



ONE IN CHRIST

Week of September 14 - 20, 2020

PASTOR'S WORD



I read somewhere once that, no matter what a person had, once their basic needs were met, they all felt they would be happier—content—with just 10% more. From the millionaire with three mansions, to the person living in a home just big enough for their family, this was the pattern. “If I just had 10% more, it would truly be enough.” Anyone else get into this way of thinking? It is so easy to slip into, and we are immersed in a culture that seems to constantly tell us that we need just one more thing. Just a little bit more. Reading the Exodus story for this Sunday, about the manna in the desert, brought this to mind, and reminded me of how different God’s perspective is on this. The Israelites were frustrated, feeling like they might actually have been better off in Egypt, and God shows them a different way. Every evening, meat. Every morning, manna for the day. Not enough to store, but enough to eat for the day, for all of them. It got me thinking. Where have I seen God providing for me, giving me what I need, for today? One of my kitties helped me wake up, snuggling me and letting me know it was time. My wife made me stir fry for dinner, one of my favorites. A college friend sent a long e-mail, reconnecting about life and ministry. The famous St. Louis humidity dropped, allowing us to spend a long time sitting outdoors. Not enough to store, perhaps, but plenty of joy and connection and nourishment for the day. Where have you seen God providing for you, today?



People of Faith Seeking Change for Justice and Community in Webster Groves

Friday evening, I spent half an hour standing vigil on Lockwood, along with members and clergy from Peace UCC, Emmanuel Episcopal, and several other communities of faith along Lockwood in Webster, all of us claiming that racism and white supremacy in our communities cannot continue. We stood together, as people of faith, committed to seeking justice for people of color in Webster Groves and beyond. Horns honked, hands waved, and I had a delightful conversation with one of our neighbors as they walked their dog past Christ Lutheran. I plan to be there every Friday, and invite all of you to join me. Members of our neighboring churches are planning an outdoor gathering on the evening of Friday September 25 for all people of faith, and anyone else interested, so we can dream together about how to make a difference for good in the community of Webster Groves. As Jesus stood for justice, and broke down barriers of all kinds, we are called to do the same. Please stay tuned, and plan to join me!

Pastor Meagan

Finding A Faithful Response to Racism in Our World

Join a small group from Christ Lutheran to explore the intersection of faith and race. We will meet every three weeks to discuss what we have read, and to encourage and hold one another accountable in our efforts to learn about and counter racism in ourselves and the world around us. We will begin by reading *Stand Your Ground* by Kelly Brown Douglas

Our next meeting will be September 16 at 8:00pm, via Zoom.

***Stand Your Ground* by Kelly Brown Douglas**

A mother with a teenage son, Kelly Brown Douglas feels the shooting of 17-year-old Trayvon Martin as an immediate family danger, an all-too-familiar story in the black community. In *Stand Your Ground*, the theologian and Episcopal priest traces white exceptionalism in American history from the Massachusetts Bay Company to Manifest Destiny to the Stand Your Ground laws in Florida that protected the “watch captain” who shot Trayvon from criminal charges.

Consider purchasing the book from a local bookstore! Here is information about a few.

<https://www.riverfronttimes.com/stlouis/st-louis-best-bookstores-a-complete-guide/Content?oid=15037926>

ADULT FORUM

Our plan is for adult forums to happen twice a month and feature both members of the congregation and outside speakers. If you have ideas or suggestions contact Harriet Scholle. Email:

hscholle3@gmail.com.

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! You





Stewardship & Offerings

We continue to worship and reach out to people in different ways than we're traditionally accustomed. Staff and members are reaching out proactively to make sure everyone in our congregation is cared for, and connected, as much as possible. We are re-imagining ministry! Now more than ever, it takes all of us to make that happen.

We can continue to fund our church and the important work we're doing with a few easy clicks:

1. Visit [our donation website](#) directly or go to www.christwg.org and scroll down to the 'Give Now' button.
2. You may make a one time or recurring gift. There are NO FEES to withdraw directly from your bank account. Fees do apply for debit/credit card transactions.
3. Optional: set up a profile to be able to change your recurring gifts at any time or view your giving history.
4. Want to walk through the steps with someone? Contact Kate Hoerchler, 314-805-1751, katehoerchler@gmail.com

If you prefer to make your offering by check or cash, there are mailing envelopes included in your offering envelope package.

Joan O'Brien and Lynnae Ruff, Stewardship Chairs

Youth Zoom Hangout, Sunday September 27 at 3:30 PM

If you have been confirmed and are interested in connecting with other youth, join us for discussion during our normal time on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at 3:30 PM.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/924665200?pwd=OWYvT0Z5MmdoVG84R3dDUmJXVXd5dz09>

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Dial by your location

+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

Meeting ID: 924 665 200

Password: 271433





Voter Registration Day

With Covid-19 and so many changes to voting processes, we want to be sure everyone has the information they need to vote safely this November.

On September 22, Voter Registration Day, Christ Lutheran will host a parking lot voting registration station. The purpose is strictly to provide information about voting registration, and options for voting safely, in person or by mail. No partisan or issue-related information will be provided.

We need 1-2 volunteers to be at the table in the parking lot for 2-2.5 hours, to talk with people in their cars and get them the information they need. All information will be provided by MO Faith Voices. Any time of day works, for 2-2.5 hours. Please let Pastor Meagan know if you are interested!

Do You Have Your Voting Plan Ready?

If you are not already registered to vote, register! And, be talking to your friends and neighbors and colleagues about the need to vote! If you aren't sure how to vote safely this year, visit the Secretary of State Office website or call them to find out your options. More information to come!

LST Zoom Class

Lutheran School of Theology St Louis is pleased to offer a Zoom class on Themes in the Gospel of Mark, taught by Dr. Mark Allan Powell, Emeritus Professor of New Testament, Trinity Lutheran Seminary.

For the past few years, Lutheran School of Theology has offered a fall class in anticipation of the coming lectionary year beginning in Advent. Special care is taken to enlist scholars who are equipped to give an enlightening and well-researched overview of the key themes of the Gospel for the coming year for anyone who is ready to grow in understanding the uniqueness of the particular Gospel featured. The class is also valuable for preachers and teachers who will be challenged to see how the writer of the Gospel lifts up particular messages for the faith development of the church.

Year B begins on November 29, 2020, so in preparation this class will be conducted via Zoom on three consecutive Thursdays:

October 29, November 5 and November 12, 2020 from 9:00 – 11:00 am.

Cost: \$50

To register there are two choices:

1) Register by Monday, October 26 here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/themes-in-the-gospel-of-mark-tickets-118204429631>

2) Pay by check and send to: Lutheran School of Theology, 475 East Lockwood Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63119. Check and registration information (name, email address, mailing address, home church) must be received by October 26.

Contact Program Administrator Stephanie Doeschot at lststlinfo@gmail.com or 636.357.1987.

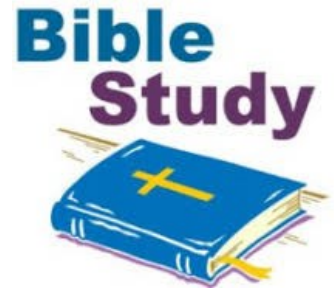
Fellowship at CLC

Zoom Bible Study, Tuesday September 15th, 10:00 am

“David was a man after God’s own heart.”

What does it mean to be someone “after God’s own heart”? David, Old Testament shepherd, king and psalmist, offers an answer in the shape of his own life.

The Tuesday morning Bible study group is using a study guide by Charles R. Swindoll, “David: A Man of Passion & Destiny.” We meet at 10 am via Zoom each Tuesday. The long-time participants in this group have each received a copy of the book, and if others would like to join us for this discussion, please let us know so that additional books can be ordered. All are welcome to join us!



Join Zoom Meeting

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Call in From Any Phone: 312 626 6799

Meeting ID: 826 4394 5421

Password: 127284

Zoom Fellowship, Tuesday September 15th, 12:00 pm

Join us to check in with your Christ Lutheran family, share what is happening in your lives, and pray together!

Join Zoom Meeting

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Call in From Any Phone: 312 626 6799

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Thursday, September 17th, 5:00pm—Zoom Fellowship

Join us to check in with your Christ Lutheran family, share what is happening in your lives, and pray together!

Join Zoom Meeting

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Call in From Any Phone: 312-626-6799

Meeting ID: 181 613 273

Password: 123456

WORSHIP

Sunday, September 20, 9:30 am — Zoom Worship

[Access Online Bulletin](#)

Follow the Zoom link or call the number noted in the bulletin to join us!

OR

Join Zoom Meeting

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Call in From Any Phone: 312-626-6799

Meeting ID: 278 217 453

Password: 971744



YOUTH GROUP COORDINATOR

Hello,

Are you looking for a way to get involved? Do I have the opportunity for you!!!

We are putting a call out for an adult to join Sharon Hornbeck and Pastor Meagan in coordinating and leading our Sunday morning youth group. As we have made the COVID shift we were meeting on Zoom every Sunday afternoon at 12:30 for a Youth Hang Out. With all the uncertainty we continued meeting twice a month this summer. Typically, we meet for about 45 minutes to an hour for a check in to talk about what is going on in their world.

As we head into the school year, we hope to find ways for the youth to come together, as we can, safely and grow in our faith, engage in the Christ Lutheran Family, and live out our faith in in the community around us. The youth are open to guest speakers, a bible study, community service projects, puppet shows, and other ideas.

Sharon Hornbeck

ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS!

CELEBRATING SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES & BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations and Best Wishes!

ANNIVERSARIES:

09/01 Andrew and Lauren Bennett
 09/04 Brett and Deanne Bussler
 09/04 Steve and Jodi McCarty
 09/14 Joe and Annika Bartek
 09/14 Michael and Kristin Hill
 09/15 Robert and Carol Brockelmeyer
 09/15 Keith and Nancy Lissant
 09/16 Dave and Sarah Ringkor
 09/17 Mark Smith and Linda Elkin
 09/24 Tore Stole and Rosemary Kunz
 09/29 Jeff Bloese and Sarah Keifer

BIRTHDAYS:

09/02 Janna Langholz
 09/05 Eric Deck
 09/07 Bryan Dopuch
 09/10 Becca Jordan
 09/12 Jacob Joern
 09/13 Dave Eftink Jr.
 09/14 Bill Wischmeyer
 09/15 Mary Ann Hatlelid
 09/16 Will Zempel
 09/17 Alexa Gunther
 09/17 Laura Swanson
 09/19 Ian Bennett
 09/22 Kate Hoerchler
 09/24 Levi Hassler
 09/25 Micah Ruff
 09/25 Anita Trautmann
 09/26 Michael Hill
 09/26 Rosemary Kunz
 09/27 Doug Austin
 09/29 Gege Brightman
 09/29 Bryn Stole
 09/30 Emma Austin



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



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ZOOM WORSHIP SCHEDULE:
SUNDAY AT 9:30 A.M.

RESIDENT PASTOR: MEAGAN
MCLAUGHLIN OFFICE
HOURS: MON-THUR 8:30-4:30
APPTS BY
ARRANGEMENT

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FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE:
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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.