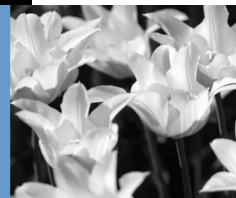




# ONE IN CHRIST

Week of June 21 - June 27, 2021

## PASTOR'S WORD



As we weather the inevitable storms of life, it is helpful to remember that God's promises hold fast, even when the winds and waters rage around us. Debie Thomas, in her blog *Journey With Jesus*, points out that at the beginning of creation, God created the chaos of the winds, waters, darkness, light, noise, and silence, and then shaped it into the creation we see all around us—in fact, shaped the chaos into US! And that was just the start. God guided Noah through the chaos of the floods, led the Israelites across the torrential sea, preserved the people through deserts, wars, famine, exile . . . there wasn't anything that God couldn't handle. And then Jesus gave his disciples guidance and wisdom for their stormy journey on earth . . . and showed them as they navigated through the storm in the boat that even when it seems like God is asleep, or even AWOL, God is there. God will never leave us. No matter what happens, Jesus is there, whispering to us the great promise: Peace, be still.

### **Blessing in the Storm**

I cannot claim  
to still the storm  
that has seized you,  
cannot calm  
the waves that wash  
through your soul,  
that break against  
your fierce and  
aching heart.

But I will wade  
into these waters,  
will stand with you  
in this storm,  
will say *peace* to you  
in the waves,  
*peace* to you  
in the winds,  
*peace* to you  
in every moment  
that finds you still  
within the storm.

**By Jan Richardson**



# WORSHIP

## Sunday, June 27, 9:30 am, Worship

### Access Online Bulletin

We are so happy to welcome you back to worship in the Sanctuary.

### 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?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/278217453?pwd=azE2dkNHVE9WSzdaeDM5Yzh4RGRvdz09)

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### **One tap mobile**

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

**Meeting ID:** 278 217 453

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## **Worship Updates**

After some work on technology this week, we have verified that those joining us via Zoom can hear the organ playing live, so . . . . **Mark Ruff will be playing organ live from the sanctuary starting June 20!** We are so excited to take this next step forward!

## **Next Up . . . .**

We will be **working on similar audio for the choir** at rehearsal this coming Wednesday evening, and hope to be able to have the choir sing live in the sanctuary soon as well. We will keep you posted on that—it will be so wonderful to have all of our music live once again!

Next Sunday, **June 27, we will begin once again serving communion from the front of the sanctuary.** I will thoroughly wash and sanitize my hands and serve wafers to each person, and we will have individual cups for wine and grape juice. If you wish to continue to bring your own communion, please feel free to do so, but all are welcome to come forward, receive the sacrament, and return to your seats to remove your masks and consume. There will be recycling bowls for you to deposit your cup when Worship is over.

We **thank you again for your patience and grace** in this two-steps-forward-one-step-back/one-step-forward-two-steps-back process. Please do continue to share any thoughts, concerns, questions, and ideas you have as we go forward, and know we are working very hard to listen, adapt, evolve, and smooth out our glitches as well as possible.



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



Again this year for the Webster Groves July 4th celebration, Christ Lutheran will offer our restrooms for use before the parade!

**The parade is Saturday, July 3rd at 10:00am** (yes, it is NOT on the 4th) Carnival & Lions' Club BBQ at Eden Seminary (at Lockwood Ave.), and participants will start gathering at 8:00am.



We need more volunteers to provide hospitality for visitors as well as members. (No toilet cleaning necessary, but we will have hand sanitizer dispensers available.) Contact Joan ASAP – 314.991.4616 or [joanobrien@altairtravel.com](mailto:joanobrien@altairtravel.com) if you are able to help!

**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 8:00am and remain 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 1st come, 1st to get a parking spot!

### **Watch the parade!**

Bring your own food, drinks, blankets/chairs and enjoy the day. We are not restricting guests/visitors but are encouraging Christ Lutheran members only for churchyard picnic. 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 4th on July 3rd and help us serve our community!

### **Do you love a parade?**

Peace and several other Webster churches will participate in the 4th of July Parade with a focus on getting out the vote. The more, the merrier! The parade is July 3rd and we will meet at approximately 9:30am. If you would like to walk the parade route with us, please signup on the Signup Genius by [clicking here](#). contact Joni Resides (609.774.5020; [resides1@gmail.com](mailto:resides1@gmail.com)) or Sarah Webster (314.239.8461; [swebster1956@gmail.com](mailto:swebster1956@gmail.com)).

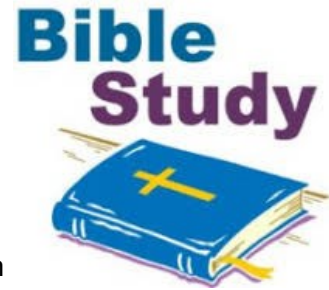


**JOIN THE Parade!**



### **Zoom Bible Study, Tuesday June 22<sup>nd</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**



### **Choir Practice**

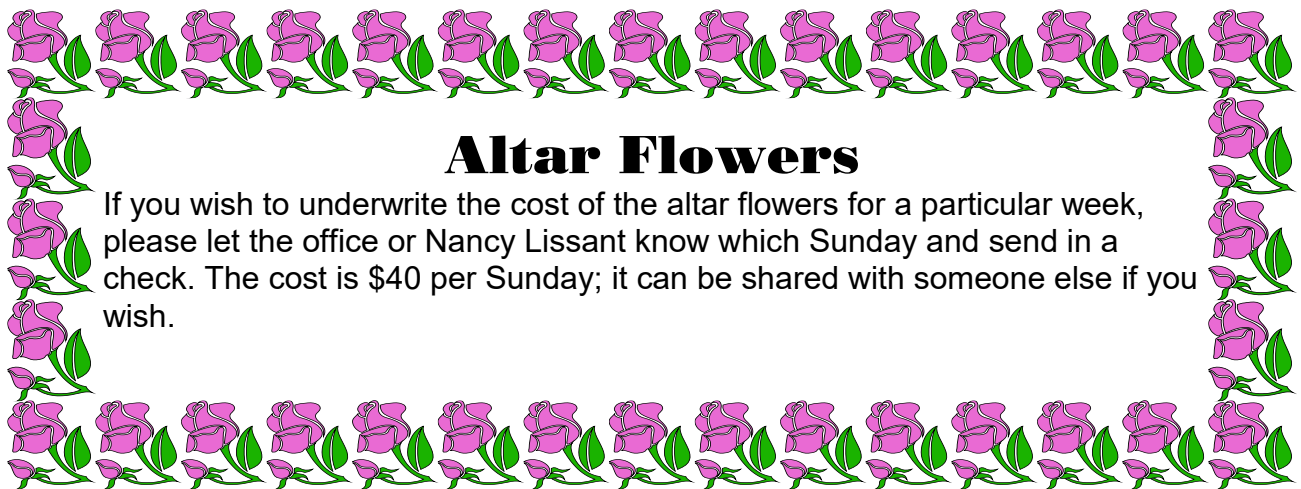
All who love to sing are welcome at church, on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm. You must be fully vaccinated and two weeks past your final vaccine to participate. For questions, I can be contacted at [dianedrollinger@gmail.com](mailto:dianedrollinger@gmail.com). Thanks!

## Vigil For Black Lives

**Lockwood Ave, every Friday, 6:00-6:30pm**

Last week we acknowledged two anniversaries: **Juneteenth**, the celebration of the message of the Emancipation Proclamation reaching the last of the people living in slavery in Galveston, TX, June 17, 1865, two and a half years after it was signed; and the **murder of 9 black people at Emmanuel Episcopal AME in Charleston** by a man who believed them to be a threat because of the color of their skin June 19, 2015, just six years ago. These two anniversaries taken together in June each year illustrate clearly that progress has been made. AND, the truth is that in many ways, racism and its impacts still rage today. 156 years after the last of the people living in chattel slavery were freed, access to voting rights is still restricted and threatened, and the well-being, safety, and lives of people of color are still at risk every day.

**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!



## 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.

## 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).



## 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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**RESIDENT PASTOR: MEAGAN  
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APPTS BY  
ARRANGEMENT**

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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.