Week of April 4 – April 10, 2022

PASTOR'S WORD



And so, Holy Week approaches. We begin with the joyous procession into Jerusalem. We gather with Jesus, as the beloved, to wash and eat and drink together. We go to the garden, and weep with Jesus as he anticipates the torture and death to come. We remember in scripture and song the day of Christ's crucifixion. We spend that long day, mourning alongside the disciples, remembering the stories of promise and hope from the beginning. And finally, we celebrate the truth that in Christ, death will never be the final word. Walk the road with us, as we follow Christ into Jerusalem, through death, into life.

I offer two blessings for the journey to come, from Jan Richardson, artist, writer, and ordained minister in the United Methodist Church.

Blessed Is the One

For Palm Sunday Blessed is the One who comes to us by the way of love poured out with abandon. Blessed is the One who walks toward us by the way of grace that holds us fast. Blessed is the One who calls us to follow in the way of blessing, in the path of joy. —Jan Richardson

Blessing That Becomes Empty As it Goes For Passion Sunday

This blessing keeps nothing for itself.

You can find it by following the path of what it has let go, of what it has learned it can live without. Say this blessing out loud a few times and you will hear the hollow places within it,

how it echoes in a way that gives your voice back to you as if you had never heard it before.

Yet this blessing would not be mistaken for any other,

as if, in its emptying, it had lost what makes it most itself.

It simply desires to have room enough to welcome what comes. Today, it's you.

So come and sit in this place made holy by its hollows.

You think you have too much to do, too little time,

too great a weight of responsibility that none but you can carry.

I tell you, lay it down.

Just for a moment, if that's what you can manage at first.

Five minutes.

Lift up your voice—in laughter, in weeping, it does not matter—

and let it ring against these spacious walls.

Do this until you can hear the spaces within your own breathing.

Do this until you can feel the hollow in your heart where something is letting go,

where something is making way.

—Jan Richardson



WORSHIP

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Palm Sunday, April 10, 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

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Call in From Any Phone: 312-626-6799 Meeting ID: 278 217 453 Password: 971744



Palm Sunday Observance

Sunday April 10 is Palm Sunday! Here is what you want to know.

For those coming to the sanctuary, **plan to arrive at 9:15am** and gather on the sidewalk in front of the church. We will process with palms and noisemakers over to Lockwood, and then return to the front steps of the church and enter the sanctuary as we sing our opening hymn.

If you will be worshipping with us on Zoom and would like to have a palm delivered to you, please contact Pastor Meagan by Saturday morning. Palms will be delivered on Saturday afternoon.

Sunday Childcare Starting in April, TLC will be providing childcare every Sunday during worship and adult forum, starting at 8:30 am in the Nursery.



Stewardship & Offerings

We can continue to fund our church and the important work we're doing with a few easy clicks: 1. Visit <u>our donation website</u> directly or go to <u>www.christwg.org</u> 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.



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: <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0D4EA5AE29A5F49-easter</u>, 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.



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



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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:

April 10—**Jon Heerboth** will take us along on Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. Using texts and background, he will talk about the Biblical event that gives Palm Sunday its name.

April 17-Easter No Adult Forum

April 24—**Webster Rock Hill Ministries**, one of our selected benevolences, will update us on their mission and activities.

May 1—**Diane Drollinger, Katie Ciorba, and Pastor Meagan** will lead a discussion on how we, as a congregation an as individuals, can best help survivors of sexual abuse, even when we don't know who they are.

May 8—Mark and Janet Roock will be facilitating a discussion of *The Sum of Us: What Racism Costs Everyone and How We Can Prosper Together.* Members of Christ Lutheran, along with members of neighboring congregations, have read this book, held Zoom discussions and gained insights into how racism costs everyone. Please join us for this worthwhile presentation in person or on Zoom after church on May 8. If you haven't read the book and would like to, it is available at Novel Neighbor in Webster Groves or members may be willing to share their copies.

Christian Service

Please join us on Sunday April 24th during Adult Forum to hear from a representative from WRHM - Webster Rock Hill Ministries. WRHM is a cooperative effort of member churches to fulfill the commission to serve people in need in the community.

Work Day

On Saturday 04/30 from 9am- 1pm we will be assisting Webster Rock Hill Ministries in clearing the ground in their community garden patch. This community patch is used by individuals in the area to grow their own fruits and vegetables. All ages are welcome to participate in this event! For more details, please contact Sarah Mudd or Sherry Mitchler.

Fellowship Schedule

April 10– Janet Roock April 17– Alena Horn, Jadee Lauer, Katie Ciorba April 24– Ellen Mead 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 on 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.

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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 <u>dianedrollinger@gmail.com</u>. 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:

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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.

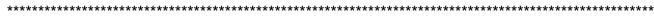
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Holy Saturday, April 16, In-Person 7:00pm Gathering in Preparation for Easter Sunday

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.





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!

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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, <u>katehoerchler@gmail.com</u>) if you would like to join this group.

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), 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!

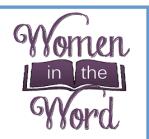
Women's Group

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 <u>beccajedwards@gmail.com</u>.

CLC Suggestion Box

Have an idea for how Christ Lutheran Church can make your experience better? Submit an anonymous note at <u>http://freesuggestionbox.com/pub/stwuunh</u> and we will do our best to help!









ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS!

LET'S CELEBRATE APRIL ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS!

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

ANNIVERSARIES:

- 04/13 Scott & Kirsten Glascock
- 04/14 Carolyn & Bob Crowe
- 04/16 Kevin & Diane Drollinger
- 04/21 Faith & Wayne Moore
- 04/23 John & Sue Zempel

BIRTHDAYS:

- 04/01 Anne Marie Kettler
- 04/01 Bradley Kuziel
- 04/02 Bill Griffith
- 04/02 Chris Zempel
- 04/03 Linda Griffith
- 04/03 Daniel Gunther
- 04/04 Kaia Askew-Sunkara
- 04/04 Phillip Hoerchler
- 04/04 Noah Hornbeck
- 04/05 Suzie Benedum
- 04/05 Woody Erickson
- 04/05 Joan Ö'Brien
- 04/06 Joe Zempel
- 04/07 Mattis Horn
- 04/08 Adrienne Christner
- 04/09 Katie Ciorba
- 04/10 David Fey
- 04/10 Lena Helton
- 04/11 Steve Mitchler
- 04/13 Emmy & Luke Bender
- 04/13 Szu-Ching Fu
- 04/13 Kaylee Glascock
- 04/13 Sherri Swanson

- 04/14 Barbara Rose Hughes
- 04/14 John Zempel
- 04/15 Kim Donermeyer
- 04/16 Anne Marie Wischmeyer
- 04/19 Alex Cramer
- 04/20 Richard Mudd
- 04/21 Rachel Bruns
- 04/22 Erica Donermeyer
- 04/22 Garth Stole
- 04/23 Ben Drollinger
- 04/23 Tom Hopper
- 04/26 David Hill
- 04/27 Tim Donermeyer
- 04/27 Paige Lauer
- 04/28 Melissa Allen
- 04/28 Ella Knapp
- 04/29 Seannah McCarty
- 04/30 Paul Lenhart

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



April 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 9:30a Worship fol- lowed by Congrega- tion Meeting	4 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves 4pm Fitness group	5 10:15a Bible Study- Fellowship hall	6 6p Dinner 7p Lenten Service 7:45p Choir practice	7 4p Fitness group	8	9
10 Palm Sunday 9:30a Worship 10:45 Adult forum	12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves 4pm Fitness group	12 10:15a Bible Study- Fellowship hall	13 7:30p Choir practice 7p Worship team meeting	14 4p Fitness group 7p Maundy Thurs- day Worship	15 7p Good Friday Worship with Can- tata	16 7p Holy Saturday Church Yard Gathering
17 Easter 8:45a Breakfast & Egg Hunt 9:30a Worship	18 12p Sr. Fellowship at Laclede Groves 4pm Fitness group	10:15a Bible Study- Fellowship hall 7p Church Council meeting in Confer- ence room	20 7:30p Choir practice	21 4p Fitness group	22	23
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WORSHIP SCHEDULE: SUNDAY AT 9:30 A.M.

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> COUNCIL PRESIDENT: JESSICA GUNTHER

DIRECTOR OF SENIOR 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.