

# A Note from Council



As we get closer to the beginning of the traditional school year, I find myself thinking about what I've learned so far as Council president. So much! I've gotten to know many of you even better and alot about our history as a Congregation. I've also learned even more about listening.

I've found two common themes in many of my conversations over the past six months or so - the first is one of pride and thankfulness for our past at Christ Lutheran. That's why I'm so excited to celebrate our 125th anniversary together! Sarah Ringkor and Becca Jordan have planned a wonderful day for the Congregation and the community on Sunday, September 18. Please check out the details on the flyer sent in the Newsletter email and RSVP!

The other theme I found in my conversations is about how we can stay a vital and important part of our community, welcoming and serving in Christ, long into the future. Lots has changed over the past few years when it comes to how we gather together and welcome others.

That's why, as we embark on our next 125 years, Council has been talking more about what it really means to be called to "Welcome and Serve". And we need your perspective. In September, we invite you to attend Adult Forum to help us answer that question and talk about what we'd want to continue to do (or do differently) based on our answers. This is especially timely as we continue our renovation efforts - we'd like to ensure that our space at #1 Selma is reflective of how we can best "Welcome and Serve" far into the future.

I'd also like to invite you to meet with your Council members on August 28th during Fellowship for our next Listening Post. No agenda - we'll be there to meet with you, talk, and answer any questions you have for us. Look forward to seeing you there.

These aren't the only places you can give us your insight and perspective. Feel free to reach out to me (or any of us!) with thoughts, ideas, concerns, or questions. My "door" is always open!

Peace, Jess Gunther Church Council President



# WORSHIP

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#### Sunday, August 7, 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 +13126266799,278217453#,1#,971744# US (Chicago)

**Call in From Any Phone:** 312-626-6799 Meeting ID: 278 217 453 Password: 971744



### NOTA BENE! NOTE WELL

Beginning September 11, 2022, Sunday School and Adult Forum will be at 9:00 AM and Worship will be at 10:00 AM.

There will be a 15 minute break between Sunday School, Adult Forum, and Worship.

### Staff Vacation

Carolyn Crowe will be out of town August 4-7.

Pastor Meagan will be on vacation July 31-August 6. 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 August 15-17.

# Stewardship & Offerings

We can continue to fund our church and the important work we're doing with a few easy clicks: 1. Visit <u>our donation website</u> directly or go to <u>www.christwg.org</u> 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.



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. <u>COVID-19 by County |</u> <u>CDC</u>

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!

## **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!





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.

# 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 <u>beccajedwards@gmail.com</u>.

## 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.

A multi-faith Meditation Exploring the Adventurous Landscape of the Soul through the Transformative Spirit of Jazz, Storytelling and the Arts.

JAZZ FOR THE JOUR

#### Sunday, August 7, 2022 at 5:00 pm FREE

#### Everyone welcome, young and old Theme: Sankofa: Moving Forward While Glancing Back

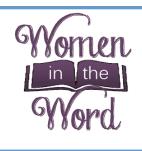
Join us in a Coffee House setting in Memorial Hall Free coffee/tea and homemade baked goods BYOB (wine/beer) or a picnic basket

Jazz for the Journey is presented by First Congregational Church's Ministry of Imagination, Creativity and the Arts (MICA).









# 125<sup>TH</sup> CELEBRATION • CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

# SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup> DI FASE JOIN JIS FOR OUR 125<sup>TH</sup> RIRTHDAV PART

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR 125<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY PARTY CELEBRATING OUR PAST AND WELCOMING THE FUTURE

1 Selma Ave, Webster Groves | Outdoor Church Yard

DJ, Balloon Animals, Face Painting, Glitter Tattoos, Airbrush Tattoos, Petting Zoo and Pony Rides!

Fried chicken meal provided. Sides and Salads appreciated. Gluten free and vegetarian burrito bowl bar.

RSVP preferred, not required. Sign up at www.christwg.org.

Archives in the 2nd floor upper conference room.

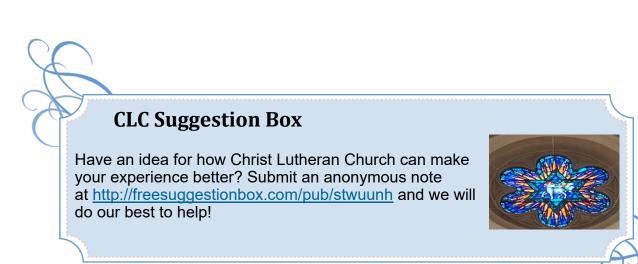
## PRAYER REQUESTS

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, Mary Stough (Sharon Hornbeck's aunt), 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.





God's boundless love, forgiveness, invitation, creation, and promise was the theme of the week for the No Coast Youth Gathering at Camp Tomah Shinga last week!

We stayed at Bethany College in Lindsborg, and explored the town of Lindsborg and Bethany Campus as well as the camp. We spent time in Worship, led throughout the week by Joe Davis <u>https://</u>joedavispoetry.com/aboutjoe and Agape, Pastor Jenny and Dr. Jackson, Pastor Chris Deines from Bethany Lutheran, Pastor Kaylie Ines, of Olsberg and Walsberg Churches in Kansas, and others.

For our service day, we spent an afternoon at Ashby House, a program that provides emergency shelter for families with children, sober housing, and transitional housing. We painted, and cleaned out and organized space they are renovating.

We spent a full day at Camp Tomah Shinga doing aaaalll the camp things, including canoeing, hiking, swimming, and Pastor Meagan even completed the high ropes course! At Bethany College, we reflected on topics such as Luther's concept of vocation and finding our purpose, politics and faith, ways of grounding ourselves in God's creation and love, and more, and played dodge ball and Amazing Race.

Throughout the week, we connected with each other and with youth and leaders from across our Synod and Minnesota, Illinois, and Nebraska. It was a wonderful week, and the planning team is already gearing up to do it again next year!

To learn more, follow <u>#NoCoastCentralStates</u> on Facebook, or visit the Christ Lutheran Facebook pages!



Camp Tomah Shinga Chapel



Jacob Spilker leading Worship at Bethany College

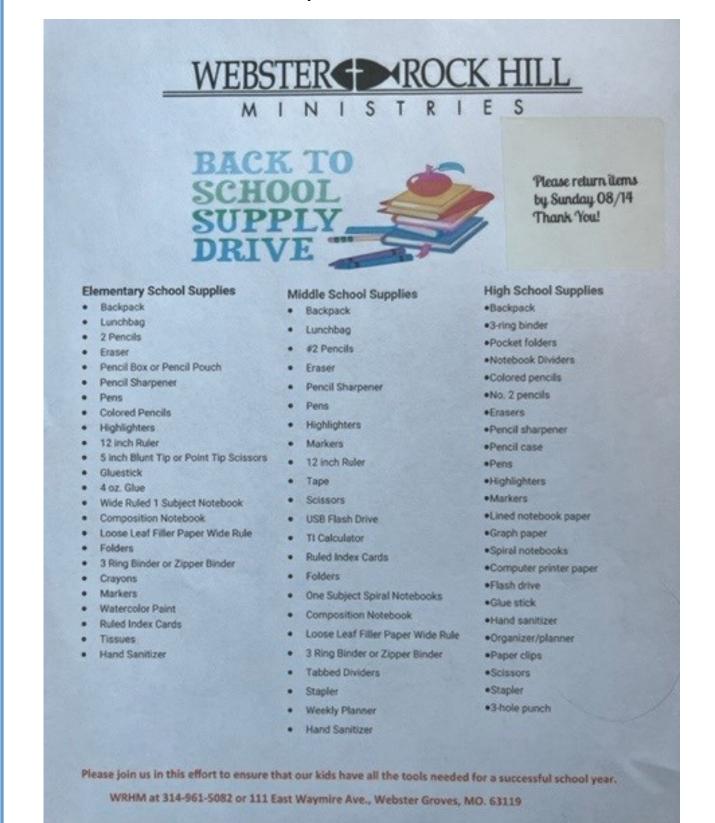


Agape and Joe Davis leading Worship



Bishop Susan Candea preaching at closing Worship

Christ Lutheran is partnering with Webster Rock Hill Ministries to help prepare students for returning to school in the fall. Please refer to the attached school supply list for requested items. Any items purchased can be brought to the church and deposited in the marked blue bin in the narthex. Please bring donated items to church by Sunday 08/14/22. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact either Sarah Mudd or Sherry Mitchler. Thanks!



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# **ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS!**

#### LET'S CELEBRATE AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS!

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

#### **ANNIVERSARIES:**

08/17 Karen and Brent Wood 08/22 Sylvia and Mark Rogers 08/28 Brian & Kate Dopuch

#### **BIRTHDAYS**:

08/02 Abraham Butz 08/02 Kate Dopuch 08/05 Ann Steinbrueck 08/07 Emily Knapp 08/07 Kate Densford 08/07 Susanne Reimer-Fey 08/09 Harrison Ringkor 08/12 Janet Roock 08/13 Tammy Pryor 08/15 Bill Scholle 08/15 Mark Ruff 08/15 Judy Koepke 08/19 Marc Horn 08/20 Alan Richter 08/21 Carol Arrington 08/22 Graham Bartek 08/25 Jacey Joern 08/28 Jesse Helton 08/28 Keith Lissant 08/29 Ray McIntyre

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

# August 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves 4pm Fitness group	2	3	<b>4</b> 4p Fitness group	5	6
7 9:30a Worship	8 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves 4pm Fitness group	9	10 7p Worship team meeting	<b>11</b> 4p Fitness group	12	13
<b>14</b> 9:30a Worship	<b>15</b> 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves 4pm Fitness group	16 7p Church Council meeting in Confer- ence room	17	18 4p Fitness group	19	20
<b>21</b> 9:30a Worship	22 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves 4pm Fitness group	23	24	25 4p Fitness group	26	27
28 9:30a Worship	29 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves 4pm Fitness group	30	31			



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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.