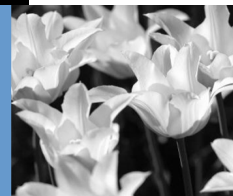




ONE IN CHRIST

Week of January 31 - February 6, 2023

A NOTE FROM KATIE GREGSTON



As we celebrate Epiphany, it is the natural inclination of many to look toward Lent. We prepare our hearts and minds for the death and subsequent resurrection of Jesus. For children (and even adults) this season can be filled with a mix of complicated emotions. And that's ok. We can acknowledge those emotions, and pray together as we navigate the strengthening of our faith.

In some ways, the weeks after our Annual Meeting can feel like a fresh start for our Christ Lutheran community. The children and youth are planning many activities this semester for fellowship and formation. The Sunday School group will be meeting to explore how science can relate to stories they're learning about in the Bible. The Sunday Cool & Youth group have the opportunity to catch a SLU basketball game. Our confirmands meet each week to prepare for Confirmation. We always welcome more helping hands and more participation from our young people. Check out the following ways you or your child can plug in.

[Shared Google Drive](#) | <https://bit.ly/CLCkidsinworship> | [Email Katie to Help with Sunday School](#)

Stewardship & Offering

Although the pledge deadline has passed, the Stewardship Committee is still looking for outstanding pledges. 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.

Staff Out of Office

Mark Ruff, our Organist, will be attending conferences in Germany for the next several weeks. We will have music prerecorded by Mark, and Jesse Helton on guitar, and the Christ Choir, for Worship until Mark's return, February 22.

Pastor Meagan will be on vacation from January 31 to February 5. In her absence, reach out to Mahlik Good in the office with any administrative questions, and Carolyn Crowe for pastoral needs. An on-call pastor will be available if needed.



WE WORSHIP....



Sunday, February 5, 10:00am Worship

Access Online Bulletin

Join us for Worship in the Sanctuary. Childcare will be provided in the nursery each 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 Worship Virtually (via Zoom) → <http://tiny.cc/clcworship>

One tap mobile

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

Call in From Any Phone: 312-626-6799

Meeting ID: 278 217 453 | Password: 971744

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, visit: <http://tiny.cc/worshipsignup>

For more info visit the Children's Google Drive: <http://tiny.cc/children-drive>

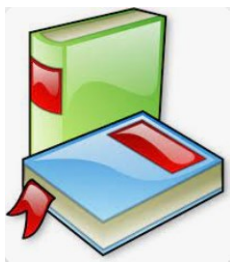
TO SERVE AS ACOLYTE:

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.

Please reach out to Katie Gregston with questions and suggestions you have about the children and youth ministries at Christ Lutheran.



AND LEARN....

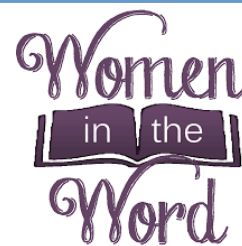
Bible Study

The Tuesday Morning Bible Study will meet each Tuesday morning at 10:30am, in the fellowship hall. All are welcomed to join us!



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.



Adult Forum meets on Sundays at 9am, in the Conference Room or on Zoom. We hope you can join us!



Adult Forum for this Sunday, 02/05, will be a question and answer session with members of the Renovation Team.



SO WE CAN WELCOME....

Refreshment Volunteers Needed!



We're looking for refreshment volunteers to help provide food and snacks after church services. You may use the [online sign up form](https://tiny.cc/refreshments) to choose the date(s) you'd like to volunteer. We have dates available now through June! To sign up, just visit:

<http://tiny.cc/refreshments>



AND SERVE !

February is Black History Month!

Take time this month to learn about Black history, grow in understanding of racism and race relations in the US, and celebrate Black culture.

Read *Beloved* or *The Bluest Eyes* - Toni Morrison; *The Water Dancer* - Ta-Nehisi Coates; *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings* - Maya Angelo; *The Black Christ* - Kelly Brown Douglas; *Homegoing* - Yaa Gyasi; *An American Marriage* - Tayari Jones; *Stamped From the Beginning* - Ibram X. Kendi

- Anything by Toni Morrison, James Baldwin, Maya Angelo, Langston Hughes, or Ta-Nehisi Coates

Watch Movies *BlackKkKlansman*; *Selma*; *Drumline*; *Just Mercy*

Documentaries Available on Netflix *Amend*; *Who We Are: A Chronical of Racism in America*; *13th*; *High on the Hog*, hosted by Stephen Satterfield

Vigil for Black Lives! Fridays, 6:00-6:30pm

Been meaning to join the Vigil on Fridays? Join us and people from Emmanuel, Peace, and other Lockwood congregations to stand for Black lives during Black History Month!

Pillars of Community: A Celebration of Local Black History

Join Alliance for Interracial Dignity on February 26, 2023, for a multi-faceted Black History Month event focusing on local Black history.

The event will feature local history buffs, Kita Quinn and Ed Johnson, who will share stories of two Pillars of Community — Walter Rusan, founder of the North Webster YMCA in the 1940's, and the African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church, whose local legacy lives on in the same YMCA building.

Alliance ~ Interracial Dignity presents

February 26, 2023, 2-3:30 pm
+ family scavenger hunt beforehand

Pillars of Community
A Celebration of Local Black History

Music, food, history, and more!

Eden Seminary Commons
475 East Lockwood Ave., Webster Groves
For more information, email:
Hello@AllianceForInterracialDignity.org

North Webster YMCA then . . .
Renfro Hall now

AID

There will be music from local legend, Michelle Sargent, along with a glimpse at the work the high school is doing to teach others about Black history in Webster Groves.

This is a family-friendly event. The event will start with an optional kid-friendly miniature scavenger hunt at 1pm. Then, at 2pm, the main event will convene with live music, snacks, and a panel of multi-generational speakers.



LET US PRAY

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 Roocks), 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), 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 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 FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS!

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

ANNIVERSARIES:

02/14 – Robert & Joan Rivas
02/14 – Mari & Travis Roberts

BIRTHDAYS:

02/01 – Calvin Ciorba
02/01 – Shirley Wolf
02/02 – Helga Hayes
02/03 – Kevin Drollinger
02/03 – Larry Hill
02/04 – Aishlyn McCarty
02/06 – Kathy Kuziel
02/07 – Sarah Keifer
02/09 – Carol Brockelmeyer
02/09 – Patty Hopper
02/10 – Hanna Lauer
02/10 – Mark Roock
02/13 – Sylvia Rogers
02/13 – Julia Wood



02/19 – Christine Austin
02/19 – Henry Knapp
02/20 – Bob Crowe
02/20 – Elisabeth Long
02/25 – Caitlin McMullen
02/28 – Sally Wachtman

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

February 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 7:30p Choir Practice	2 4p Fitness Group	3 6p Vigil for Black Lives	4
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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.

2023 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, 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.**

REV. 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:
MAHLIK GOOD**

**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.