# Week of July 12 - July 18, 2021

#### PASTOR'S WORD



#### Mark 6:30-32

<sup>30</sup>The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. <sup>31</sup>He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. <sup>32</sup>And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves.

Two Sundays ago, Jesus sent the disciples off to carry the message of the Gospel to distant lands. It would not be easy, he warned them. They were to depend on the good will of those they met along the way . . . . and that not everyone would be willing or eager to hear the news they brought. Rejection was to be expected. And when that happened, as it inevitably would, they were to let it go, shaking the dust of rejection and resistance from their feet, and move on to the next place.

This week, the disciples have returned, and Jesus first listens carefully as they share all that had happened while they were away. Then, Jesus tells them it is time to rest, to be by themselves, to eat and sleep in a deserted place.

This is not the only time God tells God's people to rest, and to eat. In the cave at Mount Horeb, the angel provides an exhausted Elijah with food and drink, and tells him to sleep. Jesus tells the people as he teaches that part of what is promised is rest. Even as God created all that is, and us in it, God rests from all the God had done. And in the 10 Commandments, the 4<sup>th</sup> one tells us to Remember the Sabbath and keep it holy, to rest that day in the presence of God. A whole commandment devoted to the sacred nap!

In the midst of the busy-ness of life, the stress and turmoil of changes and decisions and transitions, and the joys and reliefs that come with all of the things we are so excited to do now after many months of caution and limitations, this is an invitation to each of us to remember that one of the things that God wants for us is rest. We all need time in deserted places to simple be in the presence of the God who created all that is, and then rested from labor.

Where do find nourishment and rest when your soul is weary? How do you find rest in the presence of God? When will you make time for a sacred nap?

#### **PASTOR'S WORD**

So while once we asked, how could we possibly prevail over catastrophe? Now we assert, How could catastrophe possibly prevail over us?

We will not march back to what was, but move to what shall be.

A country that is bruised but whole, benevolent but bold,

fierce and free.

We will not be turned around or interrupted by intimidation,

because we know our inaction and inertia will be the inheritance of the next generation.

Our blunders become their burdens. But one thing is certain,

If we merge mercy with might, and might with right, then love becomes our legacy, and change our children's birthright.

So let us leave behind a country better than the one we were left with.

Every breath from my bronze-pounded chest, we will raise this wounded world into a wondrous one.

We will rise from the gold-limbed hills of the west.

We will rise from the windswept northeast, where our forefathers first realized revolution.

We will rise from the lake-rimmed cities of the midwestern states.

We will rise from the sunbaked south. We will rebuild, reconcile and recover.

And every known nook of our nation and every corner called our country,

our people diverse and beautiful will emerge, battered and beautiful.

When day comes we step out of the shade, aflame and unafraid, the new dawn blooms as we free it.

For there is always light, if only we're brave enough to see it.

If only we're brave enough to be it.



## WORSHIP

#### Sunday, July 18, 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? pwd=azE2dkNHVE9WSzdaeDM5Yzh4RGRvdz09

#### One tap mobile

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

### While Mark Ruff is on his well deserved vacation here is what the July music schedule will look like:

July 18– Pastor Kendra Nolde will be presiding July 18 – Liz Drollinger July 25 – Jesse Helton

#### Parents of CLC

Do you have a child entering 2nd grade in the fall or who is ready to learn about the Sacrament of Communion?

If so please contact Pastor Meagan to register your child for communion class. We will hold lessons, make bread, and attendants will be recognized in worship.



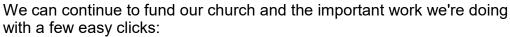
#### Confirmation

Is your child entering 7th Grade? Pastor Meagan will be forming a class to prepare for Confirmation. Please email or call Pastor Meagan if your child will be attending class.



# 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.



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



Have an idea for how Christ Lutheran Church can make your experience better? Submit an anonymous note at <u>http://freesuggestionbox.com/</u> <u>pub/stwuunh</u> and we will do our best to help! You



#### **Staff Vacation**

July is the month of travel and rejuvenation!

Mark Ruff will be out of town July 8-31st.

Carolyn Crowe, Pastoral Nurse, will be on vacation July 3-14th.

Lisette, office administrator, will be on vacation July 16-26. Susan DeBusk will be helping with office tasks this week.

Pastor Meagan will be out of town July 12-20th. Pastor Meagan will be available by phone for emergencies July 12-14th, and Carolyn Crowe will be available for pastoral needs July 15-20th.

On July 18th Pastor Kendra Nolde will be presiding in Pastor Meagan's absence.



Congratulations to Peter and Becca Jordan on the arrival of Jackson Lee Jordan. He made his debut at 7:49 am June 29, weighing 7 lbs, 5 oz and measuring 20 1/4". Baby and mom are doing great, and dad is incredibly proud!



#### **Back to School Collection**

Hello everyone! Webster-Rock Hill Ministries needs our help sending kids back to school with all the supplies they will need for the 2021-22 school year! We will help by **collecting school supplies** throughout July, beginning Sunday, July 11th and ending on Sunday, August 1st. There will be a labeled blue bin in the narthex to place your items. If you are doing virtual services you are welcome to drop your supplies off directly at WRHM (open Tues-Fri. 9am-12pm), or you can contact Erin Eftink at <u>erineftink@sbcglobal.net</u> to arrange for a porch pick-up. Thank you for helping local students!

#### Items needed include:

- pencils
- pencil boxes
- erasers
- wide and narrow markers
- colored pencils
- wide-rule notebooks
- two-pocket folders in various colors
- highlighters
- glue sticks
- scissors
- ear buds/headphones
- backpacks

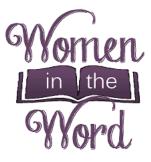


#### Women's Group

The women of Christ Lutheran are invited to join our virtual meetings taking place the second Thursday of each month at 7pm. We will catch up with each other and jump into some Bible study. Hope to see you there!

#### Zoom meeting information:

Join Zoom Meeting: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86806779211?</u> pwd=UTBDZG1EcjJtL3NUTmxBa1Z1ZG9ydz09 Meeting ID: 868 0677 9211 Passcode: 989376



Any questions? Reach out to Becca Jordan at <a href="mailto:beccajedwards@gmail.com">beccajedwards@gmail.com</a>.

#### Zoom Bible Study, Tuesday July 13th, 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

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#### **Upcoming Fellowship Events**

Mark your calendars for the future 2021 Fellowship events!

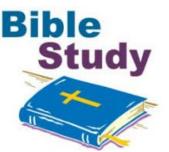
- Saturday, August 28: 6:00 pm dusk, Event TBD hopefully something outdoors
- Friday, October 1: 6:00 pm dusk
  ◊ Wurstfest, likely in Larson Park
- Saturday, October 30: 6:00 pm dusk
  2nd annual Trunk or Treat in the CLC parking lot

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



#### **Choir Practice**

All who love to sing are welcome at church, Wednesday July 21 and 28 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 <u>dianedrollinger@gmail.com</u>. 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!



#### Memorial Service for Dolly Hoyer

Please join us for a memorial service at Christ Lutheran on July, 31, 2021 at 11am or on Zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 872 8968 7099 Passcode: 165596

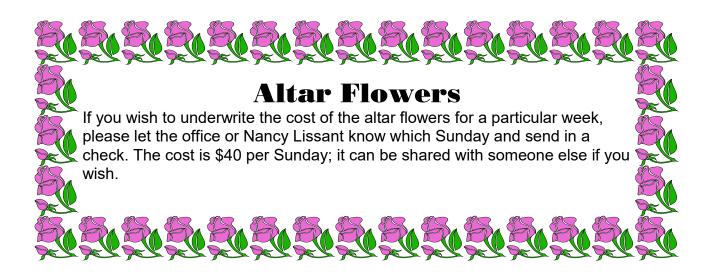
Dolly passed away on Sunday, July 12, 2020. She was 98 years old. Bob, her husband of 60 years, died in 2005. Loving mother to John and his wife

Adela; Ted and his wife Vicki; Mike and his wife Sandra; and Steve and his wife Cindy. Wonderful oldest sister to Margie, Ted and Joan. She was a longtime kindergarten teacher in Pattonville schools and a longtime organist at Christ Lutheran in Webster Groves. Her greatest joy was singing in the choir, any good choir. Her gardens of iris and her amaryllis were her gift to nature and nature's gift to her. The flower above was drawn by Dolly's grand-daughter Jade. Dolly was a fun person to be around. She is dearly missed by all.

#### 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





#### 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, John Hoffmann, 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 Ruppar (friend of Mark Roock), Flo Saeger, Sherri Swanson, Shirley Wolf, and Mary Stough (Sharon Hornbeck's aunt).

**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 & Richard Yeast (Leslie Bennett's sister and father), Cletus Romay, Judy Wessler, Sheila Rose 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 JULY ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS!

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

#### **ANNIVERSARIES:**

| 07/03 | Erin & Dave Eftink, Jr. |
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| 07/13 | Luke & Karen Bruns      |
| 07/21 | Alena & Kersten Horn    |
| 07/22 | Matt & Katie Ciorba     |
| 07/30 | James & Leslie Bennett  |
| 07/30 | Jon & Chris Heerboth    |
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#### **BIRTHDAYS:**

| 07/02 | Edith Cooper          |
|-------|-----------------------|
| 07/03 | Leslie Bennett        |
| 07/04 | Taimika Askew-Sunkara |
| 07/04 | Gregory McMullen      |
| 07/06 | Susan DeBusk          |
| 07/08 | Lisette Kreitler      |
| 07/12 | Stephanie Lenhart     |
| 07/12 | Mike Wagner           |
| 07/13 | Carolyn Crowe         |
| 07/13 | Matthew Hoyer         |
| 07/14 | Dane Stole            |
| 07/16 | Dianne Drollinger     |
| 07/16 | Lauren Bennett        |
| 07/17 | Luke Dopuch           |
| 07/18 | Kim Joern             |
| 07/21 | Maggie Ringkor        |
| 07/23 | Jason Kuziel          |
| 07/27 | Megan Eftink          |
| 07/27 | Kahlie McCarty        |
| 07/28 | Thomas Allen          |
| 07/28 | Roger Rose            |
| 07/29 | Scott Glascock        |
| 07/30 | Sherry Mitchler       |
| 07/30 | Rev. Kenneth Haugk    |
| 07/31 | August Bennett        |
| 07/31 | Matt Ciorba           |
| 07/31 | Steven McCarty        |
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Our apologies if we missed anybody! Please let us know if we did.



# **July 2021**

| Sun   | Mon   | Tue  | Wed                      | Thu                              | Fri | Sat                              |
|---|---|--|--------------------------|----------------------------------|-----|----------------------------------|
|   |   |  |                          | 1                                | 2   | 3<br>10am July 4th<br>WBG parade |
| 4<br>Independence day<br>9:30a Worship<br>10:45a Coffee<br>Fellowship | 5<br>12p Sr. Fellowship<br>at Laclede Groves<br>4p Fitness Group  | 6<br>10a Bible Study<br>– Fellowship Hall                                  | 7                        | 8<br>7p Women's Group<br>on Zoom | 9   | 10                               |
| <b>11</b><br>9:30a Worship<br>10:45a Coffee<br>Fellowship             | 12<br>12p Sr. Fellowship<br>at Laclede Groves<br>4p Fitness Group | 13<br>10a Bible Study<br>– Fellowship Hall                                 | 14<br>7p Worship meeting | 15                               | 16  | 17                               |
| 18<br>9:30a Worship<br>10:45a Coffee<br>Fellowship                    | 19<br>12p Sr. Fellowship<br>at Laclede Groves<br>4p Fitness Group | 20<br>10a Bible Study<br>– Fellowship Hall<br>7p Church Council<br>meeting | 21<br>7p Choir practice  | 22                               | 23  | 24                               |
| 25<br>9:30a Worship<br>10:45a Coffee<br>Fellowship                    | 26<br>12p Sr. Fellowship<br>at Laclede Groves<br>4p Fitness Group | 27<br>10a Bible Study<br>– Fellowship Hall                                 | 28<br>7p Choir practice  | 29                               | 30  | 31                               |



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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

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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.