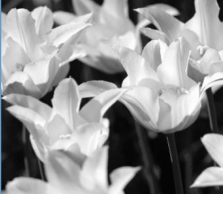




ONE IN CHRIST

Week of September 26– October 2 2022

Pastor's Word



This week, we remember St Francis of Assisi, and celebrate the love and joy we find in our relationships with our animal companions and all of creation. Our connection with the earth and all of its creatures is a way of connecting to our faith, to the God who is always with us and never lets go.

To Learn From Animal Being ~ John O'Donohue From: *To Bless the Space Between Us*
Nearer to the earth's heart, Deeper within its silence:
Animals know this world In a way we never will.

We who are ever Distanced and distracted
By the parade of bright Windows thought opens:
Their seamless presence Is not fractured thus.

Stranded between time Gone and time emerging,
We manage seldom To be where we are:
Whereas they are always Looking out from The here and now.

May we learn to return And rest in the beauty Of animal being,
Learn to lean low, Leave our locked minds,
And with freed senses Feel the earth
Breathing with us.

May we enter Into lightness of spirit,
And slip frequently into The feel of the wild.
Let the clear silence Of our animal being
Cleanse our hearts Of corrosive words.

May we learn to walk Upon the earth
With all their confidence And clear-eyed stillness
So that our minds Might be baptized
In the name of the wind And the light and the rain.



WORSHIP

Sunday, October 2, 10:00 am Worship

Access Online Bulletin

Join us for Worship in the Sanctuary. Childcare available in the nursery from 9 -11:30am.

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)

Call in From Any Phone: 312-626-6799

Meeting ID: 278 217 453

Password: 971744



CLC Memories Through the Ages

Last week to stop by the chapel to look through old photos. Please feel free to label people/families in the pictures with a sticky note or on the back of the photo. If you have any unused photo albums you would like to donate, we would love them!

Celebrating Our Traditional Worship

The Worship Team has heard some questions and feedback about Worship, including the preface to the Lord's Prayer we used for a while. We have also heard a desire to celebrate our traditional style of Worship, and have opportunities to learn about our Worship, and to understand when new things are tried. There will be several ways to do this, including Adult Forum and Fellowship Listening Posts, and one of them will be a member of the Worship Team highlighting a part of our Worship for a minute or two before Worship starts on Sundays. Today, we will start at the beginning, with our Greeting. The Greeting is of course a way to call us together, to be ready to Worship. And it is based on the greetings Paul uses in his letters in the New Testament, where he writes "Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ." The exact words we use are at the end of Second Corinthians: "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all." So when we say the Greeting each week, we are connecting right away with our scriptures, and to Christian tradition going back over 2,000 years! And that's just the Greeting. What are you curious about? What questions or concerns do you have about our Worship together? The Worship Team would love to hear from you anytime, and stay tuned for opportunities to connect with us!

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.



Blessings of the Animals Potluck and Praise

Saturday, October 1, 5:00pm

Christ Lutheran Churchyard

It's the Feast of St. Francis, and time for blessing of the animals! We will pray, reflect, and sing, bless our beloved non-human companions of all species and breeds, and share a meal together. This will be the first Potluck and Praise we will hold during the year. All are welcome to join us!



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.

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!



Bible Study

The Tuesday morning Bible Study group meets at 10:30 in the Parish Hall. Following summer break, **they will resume weekly meetings on September 27**. The group has recently enjoyed reading and discussing many of the minor prophets in the Hebrew Bible, and they expect to continue that in the Fall.



Sunday School is looking for teaching volunteers. No experience necessary and the curriculum we are using this year does not require any prep prior to Sunday mornings. You just show up in the morning, look over your teacher's instructions, and you are ready to go! If you would like to teach once in a while, we have a place for you. If you would like to just be a helper once in a while, we have a place for you. If you have any questions, Jesse is happy to talk. We are going to be doing a lot of activities outside since the theme is going to be on "Caring for God's Creation." We will also be breaking kids up into smaller groups by ages for part of the Sunday School hour as well.



Adult forum resumes at a new time but in a familiar place. We will now meet at 9:00 during the educational hour but still in the Fellowship Hall with the coffeepot nearby.

October 2 - Kate Hoerchler will continue the discussion on how Christ Lutheran will use its gifts as it moves into the future.

October 9 - Rev. Jerry Egel—Blessings in the Book of Revelation: There are 7 blessings scattered through the Book of Revelation. What do they mean? Let's follow the clues and see where they lead.

October 16 David Weber from Room at the Inn, one of the ministries supported by Christ Lutheran, will talk about the agency's mission.

October 23 Dr. Mark Ruff, Professor of History at Saint Louis University will tell us how the importance of the Reformation has been understood during the past 500 years.

October 30 Pastor Meagan McLaughlin will present a report on the latest Church wide gathering and lead a discussion of how the Reformation continues into the future.



Sarah Ringkor and Becca Jordan want to say thank you for the support of the congregation for the 125th celebration party.

From preparing our space, to cleaning up after the party, and everything in between, many helped make the event happen: Jessica Gunther and the church council, Dave Fey, Keith Lissant, Diane Deck, Dave Ringkor, Peter Jordan, Ellen Mead, Harriet Scholle, Carol Brockmeyer, Lauren Butz, Joan O'Brien, Sherry and Steve Mitchler, Adam and Sarah Wurr, Kate Dopuch,

Suzie Benedum, Janet Roock, Kim Donermeyer, Erica Donermeyer, Sarah Bender, Jesse, Rachel, Ruthie, Lena, and Isaac Helton, Pastor Meagan, Mark Ruff, Diane Drollinger and the Choir, and many others that brought a dish or pitched in to help.

Thank you all for making our celebration so fun and special! See you at the next party!

Choir Practice

Join us every Wednesday for Choir practice at 7:30pm in the Sanctuary! Contact Diane Drollinger if interested in joining the Choir.



WURSTFEST 2022

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16
3:30PM – 8:00PM

LARSON PARK

520 W Kirkham Ave.
Webster Groves, MO 63119

Join us for fellowship, fun,
bratwurst and hot dogs
hot off the grill. Bring snacks,
sides, beverages and desserts!



Thanks to everyone who contributed to the gift card collection for Humanitri in observance of Christ Lutheran's anniversary! With your help we collected over our goal of \$1250.00 in honor of the 125th anniversary!

Please save the date for October 22nd when we will be completing an in-person event at one of Humanitri's properties. This will allow us to provide practical support to one of the families that Humanitri serves. More details to follow!

Thank you again for the support of those in the community!

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.



World Food Day Celebration

Join ELCA World Hunger for a celebration of World Food Day, hosted by Rick Steves and special guest Mark Jansen, CEO of Blue Diamond Almonds. This special event will be streamed online so you can celebrate with ELCA World Hunger wherever you are!

When: Sunday, Oct. 16, 4 p.m. Central time

Where: [ELCA Facebook page](#) and [ELCA YouTube channel](#)

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, 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, and Wayne Wellman (Susanne Reimer-Fey's brother).



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.

ROOM AT THE INN

Shelter with a Purpose. Families with a Future

Trunk or Treat - Please Join Us! This is our third year to invite our volunteers to join us for Trunk or Treat in our parking lot at Room at the Inn. The last two years our families were very loved on by all of you that participated! Please consider joining us again this year!

Date: Tuesday, Oct 25, 2022

Time: Cars Arrive between 5:30 pm - 6:00pm

Trunk or Treat starts at 6:00 pm

Those who participate would:
decorate car trunk and hand out candy (All candy should be individually wrapped.)

If you are interested in being a part of our Trunk or Treat, please call email me at cwarren@roomstl.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!



SAVE THE DATE

Want to Get Involved?

- 1) Attend, and bring a friend!
- 2) Contribute food goods and/or make a financial offering to the Firewood for Elders program
- 3) **Take a role in the evening**
 - A. Read
 - B. Sing with the choir
 - C. Greet Worshipers and hand out bulletins
 - D. Bring a sweet or savory treat to share
 - E. Help with cleaning up the space after the event

Contact Pastor Meagan 314-962-6012 or
pastor@christwg.org
 with questions or to sign up to help!



GIVE THANKS
Community
Thanksgiving Service
Tuesday, November 22
at 6:00 pm
 at Christ Lutheran (Selma & Lockwood)

We invite you to bring food staples & willing hearts.




Supporting indigenous ministries

Who's Who at Christ Lutheran

Do you know Christ Lutheran has an online church directory that you can see on the go? It's easy to use! Go to www.instantchurchdirectory.com

- ✦ Click on "church member sign in"
- ✦ On the sign in page go to:
 - First time signing in? Create a login now
 - Type in the email (the one you've provided for church) and create a password; retype the password.
 - You will then receive a "code" in your email that will allow you to log in to the website using your email and password. You will be able to add an up to date photo and update all of your information.
 - Want to get the app?
- ✦ The app is great for being out and about. You can open it up and look up anyone's phone number or address. Find the app "instant church directory" in your favorite app store.
- ✦ You can have more than 1 app registered per email address.

Want to change your information or picture online directory but don't understand how? Email Katie Ciorba ANYTIME at ciorbafamily@gmail.com to make changes or email Lisette at church.

- ✦ Need an up to date photo? Contact Katie to set one up!
- ✦ Questions? Contact Katie Ciorba at anytime.

ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS!

LET'S CELEBRATE OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS!

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

ANNIVERSARIES:

10/1 Jim & Sally Wachtman
10/4 Ted Christner & Claudia Trautmann
10/11 Tim & Kelley Truss
10/15 Philip & Kate Hoerchler
10/17 Matt & Sarah Bender
10/22 Curtis & Hannah Borden
10/27 Tom & Megan Holmes
10/27 Dianne Deck & Thomas Palazzolo
10/28 Martin & Melissa Allen
10/29 Steve & Sherry Mitchler

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

BIRTHDAYS:

10/01 Annika Bartek
10/03 Ted Christner
10/06 Ayanna Askew-Sunkara
10/09 James Bennett
10/09 Maleyah Hassler
10/10 Leah Eftink
10/11 Linda Armstrong
10/11 Isabella Blaser
10/13 Scarlet and Zachary McMullen
10/14 Sybil Meadows
10/15 Mae Lenhart
10/17 Robert O'Brien
10/17 Karen Wood
10/18 Mark Lewis
10/23 Tim Truss
10/23 Henry Hoyer
10/25 Jim Wachtman
10/29 Jadee Lauer
10/30 Peter Jordan
10/30 John Uy



October 2022

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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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ADULT MINISTRIES AND
FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE:
CAROLYN CROWE

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ORGANIST:
MARK RUFF

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LISETTE KREITLER

FINANCIAL SECRETARY:
TAMMY PRYOR

WEBMASTER:
MIKE WAGNER/STEPHANIE
LENHART

Lutheran School of Theology Fall 2022 Class Offerings

Starting soon (please register asap)

When Theologies Fail (And World Fall Apart), taught by the Rev. Dr. Fred Niedner via Zoom on Thursday evenings, 7:00 - 9:00 pm on Oct. 13, 20, 27, Nov. 3 and 10. Cost: \$75 to audit, \$150 for PMA continuing ed credit

Recordings for all classes are available for missed sessions by requesting at administrator@lststl.org. See complete class descriptions and register for all classes at <https://lststl.org>

Christ Lutheran Church Mission Statement

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