

Pastors Word

Starting with Trinity Sunday, June 12, we entered into what we in the church refer to as Ordinary Time. It is the longest season of the church year, that space between Easter and Advent that stretches for weeks through the summer and fall. It is "green" time . . . time for rest, and growth. It is a time to see God in the everyday, to see the Spirit at work in what is right in front of us. In this season, we see the blessing in the Ordinary.

Blessing the Ordinary

by Jan Richardson, from Circle of Grace: A Book of Blessing for Seasons

Let these words lay themselves like a blessing upon your head, your shoulders

as if, like hands, they could pass on to you what you most need for this day

as if they could anoint you not merely for the path ahead

but for this ordinary moment that opens itself to you—

opens itself like another hand that unfurls itself, that reaches out to gather up these words in the bowl of its palm.

You may think this blessing lives within these words

but I tell you it lives in the opening and in the reaching;

it lives in the ache where this blessing begins;

it lives in the hollow made by the place where the hands of this blessing meet.



WORSHIP

Sunday, July 17, 9:30 am Worship Access Online Bulletin

Join us for Worship in the Sanctuary. Childcare available in the nursery at 8:30am.

OR

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

Join Zoom Meeting

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

One tap mobile

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Call in From Any Phone: 312-626-6799

Meeting ID: 278 217 453

Password: 971744



Staff Vacation

Mark Ruff will be out of office through Sunday August 7, and we will have pre-recorded organ, Roger Ruff as guest organist, Jesse Helton on guitar, and one service without music during that time.

Carolyn Crowe will be gone July 13-18 and August 4-7.

Pastor Meagan will be with the youth at Camp Tomah Shinga July 23-27, and on vacation July 31-August 6. Pastor Karen Scherer will preside July 24, and Pastor Jim Bennett will preside and Jon Heerboth will preach July 31 Contact Carolyn Crowe for Pastoral needs, she will reach out to on call pastor as needed. Contact Lisette for any other needs.

Lisette will be on vacation July 25-29 (Sarah Bender will cover essential duties), and August 15-17.

On June 3, 2022, the CDC changed the Community Level for St Louis County to High, and advises wearing masks indoors. **See the CDC site here for more information.** COVID-19 by County | CDC

Please plan to wear masks when you are inside our building until the Community Level has returned to Medium.

Masks 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!

Stewardship & Offerings

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.



BOOK GROUP

Join the race book group on July 12th, 8pm to discuss through chapter 4 of our latest book, Baptized in Tear Gas: From White Moderate to Abolitionist by Elle Dowd.

Dowd is a bisexual faith leader in Chicago, an ELCA candidate for ministry, and an activist. Her experience protesting in Ferguson in 2014 greatly shaped her work, and this book is an account of that inspiring others to act.

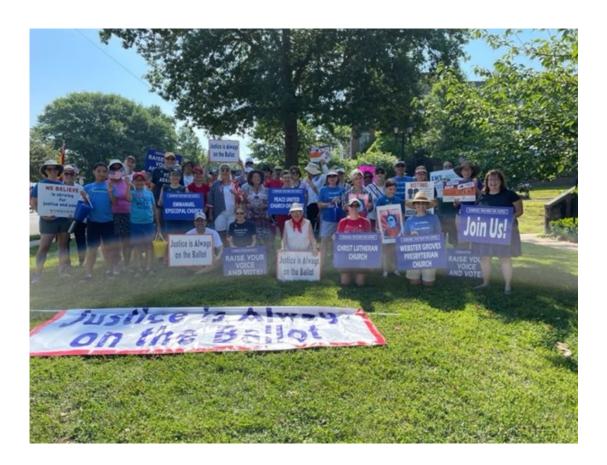
Her unique experience in St. Louis provides us a good connection. Additionally, Pastor Megan is in contact with her to potentially speak to us at the end of reading the book.

Please contact Kate Hoerchler with any questions, katehoerchler@gmail.com.

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!





It was a perfect day for a parade!

Thank you to all who helped and participated.



TECH TEAM VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

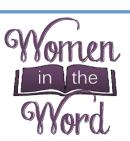
If you have any interest in joining the Tech team to help set up Sunday Zoom worship we are in need of additional volunteers. Training will be provided and the average time commitment is approximately one Sunday worship a month. Please contact Pastor Meagan if interested.



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.





In person Adult Forum will be held in the Fellowship Hall and will also be available on Zoom. If you choose Zoom just stay connected after the Sunday morning service. We anticipate a 10-15 minute break between the end of the postlude and the beginning of Adult Forum.

There will be no Adult Forums this summer but sessions will resume after Labor Day.

Bible Study

The Tuesday morning Bible study group will take a summer break until September.

When we resume, anyone is welcome to join us at any time. Just have one or more of your favorite Bibles with you, and prepare to enjoy our time together.



PRAYER REQUESTS

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

<u>ONGOING HEALTH CONCERNS:</u> 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, John Hoffmann, Bev & Al Marcus (friend of John Hoffmann), Michael McMullen (Greg McMullen's brother), Christy Monson (Step-daughter of Carolyn Lange), Donna Munger, Betsy Nielson (Nancy Lissant's sister), Doris & Harry Rahlfs (Karen Wood's parents), Joyce Traxler (Friend of Susan DeBusk), Shirley Wolf, Mary Stough (Sharon Hornbeck's aunt), and Wayne Wellman (Susanne Reimer-Fey's brother).



IN BLESSED MEMORY: For all of those who have died especially Timothy Tanner (Lynnae Ruff's father), Thelda Bertram, Flo Saeger 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 JULY ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS!

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

ANNIVERSARIES:

Erin & Dave Eftink, Jr.
Luke & Karen Bruns
Alena & Kersten Horn
Matt & Katie Ciorba
James & Leslie Bennett
Jon & Chris Heerboth

Steve Donauhauer

BIRTHDAYS:

07/01	Steve Donaubauer
07/03	Leslie Bennett
07/04	Taimika Askew-Sunkara
07/04	Gregory McMullen
07/06	Susan DeBusk
07/08	Lisette Kreitler
07/12	Lis Erickson Meyer
07/12	Stephanie Lenhart
07/12	Mike Wagner
07/13	Carolyn Crowe
07/13	Matthew Hoyer
07/13	Phil Doeschot
07/14	Dane Stole
07/16	Dianne Drollinger
07/16	Lauren Bennett
07/17	Luke Dopuch
07/18	Kim Joern
07/21	Maggie Ringkor
07/23	Jason Kuziel
07/27	Megan Eftink
07/27	Kahlie McCarty
07/28	Thomas Allen
07/28	Roger Rose
07/29	Scott Glascock
07/30	Sherry Mitchler
07/30	Rev. Kenneth Haugk
07/31	August Bennett
07/31	Matt Ciorba
07/31	Steven McCarty

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



July 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 9:30a Worship	4 10a WG Parade 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves 4pm Fitness group	5	6	7 4p Fitness group	8	9
9:30a Worship 2pm Tilles Park CLC outing	11 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves 4pm Fitness group	12 8pm Race Book Group Zoom	13 7p Worship team meeting	14 4p Fitness group	15	16
17 9:30a Worship	18 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves 4pm Fitness group	19 7p Church Council meeting in Conference room	20	21 4p Fitness group	22	23
24/31 9:30a Worship	25 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves 4pm Fitness group	26	27	28 4p Fitness group	29	30



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

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

> COUNCIL PRESIDENT: JESSICA GUNTHER

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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.