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CyberServant for 11/15/2026 - Happy Anniversary, CtS

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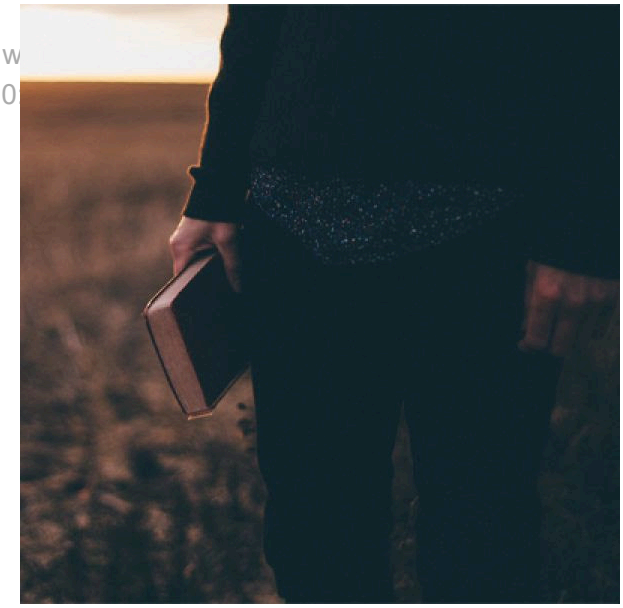


This Sunday is the second in a 3-week sermon series on the Olivet Discourse.

Come worship with us this Sunday, 9:30 am

Please note: This Sunday, November 15, w
of the church and will hold our service at 10

Our Service Schedule



Sundays 9:30 am

If you cannot join us in person, we offer a live broadcast of our service every Sunday starting at 9:20 AM on Facebook and on YouTube.

Watch on Facebook

Watch on YouTube



Church Office Hours
The church office is open
Tuesdays and Thursdays,
9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Call 972-727-3191 if you have any questions. Calls will be returned as soon as possible during office hours.



Sunday School News:

No Sunday School this Sunday!

Instead, join the celebration of the 45th anniversary of CtS in the Fellowship Hall! Sunday School will resume on Sunday November 29 after the Thanksgiving holiday.

Church News



Advent is Almost Here!
Mark your Calendars!
Sat., Nov. 28, 9:30 am
Setup for Greeening of the Church
Sun., Nov. 29, 9:30 am
First Sunday of Advent - Hope
Greening of the church
Sun., Dec. 6, 9:30 am
Second Sunday of Advent - Peace
Wed., Dec. 9, 7:00 pm
Jazzy Vespers
Sun., Dec. 13, 9:30 am
Third Sunday of Advent - Joy
Sun., Dec. 20, 9:30 am
Fourth Sunday of Advent - Love
The Nativity Story
Mon., Dec. 21, 7:00 pm
Longest Night Service
Thurs., Dec. 24, 7:00 pm
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service



Christmas Nativity, LIVE!

Sunday, December 20th during the 9:30 Service, we will be presenting for the first time, the Nativity Story during the worship service. We will be presenting live characters and singing Christmas hymns.
What do we need from the congregation?

We need volunteers to sign up for character roles. Randy Lewandowski has created a sign-up form, and it is on a clip board in the Narthex on the round table. He will be there to answer any questions you may have.

- There are no speaking parts. You don't have to worry about memorizing lines or speaking in front of a large crowd. All speaking will be done by a narrator.
- Costumes are minimal and will be provided.

- **THERE IS A REHEARSAL**. Originally, we thought we did not need a rehearsal however, we want everyone to have their costume ready to go and to also feel comfortable with what they will be doing. We will still have people to the side to help make sure everyone enters and exits at the correct time. Everyone, including children, should attend this rehearsal.
- **REHEARSAL: WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16 6PM**-8PM at the latest.
- PIZZA WILL BE PROVIDED FOR THE REHEARSAL
- Here is a Signup Genius URL for the Nativity story that we are planning. https://tinyurl.com/Nativity-Event.
- **Calling all Sunday School kids!!** You are needed also! You will get to be Angels and Sheep. You will also get to lead the congregation in “Away in the Manger.” All practicing for you will be done during Sunday School time.



The Longest Night Service is an increasingly common Winter Solstice service designed as a quiet, candlelit respite from the commercialism of Christmas. It offers a safe space for worship, grief, loneliness, and depression, reminding those who feel lost that God is present even in the darkness. There is good news in proclaiming that other experiences are possible to those who feel lost in the night. God is not absent in these times.



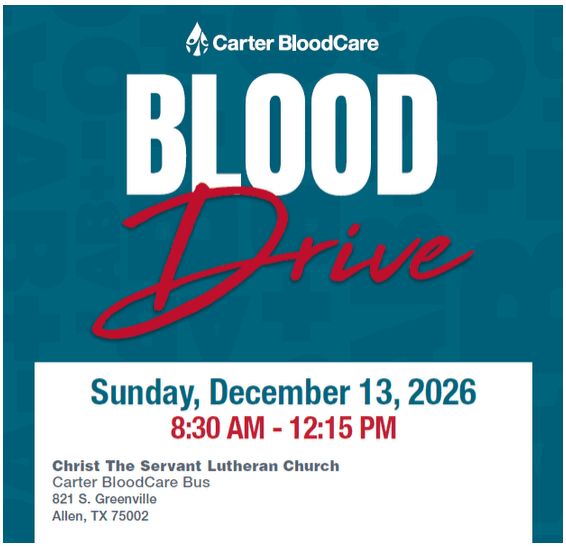
Grief Work
Thursdays, 6:30 - 8:00 pm
Our church family will host a weekly Grief Support small group Thursday evenings through Nov. 19 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm in the church library. This 8-week gathering will provide a safe, confidential space where your stories are honored, your tears are welcome, and your faith is anchored—

TOGETHER, we will look to God's promises for comfort in community…plan to join us.



The Time to Celebrate is Approaching!

Sunday, November 15th will be the 45th anniversary of Christ the Servant! ***Please note:***
We will have a special service time of 10:30 am on Nov. 15.



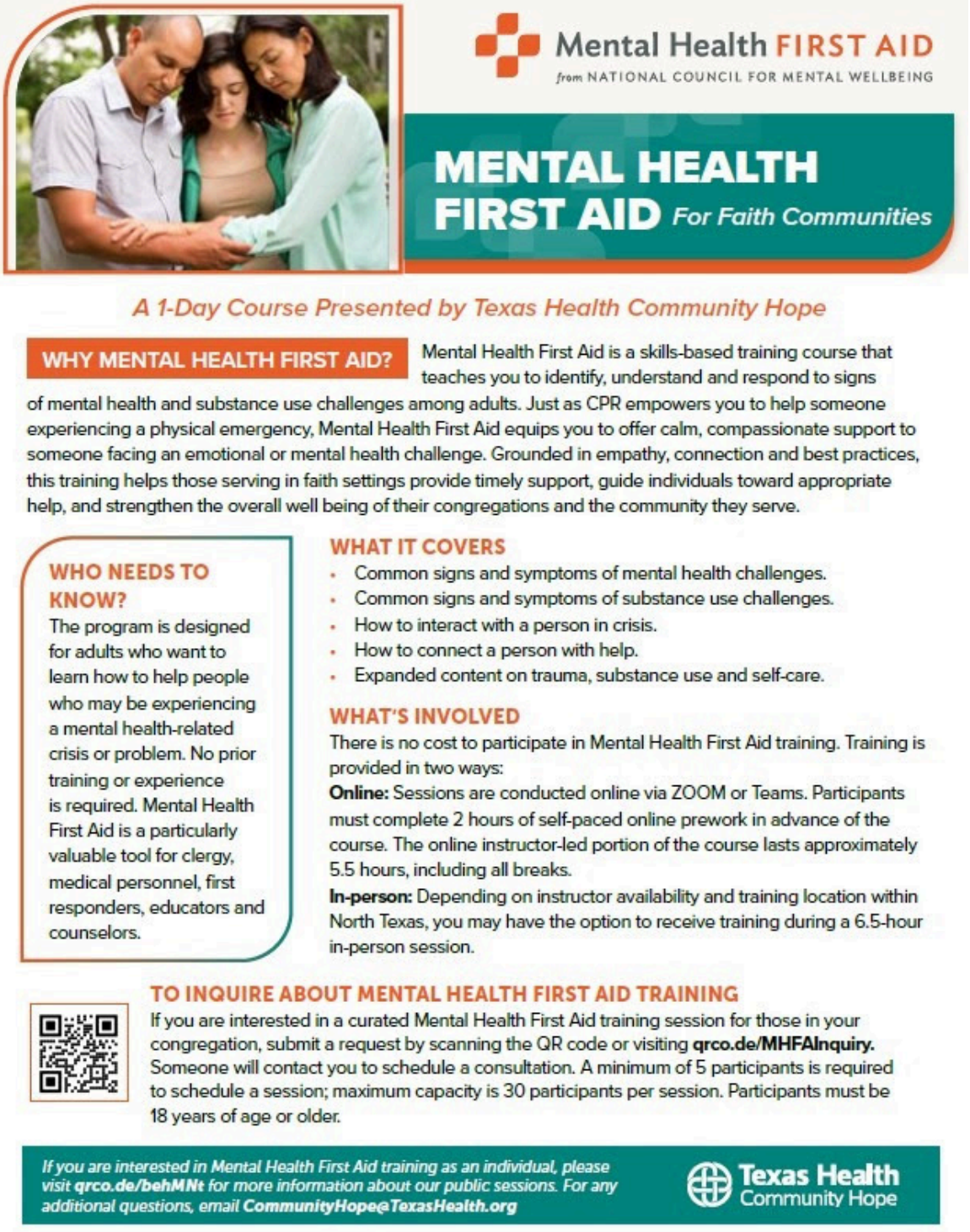
Schedule an appointment

Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex or use the link directly to register to donate!



Church Worship Song Suggestions

As we celebrate Christ the Servant's 45th Anniversary this year, we would love to hear music from our history and music for our future. This is where you come in! Please share a favorite tune we can weave into a worship service this fall by using the link below:
Church Worship Song Suggestions



Would you be interested in attending this class? Please contact Dr Cheryl at drcheryl2@yahoo.com'

Fun & Fellowship



Empty Nesters
Fri., Nov. 13
2-4 pm

Meet in the church library



Coming in January!
Used Book Sale

Save your used books. Watch for an announcement on when to bring them in.

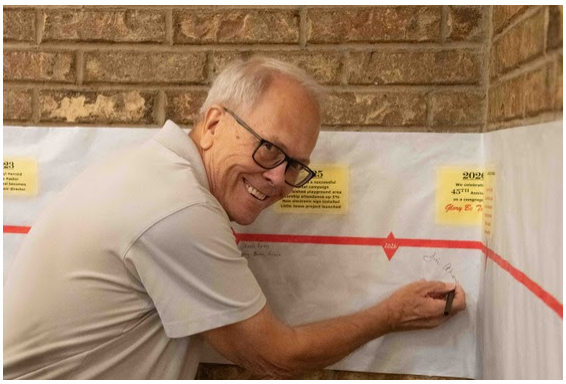
In Case You Missed It

Preparations have begun for the **45th Anniversary Celebration of Christ the Servant Lutheran Church**. Among those is a timeline of the church's miestones created by Marilyn Lutz that has appeared on the east and south walls of the sanctuary. At last Sunday's service, congregation members were encouraged to use felt tip pens, supplied by Marilyn, to write their names under the year in which they joined the church.















Finding Our Place on the Time Line
Among those who have added their names to the time line were Angie Osbone, Betsy Green, Grace Wang-Jones, Jim and Sandee Akers , Richard Eyo and Steve Secora.

Photos by Gary Johnson

Many thanks to Ginny Grundei and the Christ the Servant volunteers who welcomed voters at Christ the Servant on election day. (520 voters) As an extension of helping to encourage voter participation Ginny and Sandy volunteered to be Poll Chaplains/Peacekeepers at Grace United Methodist Church in Dallas. This was a part of a national clergy led nonpartisan, multi-racial, multifaith, intergenerational voter protection campaign to protect vulnerable citizen's right to vote in free, fair, and safe elections. Faith based organization Faith United to Save Democracy (FUSD) is recognized by ELCA.
This process provides:
calm moral presence at polling site
vulnerable voter practical support
play peacekeeper role to de-escalate potential conflict



Sandy Dick and Ginny Grundei serving as poll chaplains on Election Day



The Badge

Book/Bible Studies

Online Daily Devotional Group

Join your friends at CtS for a daily devotional using the online YouVersion Bible App. Use the QR code on the right to download the application and contact Steve Secora to get added to the group!



Adult Sunday School

Adult Sunday meets in the library after worship service (around 10:45-11:00). The current topic is the series "That the World May Know", by Ray Vander Laan.



Tuesday Morning Bible Study

This Zoom Bible Study meets on Tuesdays from 10:00 am to 12:00. Join us this month for a new Bible Study series - *Paradoxical People: The Beatitudes (Matthew 5:1-12).* For more information, please contact Ginny Grundei at ggrundei51@gmail.com.



Wednesday Evening Bible Study

meets in the church library 7-8 pm. All are welcome! For information, please contact Tina Lewandowski or the church office.



WoW - Women of the Word

meets in the church library Thursdays from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon.
For more information, contact Paula Edwards at ped129@yahoo.com.



Da Guys' Book/Bible Study
2nd and 4th Saturdays, 8:30-10 am.
Next meeting, Nov. 14th

To participate, contact Steve Secora or Lennie Gunderson. You may also contact the church office for information.

Other Ways to Serve



Thank you to all teams for your dedicated and most appreciated service to the church grounds:
our lawn mowing teams and our gardening group that maintains the flower beds!



Assisting Ministers

Nov 15 Kathryn McCord
Nov 22 Larry Lutz
Nov 29 Julia Whannell
Dec 6 Kathryn McCord
Dec 13 Linda Federle
Dec 20 Bill Henke
Dec 24 Cheryl Lindberg - 7 pm
Dec 27 Larry Lutz



Rehearsals:
Lutherings Bell Choir
Wednesdays, 6:30 pm

Chancel Choir
Wednesdays, 7:30 pm



Mini Parish Schedule
2026
November G2 - Sunday Servants
December G3 - Spirit Seekers
January G2 - Sunday Servants

Leaders:

One Way	K. Miller/K. Smith
Sun. Servants	Sedlacek/Whannell
Spirit Seekers	Wang-Jones/Wilson

The entire schedule for 2026 is posted on the kiosk in the narthex. The schedule is also posted through January 2027 on the website under
Resources > Worship Leaders
For questions, call Ceci Gunderson in the office 972-727-3191 during office hours.

Prayer List



Brody
Josh Callan
DeNamur family
Pam Dewald
Justin Lee
Dick Sprague
Will
Abe
Brittany
Doug
Kayla
Kennedy
Kim
Maddie
Mark
Pam
Sarah

Continuing Prayers for:
Tom Anderson, Chrissy Andrews, Ellen Andrews, John Andrews, Betty, Mary Blitt, Kent Bode, Macey Boland, Jerry Cardenes, Alec Chavez, Chuck, Clouse family, Patricia Collis, Mazie Conarty, Bishop Yehiel Curry, Brenda Daily-Brooks, Doug, Glenn & Caroline, Alex Gonzalez, Rob Harris, Linda James, Jessica, Karrell Johnson, Kimberly Judy, Julie, Kelly, JR Lawson, Leischski family, Bill Linam, Chad Lindberg, Sue Long, Lucy Markovich, Richard Marquez, Chris McCullom, Bob Morgan, Jane Morgan, Weston Offield, Deloris Olson, Ginger Pickett, Doris Schmidt, Ken Schmidt, Jack Terry, Karen Whannell, David Wilson, Ashleigh Wright, Mac Wright

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Important Notice to All
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