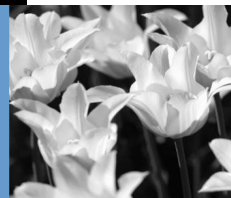




ONE IN CHRIST

Week of January 2 to January 9, 2023

A Note from Katie Gregston



CHALKING YOUR DOOR

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Many of us have long-standing traditions that enhance our Christmas celebrations. Fewer of us, however, have traditions that help us celebrate Epiphany. For children and adults, the post Christmas blues can be tough. We've counted down the days until December 25, and when the calendar turns to December 26, it can be a bit sad.

Focusing on Epiphany can remind all of us that the Christmas season doesn't end after Santa leaves.

Chalking a Door is a practice that helps us celebrate the wise men's trip to meet Jesus, and remind us that we are

invited on the journey to seek Jesus in the world. The Christ Lutheran community will gather on Epiphany to chalk

our door, and share a meal together, and we invite you to chalk your door at home as well!

We will be preparing

small bags for each family containing chalk, instructions, and prayers that will guide you in chalking your door at

home. The chalking bags will be available when we gather on January 6, and also can be picked on at church on

Sunday, January 8.



Please contact Lynnae Ruff about the potluck! ladygreybeads@gmail.com



WE WORSHIP....



Sunday, January 1, 10:00 am Worship

Access Online Bulletin

Join us for Worship in the Sanctuary. Childcare will not be available in the nursery this week.

OR

You may also attend virtually using the Zoom link or call the number noted in the bulletin to join us!

Masks are optional to enter the building, and will be available at entrances if needed. If you feel unwell, please care for yourself and others by staying home, and we will be happy to see you when you return. Thank you for your commitment to caring for one another!

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/278217453?pwd=azE2dkNHVE9WSzdaeDM5Yzh4RGRvdz09>

One tap mobile

+13126266799,278217453#,1#,971744# US (Chicago)

Worship Signup

At Christ Lutheran, our children and youth are part of our church, and we encourage people of all ages to take on leadership roles during our worship service. If you would like the opportunity to serve in worship. For more info visit the children's goggle drive:

[https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1a7BaqZqymOcyHDqKM_fSZBZrZs7po-iV?usp=share link](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1a7BaqZqymOcyHDqKM_fSZBZrZs7po-iV?usp=share_link)

TO SERVE AS ACOLYTE:

Please visit <https://bit.ly/CLCacolytes> Contact Kersten Horn (horn.kersten@gmail.com) if your child needs acolyte training.

TO SIGN UP AS A LECTOR OR ASSISTING MINSTER:

Please contact Mark Roock.

TO LEAD A PRAYER OR OTHER PARTS OF WORSHIP:

Stewardship & Offerings

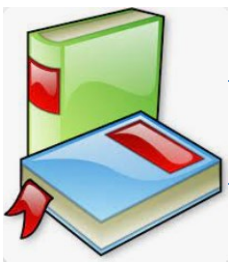
We have just begun our fall stewardship invitation. Please see the pledge form at the back of the newsletter and contact Katie Ciorba with any questions.

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.

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





AND LEARN....

Book Group Changes for 2023

The CLC Race Book Group is broadening to study additional social issues as we consider making changes to and living more fully into our RIC welcome statement. With this in mind, our next book for study is *My Body is Not a Prayer Request: Disability Justice in the Church* by Amy Kenny. We will discuss this book in late January, date TBD. We'll also be thinking of a new group name to adequately reflect the broadening of subject matter. If you have any questions, please reach out to Kate Hoerchler, katehoerchler@gmail.com, 314-805-1751.



Adult Forum will now meet at 9 am in the Conference Room

December 25 and January 1 - No adult forums

January 8 Pastor Roger Ruff—A look at the Gospel of Matthew

January 15 Marc Horn—Christianity in Africa.

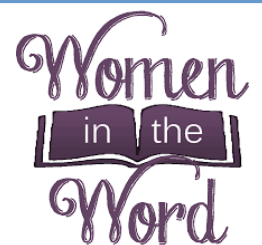
Bible Study

The Tuesday morning Bible Study will not meet for the remainder of December but will resume in January.



Women's Group

The women of Christ Lutheran are invited to join our meetings taking place the second Thursday of each month at 7pm. More details to come!
Any questions? Reach out to Becca Jordan at beccajedwards@gmail.com.





SO WE CAN WELCOME....

Refreshment Team Volunteers

Please volunteer for refreshments in December and January using the sign up genius refreshment link below.

This is a fun and easy way to be of service to our church family. Store bought or homemade food is loved. Refreshment volunteers bring and serve snacks with water. Lemonade mix is provided by the church.

Clean up involves cleaning the kitchen countertops and any dishes used to serve.

Leaving the service early to set up or setting up before the service starts is part of the commitment.

Time commitment is 45-60 minutes depending on the Sunday. Register as a family, individual, with a friend or group.

Dec 18th is not on the list because it is sponsored by Sunday School families in celebration of the Christmas program.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0d44a8a92aa31-refreshments>

Staffing Transition for Christ Lutheran

Please welcome Corona Williams, she will be taking over basic responsibilities in the office. She will be working from home Monday and Tuesday and in the office Wednesday and Thursday 8:30-4pm. Thank you in advance for your flexibility and understanding during this time of transition!

We are hiring, and we wanted you to be the first to know!

Office Administrator Needed!

Christ Lutheran Church of Webster Groves is hiring a part-time Office Administrator, to be part of a welcoming, growing, energetic, intergenerational community! Seeking individual with strong organizational and communication skills capable of assisting visitors and members with various requests. ***Please share with anyone who may be interested!***

Responsibilities

Manage daily office tasks including: updating and pulling reports from member database, managing the phone system, coordinating building service visits, filing records, creating newsletter, creating Worship bulletin, writing and distributing congregational letters and emails, and sorting mail. Internal and external candidates joyfully accepted, to start as soon as the hire process is complete. Full job description is available on request.

32 hours/week, \$17-20/hour. Insurance available.

To Apply

E-mail Resume and Cover Letter to Pastor Meagan McLaughlin, pastor@christwg.org, and contact via e-mail or phone 314-962-6012 with questions.



AND SERVE !

2023 Council Openings: We Need You!

We have a few openings for the 2023 Church Council, which will begin meeting in late January. We would love for you to consider being a part of this special group! Each chair serves a two-year term and meets once a month with the rest of Council to discuss and decide important church issues. Below is a description of all the positions that are open. We hope that you will prayerfully consider joining the Council in continuing the good works at Christ Lutheran Church. **If you are interested, please send Lisette an email or call the office!**

Inreach: Responsible for ensuring a fulfilling experience at Christ Lutheran for current members, during and outside of the service. This involves making sure people have access to the service and soliciting ideas for possible improvement. Inreach also provides support to other committees, especially the Fellowship and Worship committees, as there is a fair amount of overlap between them. During COVID, Inreach has helped coordinate all the technology for the Zoom church services. Other jobs include planning the 4th of July festivities, welcome and birthday parties.

Outreach: Responsible for helping promote Christ Lutheran Church in the local community, raising awareness and piquing the interest of potential new members/the community in CLC services, events, etc. While each outreach chair is empowered to work with their committee to determine a plan and initiatives for their work, a few common, primary responsibilities include planning and promoting holiday services and other events open to the community.

Worship (co-chair with John Hoffman): Work with Worship committee and musicians to help to plan worship, including scheduling worship volunteers who assist with services on Sunday mornings.

Properties: Coordinate all property-related projects. Schedule repair services as needed.

Vigil For Black Lives

Every Friday from 6:00-6:30, congregations on Lockwood join together to stand for black lives, in our community and beyond. We take a short half an hour each week to be visible on Lockwood with signs of solidarity with our black siblings. It is a small way for us to make it known that we stand against racism in all the ways it impacts all of us. Please join us!



PRAYER REQUESTS

Please include the following people in your prayer life during this week.

ONGOING HEALTH CONCERNS: Those who are suffering from chronic pain & diseases, Shelly Madden, Linda Armstrong, Gege Brightman, Christine Austin, Kate and Brian Bates (John Hoffmann's sister and brother-in-law), Evan Deck, Helga Hayes, Joan (friend of the Rooks), John Hoffmann, Bev & Al Marcus (friend of John Hoffmann), Michael McMullen (Greg McMullen's brother), Anna McIntyre, Donna Munger, Betsy Nielson (Nancy Lissant's sister), Doris & Harry Rahlfs (Karen Wood's parents), Jeff Schmid (Judy Koepke's husband), Joyce Traxler (Friend of Susan DeBusk), Shirley Wolf, and Wayne Wellman (Susanne Reimer-Fey's brother).



FOR THOSE NEARING DEATH: Jeff Schmid

IN BLESSED MEMORY: For Bob Brockelmeyer, and all of those who have died and all of those who grieve, that they may know the presence of God who grieves with us.

IN MILITARY SERVICE: Josh Duncan, Chris Hudson, Jesse Proctor, Scott Warr.



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!



ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS!

LET'S CELEBRATE DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS!

Congratulations and Best Wishes! Christ Lutheran family wants to celebrate you!

ANNIVERSARIES:

01/01 Charity & Nathan Jones
01/01 Ted Kuehnert
01/05 Jackie Miller
01/07 Mary Carolyn Thomas
01/08 Jennie Mata McGauley
01/13 Kim & David Donermeyer
01/18 Pamela JoAnn Swinford
01/19 Jadee & Steve Lauer
01/20 Helga Hayes
01/28 Shirley & Karl Wolf

BIRTHDAYS:

01/01 Audrey Behrens
01/01 Christopher Berherns
01/01 Donald Berherns
01/01 Mark Berherns
01/01 Heather Cole
01/01 Mrs. Roy Edwardsen
01/01 Linda HLACA
01/01 Robert Keith
01/01 Steven Landgrebe
01/01 Karen Lommel
01/01 Mae MaGary
01/01 Judith Whitney
01/01 Kara Whittaker
01/01 Chad Richard Wiegman
01/01 Chris Winkelmann
01/02 Rodrick Noel Morales-White
01/02 James Zarndt
01/03 Annie Marie Dunning
01/04 Ann Elizabeth Hassler
01/06 Kristin Hassler
01/06 David Whitney
01/07 Irmgard Koch
01/09 Anna Elizabeth Weir
01/10 Sean Michael Millar

01/13 Nancy Lissant
01/13 Mary Carolyn Thomas
01/14 Dennis Kreis Hilgendorf
01/15 Deanne Bussler
01/15 Carson Glascock
01/15 James Knapp
01/15 Alex Lindquist
01/18 Isaac Helton
01/19 Katherine Drollinger
01/20 Christine Heerboth
01/28 Alexandar Bennett
01/28 Christopher Hughes
01/28 Pamela Joann Swinford
01/29 Sloane Bartek
01/30 Peter Fredrick Brightman SR.
01/30 Kathryn Ann Rodgers
01/31 Claire Butz
01/31 Kathryn Ann Whitney



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

January 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5 4p Fitness group	6 6p Epiphany Chalking and Potluck	7
8 9:00a Adult forum, Sunday School 10:00a Worship	9 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves 4p Fitness group	10	11 7:30p Choir Practice	12 4p Fitness group	13	14
15 9:00a Adult forum, Sunday School 9:45a & 11:15 BP Screening 10:00a Worship with Cantata	16 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves 4p Fitness group	17 7p Church Council meeting via Zoom	18 6p Worship team meeting 7:30p Choir Practice	19 4p Fitness group	20	21
22 9:00a Adult forum, Sunday School 10:00a Worship and children's program	23 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves 4p Fitness group	23	24 7:30p Choir Practice	25 4p Fitness group	26	27
28 9:00a Adult forum, Sunday School 10:00a Worship, no adult forum 11:00am Annual Congregational Meeting	29 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves 4p Fitness group	30	31			

2023 Pledge Card: Stewarding Our Gifts

Thankful for God's abundance and continuing to worship and serve with fellow members of Christ Lutheran Church, we pledge to use our spiritual gifts to be stewards of God's love.

Print name(s): _____

I/We celebrate our spiritual gifts of

Skills/Knowledge:

Passion:

And, therefore, pledge to be stewards in the following ways :

Including, joyfully planning to give \$ _____ in calendar year 2023

Date: _____ Contact info: _____

☐ Check here if you'd like to continue receiving paper offering envelopes.

Please return your pledge card by 12/18/2022.

You may mail this pledge card to the church office, put it in the offering basket or email your pledge form to office@christwg.org



Keep this portion for your records as reminder of your planned giving.

2022 Pledge for Christ Lutheran Church

I/we plan to give a total of \$ _____ by December 31, 2023, to support our Lord's mission and ministry through Christ Lutheran Church, Webster Groves, Missouri and to be stewards in the following ways:



Christ Lutheran Church, ELCA

TELEPHONE: 314-962-6011

E-MAIL:
OFFICE@CHRISTWG.ORG

WEBSITE:
WWW.CHRISTWG.ORG

WORSHIP SCHEDULE:
SUNDAY AT 10:00 A.M.

RESIDENT PASTOR: MEAGAN
MCLAUGHLIN OFFICE
HOURS: MON-WED, FRI 8:30-
4:30
APPTS BY
ARRANGEMENT

COUNCIL PRESIDENT:
JESSICA GUNTHER

DIRECTOR OF SENIOR
ADULT MINISTRIES AND
FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE:
CAROLYN CROWE

DIRECTOR OF CHOIRS:
DIANE DROLLINGER

ORGANIST:
MARK RUFF

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR:
CORONA WILLIAMS

FINANCIAL SECRETARY:
TAMMY PRYOR

WEBMASTER:
MIKE WAGNER/STEPHANIE
LENHART

Christ Lutheran Church Mission Statement

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