



ONE IN CHRIST

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June Worship Schedule

Sunday worship is held at 9:30 am. Coffee fellowship follows the 9:30 am service.

Sunday, June 2 Seventh Sunday in Easter, 9:30 am Service will be held in the Sanctuary:

Stephanie Doeschot, preaching and presiding

Sunday, June 9 Day of Pentecost- 9:30 am

Worship: Jim Bennett, preaching, Roger Ruff, presiding

Sunday, June 16 Holy Trinity Sunday- Father's Day, Chicago Folk Service- 9:30 am Worship:

Stephanie Doeschot, preaching, Mark Rook, presiding

Sunday, June 23 Second Sunday after

Pentecost - Baptism of Julia Ely, 9:30 am

Worship: Stephanie Doeschot preaching, Mark Rook, presiding

Sunday, June 30 Third Sunday after Pentecost

- 9:30 am Worship: Stephanie Doeschot preaching, Jim Bennett, presiding

The month of June sees us moving from the Ascension of Christ into Pentecost, the longest season of the church year by far. As Christ ascends, preparing his followers for the new reality of how his presence will be among them, the church is "born" at Pentecost. Just as the early church discovered how God's call to be witnesses of God's grace, presence and transformation, the church today experiences the freshness of the breath of the Spirit, deepening the life of the community as well as compelling it to share its vitality outward.

So many signs of vibrancy, refreshed hope and joy are present at Christ Lutheran as God's presence continues to breathe life into our midst. Here are but a few of the noticeable movements of the Spirit among us:

- Mead Center development - L'Arche moving in to administer its ministry from 17 Selma. Here is a brief introduction to L'Arche locally, although it is a significant international community: <http://larchestlouis.org> Thanks to so many volunteers preparing the space for L'Arche offices, as well as the recent upgrades including the new A/C installation, the Mead Center is being revitalized as a center for diverse community ministries, as was the original intention for its use.
- Babies, baptisms and new faces appearing among us!
- A new group forming to point us all toward greater Care for Creation
- The Renovation Team has picked up steam in moving forward with more concrete visions and dreams for the renovation of 1 Selma. Specifics will be shared soon.
- The Stewardship mailing each person should have received by mail invites us to give of our time, talent and treasure to the expanding ministry of Christ Lutheran Church as active witnesses to the grace of God desiring to share what we have been given to honor God and to bless others.

Pastor's Word²

Pentecost is coming soon! We'll celebrate on June 9th the coming of the Holy Spirit to invigorate the people of God to BE the people of God as the church!

This very long season in the church year, stretching as it does all the way through Christ the King Sunday in November and ending as Advent begins, is a season of **growth**.

Just as flowers, trees, bushes, and gardens all around us are in the season of growth, the church is also called to grow and blossom into vital, colorful, fruitful expression of God's life-giving presence among us.

I wonder what that will look like at Christ Lutheran Church in the coming months.

Thinking about summer growth reminds me of the reading programs that local libraries are inviting us into. And no doubt, we all recognize the stimulating growth that occurs through reading good materials.

- Therefore, the Worship Team is collecting Bibles, new and used that are in good condition, to place in the pews for easy reference. If you have NRSV or NIV Bibles to share, please place them on the table in the conference room to be put into service over the summer.
- Interest has also been shown by a few people to have a mini-library of good reading materials available to all, so thought is being put into what shape that might take. If planning for this interests you, please contact Carolyn Crowe or me about this.

Building and nurturing relationships with one another helps individuals and the church to experience growth.

- As social events are promoted in the coming months, we are given the opportunity for more than fun times together. Somehow, through sharing our lives with one another, spiritual and emotional growth occur that really enhance the health and growth of the church.
- Inviting one another out for coffee, lunch, dinner, Cardinals games, tennis....whatever venue works best for you, promotes growth that may seem intangible but makes a real difference in our life together.

Since the summer schedule in the church slows down in terms of programs and weekly planning, it becomes a vital time to dream and envision one-off times for service as well as imagining new ministry opportunities.

- Conversations about how to address issues of affordable housing, race relations, how to connect effectively with Webster University and several others are heard to be floating around the church now and then. Summer provides more space and time to gather with a couple of people of similar interest and wonder about where God's Spirit is nudging and providing resources for action.
- Asking any of the Council members who head up committees where you could help when you have an hour or two would be a nice surprise for them and would give you a better idea of what it takes for the ministries of the church to be fulfilled and growing.

You are an alive, growing body, Christ Lutheran! I look forward to seeing new shoots of life popping up and additional fruit to what you are already producing coming to fruition. I know that you are eager to see those things, too.

Pastor Stephanie



July 4th at Christ Lutheran!

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).

Please SIGN UP IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL or call Joan O'Brien 314-991-4616, so we know how many ribs to purchase and who will be helping – at what time!

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 BBQ ribs will be provided by the Webster Lions Club, 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.

Christ in the Country- Saturday, July 20th

You're invited to the country 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 food for a potluck lunch and drinks for yourselves, plus a side to share for Bob's 5:30 p.m. fish-fry dinner (fish is furnished). Rain or shine our property offers several lakes plus the 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. Enjoy the lovely outdoors or stay inside the air conditioned home and just look at the lake. Stay after dinner to see wildlife and have jeep tours. Sign up in the Fellowship Hall. Maps will be furnished!

Invitation to the Central States Synod Women of the ELCA Conference

You are invited to attend the 32nd annual convention of the Central States Synod Women of the ELCA, August 16-18, 2019, at the Holiday Inn, Wichita, Kansas. Navigation to the hotel is easy, located at the corner of Kellogg (Hwy 400) and Rock Road. There is a lot of parking, a variety of restaurants, and a mall close by.

The theme is "Wonderfully Made" from Psalm 139:14: I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well. "Sanctuary" is the hymn.





Creation Care at Christ

Christ Lutheran's Creation Care Team met for the first time on May 19th. Members include Flo Saeger, Carolyn Crowe, Ellen Mead, Sherry Mitchler, Kate Hoerchler and Alena Horn. Among other things, the new team is hoping to provide the congregation with monthly Creation Care Tips (see below for the first example), suggestions for a more pollinator-friendly grounds, occasional Creation Care-themed Sunday School and Adult Forum lessons, and suggestions to reduce energy and consumption. If you are interested in becoming involved or have any ideas along these lines, please let Alena at alena@umlauter.com know.

Creation Care Tip

We all know about recycling plastic grocery bags, but did you know you can also recycle other types of plastic bags and wrappers in the recycling bins at the store? The following items can be recycled as long as they are clean and dry:

Retail, carryout, produce, newspaper, bread and dry cleaning bags

Zip top food storage bags

Product wrap on cases of water/soda bottles, paper towels, napkins, disposable cups, bathroom tissue, diapers and feminine hygiene products

Do not include any of the following:

Pre-washed salad mix bags

Frozen food bags

Chip bags

Six-pack rings

For additional information about recycling plastic bags and wrappers, please go to www.plasticfilmrecycling.org

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!

ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS!

LET'S CELEBRATE JUNE 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 June 2, 2019.

ANNIVERSARIES:

06/07 Carole & Mark Lewis
Perry Yee & Szu Ching Fu
06/10 Larry & Kathy Hill
06/20 Ronni & Gary Knubley
Megan & Colin Meadows
06/23 Kathy & Jerry Kuziel
06/25 Susanne & Dave Fey
06/27 Paul & Stephanie Lenhart
06/28 Janet & Mark Roock
06/30 Flo & Vic Saeger,
Betty & Woody Erickson

BIRTHDAYS:

06/01 Katherine Mudd
06/04 Sarah Bender, Joan Rivas,
Joshua Wood
06/06 Megan Lewis
06/08 Ward Holmes, Carolyn Lange

06/10 Reid Bartek, Erin Eftink
06/12 Anna Bussler
06/15 David Ciorba
06/17 Sam Allen
06/18 Evelyn Bolhafner, Evan Deck
06/19 David Cramer, Jordon Joern,
Katrina Lynn
06/22 Carole Lewis
06/23 David Austin, Wyatt Bussler
06/24 Kristin Hill
06/27 Lauren Dopuch
06/28 Nesiah Yee
06/29 Kersten Horn
06/30 Hamise Askew-Sunkara,
Sandra Hoyer

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

JUNE 2019 "WHO-DO" LIST

June 2	9:30 a.m.
Key Person	Joan O'Brien
Assisting Minister	Katie Ciorba
Acolyte	James Gilliland
Ushers	Joe Bartek/Jim Bennett
Lector	Joe Bartek
Presenters	Vic & Flo Saeger
Altar Guild	Harriet Scholle
Flower Team	Sandy Hoyer
Nursery	Lynnae Ruff
Counters	Dave Austin/Sarah Keifer
Refreshments	Erin Eftink/Sarah Kiefer/Janet Roock/Judy Wessler
June 9	9:30 a.m.
Key Person	Matt Bender
Assisting Minister	John Hoffmann
Acolyte	TBA
Ushers	Brett Bussler/Mike Hoyer
Lector	Kim Donermeyer
Presenters	Mike & Kristin Hill
Altar Guild	Keith & Nancy Lissant
Flower Team	Faith Moore/Nancy Lissant
Nursery	Lynnae Ruff
Counters	Joe Bartek/David Fey
Refreshments	Carolyn Crowe/Sandy Hoyer/John Hoffmann
June 16	9:30 a.m.
Key Person	Keith Lissant
Assisting Minister	Flo Saeger
Acolyte	TBA
Ushers	Colleen Wagner/Mike Wagner
Lector	Joan Rivas
Presenters	Gale Nunn/Donna Munger
Altar Guild	Kathy Kuziel/Angela Bratcher
Flower Team	Harriet Scholle/Nancy Lissant
Nursery	Lynnae Ruff
Counters	Susan DeBusk/Joan O'Brien
Refreshments	Melissa Allen/Katie Ciorba/Kate Dopuch
June 23	9:30 a.m.
Key Person	Mike Hoyer
Assisting Minister	Rachel Helton
Acolyte	Isaac Helton
Ushers	Roger Rose/Alan Richter
Lector	Matt Bender
Presenters	Matt & Sarah Bender
Altar Guild	Matt & Sarah Bender
Flower Team	Ellen Mead/Joan Rivas
Nursery	Lynnae Ruff
Counters	Sarah Bender/Dave Austin
Refreshments	Annika & Joe Bartek/Angela Bratcher/Harriet Scholle/Sally Wachtman

JUNE 2019 "WHO-DO" LIST

June 30	9:30 a.m.
Key Person	Peter Jordan
Assisting Minister	John Hoffmann
Acolyte	James Gilliland
Ushers	Peter & Becca Jordan
Lector	Carolyn Lange
Presenters	Bob & Joan O'Brien
Altar Guild	Carolyn Lange/Janet Roock
Flower Team	Harriet Scholle/Nancy Lissant
Nursery	Lynnae Ruff
Counters	Joe Bartek/Joan O'Brien
Refreshments	Alena Horn/Jadee Lauer/Sarah Ringkor/Lynnae Tanner Ruff

Father's Day

This June 16th, the fifth Sunday in Easter, we give thanks to God for the gift of Fatherhood and celebrate and remember all the fathers who have influenced our lives.

Happy Father's Day



SAVE THESE DATES!

Thursday, July 4 – the Fourth of July parade - Watch the parade with others in the church front yard and stay for the BBQ afterward. Please sign up to volunteer with set up, to be hosts for our visiting neighbors and more.

Wednesday, July 12 – 6pm **Worship Committee meeting** in the conference room.

Tuesday, July 18 – 7pm **Church Council meeting** in the conference room.

Saturday July 20– 10am- Christ in the Country at the O'Brien Country home near St. Clair, MO (1 hr from Hwy 270 & 44).



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, June 2nd**. 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.



GIVE-A-MEAL-A-MONTH

June, 2019

- Boxed whole wheat pasta
- Canned Tomato or Pasta sauce
- Canned low sodium vegetable (your choice)
- Canned fruit in light syrup or own juices
- Powdered milk or shelf-stable boxed milk or soy milk

Baby Food Month: fruits, vegetables, rice, cereal

Return to Church by Sunday, June 28, 2019

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

Peanut butter, jelly, fruit rolls, and tea bags are always welcome. And donations of disposable diapers, feminine products, and hygiene products are always appreciated. Thank you for remembering your neighbors.



Presiding Bishop addresses well-being of children in detention centers



Rev. Elizabeth Eaton
Presiding Bishop, ELCA

Children coming to our nation for safety and protection are still dying at our southern border while in U.S. detention.

Carlos, a 16-year-old youth from Guatemala, [died](#) May 20 in the custody of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Customs and Border Protection (CBP). Wilmer, a 2-year-old, [died](#) May 14, also in the custody of CBP. They were preceded in death by [Jackelin](#), [Felipe](#), [Juan](#) and a 10-year-old girl from El Salvador who [died](#) in September 2018 but whose death has just been disclosed. One year ago, [Claudia Patricia Gómez González](#), a 20-year-old woman from Guatemala, was shot in the head and killed by a Border Patrol agent while seeking safety in the United States.

I am deeply dismayed by the deaths of these children, made in the image of God, who came to our southern border as refugees and asylum seekers to ask us for protection. As a nation we denied them that safety, instead placing them in detention facilities, sometimes for months.

Our nation and its leaders have moral and legal obligations on behalf of those who seek safety in our land. As Congress considers federal funding for DHS, we advocate against further funds for immigration detention, deportation, and border militarization, and oppose intentional policy choices that harm children and families.

We follow a Lord who instructed, "Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs" (Matthew 19:14). As we continue to serve and love our neighbor, we pray for the well-being of children and families in detention, and we urge the presidential administration to seek alternatives to the detention of children.

In Christ,
The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton
Presiding Bishop, ELCA

Congregational Vitality Workshop
Embracing Change and Leadership

Saturday, June 22, 2019

Change happens. To live, to grow is to change. But change can be hard to deal with, let alone embrace. In church we sing, “On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand” in praise of the God became incarnate, died and rose, and sent the Spirit who like the wind blows where it will. (Some would say a God who “adapts” so that we might know and experience this God.)



Leadership is important. We hear a lot about “adaptive” leadership these days which is often compared to “technical” changes. Adaptive leadership is a framework that helps organizations adapt and thrive in challenging environments and does involve technical changes.

Research has shown that the most effective leadership is “leadership that inspires others.” What does that look like in the church, on the council, in the pastoral office? How do we exercise leadership in ways that embrace change, that inspires others, that facilitates growth and transformation in the church?

Leadership is a key focus of the ELCA and the Central States Synod. It is **vital** to congregational **vitality**. Our next congregational vitality workshop will be:

Embracing Change and Leadership. At these workshops, we will explore:

1. Shared Leadership (council and pastor, committees and lay leaders, synod staff and congregations)
2. Change Theory (congregations can bend, but do not break them)
3. Inspiring Leadership

Adaptive Leadership

These workshops will be held on **Saturday, June 22 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** in three locations across the synod:

- St. Louis (location to be announced)
- Martin Luther Lutheran Church, Lees Summit, MO
- Redeemer Lutheran, Salina, KS

The cost is \$15 a person which includes lunch. To register for the workshop in St. Louis please e-mail Jane Brda at communicationsemc@gmail.com. To register for the workshops in Lees Summit or Salina, please e-mail scandea@css-elca.org. Please include the location you wish to attend, the names of individuals attending, e-mail addresses, and congregational membership.

June 2019

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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

RESIDENT INTERIM PASTOR
PASTOR STEPHANIE
DOESCHOT OFFICE HOURS:
TUE-THUR 8:00-4:00, APPTS BY
ARRANGEMENT

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PERRY YEE

VBS at Emmanuel

May I Have Your Attention, Please?

Here are a few scenes from Day 2 of our joint VBS with Emmanuel Episcopal where our children were challenged to hear from God and to respond in love and service to others.



Christ Lutheran Church Mission Statement

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