A NOTE FROM CHURCH COUNCIL



Hello friends!

I am happy to be joining the council again, this time as secretary. There are a lot of things going on at Christ Lutheran as we continue to understand God's purpose for our congregation. I am excited to see where we are heading with the renovation, and how we will continue to grow and adapt with the constantly changing reality that we are living in.

My husband, Jesse, and I have lived in Webster Groves since 2015 with our kids - Isaac, Ruthie and Lena, and our mischievous dog, Charlie. We are continually blessed by the family that we have found here at CLC. Before life in St Louis, I was a pediatrician in central Illinois, and now am pursuing a degree at Eden Seminary while working part-time as a chaplain at Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital. In my free time I enjoy anything that involves being outside and was ecstatic to find the first crocus of the spring in our yard this week. I'm also on a (relatively unsuccessful) quest to master the art of sourdough bread - tips or suggestions are very welcome.

Peace always, Rachel



WORSHIP

Sunday, March 20, 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

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Password: 971744



Wednesday Lenten Worship

Join us this week at 6 pm for a St. Patrick's Day corned beef supper with cabbage, potatoes and carrots prepared by the Lissants.

If you can stay afterwards to clean up, your help would be appreciated!

7pm worship in the Sanctuary.



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.





We invite you to **study**, **pray**, **reflect** and **give** with us during ELCA World Hunger's 40 Days of Giving — for our families, our neighbors and communities around the world.

For two years, as rates of hunger skyrocketed during the COVID-19 pandemic, the world has seemed over-whelming, like a wilderness. We have seen the number of hungry people around the world rise, watched as food pantries and soup kitchens expanded to serve an ever-growing number of guests, and longed together for God to make a way in this wilderness.

Lent reminds us that we are not alone; God promises to be with us. 40 Days of Giving invites us to share in God's promise for a future of rest from our labors, a future of wholeness and fullness — a future when all will be fed. This is not an easy journey, but your support for ELCA World Hunger brings transformational change amid the very real challenges confronting us today.

At <u>ELCA.org/40Days</u>, you'll find these downloadable resources to enrich the life of your congregation and family this season:

A daily devotional calendar with ideas for worship, prayer, study, reflection and more.

A <u>weekly study guide</u> inviting deep discernment and critical thinking, with inspirational stories about how your gifts to ELCA World Hunger are at work in the world.

We hope these resources enrich your Lenten season and inspire giving to the critical ministry of ELCA World Hunger, an important part of Christ's call on our church.

Thank you for journeying through the wilderness with us this Lent, toward the future God has promised.



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:

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—A panel of **Pastor Meagan, Diane Drollinger and Katie Couric** will lead a discussion on the congregation's role in ministering to victims of sexual abuse.

April 10— Jon Heerboth will guide us through Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem and other events we commemorate in Holy Week.

"Preserving Ethics and Boundaries in the Ministerial Relationship" was the title of the Adult Forum March 13. Our guest was Dale Kuhn, the retried executive director of Care and Counseling, as well as a Licensed Social Worker and Ordained Pastor. He has trained Clergy and Church Workers on maintaining boundaries to avoid inappropriate sexual relationships. He explained that clergy are especially susceptible to crossing boundaries because, among other reasons, they have intimate conversations on personal topics in closed offices, there is a sense of the congregation "as family", and their work is demanding and stressful.

Dale separated the boundary crossers into two groups: the wanders, who succumb to a single temptation, and the perpetrators, who repeatedly use their position of trust to prey on vulnerable parishioners. The wanders, he said, can after counseling, training, and re-assignment, can continue without incident in the ministry. On the other hand, perpetrators, when identified, are less likely to get another ministerial assignment. However, that may happen after extensive counseling and under close supervision. Questions arose over the risk of such a re-assignment since perpetrators can be charismatic, manipulative, and very aware of how the system works.

What's the Congregations role? Dale gave six things a congregation can do to help their pastor avoid crossing sexual boundaries:

- —Talk about the issue
- —Require training (the ELCA requires its clergy to be trained every three years)
- —Give feedback
- -Establish "Safe Church" policies, e.g. have windows into offices
- -Monitor the professionals' work/life balance
- —Provide continuing education/consultation.

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:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88978047254?pwd=REVpNFNzMWNkcUZGM2JmUE8xUGdjdz09



Call in From Any Phone: 312-626-6799 **Meeting ID**: 889 7804 7254 **Passcode:** 233122

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:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/278217453?pwd=azE2dkNHVE9WSzdaeDM5Yzh4RGRvdz09

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Choir Practice

All who love to sing are welcome at church every Wednesday at 7:45 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!



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=MjBFRXIPVmgrUHNQWIJKVzFYeS9odz09

Call in From Any Phone: 312-626-6799 **Meeting ID**: 854 9141 6289 **Passcode:** 063416

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=NmxNRnI2anBXYURJSDhJM01jUnA5Zz09

Call in From Any Phone: 312-626-6799 **Meeting ID**: 889 5699 8393 **Passcode:** 743837

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.



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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Helping the People of Ukraine

CLC Congregation - Below are just a few ways you can help support the many organizations providing aid to those in Ukraine. Thank you for your generosity!

ELCA's Eastern Europe Crisis Response:

https://www.elca.org/Our-Work/Relief-and-Development/Lutheran-Disaster-Response/Our-Impact/ Eastern-Europe-Crisis-Response

International Rescue Committee - Working in Poland to Help the Refugees: https://help.rescue.org/donate/ukraine-acq...

27 Meaningful Ways You Can Help Ukraine, from Global Citizen: https://www.globalcitizen.org/en/content/ways-to-help-ukraineconflict/

NPR List of Ways to Help:

https://www.npr.org/.../1082992947/ukraine-support-help...



Position Open -

Children and Youth Ministry Coordinator 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.

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 Kreitler office@christwg.org,



Opportunities for Children and Youth Coming Up!

With the Gathering in Minneapolis cancelled, Camp Tomah Shinga is very excited to be hosting a Regional Youth Gathering alongside <u>Bethany College</u> and <u>Central States Synod, ELCA</u> this summer! This will be a chance for high school aged kids (graduates of 8th grade through 12th grade this year) to come together for a week of service, en-

gaging speakers, small group sessions, and worship, patterned after the Gathering. We hope to have you join us July 23-27. **Registration is now open.**

Leadership Lab <u>www.leadershiplab.net</u>

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!



PRAYER REQUESTS

Please include the following people in your prayer life during this week.

ONGOING HEALTH CONCERNS: 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 (Stepdaughter of Carolyn Lange), Donna Munger, 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.

<u>IN MILITARY SERVICE</u>: Josh Duncan, Chris Hudson, Jesse Proctor, Scott Warr.



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 donateLily/Lilies to homebound/ill.	1
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.



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

BIRTH	IDAYS:
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03/01	Nadia Roberts
03/04	Aja Hornbeck
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



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

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

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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.