PASTOR'S WORD



"Jesus has come that we may have abundant life. His feeding narratives attest that the generosity of God is assured whenever Jesus rules in the earth and we count on that generosity. And that means that our common practices of greed, of the pursuit of consumer goods, of the frantic effort to acquire more, are both inappropriate and unnecessary. Our society hungers always for more: more body surgery, more cosmetics, more cars, more beer, more sex, more certitude, more security, more money, more power, more oil whatever.

"This hunger for more is a true sign that we do not trust the goodness of God to supply all of our needs; we do not trust that the generous rule of Jesus who has ascended to power is in effect. But we, we are Jesus' people, and therefore we are pledged and empowered to act differently, differently in the neighborhood, differently in the economy, and as citizens of the last superpower, differently in the world."

Walter Brueggeman, A Gospel of Hope

As we continue through these weeks of the Bread of Life Discourse, we are reminded each week of the truth of the abundance of God. The truth that there is always enough. And yet, as Walter Brueggeman points out, it is so easy to get caught up in the need for more. These weeks invite us to take a step back and recognize the abundance that we already have, and let go of our hunger for things we don't actually need. It may seem contradictory, but letting go of hunger for excess allows us to receive the abundant that Jesus promises.

What "hunger for more" do you need to let go of? How will letting go of that hunger allow you to show up differently in the world?



WORSHIP

Sunday, August 15, 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

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Call in From Any Phone: 312-626-6799

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The Worship Team Needs Your Input!

As we plan for fall Worship and education and fellowship hour, we are considering adjusting the school year Sunday schedule to better meet the current needs of our congregation. We need your input to make the best decision for the community, so please take a moment to answer this ONE QUESTION survey as soon as possible. We will take responses through August 10, so that we have the survey data to consider at our next Worship Team meeting on August 11.

Complete the survey in one of the following ways:

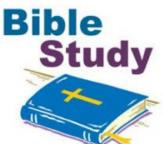
PREFERRED: Follow this link! https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/D72BN2X

Call Pastor Meagan or Lisette and they can read you the question and record your answer for you.

Zoom Bible Study, Tuesday August 10th, 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

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Upcoming Fellowship Events

Mark your calendars for the future 2021 Fellowship events!

- Saturday, August 28: 6:00 pm , Tailgating game night in parking lot
- 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.







Choir Practice

All who love to sing are welcome at church on August 4, 11, and 18th 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. Thanks!

CLC Fellowship Event

What: Tailgating Game Night at Christ Lutheran

When: Saturday, August 28 at 6:00 pm **Where**: Christ Lutheran Parking Lot

Details: Bring your favorite outdoor games (cornhole, washers, ladder toss, frisbee golf, spikeball, lawn darts, etc.) and your own drinks, snacks, chairs, s'mores supplies, etc.



- We will play games on the church parking lot. The church yard will be available as well (light permitting).
- The fire pit will be ready for s'mores.
- Open to all ages!
- No need to sign up as this will be an outdoor event with plenty of space.
- The church will be open for bathroom breaks and water refills. Don't forget to bring your mask if you plan to go inside!
- This event is weather-permitting. If needed, Becca will send a cancellation email the morning of the event.

Questions? Call, text, or email Becca Jordan at 314-580-0277 / beccajedwards@gmail.com.

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: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86806779211?

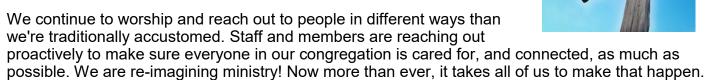
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Stewardship & Offerings

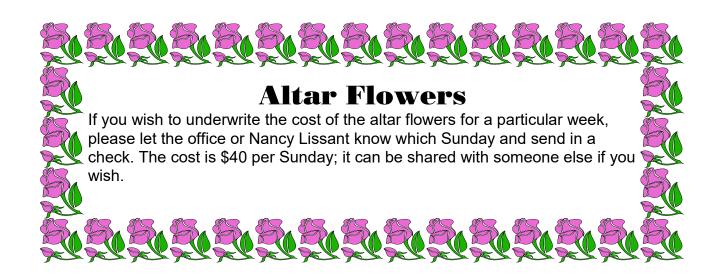


We can continue to fund our church and the important work we're doing with a few easy clicks: 1. Visit our donation website directly or go to www.christwg.org and scroll down to the 'Give Now' button.

- 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



Lost and Found

A pair of gold rimmed sunglasses were found in the Sanctuary and a key on a multicolored bracelet was found in the parking lot. If these are yours please call the office to arrange pickup.





Dear CROP friends:

The 2021 CROP Hunger Walk will be a hybrid event. For those who feel safe gathering in-person to walk together, we shall gather on Sunday, October 24 at Eden Seminary, 475 E. Lockwood Ave. in Webster Groves 63119 — check-in at 4:30 pm and Walk at 5:00. However, participants may also register for the Walk, and they may choose to walk wherever and whenever they want (like we did last year), individually or in small groups (for instance, a congregation or organization at your chosen time and location).

For more details and to register, form a team, raise funds, and/or donate, please go to the following website:

events.crophungerwalk.org/2021/event/saintlouismo

There will also be a CROP Concert again this year. It will follow the CROP Walk at 7:00 pm in the Wehrli Chapel at Eden Seminary. COVID precautions will be in place.

Questions? Contact Clint McCann at cmccann@eden.edu or 314-619-0599.

Thanks for your support of CROP/Church World Service!

Peace, Clint McCann

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!

2021 Golf Fundraiser for Webster Groves High School Hockey

The Webster HS hockey club is hosting a golf fundraiser on Sept 19th. If anyone from Christ Lutheran would be interested in golfing, contact Melissa Allen (melpallen@yahoo.com). Golfers can register as individuals or foursomes, and food and drinks will be provided. There is also going to be a silent auction.





LST Classes

Lutheran School of Theology St Louis is pleased to announce that we have been able to enlist Dr. Wil Gafney, Sam B Hulsey Professor of Hebrew Bible at Brite Divinity School in offering a Womanist Biblical Interpretation Colloquium. This opportunity is open to all. Attending the previous classes in the series is not a prerequisite.

Participation in this colloquium will afford individuals and small groups who want to experience engagement with biblical texts a very special opportunity to learn about womanist interpretation from a renowned biblical scholar. In Dr. Gafney's words, "One of the principles of womanist biblical interpretation is that that experience is not just useful for black women, it's useful for anyone who engages the text."

Zoom classes with Dr. Gafney will be held on Wednesday evenings, Sept. 22 & 29, Oct. 6 from 7:00 -8:30 pm CDT. Register at https://lststl.org/womanist-biblical-interpretation/ Cost: \$70 Scholarships may be requested here: https://lststl.org/scholarships-for-lst-classes/

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, 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, Mary Stough (Sharon Hornbeck's aunt), and Wayne Wellman (Susanne Reimer-Fey's brother).

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.

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!



ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS!

LET'S CELEBRATE AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS!

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

ANNIVERSARIES:

08/17 Karen and Brent Wood 08/22 Sylvia and Mark Rogers 08/28 Brian & Kate Dopuch

BIRTHDAYS:

08/02 Kate Dopuch

08/05 Ann Steinbrueck

08/07 Emily Knapp

08/07 Susanne Reimer-Fey

08/09 Harrison Ringkor

08/12 Janet Roock

08/13 Tammy Pryor

08/15 Bill Scholle

08/15 Mark Ruff

08/15 Judy Koepke

08/19 Marc Horn

08/20 Alan Richter

08/21 Carol Arrington

08/22 Graham Bartek

08/25 Jacey Joern

08/28 Jesse Helton

08/28 Keith Lissant

08/29 Ray McIntyre

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



August 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:30a Worship 10:45a Coffee Fellowship	2 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves 4p Fitness Group	3 10a Bible Study – Fellowship Hall	4 7:30p Choir practice	5	6	5p VBS Picnic and Praise on church lawn
9:30a Worship 10:45a Coffee Fellowship 2p Choir Party at Drollinger home	9 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves 4p Fitness Group	10 10a Bible Study – Fellowship Hall	7p Worship team meeting 8pm Zoom book group 7:30p Choir practice	12 7p Women's Group on Zoom	13	14
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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: KEVIN DROLLINGER

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

DIRECTOR OF CHOIRS: DIANE DROLLINGER

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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.