

ONE IN CHRIST

Week of November 2 - November 8, 2020

PASTOR'S WORD



People of Christ, as we head into November, we are coming to the end of the church year. Sunday, November 22, is the final Sunday of this church season, and November 29 we will begin the new church year as we celebrate the first Sunday of Advent, the season of waiting. It feels like we've been doing a lot of waiting since March. Waiting to see how Covid will progress, waiting for a vaccine, waiting to see if schools and buildings can re-open, how our employment situations will look, how our families can gather.

And in this election week, there is a lot of waiting around that, too, a lot of anxiety along with the wondering how things will turn out, and a lot at stake, no matter what your political views.

It is so important for all of us in this time to remember the promises of God, trusting in God no matter what happens in the next few weeks. It is likely that ensuring all of the ballots are counted properly will take longer than it typically does, as so many of us have chosen to vote by mail this year, which can increase our sense of unease in a time when we are already so tired of waiting.

There are a few things we can do as we wait. We can allow time for election officials to do the work they have been doing faithfully for so many centuries. We can take action and speak out as we feel led for the integrity of our election system. And we can pray every day for our leaders, those entrusted with our democracy, and all of us who live in the land, for peace, honor, safety, freedom, and truth.

I have found comfort and guidance in Psalm 47 and Philippians 4:2-9, and commend them to you in hopes that you may find the same. As people of faith have found since the beginning of time, God is God and no other, and we can trust God to be with us in all times and seasons. Peace to you all this day, and every day!





In an effort to make at home worship easier for those who prefer a hardcopy, please contact the office if you would like to have the ELW hymnal delivered to you, or a weekly bulletin mailed out.



Stewardship & Offerings

We continue to worship and reach out to people in different ways than we're traditionally accustomed. Staff and members are reaching out proactively to make sure everyone in our congregation is cared for, and connected, as much as possible. We are re-imagining ministry! Now more than ever, it takes all of us to make that happen.

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.
- 4. Want to walk through the steps with someone? Contact Kate Hoerchler, 314-805-1751,katehoerchler@gmail.com

If you prefer to make your offering by check or cash, there are mailing envelopes included in your offering envelope package.

Joan O'Brien and Lynnae Ruff, Stewardship Chairs

Volunteer needed to help with remote worship services

We need someone to join the rotation, every 3 weeks, to help with Sunday zoom services. Some proficiency with Zoom required. Please reach out to Pastor Meagan, Becca Jordan or Mike Wagner if interested.

Prayer for Our Nation

As election day, approaches, let us pray together, for our country, our leaders, election officials, and all of those most impacted by the results of the elections. Let us remember that God is God, and God alone. We will stand in the Shalom of God in whom we trust.

Every OTE Counts!

Monday, November 2

10:30am-2:30pm—Pastor Meagan will be available at the church. Call Pastor Meagan or arrange to visit in the Columbarium any time during these hours.

7:00pm--Prayer on the Eve of the Election--Zoom Join Zoom Meeting

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Wednesday, November 4

10:30am-2:00pm—Pastor Meagan will be available at the church. Call Pastor Meagan or arrange to visit in the Columbarium any time during these hours.

7:00pm--Prayer on the Day After the Election Wednesday evening, November 4, 7:00pm Join Zoom Meeting

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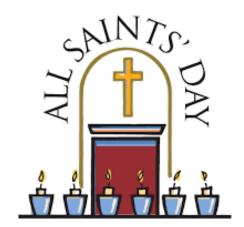
Visit https://www.vote411.org for voting information.

All Saints Day Remembrance

On Sunday we remembered all of those who have died in the past year: Christ Lutheran members, family members, neighbors, friends, co-workers, classmates, students, teachers.

Diane Gnadt Laura Kreis Alvin Boehlke Paul Eggold Mary Richter David Bennet Dennis O'Brien Allan Brennecke Sandy Gerdeman Loretta Steinkuehler Susan Hunt John McKenzie II Martin John Neeb Gloria Richardson **Dolly Hoyer** Victor Saeger Grace Weber Thomas Wrenn Gwen Hickman Paul Mittelsteadt Kate Weyrens Rose Brown Ruth Koch

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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! You

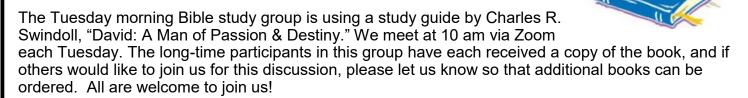


Fellowship at CLC

Zoom Bible Study, Tuesday November 3rd, 10:00 am

"David was a man after God's own heart."

What does it mean to be someone "after God's own heart"? David, Old Testament shepherd, king and psalmist, offers an answer in the shape of his own life.



Join Zoom Meeting

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Call in From Any Phone: 312 626 6799

Meeting ID: 826 4394 5421

Password: 127284

Fall and Winter In Community

As the weather turns and opportunities for outdoor gatherings are reduced, we want to invite us all to be creative about how we can stay connected and continue to be in community through the winter months. If you would like to be matched with another household or two to be in intentional connection, if you have ideas for online activities, if you have ideas for outdoor winter activities, or any other thoughts about how we can stay connected, let Pastor Meagan or Council know!

Zoom Virtual Game Night

The second weekend of each month will be Zoom game night for the adults of CLC! The final two game nights of 2020 are listed below:

- Friday, November 13 at 7:30 pm
- Saturday, December 12 at 7:30 pm

We will play a different game each month. A few game ideas include: trivia, Jackbox, cards, etc. More details to come!

If you have any game suggestions, send them to Becca at 314-580-0277 or beccajedwards@gmail.com.



Bible

WORSHIP

Sunday, November 8, 9:30 am — Zoom Worship

Join us on Zoom.

Access Online Bulletin

Follow the Zoom link or call the number noted in the bulletin to join us!

OR

Join Zoom Meeting

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Call in From Any Phone: 312-626-6799

Meeting ID: 278 217 453 Password: 971744



ADULT FORUM

Sunday, November 8, we will again look at ways of providing spiritual support to each other. Jennifer Prinz will present a session entitled **Spiritual Recharge: Grounded in the Home.** Here's how she describes it:

We will unpack the interconnectedness between our homes, our neighborhood, and God, and consider how nurturing these connections may lead you to love, empathy, and a new way to express your faith.



Jennifer is the regional representative of the ELCA's Portico Benefits.



Praising God with Flowers

Since Pr. Meagan is presiding over Sunday services from the sanctuary now, we will resume decorating the altar. The following chart is a schedule of the remaining Sunday services for 2020, and we would like to encourage members to donate flowers and sign up for a Sunday. Please select an available date listed below and return the provided form to the office or email Lisette with your selection and date. You can specify a reason for the contribution if you wish.

<u>Date</u>	Name	Small (\$25)/Large (\$40) Arrangement
November 1, 2020	Nancy Lissant	Large Arrgmnt
November 8, 2020	Ann Steinbrueck	Small
November 15, 2020		
November 22, 2020	C. Lange	
November 29, 2020		
December 6, 2020		
December 13, 2020		
December 20, 2020		
December 27, 2020	Nancy Lissant	2 arrangements

ALTAR FLOWER SIGN-UP FORM		
Name		
Date donating flowers:		
Reason (How it will appear in bulletin):		

Please attach a check for \$25 for a small arrangement or \$40 for a large arrangement, made payable to Christ Lutheran Church with "Flower Fund" in the memo. Payments should be mailed to the church office.

ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS!

CELEBRATING NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES & BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations and Best Wishes!

ANNIVERSARIES:

11/09 Gregory & Caitlin McMullen

11/15 Mike & Colleen Wagner

11/16 Robert & Sherri Swanson

11/30 Rev. Meagan & Karen McLaughlin

BIRTHDAYS:

11/03 Dianne Deck

11/03 Ellen Mead

11/05 Thelda Bertram

11/05 Josh Bruns

11/09 Alena Horn

11/10 Katherine Uy

11/12 Brenda Asen

11/12 Donna Munger

11/13 Alicia Lewis

11/14 Kirsten Glascock

11/16 Jack Joern

11/17 Graham Hoerchler

11/17 Brent Wood

11/18 Ruthie Helton

11/19 Helen Hedderig

11/20 Karen Bruns

11/20 John Joern

11/20 Robert Rivas

11/22 Gale Nunn

11/24 Tess Rogers

11/25 Matthew Lindquist

11/25 Melba Thomsen

11/25 Perry Yee

11/27 Tore Stole

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





Dear WRHM Adopt-A-Family Donor,

Even a global pandemic cannot stop the joy of celebrating the holidays with family. In past years, you have helped us make Thanksgiving and Christmas special for our client families. We hope you will do so again this year. It has never been more important.

Recognizing the real health and safety challenges presented by coronavirus, we are making a few changes to our holiday programs. This year, both the Thanksgiving Basket meal program and the Adopt-A-Family Christmas program will include only gift cards. While we know that this makes the program less personal, it ensures the health and safety of our clients, volunteers and donors. We hope you will understand and help us make this year's program as festive as possible under these constraints.

You will find a registration form for both the Thanksgiving and Christmas programs enclosed. You may participate in one or both programs. Please return the registration form by Friday, November 13th. You may mail them to 111 East Waymire, Webster Groves, MO 63119 or scan and email them to wrhm@wrhm.org.

If you are sponsoring a family at **Thanksgiving**, please be sure we have the meal gift card to our offices **by Friday**, **November 13**th. You will not be assigned a specific family in advance for Thanksgiving. Instead, we will match your preferred family size with a client family once your donation has been received.

For the **Christmas** program, we will match you with the appropriate family once we receive your donor registration form. You will be notified of your match via an email from wrhm@wrhm.org. **Please plan to have all gift cards for your adopted family to WRHM by Friday, December 4th at noon.** You may bring your items to us during office hours (Tuesday to Friday 9:00 am until 12:00 pm) or drop an envelope containing the meal gift card and gift cards for children's presents in our mail slot. Please be sure that the envelop is clearly marked with your name and the client family's name. We encourage you to enclose the gift cards for individual gifts in Christmas cards labeled with the recipients' name on the envelope.

If you would prefer to make a financial donation to support our Adopt-A-Family holiday programs, you may do so by visiting http://wrhm.org/help-us/. In the special instructions box, please indicate "holiday programs".

Thank you for your support of our community and your assistance in providing a joyful holiday season for our families.

Webster-Rock Hill Ministries



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

RESIDENT PASTOR: MEAGAN MCLAUGHLIN OFFICE HOURS: MON-THUR 8:30-4:30 APPTS BY ARRANGEMENT

> COUNCIL PRESIDENT: KEVIN DROLLINGER

DIRECTOR OF SENIOR ADULT MINISTRIES AND FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE: CAROLYN CROWE

DIRECTOR OF CHOIRS: DIANE DROLLINGER

> ORGANIST: MARK RUFF

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CUSTODIAN: KELLY LAKIES

WEBMASTER: PERRY YEE

Christ Lutheran Church Mission Statement

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