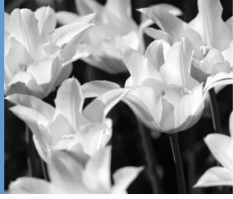




# ONE IN CHRIST

Week of March 21 – March 27, 2022

## A NOTE FROM CHURCH COUNCIL



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy." We pray this in the Kyrie in our worship. We assemble for worship in the building we set apart for this purpose, the church. The translation of the Greek word for church means assembly. For many, coming to church may be the start of their life in Christ.

As a member of Christ Lutheran, I have been a participant in the worship services. These have included Assisting Minister, Lector, and Acolyte. Sometimes all of them in one service. As Worship team chair, among the duties we all share is the scheduling of those assisting in worship. We work with the tech team to see and hear the worship service in person and on Zoom. I have seen what technology can do for the Church.

I grew up as a preacher's kid (PK). I was not the usual PK. My dad was the speaker on The Lutheran Hour. I look forward to being your Worship chair. We look forward to input on our worship.

John Hoffmann



# WORSHIP

## **Sunday, March 27, 9:30 am, Worship**

### **Access Online Bulletin**

Join us for Worship in the Sanctuary. Join Council for FAQ sessions after worship and on Zoom Tuesday March 29 at 7:00 p.m. regarding Mead sale.

### **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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### **One tap mobile**

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

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

Meeting ID: 278 217 453

Password: 971744



ALL ARE WELCOME

## **JOIN US FOR VBS**

HOSTED BY CHRIST LUTHERAN & EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL

SAVE THE DATE! MORE DETAILS SOON!

JUNE 7 THROUGH JUNE 9

9:00 AM UNTIL 1:00 PM

BRING A LUNCH



# 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.christwq.org](http://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](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.



## Easter Breakfast and Egg Hunt

At 8:45 AM, preceding Easter service, there will be a light breakfast served in the Fellowship Hall. You can sign up to bring something here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0D4EA5AE29A5F49-easter>, but we hope you will attend even if you are unable to bring anything. Around 9 AM we will have an egg hunt in the church grounds.



## March Fellowship Schedule

March 23	Lenten Wednesday	Ellen Mead
March 27	Fellowship	Carolyn Crowe
March 30	Lenten Wednesday	Lynnae Ruff



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 27-** After the listening session concerning the sale of the Mead Center, **Dr. Mark Ruff** will continue his presentation of J.S. Bach's influence on Beethoven, in the Sanctuary.

**April 3 -** Congregational meeting. No Adult Forum

**April 10 - Jon Heerboth** will guide us through the Biblical accounts of Holy Week.

**April 17 - Easter,** No Adult Forum

### Summary of March 20th Adult Forum

How could Johann Sebastian Bach have been an influence on Ludwig von Beethoven? Bach was a Lutheran church organist and Baroque composer. While Beethoven, the renowned composer of secular music for orchestra and keyboard, led the transition from the classical music period to the romantic? Dr. Mark Ruff, Christ Lutheran's organist and a professor of History at Saint Louis University, explained the connection. He drew on historical sources and illustrated his points by playing brief selections from both composers on the piano.

Bach died twenty years before Beethoven was born in 1770 and lived in Leipzig, more than 500 km from Bonn where Beethoven grew up. What's more, Bach's music, mostly religious, was being played less by the time young Beethoven was studying. The link between the two was Christian Gottlob Neefe, who came from Leipzig to be the court organist in Bonn. He started teaching Beethoven in 1783, when the Ludwig was thirteen, and subsequently became a father figure to him. It was Neefe who introduced Beethoven to Bach's two volumes of *The Well Tempered Clavier*, a collection of Fugues and Preludes. "Neefe brought a secularized version of Bach and introduced it to thirteen year old Beethoven," Mark said.

Mark played tunes from both composers to show similarities and he also explained that Beethoven used an array of key signatures, as did Bach. Most classical composers wrote in a smaller number of keys. Next week Mark will explain how motifs and forms of Beethoven's music can be traced back to Bach.

## Join the new Justice Group forming at CLC!

We've been reading and discussing issues of diversity, equity and inclusion at Christ Lutheran, now let's get a solid group together to affect change! The main goal of the committee will be to focus on areas where we can make Christ Lutheran a more welcoming space and affect change in our community. Duties would include reaching out to council and other committees on issues of justice in the church, brainstorming ways to be more active in local justice issues, selecting books for congregation wide book studies, etc. Please reach out to Kate Hoerchler (314-805-1751, [katehoerchler@gmail.com](mailto:katehoerchler@gmail.com)) if you would like to join this group.



*Creation Care for Congregations:*

*Collaboration, Commitment and Action*  
**Saturday, April 2, 2022**

### SCHEDULE & PRESENTATIONS

**8:30** Registration

**9:00** Worship and Introductions,  
 Pastor Melissa Woepfel

**9:30** Tara Rocque, Washington  
 University's Interdisciplinary  
 Environmental Clinic  
*Environmental Racism in St. Louis.  
 What changes are needed?*

**10:30** Erica Williams,

Executive Director, A Red Circle  
*Promoting community betterment  
 in North County, through a racial  
 equity lens. How can we be involved  
 in improving our communities?*

**11:15** Steve Poplawski, Environmental  
 Law, Bryan-Cave  
*Sustainable Development in the  
 St. Louis Region*

**12:00** Box Lunch and Networking

Cost \$15 per person includes lunch

**Lutheran Church of the Atonement**

**1285 New Florissant Road, North Florissant, Missouri 63031**

On-Line Registration Link: <https://tinyurl.com/2p8dxkf7>



**Rooted in Justice:**  
 Claiming Our Dignity,  
 Embracing Our Power.

"The right to vote is  
 precious, almost sacred."  
 John Lewis

## Marilyn Stavenger Social Justice Symposium

### Speakers:

Bethany Johnson-Javois, President & CEO, Deaconess Foundation  
 Denise Lieberman, Director & General Counsel,  
 Missouri Voter Protection Coalition  
 J. Clinton McCann, Evangelical Professor of Biblical Interpretation,  
 Eden Theological Seminary

**02 APRIL 2022 | 9 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.**

**WEHRLI CHAPEL, EDEN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY**  
**475 EAST LOCKWOOD AVENUE**  
**SAINT LOUIS, MISSOURI 63119**  
**OR ON ZOOM**

Register for in-person or online at:

[www.eden.edu/events/marilyn-stavenger-justice-symposium/](http://www.eden.edu/events/marilyn-stavenger-justice-symposium/)

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

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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>



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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 7:45 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](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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## **Notice to Congregation of Congregational Vote April 3 Regarding Sale of Mead Center**

Sent by the Council March 21, 2022

People of Christ Lutheran Church,

On December 19, 2021, the Congregation approved the sale of #17 Selma (the Arden Mead Center) to the Webster Groves School District (WGSD) for the agreed-to contract price of \$875,000, subject to an appraisal to be ordered by WGSD. As the Congregation was informed at the December 19 meeting, because WGSD is a public buyer, the school district legally cannot purchase property above appraisal price.

That appraisal was completed in February and Christ Lutheran's real estate representative, King Realty Advisors, was notified of the results on March 4. Unfortunately, the appraisal came back at \$710,000, approximately 20% below the contract price. While our advisors and involved Council members (Larry Hill and Jess Gunther) believe that the results are fundamentally flawed based on the appraiser's scope, comments and comparables used, our attempts to seek a "second opinion" have been steadfastly rejected by the District. WGSD has presented their appraisal to the School Board for approval and the amount is on the record as final. As we were aware at the outset, WGSD has advised us that they are powerless under the law to consider alternative valuations.

The Congregation now has a choice to make. In order to bring these options to the Congregation, we have worked with the district to extend the contract term to allow us time to review our position and possible courses of action.

### **Option 1: Sell #17 Selma to WGSD for appraised price of \$710,000.**

Considerations:

- Significantly lower sale price than original contract price
- No repairs need to be done on Christ Lutheran's part before sale
- WGSD will likely use the building primarily for administrative/office space and is a current community neighbor to the Church.
- Sale could close relatively soon

### **Option 2: Terminate the contract with WGSD and put the property back on the market.**

Considerations:

- May be able to secure higher sale price for the building to a commercial buyer.
  - ♦ King Realty Advisors' initial value amounts (Summer 2021) were as follows:
    - \*\$850,000 (patient seller track)
    - \*\$775,000 (moderate track)
    - \*\$700,000 (fast sale track)
  - ♦ Mortgage rates are now substantially higher than those at the time the above market value estimates were made, potentially impairing values.
- Because of its unique nature, finding another buyer for the building may take time— in upwards of a year based on King Realty Advisors estimate.
- Roof is in need of replacement (\$80,000 estimated cost) and with a new contract, we may incur this cost as part of sale.
- Additional staff and volunteer hours will be needed to coordinate maintenance and any needed repairs while we wait for sale.





- Ongoing water damage will need some remediation/cosmetic repair with possibly substantial costs before additional showings of the property to interested buyers
- Other repairs and upgrades (parking lot, bathrooms, etc.) are likely necessary to attract a commercial buyer
- Current zoning of this property is for a church, library or school. Any buyer wanting to use the building for another purpose (like office space) will need to secure a conditional use permit from the City of Webster Groves. In discussing with the city, King informs us that this seems like a viable option for most probable buyers.

**Based on the circumstances and taking all details into consideration, Council has unanimously voted to recommend to the Congregation moving forward with Option #1 - to sell #17 Selma to WGSD at the appraised price of \$710,000.**

**March 27 and 29:** We expect you may have questions! Join Council for FAQ sessions after worship in the sanctuary on Sunday March 27 and on Zoom Tuesday March 29 at 7:00 p.m. We will also make an FAQ document available to review ahead of the Congregational vote.

**April 3:** In order for all voices to be heard, we will hold a special Congregational vote on the sale on Sunday, April 3 in accordance with the church's constitution. We'll hold the vote in the sanctuary (and on Zoom) directly after worship.

Please contact any of your Council members, or Pastor Meagan, with any questions, ideas, or concerns you may have. We look forward to hearing from you!

Pastor Meagan McLaughlin  
 President – Jessica Gunther  
 Vice President – Steve Mitchler  
 Secretary – Rachel Helton  
 Christian Services – Sherry Mitchler and Sarah Mudd (co-chairs)  
 Fellowship – Dave Fey  
 Stewardship – Katie Ciorba  
 Youth – Kersten Horn  
 Treasurer – Larry Hill  
 Education – Kate Hoerchler  
 Properties – Keith Lissant  
 Worship – John Hoffmann

## 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-ukraine-conflict/>

### NPR List of Ways to Help:

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



## 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), Donna Munger, Betsy Nielson (Nancy Lissant's sister), Doris & Harry Rahlfs (Karen Wood's parents), 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, 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.



### 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.



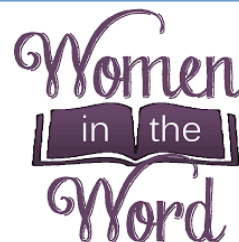
### Vigil For Black Lives

**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

### BIRTHDAYS:

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
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:  
 JESSICA GUNTHER

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 ADULT MINISTRIES AND  
 FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE:  
 CAROLYN CROWE

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 TAMMY PRYOR

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 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.

## **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.

### **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).

*Children and  
 Youth Ministry  
 Coordinator*

