



News & Notes for Christ Lutheran Church

April 14, 2024

Mission Statement of CLC



Welcoming all with grace, Worshiping God through praise, Witnessing Christ through service

Good Morning! Today is Youth Sunday!

This is a day in which some of the youth of the congregation offer the worship service for all to enjoy. Some of the youth of the congregation will be participating at various points in the service. It is always good to see what the future of the congregation has to share!

It is also the Third Sunday of Easter.

Only one service today with communion.

No Sunday School this week – any kiddos that would like to help out during the service, please stop by the usher’s station before worship and you can have a job!

Red Cross Blood Drive

The need for blood is constant. The gratification is instant.

On **April 18, 11am to 4pm, (Please note the new time for this drive!** the Social Ministry Team is hosting another blood drive at Christ Lutheran Church.

You can sign up by following this link:

<https://www.redcross.org/>

If you not able to sign up through the link or

have any questions, please contact Marlys

Thomas at marlysthenomas1@gmail.com and she will answer your questions and help you with your appointment.

Please sign up and help make our blood drive successful! Thank you.

April Women’s Group Event

Friday, April 19th from 6:30 – 7:30pm

Join the group at Sip and Scent to make a product with a fragrance you create. You can make candles, body care products, home fragrances, hair care products, personal fragrances, or bath and shower products. You will have one hour to make your products, so we will need to be there on time. I am told that is plenty of time. You can find a list of products

and pricing by going to their website:

www.scentandsip.com

If you decide to make a candle, Marlys will be happy to pick it up for you the following day.

As the name suggests, we can bring snacks and drinks. We need to let them know how many are attending so they can set up for us. So please sign up through the Signup Genius.

If we decide we haven’t had enough fun after the one hour we can move down the street to the Stove and Tap. RSVP here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4DA9A62EA3F85-48343133-scent> if you are able to attend.

College Care Boxes

On **Sunday, April 21**, the Sunday School students will be spending their class time focused on the college students of our church family. They will pack college care packages, color pictures/cards for them, and pray for them as they finish up the Spring semester.

Here is the sign-up genius link if you would like to contribute:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0D48A9AE22A31-49050854-college#/> You are also

welcome to take one of the boxes to send.



Easter 4 Pulpit Swap:

On April 21, Good Shepherd Sunday, the churches of the Indian Valley Cluster will be

mixing it up. Each church will have a different pastor. Who will be coming to CLC? Come on April 21st to find out :)

Touch-A-Truck is Coming

APRIL 27th from 10am - 1pm It’s back for the “Second Annual”!

A Touch-a-Truck event is where kids of all ages get to engage with cool vehicles and their

owners. Imagine kids being able to sit in a big rig or press the button on a trash truck or make the police siren go.

It is free and open to the public.

There are many ways to help with this event.

Please use this sign-up genius:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0D48A9AE22A31-48914013-touch#/> to volunteer.

Volunteers and attendees for the day of the event will park at Christ Covenant parking lot. If you have a vehicle you would like to display, please contact Karolin Brechbill, Lynda O'Neill or the office. Other ideas might be a boat, a jeep, a classic car, tractors, possibilities are endless!

Any questions, please reach out to Karolin, Lynda or the office!

Shepherd's Shelf Anniversary Celebration!

Shepherd's Shelf is celebrating **20 years** of helping our community! You and your family are invited to stop by Shepherd's Shelf on **May 17** anytime between 6pm - 8pm for a night of food and fellowship to celebrate. The Shelf couldn't have done it without the help of all our wonderful volunteers and countless donors throughout the years. Please RSVP here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A054FAEA723A5FD0-48275451-2024> by May 8.

Iron Pigs Tickets

GAME TIME - FRIDAY, JUNE 21st 7:05 PM

CLC friends and family are invited to visit Coca-Cola Park in Allentown on Friday, June 21st, as the Iron Pigs take on the Norfolk Tides.

Game time 7:05 PM.

Your \$12 game ticket includes: \$2 credit redeemable for food, beverage, or merchandise at the stadium, Field level seating, Fireworks following the game, A great night of fun and fellowship

Celebrations Ministry will be taking reservations and payment for tickets following worship services on April 21 and 28 and May 5 and 12th. May 12th is the last day for ticket

sales. Tickets must be paid in full to hold your reservation. Please make checks payable to Christ Lutheran Church, with Iron Pigs game in memo. If you are interested and not able to purchase your tickets following worship service, please contact Karen Johnson at 267-992-2966 by April 23rd.

Hope you will join in the fun!

Stewardship Snippets

1 John 3:1a – See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are.

Our identity – who we really are – forms the hub of our lives as steward-disciples. Our actions and thoughts revolve around that hub. And John reveals that we are children of the Almighty. When you live, as a child of God at your core, everything else falls into place.

Homeless Task Force – Message from Education Team

Verse: Psalms 71: 9 Do not cast me away when I am old; do not forsake me when my strength is gone.

Fact: The proportion of single adults over 50 years of age is more than one third of the Homelessness population. Overall, the average life expectancy of homeless people is 42 to 52 years old. If assistance is not available until age 65, then he or she may be dead by then.

Source: Penn LDI, Rebecca Brown MD, MPH

Shepherd's Shelf



Registration for the 2024 golf outing is now live. The outing is Monday, June 24th at Indian Valley Country

Club. Click here to register: <https://richard-d-stephens-memorial-golf-outing.perfectgolfevent.com/>

You are welcome to drop food at the office any day of the week, Monday through Thursday. Or if you would like, bring it along to church on Sunday. If it makes it in the building, someone

will be sure to get it over to the Shelf for distribution.

The button with the most up to date list is on our website under the Shepherd's Shelf tab. Always remember to check the sign-up genius if you would like to volunteer at the Shepherd's Shelf.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4da9a62ea3f85-shepherds> Distribution occurs on Mondays from 6:30pm – 8pm, Tuesdays from 10am – 11am or Wednesdays from 6:30pm – 8pm. Adults and youth 12 and older are welcome to help. No experience necessary. Training will be provided. Any questions contact Steph or call the church office.

In the Lutheran Community

LAMPa's work connects Lutherans to lawmakers. But our mission also connects Lutherans to each other and our neighbors here and around the globe. It connects faith to public life. Acts of service to works of justice. Thoughts and prayers, to action. This Eastertide, we invite you to lean with us into that work of connecting with the launch of statewide service and justice networks. Join LAMPa and your neighbors around the Commonwealth who are living into their baptismal call to serve in the way of Jesus and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth. We're starting with noontime virtual gatherings around four areas in which our ministries have a depth of experience or excitement to grow and where Lutherans are expressing energy for making a difference.

April 17 - [Human and Civil Rights](#)

April 24 - [Housing and Homelessness](#)

Here's the link to the LAMPa website to find out more information.

<https://www.lutheranadvocacy.org/>

These initial virtual gatherings will start at noon on Wednesdays in April. We will survey to determine best days, times and frequency for meetings moving forward. The networks are

not just about meetings. They're about ongoing connection and community, grounded in the hope of Easter.

Our hope is for these networks to be spaces for learning and mutual support, for sharing stories, ideas, inspiration and information about grants and other resources. In a time of division in our public life, they will offer opportunity for building bridges and organizing for faithful action. You can help shape our public witness to better reflect the beauty, diversity and needs of our neighbors and our common home.

Of course, our call to love our neighbor extends beyond neat categories, and so does LAMPa's work. You can sign up for a network or let us know where else God is leading you (*and/or your congregation!*) to act in love here:

<https://www.lutheranadvocacy.org/get-involved/discover-ways-to-engage-with-us/> .

Join us and share the news as we strive to be Church together in Pennsylvania for the sake of the world God loves!

In the Local Community

Souderton End Gun Violence March, Sunday 4/21 from 1-2:30pm.

Location: Zion Mennonite Church, 149 Cherry Lane, Souderton

Join the Souderton faith communities as they organize a peaceful outdoor march and letter writing to support legislation to help end gun violence. All are welcome. The group comes together as one community, many inspired by their faith convictions, to honor those who have lost lives to gun murders, to witness publicly through our march, and to advocate for stronger and more effective gun laws and regulations.

The 1.3 mile walk will go through downtown Souderton, starting/ending at Zion, and stay on relatively level public sidewalks.

Find more information at Zion Mennonites' Website or Heeding God's Call website:

heedinggodscall.org

There is also a flyer hanging in the hallway outside of Weaver Hall.

It's that time of year again—SAVE is holding the 5th Annual Spring Plant Sale on Saturday, May 4 from 9am-1pm in the greenhouse at SAHS! The flyer with information about the event is hanging on the bulletin board in the hallway! All sales benefit the greenhouse program!

Prayer List

Bereavement:

The family and friends of Raymond Walton as they grieve his death, friend of Colleen Peterson

The family and friends of Amy Ivory as they grieve her death, friend of the Williams family and the Healy family

The family and friends of Virginia Laudeman as they grieve her death, mother of Patti Welsh

The family and friends of Carolyn Jackson as they grieve her death, daughter of Geraldine Jackson, friend of CLC

The family and friends of James Lowe as they grieve his death, friend of the Williams family

The family and friends of Marc Pelych as they grieve his death, friend of the Williams family

The family and friends of Barbara Wynne as they grieve her death, friend of Laurie Hart

Joy:

Steven Anthony Wilhold, born to Amanda West & Donny Wilhold, proud grandparents Steve & Diane West

Please Pray for:

Louise, friend of Steph Sharkey

Those affected by gun violence

Those affected by natural disasters

Scott Appel, relative of Steph Sharkey

Doug Bailey, friend of CLC

Pauline Baymor, mother of Mike Baymor

Doris Blead, aunt of Connie Baymor

Colleen Brown, sister-in-law of Chris Martin

Ron DeStefani

Lou Farrell, friend of Pastor Sellers

Gary Faut

Collins Gibson, great niece of Pastor Sellers

Sandy Giza, sister of Kathy Benjamin

Deb & Dave Haberle, brother-in-law of Kathy Benjamin

Tricia Hanna, friend of Dawn Baxter

John Hart, brother of Laurie Hart

Beth Hesley, friends of Jane & Dennis Sharkey

Charlie Hoffman

Val Holzhauer, friend of Karen Johnson

Bryan Hoover, friend of Ed Lightkep

Lucille Jacoby, sister of Ted Knauss

Heather Johnson-McNutt

Frank & Elva Keenan

Charlotte Kenreich, step-mom of Karolin Brechbill

Ed LaFonde, family member of Karolin Brechbill

Dorthea Landis

Declan McGovern, nephew of Courtney Katz

Brock McMahon, cousin of Allison Healy

Geyahna Medwatz, friend of Bev Stover & Souderton Men's Chorus

Sherri Moyer, friend of Karen Williams

Colin Murray, friend of Ed Lightkep & Deb Freece

Michael Noble

Fred Nocera, brother of Diane West

Matthew Page, friend of Linda N. Landis

Coale Peace, grandnephew of Deb Freece

Collleen Peterson

Kim Popple, cousin of Steve Houseal

Ava Reicher, granddaughter of Dottie Elliott

Trever Rentzel, friend of Karen Williams

Charlotte Schick

Petey Schlatter, friend of Deb Freece

Karl Scholz

Craig Schwartz, neighbors of the Baymors

Ernestine Shofran, friend of Laurie Hart

Cassie Singh-Heuter, daughter of Pastor Singh-

Heuter at Advent Lutheran
Randy Smith
Harvey Spanier, friend of Laurie Hart
Harry Stover
Jakob Strohl
Carole Ann Vogel, friend of Lynne Martino
Pastor Erika Wesch, friend of Pastor Sellers
Dave Williams
Kris Williams, sister of Karolin Brechbill
Tom Wolfe, father of Greg Wolfe
Ruth Ann Worrell, sister of Rick Metz
Dottie Wynne, sister of Laurie Hart
Steve Young, relative of Julie Munden

Military:

Specialist Joe Shiflett, in VA, fiancé of Sara Mathe
CTT2 Amanda Milus stationed at naval base San Diego, CA, niece of John & Carole Stoler
Sgt. Samantha Stoler, stationed at Ft. Stewart, GA
Capt. Garrett Knauss, U.S. Marines, stationed in Cherry Point, NC, grandson of Bonnie & Ted Knauss
Maj. Chuck Richards, USAF, deployed unknown, son of Beth & Steve Richards
Sgt. Jonathan Bloss, grandson of Mary Reinoehl, stationed in Misawa, Aomori, Japan with his family
Col. Mike, friend of Jane Dettra
Chris, now serving with the US Security Force in Baghdad, friend of Jane Dettra
Stephen Elmer, friend of Jane Dettra
Jon Kohl & family: neighbor of the Johnson & Gerlach families, friend of Amanda West

Birthdays and Anniversaries

For This Week

Marge Blum – 04/15 Tyler Itterly – 04/15
Richard Haslam – 04/17 Ben Brigaman – 04/17
Shaun Stover – 04/17 Joan Caldwell – 04/18
George Bell – 04/19 Hannah Brown – 04/19
Laura Baymor – 04/19 Paul Sharkey – 04/19
Steve & Diane West – 04/14 – 40 years
Cal & Julie Munden – 04/15 – 24 years

Lay assistants for this week – 4/14/24

9:00am Service

Lay Reader: Youth

Ushers: Youth

Communion Assistants: Youth

Greeter: Patti Welsh

Sound Board: Dann Stephens

Camera: Andrew Dodge

Lay assistants for next week – 4/21/24

9:00am Service

Lay Reader: Jack Schlossman

Ushers: Debra Stott

Communion Assistants: Karolin Brechbill, Jane Dettra

Greeter: Ann Sheasley

Sound Board: Jim Laguna

Camera: Dann Stephens

10:30am Service

Lay Reader: Lisa DeLong

Ushers: Jim Keyser

Greeter: Ann Sheasley

Sound Board: Scott Swindells

Attendance: 4/07 9:00am – 44 in-person, 107 views on-line; 10:30am – 25 in-person



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