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For good.



CLC Weekly Update - May 1, 2022

The Third Sunday of Easter

IN-PERSON WORSHIP

this Sunday, May 1 at 9:30AM

Pastor Erin Evans preaching

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WORSHIP WITH US

First Lesson: Acts 9:1-6 [7-20]

Psalm 30

Second Lesson: Revelation 5:11-14

Gospel: John 21:1-19

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The disciples make a big splash and eat breakfast with the risen Jesus. Wading in the water (remembering baptism) and eating with Jesus (celebrating holy communion) is our weekly encounter with the risen Christ. Jesus asks us again and again: Do you love me? And Jesus invites us, again and again, to follow him, bringing the Easter life to others.



On Easter Sunday CLC volunteers delivered Easter Flowers to our members in nursing homes and those who are homebound.

In the coming months, we want to rebuild our Home Communion Team, so let Pastor Erin know if you'd be willing to be a trained Lay Communion Visitor!

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CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

CHURCH PICNIC POTLUCK

Bring a side or dessert to share, and don't forget your play clothes! Lunch and fellowship followed by fun and games!

JUNE 5th after worship - Rain or shine!

CLC Food Pantry gave away
54 complete hams dinners for Easter!
A whole ham and all the sides!

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO DONATED
AND VOLUNTEERED!



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Food Pantry News

Thanks to our Boy Scout Pack 162 and the Girls Scout Troop 46731 that meet here at the church! The Girl Scouts packed the bags for Easter Dinners and sorted and boxed canned goods. The Boy Scouts held food drives in April to fill our shelves!

Our new hours are going well! We have 4-5 regular volunteers for each shift, but there is always room for more! Stop in when we are open and we'll put you to work!

Help Needed MAY 3rd: We are getting a large delivery of produce and items that need sorted and refrigerated. If you have some free time in the afternoon (exact time TBA), let Pastor Erin know!



food pantry hours



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
MONDAY AND FRIDAY
MORNINGS 9:30-11:30

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS
5:00PM-7:00PM

IMMEDIATE NEEDS:
COFFEE AND JELLY

UKRAINE - LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE

Thanks to your generosity we were able to send \$3279 to Lutheran Disaster Response for help with refugees fleeing the war in Ukraine. Read more here about what LDR does. LDR is currently on the ground working with other partners and local churches to serve refugees from Ukraine in several Eastern European countries.

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

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The Low Sundays

Joseph Imhoff

The Sundays after Easter are often referred to as the low Sundays, not because the attendance Easter Sunday has diminished, but because the ‘high’ Church pageantry of celebration with all the stops pulled out, as Ed did so brilliantly, has been returned to the ordinary service.

That should not be the case. Easter is a season lasting fifty days until Pentecost, forty of which the risen Lord is still with us and appearing to many until his Ascension to the Father. Each of the Sundays used to have intriguing names before the revised lectionary came into being, every one exciting in itself, such as Quasi Modo Geniti which was last week’s subject.

This Sunday was *Misericordia Domini*, “The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.” It was also known as Good Shepherd Sunday because the Gospel lesson was taken from John 10 where Jesus says, “I am the good shepherd etc.” That lesson was moved to the following Sunday once known as Jubilate, “Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth, sing the glory of his name.”

The fifth Sunday is all about singing, *Cantate*, “Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things. The Lutheran Church has taken this into account and with the shuffling of lessons has designated the sixth Sunday as Church Music Sunday!

Rogate, the sixth Sunday, “Seek the Lord while he may be found,” is the prelude to Ascension Day which always falls on a Thursday after.

The seventh Sunday begins with “*Exaudi, Domini*,” “Hear, O Lord, when I cry with my voice.” This is the time before the Holy Spirit descends like fire on the disciples who have seen their leader ascend into heaven with the promise of a Comforter.

Any one of these Sundays would be worthy of celebration but they comprise one season and one celebration, the Resurrection of our Lord! ~



The After Gospel

The gospel of Jesus is a wonder. It is there, it is here, it is now, rising up to meet us in the morning after, in the days after, in the years after . . . after all we'd hoped for, waited for, lived for. After all we'd dreaded or feared or suffered has taken leave, run its course, faded, or fled, the gospel of Jesus stays; it rises to find us in the morning.

All the scattered reports told in the four gospels, the reports of where and how Jesus showed up after the day of resurrection, by whom and with whom he was seen—and also not recognized—are a kaleidoscope of wonder. There is no pinning Jesus down, no single story. Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John each tell it a little—or a lot—differently: Jesus in Galilee, Jesus in Jerusalem, Jesus in a closed room, Jesus on an open road, Jesus talking with a woman, Jesus meeting with the men, Jesus at the sea, Jesus on the mountain. But what they all have to say with one accord is this: Jesus is there, is here, is now in a moment, the morning after, the days after, and the years after.

Nowhere is after a more beautifully affectionate wonder than on the shores of Tiberias, where Jesus had found disciples before, and where he now—again, still—finds them after.

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The After Gospel

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“Children,” he calls to them out on the water (John 21:5). “Children.” Such intimacy in the way he beckons. “No fish?” All night empty nets. All night no fish. Then, the morning after: Jesus with a fire there, Jesus with fish here, Jesus with bread now. “Come.” After all their hoping and waiting and living together, the dread and fear and suffering they had shared together, Jesus follows them and finds them with their nets empty. “Come and have breakfast” (v. 12). This is the beautiful wonder of the gospel of Jesus for the morning after. ~



REGISTRATION FOR CAMP LUTHERLYN

For more than seventy years Lutherlyn has been combining the love of God, fun, friends, swimming, playing in the woods, adventure challenges, Bible study, worship, cook-outs, campfires, discoveries in nature, games, and a few surprises into an unforgettable experience! Lutherlyn offers a variety of week-long, half-week, and day programs for children entering 1st grade through those who have finished their senior year of high school. In addition to summer camp programs for school age children and teens, Lutherlyn offers Family Camp for campers of ANY age to enjoy.

CLC has scholarship money available for all young persons who would like to attend camp! Please speak to Ray Lardin, CLC Treasurer, for info regarding our scholarship, and speak to Pastor Erin with any questions about the outdoor ministry experience! Visit online at: https://www.lutherlyn.com/summercamp/summer_overview.html or call the office at 412-821-4300 for a flier.

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Upcoming Commemorations

Philip and James, Apostles

Sunday, May 1, 2022

Philip was one of the first disciples of Jesus, and called Nathanael to "come and see." He later responded to an Ethiopian official's request for teaching and baptism. Little is known of James, the son of Alphaeus, called "the Less" to distinguish him from another apostle named James.

Athanasius, Bishop of Alexandria, died 373

Monday, May 2, 2022

Best remembered for defending the teaching that Christ was fully God against those who taught otherwise, Athanasius was an influential church leader around the time of the Council of Nicea. He was banished from Alexandria five times for his forthright views.

Monica, mother of Augustine, died 387

Wednesday, May 4, 2022

Monica was married to a pagan husband who was ill-tempered and unfaithful, but whom she helped bring into the Christian faith. She repeated the influence on her son Augustine, who went on to become one of the greatest church teachers.

May 2022 at CLC

May 1 - 8:30AM 8th Grade Confirmation Class

9:30AM Worship Service

May 2 - 9:30AM Food Pantry, 5-6 TOPS CLUB

7PM Staff Support Meeting

May 4 - 4PM-8PM Millvale Community Counseling

5-7PM Food Pantry, 5:30PM Sewing

May 5 - 6-8PM Boy Scouts, 7-9PM Choir Practice

May 6 - 9:30-11:30AM Food Pantry, 6-8PM Girl Scouts, 7PM NA

May 7 - 9AM AA, 7PM NA

May 8 - 8:30AM: 8th Grade Confirmation Class

9:30AM Worship Service

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