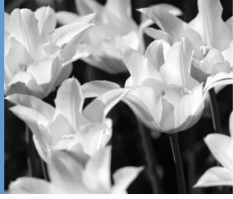




# ONE IN CHRIST

Week of November 8 - November 14, 2021

## PASTOR'S WORD



### Mark 13:1-8

<sup>1</sup>As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" <sup>2</sup>Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

<sup>3</sup>When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, <sup>4</sup>"Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" <sup>5</sup>Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. <sup>6</sup>Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. <sup>7</sup>When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. <sup>8</sup>For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs.

### Question for Reflection

How do you profess your faith in God's coming reign of justice and peace, in the face of the challenges of this world?



# WORSHIP

## **Sunday, November 14, 9:30 am, Worship**

### **Access Online Bulletin**

Join us for 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**

+13126266799,278217453#,1#,971744# US (Chicago)

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

**Meeting ID:** 278 217 453

**Password:** 971744



## **Seeking Stories of Hope**

As we enter Advent this year, our theme is Messengers of Hope. We want to collect stories of hope as we prepare for Jesus, who brings the hope of God to this world. Do you have a story to share?

Tell a story of someone who is a messenger of hope for you.

Tell a story of a situation or an event that brought you hope.



## **Saturday Evening Service**

We have finished outdoor worship for the season. Saturday evening Worship leadership team will be in contact with families soon as we plan for children and families for the winter and spring.

Pastor Meagan, Alena, Kate H., and Jesse

## **Pastor Meagan's Sabbath Day**

Going forward, Pastor Meagan will be taking Thursdays as her regular Sabbath Day. If you need something on Thursdays, please contact Lisette and she can assist you. Pastor Meagan will not be checking e-mail on Thursdays, so if you have an emergency that requires Pastor's immediate attention, please call or text her and she will respond when she can.

# 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)

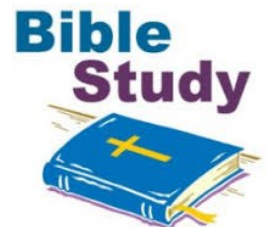
If you prefer to make your offering by check or cash, there are mailing envelopes included in your offering envelope package.

Joan O'Brien and Lynnae Ruff, Stewardship Chairs

## Tuesday Bible Study

The Tuesday morning Bible study group will meet at 10:15 a.m. in the Parish Hall. Most recently, we've been studying Hebrews.

**There will not be a meeting on November 23rd due to the Thanksgiving holiday.**



## Choir Practice

All who love to sing are welcome at church Wednesday evenings on November 3, 10, and 17 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!



## Volunteers Needed - Advent Wednesday Dinners

Before the Advent Wednesday services, we will resume the tradition of an Advent meal in the Fellowship Hall. Are you willing to coordinate with others to provide a meal to share?

Wednesdays in Advent:

Wednesday, December 1

Wednesday, December 8

Wednesday, December 15

Wednesday, December 22

Please reach out to Becca Jordan at [beccajedwards@gmail.com](mailto:beccajedwards@gmail.com) or 314-580-0277 with any questions or if you would like to volunteer.

Thank you!



## Children and Youth Ministry Coordinator!

CLC is planning to hire a Children and Youth Ministry Coordinator, to start as soon as the hire process is complete! We wanted you to be the first to know. The Job Summary is below. Internal and external candidates will be joyfully considered. To apply E-mail Resume and Cover Letter to Lisette Kreitler [office@christwq.org](mailto:office@christwq.org), and contact Lisette via e-mail or phone 314-962-6011 with questions.

Do you know someone who would support Sunday School and Youth volunteers, and minister well with children, youth, and families? Pass this on to them or let us know!

### Hire Team

Pastor Meagan, Kate Dopuch, Katie Ciorba, Kate Hoerchler, Danielle Uy, Jesse Helton

### Job Summary

Minister alongside and provide administrative, programmatic, and spiritual support for volunteers ministering with children and youth.



### Position Status

Works alongside volunteer leaders ministering with children and youth. This position is an average of 10-12 hours per week as needed, non-exempt. Comp time or overtime pay provided for special events or youth trips with prior approval from supervisor. Background check and boundaries training required.

## Need Help with Fall Yard Cleanup?

Our Confirmation students have their rakes at the ready! Contact Pastor Meagan if you need help getting your yard ready for winter.





# LADY GREY'S *Holiday Boutique*



COME SHOP LOCALLY & SHARE GLOBALLY

## THE ARDEN MEAD CENTER AT CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

17 Selma Ave. • Webster Groves, MO 63119

**SATURDAY  
NOVEMBER 13, 2021**

9:30 – 4:00 P.M.

This service is presented by: Emmanuel Episcopal Church and Christ Lutheran Church, Churches Together

We will gather at  
**Emmanuel Episcopal Church**  
[9 South Bompert Avenue, Webster Groves](#)

Giving thanks to God,  
we honor and support  
the Food Ministry at Emmanuel,  
asking everyone  
to bring a food item  
for the pantry

A love offering also will be  
taken up to send to  
the **Firewood for Elders** program  
at the Rosebud Indian Reservation,  
South Dakota

**GIVE THANKS**  
**Community**  
**Thanksgiving Service**  
**Tuesday, November 23**  
**at 6:00 pm**

We invite you to bring food  
staples & willing hearts.



**Supporting indigenous ministries**

This full-service bulletin can be found online at: [www.emmanuelepiscopal.org](http://www.emmanuelepiscopal.org)



In person Adult Forum will be held in the Fellowship Hall and will also be available on Zoom. If you choose Zoom just stay connected after the Sunday morning service. We anticipate a 10-15 minute break between the end of the postlude and the beginning of Adult Forum.

### Upcoming Forums:

**November 14** *Preparing for the Season of Advent* in Conversation with St. Luke's Gospel." Pastor Roger Ruff, a retired Lutheran Mission Congregation Pastor, has also served as a University Lutheran Campus Pastor, and a Chaplain, U.S.A.R.

**November 21** Lisa Grazdonic will be joining us to discuss the **Baitumal** which translates to House of Goods. This is a ministry of the Islamic Foundation of St. Louis to provide basic goods for individuals seeking assistance. Ms Grazdonic will speak about the individuals their organization serves including the Afghani refugees immigrating to the St. Louis area.

### **November 28 No adult Forum**—Thanksgiving weekend

#### Summary of *November 7* Adult Forum **Stasis and the State.**

Alena and Kersten Horn led us through an examination of the decline in religious practice that has occurred in Europe and now appears to be happening in the United States. The primary cause is modernization. Informed by the Enlightenment and following the changes that accompanied the Industrial Revolution, the role of religion in western society faced major changes throughout the 19th and 20th centuries with the literal interpretation of the Bible being challenged by Darwin and German theological thinkers, the creation of secular spaces for specialized areas like science and technology, increasing urbanization and the state assuming roles (education, medical care, social welfare) that had been previously carried out by the church.

But Government policy can play a role in how religion survives. Alena told of two such incidents that led to the decline of religious practice. In the Czech Republic the White Mountain Massacre of Protestants in 1620 is a lasting memory. And in France the Church did not respond to the needs of the people before the revolution of 1789 and continued to be unresponsive into the nineteenth century when it aligned with the monarchists. Now both the Czech Republic and France are two of the most secular countries in Europe.

Kersten then gave two instances of the opposite: One was the alliance between the Polish Catholic Church and Solidarity, a Union of port workers that developed into a national movement. Together, when the Iron Curtain fell in the late 1980's, they worked to replace the Communist Government of Poland with a democratic state. Today Poland is one the most observant nations.

An example of Church and State working together occurred when ethnic Germans who had lived in Russia for several generations returned to Germany and were welcomed.

In Germany about 60% of the population is either Catholic or Protestant though church attendance is low. Kersten noted differences between the relationship of the German State and the Church compared to that in the US. One is the Calendar, eight of the eleven national holidays are religious. The state supports the churches, both Catholic and Protestant, through a voluntary tax, and religious education is part of the public school curriculum. Also, crosses are hung in public buildings in Bavaria.

In summary, Kersten and Alena said that the main cause of the secularization of Europe is modernization, but government policies can accelerate the decline of religious practice or help to sustain it. The church, whether at the denominational or congregational level, is most successful when it remains flexible and is able to dynamically respond to its members.

## MISSING ITEMS

Have you seen or do you know where these items are? Please contact Lisette or Joan.

**1) Large round pastel tablecloths in yellow, aqua and pink**  
(Only found 8 white round tablecloths, and 2 aqua tablecloths).

**2) Round pins (Red text) like image shown**





Hannah and Curtis Borden welcome Hank Borden to their family!  
Congratulations, Borden family!



Congratulations to Caitlin and Gregory McMullen on the arrival of Scarlet and Zachary! Everyone is doing great!

## Altar Flower Sign-up

If you wish to donate flowers for a particular week, please attach a check for \$50 made payable to Christ Lutheran Church with "Flower Fund" in the memo and mail this form to the office. The cost of an arrangement can be shared by two families or individuals if you wish.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date donating flowers \_\_\_\_\_

Reason (How it will appear in the bulletin): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



## Women's Group

The women of Christ Lutheran are invited to join our meetings taking place the second Thursday of each month at 7pm. This week Kristin Hill has graciously offered to host the Women's Group on **Thursday, November 11 at her house from 7:00 - 9:00 pm**. We will be on her covered back patio. Please dress accordingly! As of right now, next week should be a bit warmer than this week... Perhaps bring a blanket and a warm beverage?

Her address is:  
804 Forsythia Lane  
Webster Groves, MO 63119

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



## Churches Together for Justice

Lockwood Congregations Youth Event: An Afghani student at Webster U shares about their life in Afghanistan!

All the Churches Together for Justice high school and middle school youth groups are invited to Webster Groves Presbyterian Church on Sunday **November 14, 5:00-7:00pm**.

We'll start with a simple dinner outside on our parking lot and then go into our socially distanced sanctuary for Fahima's presentation/discussion about life in Afghanistan for a young person and how we can welcome our new Afghan neighbors when they arrive in St. Louis. We are asking that everyone wear a mask inside. **Please RSVP to Pastor Meagan!**



## 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!



## 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), 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 Wayne Wellman (Susanne Reimer-Fey's brother).



**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 NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS!

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

### 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  
11/07 Margot Meyer  
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 Rich Walker  
11/18 Ruthie Helton  
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.



# November 2021

**Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat**

	<b>1</b> All Saint's Day	<b>2</b> All Souls Day 5 an 7p Columbarium prayer  10a Bible Study – Fellowship Hall	<b>3</b> 7:30p Choir practice	<b>4</b> 4p Fitness Group	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 5p Outdoor Worship, weather permitting
<b>7</b> 9:30a Worship, Adult forum after service 10:45a Coffee Fellowship	<b>8</b> 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves  4p Fitness Group	<b>9</b> 1015a Bible Study – Fellowship Hall	<b>10</b> 7p Worship team meeting  7:30p Choir practice	<b>11</b> 4p Fitness Group  7p Women's Group	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> 9:30a Worship, Adult forum after service 10:45a Coffee Fellowship	<b>15</b> 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves  4p Fitness Group	<b>16</b> 1015a Bible Study – Fellowship Hall  7p Church Council meeting	<b>17</b> 7:30p Choir practice	<b>18</b> 4p Fitness Group	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> 9:30a Worship, Adult forum after service 10:45a Coffee Fellowship	<b>22</b> 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves  4p Fitness Group	<b>23</b> 6p Joint Service at Emmanuel Episcopal	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Thanksgiving Day  	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b> 9:30a Worship , 10:45a Coffee Fellowship	<b>29</b> 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves  4p Fitness Group	<b>30</b> 1015a Bible Study – Fellowship Hall				



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

**RESIDENT PASTOR: MEAGAN  
MCLAUGHLIN OFFICE  
HOURS: MON-WED, FRI 8:30-  
4:30  
APPTS BY  
ARRANGEMENT**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT:  
KEVIN DROLLINGER**

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ADULT MINISTRIES AND  
FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE:  
CAROLYN CROWE**

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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.**