



# ONE IN CHRIST

Week of June 14 - June 20, 2021

## PASTOR'S WORD



Our Gospel from Mark for yesterday begins with the parable of a planter who sows seed, and then proceeds to rise and sleep with night and day, and the seed grows, and the planter doesn't even know how. Jesus portrays a world where the rhythm of action and rest is a part of life, and where the Spirit is intimately involved in all that is. We do our part, then rest and watch God at work. And God surprises us, calling the most unlikely people to do great things, bringing abundant life from the tiniest seed. What a gift it is to know that, no matter how small our part may seem, it is an essential part of the kin-dom of God. And what a relief it can be for us, when we are weary, to know that part of what we are called to is a sacred nap! We are in community for a reason, so that all of us together, with God's creative energy abounding, can accomplish amazing things.

Archbishop Oscar Romero affirmed this in a poem that I offer to you for reflection. What "seed" are you called to sow?" Where do we see God at work in your life and the world around you? And where are you called to rest, in a sacred nap?

*It helps, now and then, to step back and take a long view.*

*The Kingdom is not only beyond our efforts,  
it is even beyond our vision.*

*We accomplish in our lifetime only a tiny fraction  
of the magnificent enterprise that is God's work.*

*Nothing we do is complete,  
which is a way of saying that the Kingdom always lies beyond us.*

*No statement says all that could be said.*

*No prayer fully expresses our faith.*

*No confession brings perfection.*

*No pastoral visit brings wholeness.*

*No program accomplishes the Church's mission.*

*No set of goals and objectives includes everything.*

*This is what we are about.*

*We plant the seeds that one day will grow.*

*We water seeds already planted,  
knowing that they hold future promise.*

*We lay foundations that will need further development.*

*We provide yeast that produces effects far beyond our capabilities.*

*We cannot do everything,  
and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that.*

*This enables us to do something,  
and to do it very well.*

*It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the way,  
an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest.*

*We may never see the end results,  
but that is the difference between the master builder and the worker.*

*We are workers, not master builders;  
ministers, not messiahs.*

*We are prophets of a future that is not our own.*



# WORSHIP

## **Sunday, June 20, 9:30 am, Worship**

### **Access Online Bulletin**

We are so happy to welcome you back to worship in the Sanctuary. Registration is helpful but not required to attend <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0C45AEA828AAF58-sunday3>

### **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



## **Judy Wessler Memorial Service**

Please join us June 18, 2021 in-person or on Zoom at 10:00am to celebrate the life of Judy Wessler.

### **Join on Zoom here:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83915041877?pwd=M3hGS1p6TIRGcFU0NHVEWmg0a2p5Zz09>

### **Dial by your location**

+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

**Meeting ID:** 839 1504 1877

**Passcode:** 791580



Worshipping on Zoom for the last year and a half has required many hands—readers, prayer leaders, flower team, and especially our amazing technology team. All of you have made Worship in community possible! As we begin Worship in the sanctuary again, we need all of us to bring music, flowers, voices, fellowship, and unite our beloveds in-person and via Zoom together in full community. What gifts can you share in Worship?

The following list briefly describes the typical duties of worship-related volunteers under normal circumstances. However, some responsibilities are slightly different at the moment, due to covid restrictions. All new volunteers will be given instructions/training for their roles. Our goal is to have enough volunteers that a given person need only serve in a specific capacity once a month, at most. If you or your family members would like to join one of these volunteer teams, please contact John Hoffmann, Pastor Meagan, Susan DeBusk, Jon Heerboth or email the office at [office@christwg.org](mailto:office@christwg.org).

### **Key Persons**

Typically, one key person readies the church building prior to the first Sunday morning service/activity, while another closes it after the last service/activity. However, on Sundays with only one service and no Sunday School or Adult Forum, one person will usually do both. The early responsibilities include unlocking certain outer doors and inside rooms, turning on the lights in the sanctuary, hallway and fellowship hall, turning on the sound system, bringing the elevator down to ground level, and making coffee. Closing the church involves re-locking those same outer doors and inside rooms, turning off the lights and sound system, bringing the elevator back up to the sanctuary level, and emptying coffee grounds and filters from the coffee maker.

### **Altar Guild**

Altar Guild members typically work in pairs. They replace soiled altar linens with fresh ones, maintain the candles as needed, change out the paraments as appropriate, set up the communion ware on the altar and the communion elements in the narthex prior to the service, and wash the communion ware after the service.

### **Ushers**

Ushers typically work in pairs. They greet service attendees, hand out bulletins, pass the offering plates, direct the flow of attendees to the front of the church for communion, count total attendance, and tidy the pews after the service.

### **Lectors**

These volunteers are assigned to read one of the designated lessons and/or the psalm during the service. This can be done either via zoom or in the sanctuary.

### **Presenters**

Presenters typically work in pairs. They carry the communion elements from the narthex to the altar right after the offering is collected during the service.

### **Assisting Ministers**

An assisting minister sits with the pastor near the altar during the service. Primary responsibilities include reading prayers of intercession from the altar and assisting with communion.

### **Counters**

Counting is typically done in pairs, immediately after the last service on Sundays. It usually takes about 45 minutes. Counters are responsible for categorizing all monies from the offering plate, along with any recent checks that were mailed to the church. These include regular offerings, designated contributions (e.g., memorials, altar flowers, major renovations), payments for use of the Mead Center, etc. The totals in each category are recorded and passed to the Christ Lutheran Financial Secretary.

# 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 [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.
4. Want to walk through the steps with someone? Contact Kate Hoerchler, 314-805-1751, [katehoerchler@gmail.com](mailto: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

## 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



Hi Fellow Members ... we need your help!

Each year for the Webster Groves July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration, Christ Lutheran has serviced our community with offering our restrooms for use before the parade starting at 8AM - as needed by the float builders, during and after the parade! We can do so again this year **IF WE HAVE ENOUGH VOLUNTEERS TO ESCORT PEOPLE TO OUR RESTROOMS and EXPLAIN OUR PROTOCOL – MASKS WILL BE REQUIRED INSIDE OUR BUILDING for visitors as well as members. (No toilet cleaning necessary, but we will have hand sanitizer dispensers available)**



PLEASE CALL JOAN OBRIEN ASAP – 314.991.4616 or E-MAIL [joanobrien@altairtravel.com](mailto:joanobrien@altairtravel.com) by Monday, June 14<sup>th</sup> so we can advise the Webster Groves Parade Committee IF we can offer this service.

**Parade is Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10AM** (yes, it is NOT on the 4<sup>th</sup>)  
**Carnival & Lions' Club BBQ at Eden Seminary** (at Lockwood Ave.)

Our parking lot will be a perfect place for parking for our congregation, but you must arrive early. On parade day Lockwood and Selma Avenues close to traffic at 8AM and remains closed until the last float passes our church to end the parade. So, park early and help us serve our community or “spot” a car early for easy access to the Parade and for the Carnival to follow. We will not be restricting folks from parking on our lots, so 1<sup>st</sup> come, 1<sup>st</sup> to get a parking spot!

Sorry, we will not be having our usual Potluck Picnic on our front lawn immediately following the parade, but you are welcome to still do so - just bring your own food, drinks, blankets/chairs and enjoy the day. We are not restricting guests/visitors but are encouraging Christ Lutheran members only. We also strongly recommend purchasing your lunch from the Lions Club, since this year they will be just a block away at Eden Seminary – cooking day and late night; from past years, you know their BBQ ribs are delicious and it is for such a worthy cause.

So, JOIN US in celebrating the 4<sup>th</sup> on **JULY 3<sup>rd</sup> and help us serve our community!**

### **Want to walk in the parade?**

Lockwood Ave Churches are joining together to celebrate the 4<sup>th</sup> of July by walking together in the parade, and lifting up justice and freedom for all people as values of our faith. Contact Pastor Meagan if you want to join in!





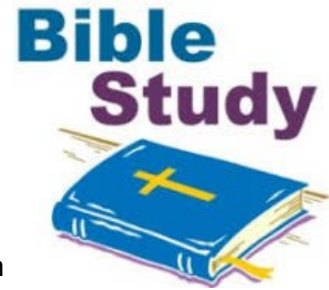
## Pride Parade

Thank you to all who participated and helped decorate the van and church.



### **Zoom Bible Study, Tuesday June 15<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am**

The Tuesday Morning Bible Study group will meet at 10 a.m. in the **church's parish hall**. A year ago, we embarked upon an in-depth study of King David, after which we've slogged our way through First and Second Kings. Now that we've reached the end of Kings, we intend to focus on several of the letters of the Apostle Paul.



All are welcome to join us. Just have one or more bibles with you, and plan to enjoy the discussion. Face masks will be required for the participants, and those who are unable to meet in person will be able to join us via the Zoom connection that is posted at the church's website.

### **Join Zoom Meeting**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82643945421?pwd=V3dxdWY0YkZsRFptWkE2dDBCM3VLUT09>

### **One tap mobile**

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**Call in From Any Phone:** 312 626 6799

**Meeting ID:** 826 4394 5421

**Password:** 127284

### **Upcoming Fellowship Events**

Mark your calendars for the future 2021 Fellowship events!

- Saturday, August 28: 6:00 pm – dusk, Event TBD - hopefully something outdoors
- Friday, October 1: 6:00 pm – dusk
  - ◊ Wurstfest, likely in Larson Park
- Saturday, October 30: 6:00 pm – dusk
  - ◊ 2nd annual Trunk or Treat in the CLC parking lot

If you have any questions or would like to help with any fellowship events, please reach out to Becca Jordan at 314-580-0277 or [beccajedwards@gmail.com](mailto:beccajedwards@gmail.com).



**Fellowship**

## Women's Group

The women of Christ Lutheran are invited to join our virtual meetings taking place the second Thursday of each month. We will catch up with each other and jump into some Bible study. Hope to see you there!

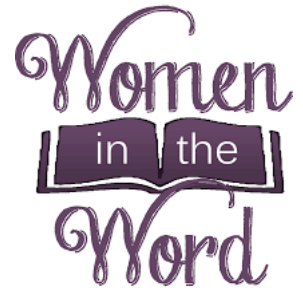
### Zoom meeting information:

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86806779211?pwd=UTBDZG1EcjJtL3NUTmxBa1Z1ZG9ydz09>

Meeting ID: 868 0677 9211

Passcode: 989376

Any questions? Reach out to Becca Jordan at [beccajedwards@gmail.com](mailto:beccajedwards@gmail.com).



## Altar Flowers

If you wish to underwrite the cost of the altar flowers for a particular week, please let the office or Nancy Lissant know which Sunday and send in a check. The cost is \$40 per Sunday; it can be shared with someone else if you wish.



## Choir Practice

All who love to sing are welcome at church, on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm. You must be fully vaccinated and two weeks past your final vaccine to participate. For questions, I can be contacted at [dianedrollinger@gmail.com](mailto:dianedrollinger@gmail.com). Thanks!



## Memorial Chapel

Many in our congregation and our families have died this past year, and we have all experienced many losses in our lives and communities. The grief is real. As we open our building again, we are also opening a space to share that grief in community. The side chapel off the sanctuary will be a place to visit, pray, light a candle, leave pictures of loved ones, and write down the losses you carry so that we can hold them together. Those with keys are welcome anytime. The building will be unlocked and the Memorial Chapel will be open every Sunday for one hour after Worship, starting May 30, and anytime during the week by arrangement—contact Lisette or Pastor Meagan to let them know when you would like to come.



## 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), Edith Cooper, Michael Cooper (Edith Cooper's grandson), Evan Deck, Helga Hayes, Elsie Johnson, Gerri Mac (Sharon Hornbeck's aunt), Bev & Al Marcus (friend of John Hoffmann), Genie Owens (Sarah Ringkor's mother), Doris & Harry Rahlfs (Karen Wood's parents), Edward Ruebeck (Roocks' grand-nephew), Ken Rupparr (friend of Mark Roock), Flo Saeger, Sherri Swanson, Shirley Wolf, Mary Stough (Sharon Hornbeck's aunt), and Richard Yeast (Leslie Bennett's father).

**IN BLESSED MEMORY:** For all of those who have died, especially Mertha Bishop (Gale Nunn's mom), Helen Hedderig, Gwen Hickman, Dolly Hoyer, Susan Hunt, Irene Kalnins, Ed Mansour, David Notley, Sr. (Roger Rose's brother-in-law), Gloria Richardson, Vic Saeger, Alex Sakonyi (Dianne Deck's uncle), Mary Lou Sakonyi (Dianne Deck's mother), Debra Schroeder (Leslie Bennett's sister), Cletus Romain, Judy Wessler and all of those who grieve at a distance in this time.

**IN MILITARY SERVICE:** Josh Duncan, Chris Hudson, Jesse Proctor, Scott Warr.

# ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS!

## LET'S CELEBRATE JUNE ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS!

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

### ANNIVERSARIES:

06/07	Carole & Mark Lewis, Perry Yee & Szu Ching Fu
06/10	Larry & Kathy Hill
06/11	Bill & Linda Griffith
06/20	Megan & Colin Meadows
06/21	Mark & Lynnae Ruff
06/23	Kathy & Jerry Kuziel
06/25	Susanne & Dave Fey
06/27	Paul & Stephanie Lenhart
06/28	Janet & Mark Roock
06/30	Betty & Woody Erickson

### BIRTHDAYS:

06/01	Katherine Mudd
06/02	Emma Schulte
06/04	Sarah Bender, Joan Rivas, Joshua Wood
06/06	Megan (Lewis) Pickett
06/08	Ward Holmes, Carolyn Lange
06/10	Reid Bartek, Erin Eftink
06/12	Anna Bussler, Luke Bruns
06/15	David Ciorba
06/17	Sam Allen
06/18	Evan Deck
06/19	David Cramer, Jordon Joern
06/22	Carole Lewis
06/23	Dave Austin, Wyatt Bussler
06/24	Kristin Hill, Kaia Chelgreen
06/27	Lauren Dopuch
06/28	Nesiah Yee
06/29	Kersten Horn
06/30	Hamise Askew-Sunkara, Sandy Hoyer

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





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

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KELLY LAKIES**

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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.**