

CLC Weekly Update - In-Person Worship July 2nd at 9:30AM WORSHIP WITH US

5th Sunday after Pentecost First Reading: Jeremiah 28:5-9 Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18 Second Reading: Romans 6:12-23 Gospel: Matthew 10:40-42 Pastor Erin Evans preaching

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In the neighborhood ...

For good.



MATTHEW 10:40 Welcomes you Welcomes you Welcomes you Welcomes you

The welcome of baptism is for all God's children. This baptismal gift sets us free from the power of sin and death. In today's gospel, Christ promises that the disciple who gives a cup of cold water to the little ones serves Christ himself. From worship we are sent on our baptismal mission: to serve the little ones of this world and to be a sign of God's merciful welcome.

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Do you have a plot at St. Luke's Cemetery on Martha Ave or have loved ones buried there? Would you like to receive annual news about the cemetery, or help us care for the property?

Christ Lutheran, Millvale has managed the cemetery since St. Luke's, Bauerstown closed. We were not given complete records for deed holders. Please reach out to the church via email or phone to let us know and help us get our contact list up to date!

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Remember to see the Synod Assembly Report from Diane Curry and Emily Kosovo in your CLC Weekly Update!

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2023 SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA SYNOD ASSEMBLY

In the same spirit of "Better Together" Synod Assembly Worship featured not one, but three excellent preachers. Each focused on one of the scriptures chosen for worship, and each is worth a listen! For pictures and video of worship go to: https://www.swpasynod.org/stories/ sermons2023

In case of emergency....

Did you know we have an emergency defibrillator? It's on the wall, near the office and food pantry check-in table.

Did you know we have Narcan available? With the first aid kits in the narthex and in the office too!

Sunday School Field Trip to Mad Science



We had such a great time - thank you to the parents and grandparents that helped make it happen!

Our "Mad Scientist" host showed us a variety of experiments from ethanol rockets, to dry ice bubbles, exploding Coke and Mentos, chemical reactions, physics, and more!

We played with atoms, kinetic sand, lots of building blocks. We also got popcorn, lemonade, and cotton candy!

Next month we'll get together for a Sunday School Service Project!

HOSTING AN EVENT? USE OUR HALL!

- AIR CONDITIONING FULL KITCHEN AVAILABLE HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE RECENTLY REMODELED
- AV EQUIPMENT, TOO! REASONABLE DONATIONS ON A SLIDING SCALE

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Refrigerator Art

Check out our "mini fridge" bulletin board in the narthex, and add your art!

Tiny coloring pages available in the Prayground in the side aisle.



The Food Pantry is Open Mondays and Fridays from 9:30am to 11:30am, and on Wednesdays from 5pm to 7pm.

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A Welcome Promise

Earlier in the chapter from which today's gospel comes, Jesus gave his first twelve disciples instructions and advice before he sent them out to minister, teach, and preach (Matthew 10:1-8). We too are called to proclaim good news wherever we go, and like those first twelve, we may wonder why anyone should be interested in what we have to offer. We're not sure that we are good enough with words to persuade anyone. We're not sure that we are good enough with tools to be helpful with practical tasks. We're not sure that we have the financial resources to change lives with charitable giving. Often, we're not sure that we are brave enough to even try.

It's a good thing Jesus never sends us out alone. He always comes with us! That's why he can say that anyone who welcomes us welcomes him. What a wonderful gift to be able to bring to the people we meet: the opportunity to meet Jesus himself! Sometimes Jesus sends us to faraway places. Sometimes he sends us deeper into our own communities. Sometimes he sends us to welcome others, and sometimes he sends us to be welcomed by others.

In all of those times, and in all of those places, Jesus has this reminder for us: "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me" (Matt. 10:40). We can depend on that because we can depend on him. Jesus is with us when we experience amazing hospitality and when we feel like we are all alone. Jesus is with us whether we are brave or timid. Jesus is there for the people we meet along the way, and Jesus is here for us. The promise is as certain as the waters of baptism, as real as the taste of bread and wine. ~

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Upcoming Commemorations

Thomas, Apostle Monday, July 3, 2023



Though frequently remembered as "doubting Thomas," this apostle also demonstrated a willingness to suffer and die with Jesus (John 11:16), and finally claimed the risen Christ as "my Lord and my God!" By tradition, he later worked as a missionary in India. Long commemorated on December 21, Thomas's celebration is moved to July 3 in agreement with ecumenical calendars.

Jan Hus, martyr, died 1415 Thursday, July 6, 2023



Hus was a Bohemian (present-day Czech Republic) priest who spoke against abuses in the church, and was seen by Martin Luther as his predecessor in the reforming movement. He was found guilty of heresy by a council of the church, and burned at the stake.

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