

The Scripture reading this week:: Luke 19:29-44

ANNOUNCEMENTS

03-28-21

Stuff to know about Christ Lutheran during the pandemic

NEW WORSHIP SCHEDULE!

PALM SUNDAY, March 28

8:30am Indoor
10:00am Virtual
11:00am Outdoor
(11:00 backup: Indoor)

MAUNDY THURSDAY, April 1

7:00pm Virtual Only

GOOD FRIDAY, April 2

7:00pm Virtual Only

EASTER SUNDAY, April 4

8:30am Indoor
10:00am Virtual
11:00am Outdoor
(11:00 backup: Indoor)

SUNDAYS of April 11, 18 & 25

8:30am Indoor (praise band)
10:00am Virtual
11:00am Indoor (piano/organ)

SOME NOTES, PROCEDURES & PRECAUTIONS

- All in-person services will require masks & social distancing. If you are not feeling well or have been recently exposed to COVID, please stay home & attend the Virtual Service.
- Indoor Worship will be limited by seating capacity. We will fill the sanctuary front to back, using every other pew. We will have seating in lobby & fellowship hall, but if we reach capacity, we will need to turn people away. We will dismiss back to front.
- All services will follow a similar liturgy, streamlined to limit our exposure & time together in-person.
- At the Indoor services, there will be limited singing and only with masks on after Communion. If you are uncomfortable with singing, you may leave after Communion.
- The building will be cleaned between Indoor services.
- Other than the sanctuary, bathrooms & narthex, the rest of the building will be off-limits.
- There will be no coffee/education hour or goodies.
- Pastor will stay behind the altar & pulpit other than to distribute Communion. In order to facilitate communication, he will not wear a mask when leading the liturgy or preaching, but will wear a mask to distribute Communion.
- Communion will use pre-packaged elements & will be brought to you in your seats.
- Worshipping together in-person, and especially indoors, carries the risk of transmitting COVID. Please only attend the service where you feel comfortable taking that level of risk.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNUAL MEETING – Christ Lutheran's Spring Meeting will be on Sunday, April 18 at 4:00pm. It will be held virtually on Zoom. Our primary order of business will be approving the 2020 Year-End Financial Report. Hard copies of this report are available at the Opportunity Table and in the dropbox outside the front door. They will be emailed out as the meeting gets closer. We will also hear some updates on the development teams related to property improvements.

The Zoom meeting ID # is: 867 059 9558 and the passcode is 575500.

Please contact the church office if you need help logging in.

YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group for grades 6-12 will resume on April 14 from 6:30—8:00 pm.

We will try to have outdoor youth groups, but if the weather is bad, we will move indoors.



College Care Packages

OUR HUMAN NEEDS MINISTRY WILL SOON BE SENDING OUT FINALS CARE PACKAGES TO ALL OF OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS TO REMIND THEM THAT THEY ARE LOVED. IF YOU HAVE A COLLEGE STUDENT WHO WOULD LIKE ONE OF THESE FINALS CARE PACKAGES, PLEASE EMAIL PASTOR CHAD WITH THEIR NAME & CURRENT ADDRESS.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE GOODIES FOR THE CARE PACKAGES, WE WILL BE COLLECTING THOSE ITEMS AT THE HUMAN NEEDS TABLE. WE WILL NEED THESE ITEMS RETURNED TO CHURCH ON OR **BEFORE APRIL 11.**

WE ESPECIALLY NEED THINGS LIKE:

GRANOLA BARS, LITTLE DEBBIES, CANDY, GUM, HIGHLIGHTERS, COOKIE OR CRACKER PACKAGES, FUN LITTLE FIDGETS/TOYS, COFFEE OR TEA SINGLES, MICROWAVE POPCORN, SMALL BAGS OF CHIPS, ETC. THANKS!

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



EASTER LILIES – As is our tradition, we will be decorating our altar area with lilies for Easter Sunday. The cost of each lily is \$10.

If you would like to donate an Easter lily (or more), please notify Pastor Chad (pastor@christ-lutheran.org) by the end of today. You can make payment to the church and mark it for Easter lilies. You'll be able to take your Easter lily home after worship next week.

Men's Annual Trout Trip Coming Soon!



Each year several men in the congregation make a pilgrimage to Calico Rock in Arkansas to sit in a boat for a couple days floating down the White River and catch our limit of trout for the day. The river is relaxing, beautiful, and full of freshly stocked trout waiting to be caught. If you're a guy and could use a few days off, this trip is for you! You don't even need to know how to fish...it's that easy. The company is good, the food & brews even better, and enjoying God's creation is the best of all. We will leave Wednesday morning, **May 5th** and get back home Saturday afternoon, **May 8th**.

The cost is always a bit variable based on the number of people that attend, but \$200-300 usually covers everything, including lodging, food, gas and boat rental. If you would like to sign up or have questions, please email **Buddy Martin** at Martinato@map.kscoxmail.com. This trip is open for all guys!



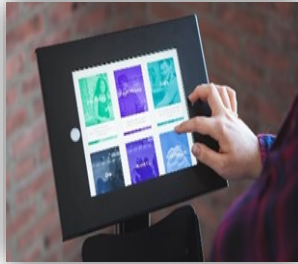
A big THANK YOU to everyone who helped with Family Promise this past week!

Christ Lutheran is pleased to once again host a Community Garden for anyone who is interested. Our garden is a plot of ground southeast of the church (behind the storage garage) that has produced some amazing fruits and vegetables over the years. Paul Shaw usually tills the ground and prepares it for planting. If you would like to use a share of the garden, you can talk to Pastor Chad or Paul Shaw and we will give you details. Anyone is welcome to use this garden and grow whatever your green thumb will allow.



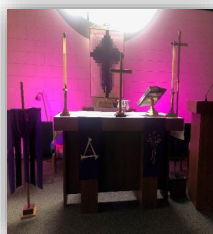
NEW CHURCH TECHNOLOGY?

- An environmentally-conscious 8-year-old sees the QR code near the door to sanctuary. She uses the camera on her mom's phone, scans the QR code and immediately downloads the bulletin. She likes that she doesn't need to take a paper bulletin.
- An 75-year-old man is skeptical about the new electronic kiosk so he goes over to check it out. The six buttons seem manageable, so he presses the one that says "Prayer Request." A box pops up that says, "Who would you like prayed for?" He cautiously types in, "My daughter, she has cancer." He hits send. The prayer request is immediately sent to the pastor's phone and this man's daughter is prayed for that Sunday in worship.
- A 16-year-old reads about an upcoming mission trip. He scans the QR code in the bulletin taking him to the Announcements hub, which looks just like the tablet at the electronic kiosk. On his phone he's able to read a bit more about the details of the trip and clicks that he is interested in going. From the same screen, he also electronically gives his regular offering to the church.



Because the building has been closed, it has caused us rethink a bit about how we communicate and how we use technology. There is a small group of people who have been dreaming and are excited about some of the possibilities before us – things like improving sanctuary lighting, adding electronic kiosks, upgrading

our internet, wifi & website, and making everything integrated. The above scenarios are well within our reach. Each of these things has a small price tag – not so big to require a capital campaign, but also a bit larger than what was contained in our operating budget. If you happen to have some extra funds (like from a stimulus check) and would like to donate to our "New Technology" fund, we will be putting those donations to good use improving our communication capabilities and hopefully making everything more accessible to everyone.



Need a small project to knit or crochet?

I have been working in the labor and delivery unit at Wesley Medical Center for almost 40 years. One aspect of my job is to care for women who have stillborn babies or babies who are born too early to survive. I checked with the bereavement team to see what is needed at this time that can be donated.

Pictures are taken of the babies for the family to remember them and we give the blanket and tiny gown that the baby is dressed in to the family as a memento.

Women at another church sew the tiny gowns but small blankets are needed for the babies who weigh about 1 pound.

Dorothy Sondergard (Gwen Snow's mother) crocheted some beautiful blankets over the years. What would be helpful: blankets that are 18" square in neutral, muted colors, especially for boys

no purple please or "happy" prints

Thanks so much for caring

for grieving families!

-Rosie Harder



The next edition of Christ In Our Home has arrived. These are available for pickup at church any time and you can find them in the large dropbox outside the front door.

This edition is for April, May & June.

HUMAN NEEDS

Need "Retail Therapy"?

But don't have any immediate needs? Please consider buying items for the May Human Needs project. I find that the colors of baby clothes bring me joy in these dark days of winter and challenging times. Please join us by purchasing:

1 white t-shirt size 12 month or larger (NO ONESIES PLEASE--the bottoms get wet and soiled)

1 short-sleeved printed t-shirt size 12-24 month

1 long sleeve printed t-shirt size 12 -24 month

1 gown size 3 month or larger (12-24 month sleepers without feet are fine, if with feet the baby outgrows it faster)

1 pair of pants or jeans size 12 -24 month

2 blankets, medium-weight cotton or flannel, or crocheted or knitted with lightweight yarn, 36-52" square (please avoid the small receiving blankets that are 30x30 as the infant outgrows these quickly)

1 jacket, sweater or sweatshirt with a hood, or include a baby cap (size 18-24 month)

2 pairs of socks

1 hand towel, dark color recommended

2 or 3 bath-size bars of gentle soap equaling 8-9 oz, any brand, in original wrapping; no mini or hotel size bars (I buy unscented Dove)

I buy moderately priced clothes. Some of the people who receive these live in refugee camps so it might add to their stress if another individual receives something that appears expensive. I find suitable items at Target and Walmart.

Gently used, clean items (no stains or tears) can be substituted for new ones. We will purchase cloth diapers from the noisy offering fund. You may buy individual items or make a complete kit. For questions you may ask Jean Beal, Deborah Bischoff, or myself. Each of us have made kits for a number of years. The truck to pick up kits and quilts is scheduled to come on Oct 5, 2021. I read notices from Lutheran World Relief and pleas have been sent out in the last year for baby care kits, school kits and personal care kits. Quilts are also always needed. For three generations, God's mercy has been extended through nearly 27 million quilts. People in other parts of the world live with daily suffering. We have so much to be thankful for!

For more detailed information look up www.lwr.org

Thank you for your interest in this project! We placed it in May in honor of Mother's Day.

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For the week of March 28, 2021

God's Story @ Home

PRAYING GOD'S STORY

Mealttime Prayer: Heavenly God, we are so thankful that we are able to fellowship together over this meal. May we understand that walking with you may not always be easy and may we remember that you will never leave us. Amen.

READING GOD'S STORY

Listen as you read: What do you hear God saying in each of these stories?

Sunday	Luke 19:29-44	The Triumphal Entry
Monday	Luke 19: 45-48	Jesus Cleanses the Temple
Tuesday	Luke 21:5-18	The Time is Near
Wednesday	Luke 21:25-38	Watch for His Coming
Thursday	Luke 22:1-27	The Lord's Supper
Friday	Luke 23:32-47	Jesus Is Crucified
Saturday	Luke 23:44-56	Jesus' Death and Burial
Sunday	Luke 24:1-12	Jesus Has Risen!

CONTEMPLATING OR DISCUSSING GOD'S STORY

Take a moment to check in with each other or to use the questions below.

? Highs and Lows: Life is filled with beginnings and endings. What is something in your life that is ending? What is something in your life that is just beginning?

? Thinking about This Week's Story: What is something to celebrate in your day today? What is something that makes you sad?

? Getting Ready for Next Week's Story: In next week's text, the women were surprised to find Jesus' tomb empty. What is one thing that surprised you today?

LIVING GOD'S STORY

SERVICE is how we enact God's great love for the entire world.

Focus on making a set of long and short-term goals together to serve others. Be sure to check in on each other's progress from time to time.

HOLY WEEK 2021

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We will wear masks & social distance. Please see website for other COVID-related information.

Palm Sunday

March 28

Worship Times:
8:30am Indoor
10:00am Virtual
11:00am Outdoor
(11:00 Backup: Indoor)

Maundy Thursday

April 1

Worship Time:
7:00pm Virtual Only

Good Friday

April 2

Worship Time:
7:00pm Virtual Only

Easter Sunday

April 4

There will not be an Easter egg hunt this year, but each child will receive a bag of Easter eggs to enjoy.



Worship Times:
8:30am Indoor
10:00am Virtual
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(11:00 Backup: Indoor)

Ryden Helmick will be baptized on April 3. We welcome other new members on Easter Sunday.