The O'Brien's air-conditioned home and fishing dock are partially handicap accessible with just 1 or 3 steps into the 2-story house. There are plenty of bathrooms/bedrooms for changing clothes after your water sports or for napping babies or seniors!! Hopefully you'll see some wildlife – geese, turkeys, Missouri Blue Birds, Purple Martins, and hummingbirds; the deer are best seen at dusk – if you can stay that late.

Activities begin about 9AM..it's OK to arrive earlier to fish; just please advise the O'Brien's - see phone numbers below.

Please bring beverages for yourself and food to share:

Lunch - served noonish to 1PM

Fishing Derby for the wee ones in the early afternoon about 2PM (if you don't have equipment, the O'Brien's have plenty on hand for you)

Dinner – served 5:30 or 6PM.(Please bring a salad, side dish or dessert to share...the fish is furnished – lightly breaded).

After dinner – stay if you can for the jeep rides to see the wildlife – best seen at dusk!

Please contact the O'Brien's with questions, for directions, and/or sign-ups. If you need a ride – Please contact Joan O'Brien hm-314.991.4616... wk-314.968.9600 x 233. Bob and Joan will be heading to their Farm on Friday evening; so at that time, please use the following numbers – Bob's cell 314.3021286 and/or phone at farm .573.860.3169 (let it ring a long time since we might be outside).

JOIN US FOR A RELAXING DAY WITH NATURE!

DON'T FORGET SWIMMING SUITS, SUNSCREEN, BUG SPRAY, AND OLD RIVER SHOES





ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS!

LET'S CELEBRATE **JULY ANNIVERSARIES** AND BIRTHDAYS!

Congratulations and Best Wishes! Your Christ Lutheran family wants to celebrate you! Every month we will honor anniversaries and birthdays with a special cake, party fun, and decorations after the service. This month we will celebrate on Sunday July 7, 2019.

07/21	Maggie Ringkor
07/23	Jason Kuziel
07/27	Megan Eftink, Kahlie McCarty
07/28	Thomas Allen, Roger Rose
07/29	Scott Glascock
07/30	Sherry Mitchler,
	Rev. Kenneth Haugk
07/31	Matt Ciorba
07/31	Steven McCarty

ANNIVERSARIES:

07/03 Erin & Dave Eftink, Jr. 07/16 Shelby & Tim Bolhafner 07/21 Alena & Kersten Horn

	BIRTHDAYS:
07/02	Edith Cooper
07/03	Leslie Bennett
07/04	Taimika Askew-Sunkara
07/06	Susan DeBusk
07/07	Ruth Lytle
07/12	Stephanie Lenhart
07/13	Carolyn Crowe, Matthew Hoyer,
	Gwen Hickman, Phil Doeschot
07/14	Dane Stole
07/16	Dianne Drollinger,
	Lauren Bennett
07/17	Luke Dopuch
07/18	Kim Joern

Our apologies if we missed anybody! Please let us know if we did.

CLC Suggestion Box

Have an idea for how Christ Lutheran Church can make your experience better? Submit an anonymous note at http://freesuggestionbox.com/pub/stwuunh and we will do our best to help!"

Thanks very much!

JULY 2019 "WHO-DO" LIST

July 79:30 a.m.Key PersonMike HoyerAssisting MinisterSandy HoyerAcolyteLuke Dopuch

Ushers Mike Wagner/Roger Rose

Lector Larry Hill

Presenters
Altar Guild
Flower Team
Nursery
Counters

Mike and Kristin Hill
Harriet Scholle
Sandy Hoyer
Lynnae Ruff
Dave Austin

Refreshments Melissa Allen/Katie Ciorba/Kate Dopuch

July 149:30 a.m.Key PersonKeith LissantAssisting MinisterRachel HeltonAcolyteIsaac Helton

Ushers Brett Bussler/Jim Bennett

Lector Joan Rivas

PresentersSylvia Rogers/Gale NunnAltar GuildKeith & Nancy LissantFlower TeamFaith Moore/Nancy Lissant

Nursery Lynnae Ruff

Counters Joan O'Brien/David Fey

Refreshments Carolyn Lange/Ellen Mead/Flo Saeger/Brianna Schmidt

July 219:30 a.m.Key PersonJoan O'BrienAssisting MinisterCarolyn Crowe

Acolyte TBA

Ushers Mike Hoyer/Alan Richter

Lector Roger Rose

PresentersDianne Deck/Tom PalazzoloAltar GuildKathy Kuziel/Angela Bratcher

Flower Team Dianne Deck
Nursery Lynnae Ruff
Counters Susan DeBusk

Refreshments Erin Eftink/Sarah Keifer/Janet Roock/Judy Wessler

July 289:30 a.m.Key PersonMatt BenderAssisting MinisterKersten Horn

Acolyte TBA

Ushers Peter & Becca Jordan

Lector Matt Bender

Presenters Peter & Becca Jordan
Altar Guild Matt & Sarah Bender
Flower Team Sarah Bender
Nursery Lynnae Ruff
Counters Sarah Keifer

Refreshments Carolyn Crowe/Sandy Hoyer/John Hoffmann

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



75 years ago, Carolyn Kruse Crowe was born in the tiny hamlet of Odell, Nebraska (about 70 miles south of Lincoln), and spent her childhood on the family's general farm in northern Kansas. She and her five younger siblings were expected to help with the usual farming chores and large garden, and the family was actively involved with the local 4-H club. Carolyn attended Valparaiso University, then Lutheran Hospital School of Nursing. Various nursing positions have included clinical instructor in labor and delivery, in-service coordinator, and pediatric nurse practitioner in the evaluation center for the Special School District of St. Louis County. While pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree at Webster University, Carolyn was introduced to the specialty of parish nursing, and has served Christ Lutheran in that position for many years.

Faith Community Nursing is a movement among several thousand Registered Nurses in the U.S. and abroad. These Registered Nurses focus on the intentional care of the spirit, the importance of the wholistic model of health, and prevention of illness within the context of a community of faith. Monthly blood pressure evaluations are the most visible part of Carolyn's position at Christ Lutheran, and she regularly consults with the pastors to determine how best to meet the pastoral care needs of our members.

Carolyn has been actively involved with the Common Sense Gun Solutions committee of Women's Voices Raised for Social Justice, and the Mitrata Foundation for Children in Nepal. She and husband Bob have two children, Emily and Andy, and three grandchildren: Ellie, Audrey and Atlas. They love opera, the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, and travel.

BLOOD PRESSURE AND BLOOD SUGAR SCREENINGS

Carolyn Crowe, Faith Community Nurse and Director of Senior Adult Ministries, will do blood pressure and blood sugar screenings on **Sunday, July 7th**. You can find her in the Fellowship Hall after the worship service. You can also make an appointment with Carolyn for a blood pressure or blood sugar check up, by calling her at either the church, 314-962-6011, or her cell phone 314-277-2164.



MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY



Introduction to L'Arche

As most of you have noticed, a new non-profit has moved into the Mead Center. But this is not just any non-profit. First, we should get something out of the way, the group has a funny name that is hard to pronounce: L'Arche (pronounced LAR-shh). L'Arche - French for "ark" – is a community that provides homes and workplaces where people with and without intellectual disabilities live and work together as peers. Its goal is to create inclusive communities of faith and friendship and consequently transform society through relationships that cross social boundaries. It can be summed up in the following quote from L'Arche founder Jean Vanier.

"Each human being, however small or weak, has something to bring to humanity. As we start to really get to know others, as we begin to listen to each other's stories, things begin to change. We begin the movement from exclusion to inclusion, from fear to trust, from closeness to openness, from judgment and prejudice to forgiveness and understanding. It is a movement of the heart."

L'Arche was started in 1964 and has grown to 140 communities in 37 countries around the world. L'Arche St. Louis was founded in 2011 and today has 3 houses, two in Maplewood and one in Webster, where 10 core members (people with a disability) live with associates (the employees). These homes are not just your typical long-term care facilities. Core members and assistants share day-to-day activities, including meals, chores, leisure activities, outings, and celebrations. There are also live-out assistants, volunteers, friends, family, and board members who participate in daily activities as well. To get a good feel for L'Arche, I invite you to youtube or google "A day in St. Louis L'Arche", a 9 minute video.

If you visit the Mead Center during the day, you will more than likely run into Paula Kilcoyne, the community leader. You will also run into her wonderful leadership team and some visiting core members and assistants. You may also run into me. I am a Board member of L'Arche St. Louis and would be happy to talk to anyone who has questions. My email is jesse.helton@slu.edu. Paula, the leadership team, and the board are thrilled with the new space at the Mead Center.

Christ Lutheran First Friends Program

Interested in helping new members acclimate to Christ Lutheran? Have you been a First Friend in the past and want to remain so? Send an email to CLC.inreach@gmail.com for more information!

ADULT MISSION TRIP 2019

On Saturday, June 1, I went with three people from Emmanuel Episcopal Church in our church van on this years Adult Mission Trip. We left early in the morning and drove about 16 hours to the Rosebud Indian Reservation in South Dakota.

On the reservation we worked with Habitat for Humanity doing a variety of projects. In Rosebud, Habitat is no longer building new houses due to the amount of hassle to get them placed with the

tribe, BIF, and state authorities. Instead, they work in two other areas. One area is repairing housing and other buildings around the reservation. This year that included doing emergency repairs to the roof of a house, fixing the stairs on another house, and repairing doors on two churches. The second area of work is doing projects to help the community. One of these projects is a wood program to help people with firewood during the winter. In the summer, wood is gathered, cut up, and split to stock up for next winter. Part of our group also worked on cleaning up and painting a house that was repossessed by the bank

and given to Habitat.



One afternoon, we took off work to do some sightseeing. We drove up to see an Indian museum and statue called Destiny. This is about 40 to 50 feet tall, and overlooking the Missouri River where Lewis and Clark made one of their stops. We drove home to St. Louis on Saturday, June 8.

- Keith Lissant



July 2019 GIVE-A-MEAL-A-MONTH

- Beef Meal
- · Whole wheat flour
- Canned green vegetable
- · Canned fruit in light syrup or own juices
- Powdered milk or shelf-stable boxed milk or soy milk
 Return to Church by Sunday, July 21 2019

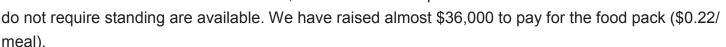
A meal a month for you, a meal a month for your neighbor. Please fill a yellow shopping bag or two (available in the Fellowship Hall) with food items and return them to CLC. Any donation is appreciated!



FOOD PACK

A group of Central States Synod-ELCA congregations in North St. Louis County, MO, have joined together to sponsor a food pack with Feed My Starving Children. The congregations invite you to join them! See below for details to register!

The food pack is Saturday, July 13th, 2019. It is hosted at Atonement Lutheran Church in Florissant. You can come as a group with your friends, co-workers, family or neighbors - or come by yourself and make new friends. You can choose from three shifts: 8 a.m., 11:15 a.m. or 2:30 p.m. Jobs that



Come help us make the day a success by helping us pack the food. We need over 700 volunteers, so we cannot do it without lots of help!!! We also need help setting up on Friday and packing up on Saturday after the last shift. To register visit <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/cis-feed-my-starving-children-mobilepack-2019-tickets-56251725425?fbclid=lwAR28EGwaOUSQ_tJX-DaEXpXT7PzvWWG-0347DTalU8WyKGPg3lt6C6xq6Ck&aff=odeimcmailchimp&utm_source=EMC+Contacts&utm_campaig_n=a4dac42cb1-

MAIL CAMPAIGN 2019 06 14 03 19&utm medium=email&utm term=0 124c1748d7-a4dac42cb1-73238415&mc cid=a4dac42cb1&mc eid=b7fb7dba8c . We hope to see you there for a very fun, rewarding day!



Christian Service will be sponsoring a back-to-school supply drive in July to benefit students who receive services through Webster Rock Hill Ministries. Please place items in the collection box in the narthex beginning Sunday, July 7th through Sunday, July 28th. Needed items are listed below. Thank you!

Wide Markers, Narrow Markers, College Rule Spiral Notebooks, Wide Spiral Notebooks, Black and White Composition Books, Pocket folders with prongs, poly if possible, yellow, red, green, blue and some purple, Dry erase markers, fine point, Yellow highlighters, College rule paper, Red pens, Pencil sharpeners, Full size bottles of hand sanitizer, Boxes of Kleenex, Spiral notebooks with graph/grid paper, Packs of 3x5 cards, Flash drives, 1 -2 inch binders (white).

Many teachers are also requesting: fine tip sharpies, sanitizing wipes like Lysol or Clorox, gallon baggies, quart baggies, paper towels, pencil boxes or bags, headphones or earbuds, post-it notes, and reams of copy paper.

July 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves 6p Fitness Group	2 10a Bible Text Study – Conference Rm	3	Independence day 10am WBG parade	5	6
7 9:15a Childcare 9:30a Worship 10:45a BP Screen- ing, Coffee Fellow- ship	8 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves 6p Fitness Group	9 10a Bible Text Study – Conference Rm	10	11 6p Fitness Group	12	13
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WORSHIP SCHEDULE: SUNDAY AT 8:00 A.M. AND 10:30 A.M. CHILDCARE: 7:45 A.M. - NOON

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: TUES/THUR 8:30-3:30. WED/FRI 8:00-4:00

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Christ Lutheran Church Mission Statement

Deepening people's connection to Christ, Bringing meaning to daily life, and making a difference in our community.



Please join L'Arche, the Community of Faith & Light, and St. Francis Xavier College Church for a service celebrating the life and legacy of Jean Vanier.

Followed by a reception with light refreshments

When: Tuesday, July 16 at 7pm

Where: St. Francis Xavier College Church 3628 Lindell Blvd, St. Louis, MO 63108 *Free parking is available in the Laclede Garage