



News & Notes for Christ Lutheran Church

April 21, 2024

Mission Statement of CLC



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

Good Morning! Today is the Fourth Sunday of Easter and Good Shepherd Sunday.

There are two services this Sunday with communion offered at both services.

Altar flowers this week are sponsored by the property team in memory of our colleague, Barry Evans. We miss you, Barry.

Easter 4 Pulpit Swap: Also today, the churches of the Indian Valley Cluster are mixing it up. Each church will have a different pastor. CLC is happy to welcome Pastor Mark Singh-Hueter from Advent Lutheran Church.

Sunday School is back in session this week. Older youth should report to Weaver Hall to start working on college box packing. The younger students will come to join after the children's sermon at the 10:30 service.

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!

Peacemaker Discussion

In case you missed the article in the Clarion this month, there will be discussion sessions on "**The Peacemaker**" by **Ken Sande**. The council and mutual ministry teams have already been using this book. The book is in four sections of three chapters each. Each session will cover a different section of the book and will be offered in a hybrid format. The next session is Sunday, May 5th at 7pm. If you are coming in person, please meet at the annex. Use this link to access the meeting via zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8329455731?omn=85077645592>. The other dates for these sessions are 5/19, 6/9 and 6/30.

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 May 12th. Hope you will join in the fun!

Stewardship Snippets

Psalm 23:1—The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want."

You've read and prayed this before, but the passage's power is only increased by repetition. Stewards believe in God's abundance and learn the difference between needs and wants. God fills our deepest needs.

Homeless Task Force – Message from Education Team

Verse: Proverbs 22:6 GNT

Teach children how they should live and they will remember it all their life.

Fact: Earlier this year, North Penn High School was reporting a point in time count of approximately 80 students experiencing homelessness. According to the Institute for Children, Poverty, and Homelessness, the top 5 reasons for missing school are:

1. Family priority is survival needs. 82%
2. Lack of transportation 43%
3. Inability to do homework due to a lack of study area. 42%
4. Lack of clothing and supplies 30%
5. Poor health and medical care 29%

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 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

Joy:

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

Please Pray for:

Doug Baldwin, brother-in-law of Pastor Sellers

Andrew Mayo, uncle of Courtney Katz

Dyana O'Neill, friend of Michelle Martin

Louise, friend of Steph Sharkey

Those affected by gun violence

Scott Appel, relative of Steph Sharkey

Doug Bailey, friend of CLC

Pauline Baymor, mother of Mike Baymor

Doris Bleam, 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
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 McMahan, 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
Kim Popple, cousin of Steve Houseal
Ava Reicher, granddaughter of Dottie Elliott
Trevor 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
Carole Ann Vogel, friend of Lynne Martino
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

David Alderfer – 04/21 Patty Winkler – 04/24
Steve Landis – 04/24 Sarah Walker – 04/25
Edie Landes – 04/26 Kerry Kagarise – 04/26
Frank & Elva Keenan – 04/21 – 68 years
Gordon & Jean Shearer – 04/21 – 34 years
Mark & Tina Brown – 04/22 – 25 years
Skip & Rochelle Dodge – 04/24 – 25 years
David & Lori Valovage – 04/26 – 27 years
Brian & Lisa DeLong – 04/27 – 22 years

Lay assistants for this 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

Lay assistants for next week – 4/28/24

9:00am Service

Lay Reader: Linda N. Landis

Ushers:

Greeter: Deb Freece & Ed Lightkep

Sound Board: Michael Hillegas

Camera: Brooke Kuhlen

10:30am Service

Lay Reader: Dann Stephens

Ushers: Steve Landis

Greeter: Deb Freece & Ed Lightkep

Sound Board: Maddie Bingley

Attendance: 4/14 9:30am – 78 in-person, 13 on-line



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