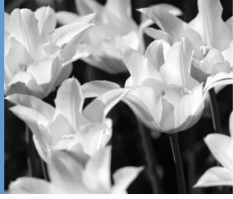




# ONE IN CHRIST

Week of February 28 – March 6, 2022

## PASTORS WORD



This week, we join Christians around the world as we begin the season of Lent. Ash Wednesday, we are marked with ashes, reminding us of our human mortality and frailty. We reflect throughout the Lenten season on the promises of God celebrated in our baptisms—promises of love, mercy, healing, and forgiveness that never fail, although we humans often do. In Jesus, God became flesh, and entered into our human experience in very vulnerable ways—even, perhaps especially, our times of wandering in the wilderness.

We have all been to the wilderness. The wilderness of addiction, loss and grief, physical and mental illness. The wilderness of struggles in employment, relationships, and unexpected crossroads. The wilderness of a world impacted by Covid, climate change, poverty, political upheaval, and injustices. The wilderness of wondering where God might be and what God might be up to, because we can't see it.



We find, when we listen to scriptures, that God is no stranger to the wilderness. Abraham and Sarah followed God through the wilderness to an unknown land that God showed them. Moses and the Israelites spent forty years in the wilderness of the desert, as God led them out of captivity to the Promised Land. In our first reading on Ash Wednesday, Isaiah speaks words of invitation and promise to people who have been living the wilderness of exile for almost 50 years and are finding their way into community again. In the Gospel of Luke, John calls himself “the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, prepare the way of the Lord!” And no sooner has John baptized Jesus than the Spirit leads Jesus himself into the wilderness of the desert for forty days. God is no stranger to the wilderness. This Lenten season, we at Christ Lutheran explore our own wilderness experiences, allowing the Spirit to guide us on the journey as God shows us **A Way in the Wilderness**.



# WORSHIP

## **Sunday, March 6, 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**

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

Meeting ID: 278 217 453

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## **Wednesday, March 2, Ash Wednesday Service, In-Person and on Zoom**

### ***Join us for a Pancake Supper at 6:00pm!***

7:00pm Worship with communion and distribution of ashes.

### ***Join Zoom Meeting:***

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88978047254?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88978047254?pwd=REVpNFNzMWNkcUZGM2JmUE8xUGdjdz09)

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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](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.



## Position Open –

Christ Lutheran Church of Webster Groves is hiring a part-time Children and Youth Ministry Coordinator, to be part of a welcoming, growing, energetic, intergenerational community! Internal and external candidates will be joyfully considered, to start as soon as the hire process is complete.

## *Children and Youth Ministry Coordinator*

### **Job Summary**

Minister alongside and provide administrative, programmatic, and spiritual support for volunteers ministering with children and youth. Part time, about 10 hours/week, \$20/hour.

### **To Apply**

E-mail Resume and Cover Letter to Lisette Kreidler [office@christwg.org](mailto:office@christwg.org).





In person Adult Forum will be held after service 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:

**March 6—What About the Nones?** Harriet Scholle will look at what we know about those who chose not to be part of an organized religion. We'll discuss how, as people of faith, we minister to them.

**March 13—Dale Kuhn** LCSW of Care and Counseling will tell us about his work with survivors of clergy sexual abuse as well as other sexual abuse survivors

**March 20 & 27—Mark Ruff** will examine the influence of Johann Sebastian Bach's keyboard music on the music of Ludwig van Beethoven.

**April 3—Diane Drollinger, Katie Ciorba, and Pastor Meagan** will lead a discussion of our role, as a Congregation and individual Christians, in dealing with clergy sexual abuse and sexual abuse in general.

Adult Forum on Sunday 02/27/22 was a presentation by members of the Christian Service Committee focusing on the changes to the partnership Christ Lutheran plans to have with community organizations in 2022. The committee and other volunteers met throughout 2021 to discuss the current format and to explore options to change the way Christ Lutheran works with community organizations to develop a stronger partnership. In 2021 Christ Lutheran provided financial support to 12 organizations and partnered with 4 community organizations for collections and hand-on projects. Our plans for 2022 are to partner with fewer number of organizations to receive financial support from Christ Lutheran, and we will look to explore opportunities to provide hands on service to these organizations.

The focus of 2022 will be on agencies that serve BASIC NEEDS of those in the community. We plan to support Webster Rock Hill Ministries, Humanitri, and Room at The Inn. In addition to financial support, Christian Service plans to create opportunities for members of Christ Lutheran to partner with these agencies to better understand the needs of the individuals they serve. Members of the congregation discussed concerns about organizations that have previously been supported by Christ Lutheran, and the unpredictable nature of emergency situations that can develop as needs change. The committee discussed opportunities to continue to promote other community organizations and needs as they develop. Members were also encouraged to support specific causes that are important to them through individual donations, and to seek additional information for rapidly developing situations through organizations such as Lutheran World Relief or through information shared in the weekly newsletter.



**Join us for regular Worship every Sunday in Lent at 9:30am, In-Person and on Zoom**

*Join Zoom Meeting:*

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**Wednesday Evening Prayer Service, In-Person and on Zoom**

6:00pm Dinner and 7:00pm Holden evening prayer will be held each week shown below:

March 9, 16, 23, 30, and April 6

*Join Zoom Meeting:*

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**Palm Sunday, April 10, 9:30am, In-Person and on Zoom**

Join us for Worship, followed by a Palm Sunday procession down Lockwood.

*Join Zoom Meeting:*

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**Choir Practice**

All who love to sing are welcome at church every Wednesday 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!



## Holy Week at Christ Lutheran Church

**Maundy Thursday, April 14, In-Person and on Zoom**  
**7:00pm Worship with communion and washing of hands**

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85491416289?pwd=MjBFRXIPVmgrUHNQWlJKVzFYeS9odz09>

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**Good Friday, April 15, In-Person and on Zoom**

**7:00pm Service of the Passion and Song**

Worship with the Cantata, *Colors of Grace*, led by Christ Church Choir, Director of Choirs Diane Drollinger.

**All offerings provided in Good Friday envelopes, collected in baskets at the Good Friday service will go to ELCA World Hunger. To contribute to ELCA World Hunger, direct to Christ Lutheran Church and designate for ELCA World Hunger.**

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88956998393?pwd=NmxNRnl2anBXURJSDhJM01jUnA5Zz09>

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**Holy Saturday, April 16, In-Person**

**7:00pm Gathering in Preparation for Easter Sunday**

Bring your own chair or blanket to the church yard and gather around the firepit to hear families share the Old Testament stories of God's faithfulness since the beginning of time. We will end by bringing out the banner, so we are prepared to celebrate Jesus' resurrection on Easter Sunday morning! Masks are required.

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**Easter Sunday, April 17, In-Person and on Zoom**

**9:30am Worship with Communion in celebration of the Resurrection**

We will celebrate the resurrection of Jesus as we bring back the Alleluia which has been hidden for so long!

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/278217453?pwd=azE2dkNHVE9WSzdaeDM5Yzh4RGRvdz09>

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## Farewell & Best Wishes

Our long-time member and friend Thelda Bertram will be moving to Minneapolis this week! She will be living at Mount Olivet Care Center, close to her daughter Sarah. The Laclede Groves CLC Fellowship will be sharing communion and treats with Thelda for a final time this afternoon. Thelda would love to receive cards at the address below. Keep Thelda and her family in your prayers during this time of transition!

Thelda Bertram C/O Susan Rathke  
3944 45th Ave South  
Minneapolis, MN 55406

## 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, Sharon Marshall's mother, Bev & Al Marcus (friend of John Hoffmann), Michael McMullen (Greg McMullen's brother), Christy Monson (Step-daughter of Carolyn Lange), 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, Joyce Traxler (Friend of Susan DeBusk), 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, Marjorie Meyer (Mark Roock's Aunt), Linda Polkinghorne (friend of Mark Roock), Phyllis Tirmenstein (Friend of Mark Roock), Elsie Johnson and all of those who grieve at a distance in this time.

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



## Opportunities for Children and Youth Coming Up!

**Be Like Jesus** <https://faithofallon.breezechms.com/form/BeLikeJesus2022>

Join this annual event for 2<sup>nd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders, at Faith Lutheran Church in O'Fallon!

- The event is an overnight and a full day March 25-26, focused on service, Worship, and living our faith.
- If any of our students go, Pastor Meagan will plan to attend as well as an adult from CLC. Registration will be open through March 6

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With the Gathering in Minneapolis cancelled, Camp Tomah Shinga is very excited to be hosting a Regional Youth Gathering alongside [Bethany College](#) and [Central States Synod, ELCA](#) this summer! This will be a chance for high school aged kids (graduates of 8<sup>th</sup> grade through 12<sup>th</sup> grade this year) to come together for a week of service, engaging speakers, small group sessions, and worship, patterned after the Gathering. We hope to have you join us July 23-27. **Registration will open February 21st.**

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**Leadership Lab** [www.leadershiplab.net](http://www.leadershiplab.net)

Join 250-275 high school and college youth and 50 facilitators from around the country for a week to build community and explore leadership in the context of faith!

- June 20-25 at Augustana College, in Rock Island IL
  - Costs \$400 for the week. Christ Lutheran will cover the cost!
- Crossroads Program for adults to develop gifts in youth ministry happens at the same time!



### Easter Lilies for Easter Sunday

We are purchasing 35 lilies for Easter Sunday in order to re-create the heart in the Chancel. You may purchase one or more lilies for yourself or for those members who are homebound or recovering from illness. Lilies can be taken home after Easter morning service. The cost per lily is \$8.00. Please note "lilies" on your contribution. Please return this form to the office, with your contribution.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I will donate \_\_\_\_ Lily/Lilies to homebound/ill.

\_\_\_\_ I will bring \_\_\_\_ Lily/Lilies home.



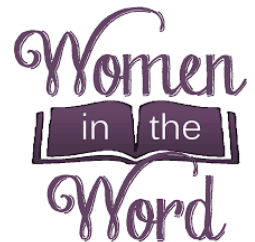
### Vigil For Black Lives

**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!



### 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](mailto:beccajedwards@gmail.com).



### 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 MARCH ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS!

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



### ANNIVERSARIES:

03/04 Christine & Dave Austin  
03/29 Regina & Bill Wischmeyer

03/25 Elmer Bibb  
03/28 Claire Holmes  
03/29 Sophia Bude  
03/30 Matt Bender

### BIRTHDAYS:

03/01 Nadia Roberts  
03/07 Leon Bartek  
03/07 Jon Heerboth  
03/08 Jeff Bloese  
03/10 Dave Ringkor  
03/11 Mike Hoyer  
03/11 Weston Bussler  
03/13 Hannah Borden  
03/13 Ellie Zempel  
03/14 Alex Hill  
03/14 Faith Moore  
03/15 Theodore Bennett  
03/17 Xavier Ruff  
03/18 Jerome Egel  
03/19 Elsa Hoyer  
03/20 Regina Wischmeyer  
03/22 Natalie Bruns  
03/23 Jack Wood

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



# March 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 10:15a Bible Study- Fellowship hall	2 6p Pancake Supper 7p Ash Wed Service  7:45p Choir practice	3 4p Fitness group	4	5
6 9:30a Worship 10:45 Adult forum	7 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves  4pm Fitness group	8 10:15a Bible Study- Fellowship hall	9 6p Dinner 7p Lenten Service  7p Worship team meeting  7:45p Choir practice	10 4p Fitness group	11	12
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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**

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

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**FINANCIAL SECRETARY:  
TAMMY PRYOR**

**CUSTODIAN:  
KELLY LAKIES**

**WEBMASTER:  
PERRY YEE**

## **Christ Lutheran Church Mission Statement**

**Deepening people's connection to Christ,  
Bringing meaning to daily life, and  
Making a difference in our community.**