



# CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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***Our Vision: "We Reveal God's Love."***

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## APRIL 16: EASTER DAY

**8:15 AM - Festival Service** including Dressing of the Altar

**9:30 - 10:15 AM - Easter Breakfast** - All are welcome to this feast of good food and fellowship. Invite your friends and neighbors.

**10:30 AM - Festival Service** (not including Dressing of the Altar)

*Central to the display in the Commons will be a large cross to be filled with your flowers. Please remember to bring your flowers to insert into this glorious Easter Cross.*

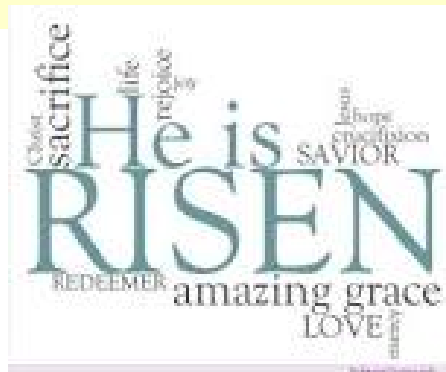
## WEDNESDAY VILLAGE NIGHTS RESUME

**(Every Wednesday: April 26; May 3, 10, 17, 24)**

Take this opportunity to gather with others in our faith community for food, fellowship, worship and study.

**5:45-6:30 pm: Meal (Potluck on April 26; otherwise meals are provided)**

**Worship and then Adult Study (6:30-7:30 pm)**  
**The worship time** is one of reflection, songs for prayer and prayer.



**THURSDAY’S TRINITY GATHERING  
A TIME FOR MEN & WOMEN TO  
STUDY TOGETHER**

**WILL NOT MEET IN APRIL DUE TO  
THE DATE BEING MAUNDY  
THURSDAY. THE NEXT GATHERING  
WILL BE:**

**May 11; 10:30 am - 12:30 pm  
At Imperial Plaza**

The gathering is held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month at Imperial Plaza (1717 Bellevue Avenue) in the *Virginia Room* (ask at the gate for directions). Lunch is \$8.25 (salads or soup/ sandwich; dessert; drink).

Here is your personal invitation to attend. It is a wonderful opportunity for good fellowship, good food, and good discussion. It is a significant way to get closer to Jesus and to your faith community. Call Kay Rilee (262-2924) if you plan to attend. Invite a friend!

**FIRST COMMUNION SUNDAYS**

On Sunday, March 26, the following received their First Communion:

*Jack Carlsen  
Spencer Carlsen*

On Sunday, April 2, the following will receive her First Communion:

*Aubrey Conway*

Our thanks to: Linda Pickels for helping them learn about and set up the altar for communion; Jennifer John and her helper, Maggie, for helping them bake the bread; Jim Schnellenberger and Pastor Donna Ruggles for teaching the parents and grandparents; and Pastor Moehring for teaching the children.

<b>Important Dates</b>	
Apr. 2, 8 , 16, 23, 30	Services @ 8:15 & 10:30 pm
Apr. 3	Men’s Group @ 10:00 pm
Apr. 2	Confirmation @ 4:00 pm Youth Gathering, STEM, @ 4:00 pm
Apr. 4, 11, 18, 25	Monday Miracles @ 12:00 pm
Apr. 10	Council Meeting @ 7:00 pm
Apr. 4, 18, 26	LAMB’s Basket @ 9:30– 1:00
Apr. 13	Maundy Thursday Service @ noon and 7 pm
Apr. 14	Good Friday Service, 2:00 pm @ Our Lady of Lourdes and 7:00 pm @ Christ
Apr. 23, 30	Youth Gathering @ 4:00-7:00 pm Confirmation @ 4:00
Apr. 1, 29	Quilting, 10am -2 pm
Apr. 25	Evangelism @ 7:00 pm
Apr. 7, 14, 21, 28	Casa de Dios @ 7:30 pm
Apr. 2, 8 , 16, 23, 30	Casa de Dios @ 2:00 pm

Please check the online church calendar ([www.christlutheran.org](http://www.christlutheran.org)) at anytime for information about church meetings, events and activities.

**Prayers of Sympathy** for the family of Jeff Harris who died on March 15.

# HOLY WEEK, 2017

## **April 9: *PASSION/PALM SUNDAY* (At Christ Lutheran Church)**

8:15 am - Procession of the Palms; Holy Communion

10:30 am - Procession of the Palms; Holy Communion

## **April 13: *MAUNDY THURSDAY* (At Christ Lutheran Church)**

Noon - Contemplative Service of Holy Communion and Individual Absolution

7 PM - Holy Communion and Individual Absolution

*The Evening Service begins with quiet gathering and ends in somber departure. We assemble for confession and a simple meal in the Commons around tables shaped as a cross and covered with bountiful rustic foods of the past. Then we will hear the words of forgiveness for us personally at the baptismal font, the gospel's story, and "Given for you" in the spoken Holy Communion that reverently steps into the stripping of the altar, after which we will leave in silence. Come join us for this moving experience.*

## **April 14: *GOOD FRIDAY***

2 PM - Good Friday Service: Stations of the Cross

- At Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, (8200 Woodman Road)

- (Sponsored by Christ, Lakeside Presbyterian, Lakeside UMC, Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, Overbrook Presbyterian Church.)

7 PM - Good Friday Service "A Service of Tenebrae"

- At Christ Lutheran Church

- Music from the choirs of the participating congregations

- A Dramatic Reading "Were You There?" by Karen F. Williams

- (Sponsored by Christ, Lakeside Presbyterian, Lakeside UMC)

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## **Youth Gathering Information for April**

April 2	4 pm – Confirmation ( Teacher: Pastor Moehring ) 4pm-7pm Youth Gathering/STEM projects
April 9	Palm Sunday/Spring Break No Confirmation/Youth Gathering
April 16	Easter/Spring Break No Confirmation/Youth Gathering
April 23	4 pm – Confirmation ( Teacher: Nancy Hendrickson ) 4pm – 7 pm Youth Gathering
April 30	4 pm- Confirmation ( Teacher: Carol Jones ) 4pm – 7 pm Youth Gathering

### **The Bible by the Numbers**

Certain numbers seem to occur throughout the Bible in many variations. David Ingraham's middle school Sunday schoolers have been studying this odd phenomenon this year and have posted their findings in the Education Wing hallway. Stop by and have a look at the results of their work. You will be asking yourself "Is this just coincidence, or something more significant?"!

## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Triplett, Rachel	4/1
Faust, Naomi	4/2
Stevens, Wyatt	4/2
Peterman, Megan	4/3
Luchau, Melissa	4/4
Meece, Cleotilde	4/4
Samuel, Rajan	4/4
Howes, Emma	4/6
Jacobson IV, Quad	4/6
Richard, Martin	4/6
Johnson, Charles	4/7
Lawrence, Corey	4/9
Gaymon, Ka'rynne	4/15
Kellogg, Erik	4/16
Kellogg, Sean	4/16
Carbaugh, Mason	4/17
Matson, Brooke	4/17
Jung, Brooks	4/19
Knutson, Dawn	4/19
Goodwin, Adam	4/20
Linka, Karen	4/20
Carlsen, Jack	4/21
Bosdell, Melony	4/22
Barlow, Sheryl	4/23
Goodwin, Adam	4/23
Lewis, Sylvia	4/23
Faust, Greg	4/24
Turner, Jim	4/24
Bahen, Dawn	4/26
Peterman, Amy	4/26
Kintzer, Barry	4/27
Wilson, Ashley	4/27
Didra, Jake	4/28
Kemp, Nicole	4/30

## Remembering Those in Need of Prayer



An important ministry at Christ Lutheran Church is remembering people in prayer. But so often the person and the name of the one who submitted the person get lost in the months that pass. Though God is not bound by our naming and remembering, it is important that the Church be a good steward of each person's name. Because we want to be intentional about our congregation's prayer life, we offer the following:

\*The bulletin now carries the names of persons who have been recently submitted.

\*The newsletter contains our homebound members, those family and friends serving our country, and friends and relatives in need of long term prayers.

\*And, you may place names of anyone under the stone on the altar at any time. These will be left there for about 1 month.

Please remember: you need to continue to be an intentional steward of the person's name you submit. Keep pastor and the church office "in the loop" as conditions change; make sure we all can celebrate the "prayers answered" by taking that person's name off the prayer lists.

### Members, Friends & Relatives in Need of Long Term Prayers:

Olivia Romo (granddaughter of Jim & Betty Schnellenger), Stephen Ingraham, Steve Reed, Greyson Stephans (infant cousin of Frank Greenday), Sandra Boclair, Alice Lucan (sister of Carol Grayson), Dawn Mottet, Jean Vizthum, Vonnie Tritt, Joe Dunker, Mauri Hade, Ted Dean (uncle to Scott & Melissa Luchau), Loren Johnson, Eleanor Hemenway, Karen Dent Haywood (friend of Mitch Roberts), Frank Greenday, Steve Brackmann (friend of Melissa Luchau), Belen Sakdalan-Valladores (friend of Cleo Meece), Ina Nuckols, Donna Conway.

### Family & Friends Serving Our Country:

Cody Lafayette, Joshua Dryden, Courtney Charlson, Pamela Charlson, Keith Cunningham, Luke Dahlen, Burt and Jeri Evans, Adam Lewis, Joshua Mullins, Vincent Salla & Matthew Mawyer.

Dear Christ Disciples,

The most important images of Lent this year are wrapped around the gifts our Youth Group gave to Christ Church's disciples. The display held our attention by placing a cross in the midst of a desert. On Transfiguration Sunday 128 wooden crosses surrounded the display and filled every corner in the commons area. Then each Sunday the display's basket held the other items the kids made: Sponges; nails; bags of coins; dice; strips of purple cloth. Each had a meaning; each of us had the opportunity to take these home and place them around the wooden cross.

In that image I remember your voices ("Is that for me?"), your faces happy to take each gift home and your commitment to take some for other people on your list. I saw disciples, hungry to bring the meaning of the cross into their lives and glad to share the meaning of the cross with others. That's how I want to remember the disciples at Christ Lutheran Church. Not the building, not the pleasant green space, not the parking lot filled with cars...but Christ's disciples hungry for the meaning of the cross.

What St. Paul said to the Church at Corinth has been my ministry to you:

*When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.*

It has been a wonderful and cherished opportunity to come to you to be pastor and family among you. As we held to "*Jesus Christ, and him crucified,*" we continued to be a benefit and blessing to our community and all others whose lives we touched. I firmly believe our being here in Lakeside does matter; and if we were not here, we would be missed. Our leadership believes this, and you are committed to this...to "Reveal God's love," *as we are* and *who we are* so that, especially in our weakness, Christ's light does shine and the Holy Spirit's power is seen.

How I rejoice at those many times we left the victory up to Jesus, the mission up to God, and Christ Church up to the Holy Spirit. When we did, God did demonstrate God's power. When we did, God took our frail words and actions to be blessings to others. When we did, we experienced resurrection in ourselves and in those God called us to serve. That's why I chose Easter as my last Sunday. I wish to say good-bye in the middle of the words and realities of "He Is Risen."

Donna, Tim, Christian and I will cherish our time and our ministry with you as fellow disciples of Jesus Christ. Our fervent prayer is that you hold on to the truth and hope that God will continue to guide you to "*know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified.*"

In Nomine Jesu,  
Pastor Eric, Donna, Tim and Christian

## **This Changes Everything!**

That is the theme for the National Youth Gathering in summer of 2018 for which YOUR child or children are eligible to attend!!! The ELCA church offers an opportunity for teens throughout the country to attend the Gathering only every 3 years. This gathering is rooted in Faith Formation and Community Service. It has previously been held in cities such as New Orleans after the hurricane and most recently in Detroit in 2015 to held with the urban blight in that city. The Gathering is an event that most teens remember well up into their adult years and it is a chance to see God's good work in action as well as expose our teens to growth in their Faith Journey and develop strong bonds with other teens in their communities.

Many of our youth have attended past Gatherings such as Lauren Dry, Julia Dry, Ben Hendrickson, Danielle Bosdell, Noah Peterson, and others. They have come back to us renewed in the spirit and with new friends and wonderful stories to tell. Our congregation has always been supportive of our youth who head to other cities to spread the Good News. We ask that you prayerfully consider sending your child to the Gathering so that we may continue this wonderful tradition for our youth.

There will be more specifics later this spring but this is what we know now.....

NYG 2018 June 27 - July1, 2018 A travel day will be assigned on both side of these dates.  
Houston, Texas- A rich multicultural city with venues that can accommodate 30,000 youth  
Travel - usually by bus or plane with the Richmond Area Lutheran Churches who attend. A group of about 75 youth attended Detroit together in 2015 by chartered bus.  
Hotels - Richmond Area youth stay together in a specific hotel, sharing rooms. Certain hotels are picked as approved by the Gathering. Reservations made as a group.  
Cost - \$150 per teen deposit is required by registration date. Fundraising is done during the year prior to the Gathering to cover the cost of the trip. Total cost for Gathering is \$350.

Hotels/food/personal expenses are extra. If scholarship help is needed, please speak with Nancy Hendrickson or Carol Jones.

Website - [www.elca.org/Youth](http://www.elca.org/Youth) Gathering This website can answer many questions and provide information and videos to give you an idea about the NYG!

Eligibility to attend - the following teens are eligible to attend based on their grade level as of June 2018

Zachary Baltor, Helen Burns, Ka'ryne Gaymon, Garrett Jones, Addison Pernsteiner, Sarah Pernsteiner, Cameron Miller, Madison Wangenstein

Chaperones - Anyone over Age 21 can attend as a chaperone ( with approval ) for our group and we will be partnering with other Lutheran churches in the area to form one large group.

Thank you for prayers and excitement as we venture out to new places!  
This Changes Everything!!!! NYG 2018

“With great sadness I want you to know of the death of Katie Ann Price, daughter of our Assistant to the Bishop, The Rev. Chris Price, and his wife, Terry. We lift them up in our prayers of sympathy as we commend Katie to our crucified and risen Lord of Life, Jesus Christ. We remember her dear sister and family, Megan and Robbie and their daughter, Stella. They all received the news early this morning. For ten years Katie had been struggling with the disease of addiction and yesterday she died from its never relenting power.

We pray for the deep sighs of the Holy Spirit joining with their deep grief, and for the Holy Spirit to bring the joyous resurrection to this child marked and named as God's own in her baptism”.

Services for Katie will be at **Hebron Lutheran Church** in Madison **Saturday March 25th at 2 PM**, the family will receive friends after the service.

**Condolences should be sent to the Price family at:**

2212 Founders Bridge Road  
Midlothian, VA 23113

**Memorial donations may be made to the [ForwardingFaith campaign](#).**

*'Nothing shall separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.'*

The Rev. James F. Mauney  
Bishop of the Virginia Synod

**Congratulations to the proud grandparents, Artie and Maryann Hoffmann** upon the birth of another baby girl, ***Catie***, born to ***Thomas & Precious Hoffmann*** and big sister, Chloe, on March 22.

**On March 26 the following new members were received by Letter of Transfer:** ***Ulrike Baumann*** from Trinity Lutheran in Wexford, PA; ***Jim Carstairs & Diane Carstairs*** from Holy Trinity in Port Charlotte, FL; ***Robert T. Ruggles*** and ***Pastor Donna Ruggles*** from Saint Andrew's Lutheran in Ames, IA.

**Baptism**

"Through Baptism God has made this new a member of the priesthood we all share in Christ Jesus..."

March 19      Skylar Addison Cathey

"We welcome you into the Lord's Family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ and worker with us in the Kingdom of God."

Shylar is the daughter of Martina & Michael Cathey and the granddaughter of Al & Melony Bosdell.



## Relay for Life

Relay For Life is the signature fundraiser for the American Cancer Society. Relay is staffed and coordinated by volunteers in more than 5,200 communities and 27 countries. Volunteers give of their time and effort because they believe it's time to take action against cancer.

There is a Relay for Life event scheduled in June and this is a great opportunity for our church family to support the Greenday family.

The event will be held at Lee Davis High School, Mechanicsville. The time is from 6 PM Friday, June 2 through 1 AM Saturday, June 3.

Ways to participate for the event:

- Attend and walk around the track. We'll create a schedule.
- Provide baked goods for the bake sale
- Provide gift baskets, gift cards, or other new items to be raffled
- Fund raising – join the team and each participant can do their own fund raising toward the team goal. The link to join follows. Once you join, you have your own dashboard and can set your own personal goal, access tools for posting on Facebook, etc.
- Face Painting – youth and confirmands could offer this at the booth and accept donations
- Games – Austin Lackey is heading up games and I'll bet she'd love to have help with that at the event

There will be food trucks and booths like ours there, so I think it will be a lot of fun, as well as quite a meaningful experience.

Here's the link to join the team. <http://main.acsevents.org/goto/fight4frank>





## TRANSITION UPDATES

On April 17 we will begin our transitional journey from the long pastorate of Pastor Moehring to the next step in the life of our congregation. A time of transition such as this can be depressing, exciting, sad and exhilarating all at the same time. Above all, it is an opportunity for us to refocus on the future of CLC and, as a congregation, decide on how best to express and manifest our understanding of our faith and the role of our church.

To begin our transition, and for the next several weeks as we engage in the process of identifying an Interim Pastor, we will have the opportunity to hear and learn from five pastors who will lead us in worship. Please note that this schedule is subject to change:

**April 23** Our transition begins with our own *Pastor Donna Ruggles*. Pastor Ruggles just recently joined Christ Lutheran and is eager to lead her new congregation in worship on this important Sunday.

**April 30:** *Pastor Liz Yates*, who has visited us several times in the past, will join us again to lead us in worship.

**May 7 and 14:** *Pastor Ruth Fortes*, who has also previously visited us, will join us once again. Pastor Fortes is known by several in our congregation as the person who helped us initiate our Quilting Ministry.

**May 21 and 28:** *Pastor Kim Triplett*, a former member of Christ Lutheran, will return “home” to share the Word and Gospel with us.

**June 4 (Pentecost/Confirmation):** *Pastor Dave Delaney*, Director of Youth Programs for the Virginia Synod and the leader of the recent ACTS Class on the Old Testament, will join us on this special day to lead us in our service of confirmation.

**June 11: Laity Sunday.** Services will be conducted by disciples of Christ Lutheran. There will be no communion on this Sunday. This is also the weekend of the Annual Synod Assembly at Roanoke College.

## Yard Sale

Saturday, May 6, 2017  
8:00-2:00



To Benefit the Mission Trip in July and the Youth Program.

### 2 Options

1. Donated items to be sold. These can be dropped off at the church on Friday, May 5 between 9-6.
2. Buy a table to sell your own items. The church will provide you with space inside or out (weather permitting) and will advertise the yard sale.

# April 2017 Music Ministry Calendar

☐ Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

							1 4:00 Bell Ensemble
2 9:15 Early Ensemble 9:30 Bell Ensemble 10:00 Chancel Choir	3	4	5 7:30 Chancel Choir	6	7	8 4:00 Bell Soloist	
9 <i>Palm Sunday</i> 9:15 Early Ensemble 9:30 Bell Soloist 10:00 Chancel Choir 11:45 Bell Choir	10	11	12	13 <i>Maundy Thursday</i> 6:30 Chancel Choir 7:00 Meal & Worship 8:30 Chancel Choir & Brass	14 <i>Good Friday</i> 6:00 Joint Choir 7:00 Worship	15	
16 <i>Easter</i> 7:45 Joint Choir & Brass	17	18	19	20	21	22	

# **CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH VISION STATEMENT**

We Reveal God's Love

# **CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT**

Brothers and sister graced with the Cross of Jesus Christ  
joyously drawn together by the Good News into a ministry of  
seeking, sharing, caring and serving

## **The People of Christ Lutheran Church, Ministers**

The Reverend Eric J. Moehring, Pastor  
Cindy Adams, Administrative Assistant  
Linda Keener, Music Director  
Heather Heckel, Web Master  
Carol Jones, Newsletter Editor

## **Congregational Officers and Council Members**

James Ingraham, President	Nancy LaVier, Secretary
Jim Schnellenberger, Vice President	Paul Quel, Treasurer
Cindy Williamson, Financial Secretary	
Carol Jones	Darren D'Ateno
Sandra Bocclair	Cathleen Jacobson
Lucas Cochran	Mat Lewis
Bill Mottet	

### **Sunday Schedule**

<b>Worship:</b>	8:15 AM & 10:30 AM
<b>Faith Formation</b>	9:25-10:15 am
	Weekly for: Adults
	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sundays for: Preschool-1 <sup>st</sup> Grade
	and 2 <sup>nd</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> grade & 5 <sup>th</sup> -Middle school

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