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For good.



Worship with Us

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Presiding Minister: Pastor Erin Evans
Christ Lutheran Church



CLC Weekly Update - May 15, 2022
IN-PERSON WORSHIP
this Sunday, May 15 at 9:30AM



WORSHIP WITH US

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

First Lesson: Acts 11:1-18

Psalm 148

Second Lesson: Revelation 21:1-6

Gospel: John 13:31-35

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Easter initiates a new day. It anticipates a new heaven and a new earth. The risen Christ is making all things new. In the mystery of holy baptism God has made new people of us. Today Jesus invites us to see everyone in a new light—through the lens of love.



Baptismal Blessings to Zealand James McComb!

Zealand is the daughter of Alex McComb and Alyssa Holland, who we also formally welcome as members today. Big brother and big sister, Zeke and Zandra, were baptized here in 2017 and 2019 respectively.



We extend our condolences

to the family and friends of Marilyn Luft. Marilyn was an active member of CLC, and has been one of our homebound members for several years. She went to meet her Lord this week, at the age of 96. Rest eternal grant her, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon her. Funeral arrangements will be private.

Memorial Service for Shirley Stevwing

will be held at CLC on Saturday May 21st at 10:30am, with a luncheon to follow at the church.



CLC COUNCIL NOTES

In the spirit of transparency, it is my intent to periodically write a short series of notes from Church Council, what we are working on and planning. Also, to provide some information about what is happening at CLC.

This past Monday, May the 9th, Church Council had its monthly meeting. Pastor Peter Asplin, Assistant to the Bishop, was our guest. He came to talk to us about starting a call process. This is the first step in the process. We had good conversations, talking about the history of the Church and its ministry to the community. Our first goal is to discuss as a council the questions regarding the Church's "ministry site profile" (MSP), and then extending those questions to the congregation. By answering these questions, we will be able to tell a story of who we are, what our mission is and what our goals for the future are, along with providing information to any Pastor who may be interested in taking a call here at Christ Lutheran.

When Council feels they are ready to put together a Call Committee, Pastor Asplin will walk us through the process. If you are interested in being part of this process in any way let me or anyone on Council know.

Lennie Jansen,
Council President

Upcoming Celebrations:

June 5th:

Confirmation of Kevin Jansen and Riley Hahn

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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SOUTHWESTERN PA SYNOD ASSEMBLY INFO

This year's synod assembly will be via Zoom once again, with an option to attend in-person worship!

**ONLINE VIA ZOOM: THURSDAY, JUNE 16 (6 - 9:30 PM) AND
SATURDAY, JUNE 18 (9 AM - 5:30 PM) IN-PERSON WORSHIP:
FRIDAY, JUNE 17 @ 7 PM**

Voting members from your congregation have an important responsibility on behalf of all the members of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. This assembly is the highest legislative authority of our synod; they will be making decisions that impact 151 congregations covering 10 counties in southwest PA.

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER: THE MOST REV. MICHAEL CURRY.
(Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church)**

Voting Member Information: Due to the online nature of this year's assembly, two minimum technical abilities will be required. You must be able to use a computer or tablet with a microphone and camera - AND a tablet or phone as a voting device with the Vevox app.

**SEE YOUR CLC WEEKLY UPDATE FOR MORE INFORMATION or
GO TO: <https://www.swpasynod.org/assembly2022>**

Let Pastor Erin or Council President Lennie Jansen know if you are interested in attending as a voting member from CLC.



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!

food pantry hours



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

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS
5:00PM-7:00PM

IMMEDIATE NEEDS:
COFFEE AND JELLY

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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.

This Week at CLC

- May 15 - 8:30am 8th Grade Confirmation Class
9:30am Worship Service
- May 16 - 9:30-11:30am Food Pantry
5-6pm Tops Club
- May 17 - Election Day onsite, 7am-8pm polls open.
- May 18 - 4-7pm Millvale Community Counseling
5-7pm Food Pantry; 5:30pm Sewing;
5:30-8:30pm Democratic Committee of Reserve Twp.
- May 19 - 6-8pm Boy Scouts; 7-9pm Choir Practice
- May 20 - 9:30-11:30am Food Pantry; 6-8pm Girl Scouts; 7pm NA
- May 21 - 9am AA; 10:30am Funeral for Shirley Stevwing w/
Luncheon; 7pm NA
- May 22 - 8:30am 8th Grade Confirmation Class
9:30am Worship Service

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Κύριε, ἐλέησον **Kyrie Eleison**

Joseph Imhoff

Got your attention! I thought it might. Of course, it's Greek to me and to you and to anyone else who looks at it, even to someone from Greece which is Ελλάδα, Elláda, Hellenic Republic in the language! Why we call it Greece is a long story in itself dealing with settlers in southern Italy and the Latin language.

As has been announced this Sunday a new setting for the service will be introduced, the format remains the same but there changes in some wording and different music. The music is more contemporary but catchy, even toe tapping! The choir has been working on it for the past few weeks and is enthusiastic, some members finding it familiar possibly one of settings from Contemporary Worship that preceded the introduction of the Lutheran Book of Worship, the green hymnal you find in the pews.

It is quite appropriate to introduce Setting Eight that appears in the latest hymnal, Evangelical Lutheran Worship, on this day as it was once designated Cantate Sunday, "Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things!" We have a NEW SONG to sing!

Which brings me to Κύριε ἐλέησόν, Kyrie Eleison, Lord, have mercy, this is the beginning of every Sunday service after the Confession and entry hymn and sung or read before the Hymn of Praise, now "This is the Feast of Victory for Our God", a truly Easter announcement of the season.

Before you ask! Yes, there will be a Worship Guide for you to follow along having the outline of the service including the words and music for you to sing along even without Mitch Miller! As I already stated you should find it catchy and easy to sing, toe tapping is permitted, most of the responses have little or no changes made to what have been doing every Sunday.

Worship and Music would like any feedback you may have: good (we hope) or bad. As they say, "Try it, you'll like it!" ~

We Are Found



As Jesus in today's gospel prepares the disciples for his imminent departure, he tells them that they will look for him but won't be able to join him where he is going. It will not be long before the women are at the tomb in the early morning, only to find it empty.

We also look for Jesus, but perhaps we don't know that we are engaged in the search. We are constantly seeking purpose and answers, turning to self-help books, inspirational videos, exercise programs, and new ways of organizing our stuff. Billboards and magazine covers highlight our flaws while offering the next best solution to make us happy and well.

These opportunities can be compelling, and some of them will prove successful in managing some aspects of life. But these solutions don't turn up what we're really looking for: to be truly loved and known, secure and whole. We find this security only in the love of God. Yet, in this Easter season we are reminded that we do not need to seek Jesus; rather, Jesus seeks out and finds us. We cannot go where Jesus goes, leading the way through death to new life, but Jesus ultimately finds us wherever we are, even when we are most lost. The women found an empty tomb, but Jesus is not gone. The resurrected Jesus finds them!

In finding us, Jesus also directs our searching by giving us a commandment: "Love one another" (John 13:34). In seeking to love one another, we are reminded again and again that the great love of God has already found us. ~



Upcoming Commemorations

Erik, King of Sweden, martyr, died 1160
Wednesday, May 18, 2022

Erik is considered the patron saint of Sweden. As king of that nation, he tried to bring peace in the region, and to spread Christianity in Scandinavia. He was also known for his attempts to make fair laws and to protect those who were poor or sick.

Helena, mother of Constantine, died around 330
Saturday, May 21, 2022

Influenced by her son to become Christian, Helena (or Helen) lived an exemplary life of faith. She is also remembered for traveling through Palestine building churches on the sites she believed to be associated with Christ's life.



The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. ✝

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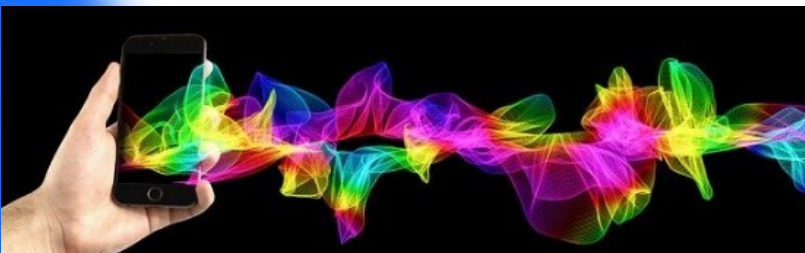
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