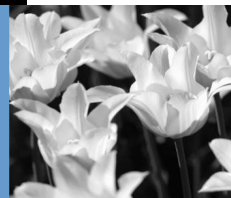




# ONE IN CHRIST

Week of September 19-25 2022

## A Note from Council



This past weekend was a flurry of celebration for our family. Our daughter Alexa turned 8 and with that came parties full of family and friends (and magic shows). Our community also celebrated the annual Old Webster Jazz & Blues Festival, which had been on hiatus for the past two years due to COVID.

But even more historic was the opportunity to celebrate with so many of you and others for our 125th anniversary celebration. What a milestone. It was lovely to spend time yesterday in worship and outside in fellowship together. Thank you to all of you who gave your time and talent to plan the event – especially Sarah Ringkor – what a wonderful time!

As I think about how the congregation has survived and thrived over the past 125 years - I realize that it probably comes down to two things: honoring our history AND our future.

So, what does our future hold? I don't know myself but what I do know is that we can work together to make it our own while honoring how far we've come. **That's why I invite each of you to join our Adult Forum sessions for the next two weeks - September 25 and October 2** - as we talk together about what it really means for us as Christ Lutheran to Welcome and Serve in Christ.

These conversations will be really important as we envision what our future looks like and what we as a congregation want to be for ourselves and our community.

If you can't make it, please feel free to reach out to me via cell (314-749-0739), email ([jessicalgunther@gmail.com](mailto:jessicalgunther@gmail.com)) or stop me before or after worship to let me know how we can thrive together for the next 125 years!

Jess Gunther  
Council President



# WORSHIP

## Sunday, September 25, 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**

This week stop by the conference room to peruse the history archives of CLC.

Also, in the chapel 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!



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

# 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](http://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.



## CLC Justice Group

The next meeting will be September 19 at 7pm. The main topic will be thinking of how CLC can better welcome and serve through a justice lens.

The main goal of the committee is to focus on areas where we can make Christ Lutheran a more welcoming space and affect change in our community. Please reach out to Kate Hoerchler [katehoerchler@gmail.com](mailto:katehoerchler@gmail.com) if you would like to join this group.

## 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!



## 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!



## 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.



## 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.



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.

*September 25* **Jessica Gunther**, Congregational President, will lead a discussion of looking at what Christ Lutheran takes into the future.

*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.

### Choir Practice

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



### 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](mailto: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](#)



Join us Saturday for Flo Saeger's memorial service at CLC, September 24, 10:30AM in the Sanctuary and on Zoom. Lunch will follow the service in the fellowship hall.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84180529354?pwd=dnlRSzFjQi9ML284cnc2RDlxeKJvUT09>

**Meeting ID:** 829 0206 2045

**Passcode:** 830105

Dial by your location

1-312- 626- 6799 US (Chicago)

[Access Online Bulletin](#)



## 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.

## 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!



Tower Grove Pride THIS Saturday and Sunday! **"Lutherans for Love and Pride" is an amazing group of churches working together this year!** You can get involved as easily as 1, 2, 3!

1. [Sign up to work the booth \(or set it up or take it down\).](#) If you work the booth, you will give out swag and we will have talking points for all booth staff.
2. Attend the "Mass on the grass" interfaith worship service on Sunday, September 25th at 12:30 (see the flyer attached!).
3. Come to [Tower Grove](#) Pride and enjoy the activities!



## COMMUNITY BIRTHDAY PARTY

We will celebrate the 90+ birthdays of Anita Trautmann and Gege Brightman on Monday, October 3, at noon in the Multi-Purpose Room at Laclede Groves! If you can join us then, please let us know to expect you so that we can order enough Porter's Fried Chicken, sides and birthday cakes for the luncheon celebration. You may contact Carolyn Crowe ([ccrowe@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ccrowe@sbcglobal.net)) to have your name added to the list of attendees.



Non-residents must check in at the desk located at 723 Laclede Station Road, and then will be directed to the elevator for the meeting room. Please allow sufficient time for check-in and parking.

## Welcome to our new Children and Youth Coordinator!

The Children and Youth Coordinator Hiring Team, with affirmation of the Council, is delighted to announce that we have offered the position to Katie Gregston, and she has accepted! Katie's start date, and opportunity to meet Katie, will be announced soon!

**Katie says . . .** "I have been married to my husband, Chris, for 18 years, and we have three children, Madeline 16, Emery 14, and Logan 11. Our kids attend schools in the Rockwood district. A recent addition to our family is our Saint Bernard, Chapman! I grew up in St. Louis, and because I know all the native St. Louisans are wondering...I graduated from Lindbergh High School ;-). When we're not at work or church, you can find us on the lacrosse field, golf course, basketball court, or baseball diamond watching our kids play sports. We love spending time in Southwest Michigan, reading, and having get-togethers with our small but tight knit St. Louis family members. My passion is helping children explore their faith and giving them the opportunity to feel the loving support from a church family. I'm excited to see how I can help the kids and leaders at Christ Lutheran!"



**About the position:** Katie will minister alongside and provide administrative, programmatic, and spiritual support for volunteer leaders ministering with children and youth. Katie will work 10 hours/week and report to the Pastor. Katie will join us for occasional Sundays and events, and we will hear from her often, as she supports leaders in planning, organizing, and communicating events and programs for children and youth of all ages!

**About Katie Gregston:** Katie is the current Children & Youth Ministries Coordinator at Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Webster Groves. Christ Lutheran Church has a long-standing relationship with Emmanuel Episcopal, not least through the joint annual Vacation Bible School, which Katie has been coordinating since she assumed the position. Katie's position of 28 hours/week at Emmanuel Episcopal will continue and she would be serving both congregations. Thanks to working jointly on the VBS, Katie is already acquainted with several members of Christ Lutheran, and vice versa. Hiring Katie would not only give us the opportunity to fill this new position with a highly qualified and experienced candidate, but it could also allow for a closer relationship with Emmanuel Episcopal and the possibility for further cooperation, particularly with regard to children and youth programming.



## 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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto: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 SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS!

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

### ANNIVERSARIES:

09/01 Andrew and Lauren Bennett  
09/04 Brett and Deanne Bussler  
09/04 Steve and Jodi McCarty  
09/14 Joe and Annika Bartek  
09/14 Michael and Kristin Hill  
09/15 Robert and Carol Brockelmeyer  
09/15 Keith and Nancy Lissant  
09/15 Kevin and Lauren Butz  
09/16 Dave and Sarah Ringkor  
09/17 Mark Smith and Linda Elkin  
09/24 Tore Stole and Rosemary Kunz  
09/29 Jeff Bloese and Sarah Keifer

### BIRTHDAYS:

09/02 Janna Langholz  
09/03 Ian Griffin  
09/05 Eric Deck  
09/07 Bryan Dopuch  
09/10 Becca Jordan  
09/12 Jacob Joern  
09/13 Dave Eftink Jr.  
09/14 Bill Wischmeyer  
09/15 Mary Ann Hatlelid  
09/16 Will Zempel  
09/17 Alexa Gunther  
09/17 Laura Swanson  
09/19 Ian Bennett  
09/22 Kate Hoerschler  
09/24 Levi Hassler  
09/25 Micah Ruff  
09/25 Anita Trautmann  
09/26 Michael Hill  
09/26 Rosemary Kunz  
09/27 Doug Austin  
09/29 Gege Brightman  
09/29 Bryn Stole  
09/30 Emma Austin

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



# SEPTEMBER 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 4p Fitness group	2	3
4 9:30a Worship	5 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves  4pm Fitness group	6	7 7:30p Choir Practice	8 4p Fitness group	9	10
11 9:00a Adult forum, Sunday School  10:00a Worship	12 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves  4pm Fitness group	13	14 6p Worship team meeting  7:30p Choir Practice	15 4p Fitness group	16	17
18 10:00a Worship  11:30-1:30 125th Anniversary party	19 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves  4pm Fitness group  7p Justice Group Meeting	20 7p Church Council meeting in Confer- ence room	21 7:30p Choir Practice	22 4p Fitness group	23	24 10:30a Flo Saeger Memorial Service
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 SUNDAY AT 9:30 A.M.

RESIDENT PASTOR: MEAGAN  
 MCLAUGHLIN OFFICE  
 HOURS: MON-WED, FRI 8:30-  
 4:30  
 APPTS BY  
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### **Lutheran School of Theology Fall 2022 Class Offerings**

Starting soon (please register asap)

**Gospel of Matthew**, taught by Dr. Troy Troftgruben via Zoom on Thursday mornings, 9:00 - 11:00 am on Sept. 22, 29 and Oct. 6. Cost: \$45

**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](mailto: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.