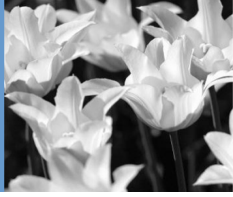




ONE IN CHRIST

Week of January 24 - January 30, 2022

PASTORS WORD



While we still navigate the losses and challenges of Covid as the new year begins, and seek the Spirit's call for us with joy and hope in 2022, I commend to you the words of National Youth Poet Laureate Amanda Gorman first read at the Presidential Inauguration last year. May it inspire us in the hills we climb!

Excerpts from *The Hills We Climb*, Amanda Gorman

When day comes we ask ourselves,
where can we find light in this never-ending shade?
The loss we carry,
a sea we must wade.
We've braved the belly of the beast,
We've learned that quiet isn't always peace,
and the norms and notions
of what just is
isn't always just-ice.
And yet the dawn is ours
before we knew it.
Somehow we do it.
If we're to live up to our own time,
then victory won't lie in the blade.
But in all the bridges we've made,
that is the promise to glade,
the hill we climb.
If only we dare.
Scripture tells us to envision
that everyone shall sit under their own vine and fig tree
and no one shall make them afraid.
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. . . .
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, January 30, 9:30 am, Worship

Access Online Bulletin

Join us for online only Worship today followed by the Annual Congregational meeting.

You may 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>

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Call in From Any Phone: 312-626-6799

Meeting ID: 278 217 453

Password: 971744



Annual Congregational Meeting

Please join us on Zoom for our Annual Congregational Meeting, Sunday January 30, immediately following Worship! Stay on our Worship Zoom link to participate. We will elect new Council members, receive updates on the Mead Center and Renovation, review the annual budget, and many other important items of business. Mark your calendars and join us!

Sunday School

Sunday School has started, after Worship every week, in the sanctuary or outside if the weather allows! Please note we will not have Sunday School January 30 because of the Annual Meeting.

If any adults out there want to help, please reach out to either Pastor or Jesse Helton. We'll make it super easy, and the kids will love having new people to interact with. Even if you have never taught Sunday school in the past, we'd love to have you!



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.christwq.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



New Book for the Race Book Group

The Sum of Us: What Racism Costs Everyone and How We Can Prosper Together by Heather McGhee

Please join us for a communitywide book study organized by the Alliance for Interracial Dignity and the Webster Equity Bridge. McGhee's book digs into policy and people's mindsets, arguing the idea that the country has fallen into too much of a zero sum game thinking that if one racial group succeeds too much then another fails. She argues that white people in addition to minorities have suffered due to racist policies and when all races are included and supported in policies, all races benefit.

We will discuss the first set of 5 chapters at our first meeting on January 25 at 8 pm via Zoom.

[Join Zoom Meeting](#)

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The opportunity to join the community discussion is at the Webster Library on February 9th at 6:30 pm.

Contact Kate Hoerchler with any questions or for help acquiring the book. katehoerchler@gmail.com.

Choir Practice

All who love to sing are welcome at church every Wednesday at 7:30 pm beginning in February. 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!



Tuesday Bible Study

Meetings will resume in the parish hall in February.



Women's Group

The women of Christ Lutheran are invited to join our meetings taking place the second Thursday of each month at 7pm. More details to come!
Any questions? Reach out to Becca Jordan at beccajedwards@gmail.com.



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:

Due to the increase risk of COVID infection from the omicron variant, the adult forum hiatus will extend through January. We plan to resume meeting in the fellowship hall in February.

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), Michael Cooper (Edith Cooper's grandson), Evan Deck, Helga Hayes, John Hoffmann, Elsie Johnson, Bev & Al Marcus (friend of John Hoffmann), Betsy Nielson (Nancy Lissant's sister), 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 Edith Cooper, Linda Polkinghorne and all of those who grieve at a distance in this time.

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

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!

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!

CELEBRATING JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES & BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations and Best Wishes!

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

ANNIVERSARIES:

1/13 Kim & Dave Donermeyer
1/19 Jadee & Steve Lauer

BIRTHDAYS:

1/05 Sharon Hornbeck
1/08 Brian Hornbeck
1/11 Flo Saeger
1/13 Nancy Lissant
1/15 Deanne Bussler
1/15 Carson Glascock
1/15 James Knapp
1/15 Alex Lindquist
1/18 Isaac Helton
1/19 Kate Drollinger
1/20 Christine Heerboth
1/28 Alex Bennett
1/29 Sloane Bartek



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| 2 9:30a Worship 11:45a Coffee fellowship | 3 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves | 4 | 5 7:30p Choir practice | 6 7p Women's Book Group | 7 | 8 |
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| 23/30 9:30a Worship Jan 30, Annual Congregation meeting on Zoom after service | 24/31 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves | 25 7p Church Council meeting in Conference room | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |



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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:
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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.