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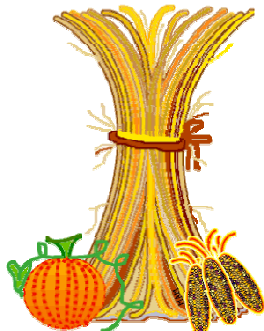
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## THANKSGIVING IN LAKESIDE

*"We Gather Together to Ask the Lord's Blessing"*  
**Lakeside Community Thanksgiving Service**  
**Tuesday, November 24; 7 pm**  
**At: Bethlehem Baptist Church**

Our Lakeside Community Thanksgiving Service will be on November 24 at 7 pm at Bethlehem Baptist Church (4210 Penick Road (just off Staples Mill Rd. near Glenside Drive). The Rev. Mr. Jim Van Wyk, Deacon at Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, will be the preacher. Lakeside clergy will lead the worship. Area choirs, including our own, will combine to form a Community Choir. An offering will be received (including canned goods) for LAMB's Basket. Come join us to begin your Thanksgiving celebration with others of faith in offering praise to God for God's many blessings.

### Thanksgiving Baskets

The Grumpy Old Man announces that even though he used to assert that it is just too early to be thinking about Thanksgiving and Christmas it is time to put out this annual broadcast.



Expect to see the Thanksgiving baskets in the Commons by November 8. Donations are "rationed" out by the first letter of your last name. There will be additional details in the Sunday bulletins. It does not appear that we will need cash donations for the Thanksgiving baskets. If you live near the church and think that you might have freezer space for a frozen turkey (the bird, not Grumpy) or two, please contact Paul Quel at

[pquel1232@comcast.net](mailto:pquel1232@comcast.net) or 262-7548.

### Angel Tree

More information concerning the Angel Tree will be in the Sunday bulletins once the Grinch costume is located.



## WEDNESDAY VILLAGE NIGHTS RESUME (Every Wednesday through Nov. 18)

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

**5:45-6:30 pm: Meal (Meals are provided)**

**6:30-8 pm: Activities**

**Worship; Music with Linda Keener (pre-school thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade)**

**Confirmation Class (7<sup>th</sup> grade; 7-8 pm)**

**Adult Study (7-8 pm) led by Russ Kerr, a student at Union Seminary**

**(Activities for pre-school-5<sup>th</sup> grade are done by 6:50 pm)**

Our young families are encouraged to gather with all who attend for the common meal and then have activities for their young children. Linda Keener offers a music time for the children (preschool thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade) on **Nov. 11**; our older children will prepare and lead worship when not in the music activity. For our young families, these activities will be over by 6:50 pm.

From Russ Kerr, from Union Seminary: “Confession, Baptism, Liturgical Seasons and Communion are a few of the things that drew us to church. Framed by Rachel Held Evan’s newest book, “Searching for Sunday” we will explore these rituals and explore their implication in our modern world. Join us each Wednesday for this walk together in the Christian faith.”



### Important Dates in November



2	• Men’s Group @ 9 am
5, 19	• Bible Study with Pastor Eric @ 7 pm
12	• Trinity Gathering @ 10:30 am
1, 8, 15, 22, 29	• Services @ 8:15 & 10:30 • Sunday School @ 9:25 • Bell Choir @ 4pm
24	• Thanksgiving Service @ 7:00 pm Bethlehem Baptist Church
9	• Council Meets @ 7pm
4, 11, 18	• Village Nights @ 5:45 pm
3, 17, 25	• LAMB’S Basket Volunteer Days
2, 9, 16, 23, 29	• Monday Miracles @ 12 pm
5 12, 19, 26	• Casa de Dios @ 7:00 pm
1, 8, 15, 22, 29	• Casa de Dios @ 2:00 pm

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

November 12; 10:30 am - 12:30 pm

At Imperial Plaza

Topic: “*What’s This About John’s Gospel?*”

The Trinity Gathering will delve into the Gospel according to John to strengthen our own faith and discipleship. This month we will look at John 4:1-5:47.

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 (262-4226) if you plan to attend.

Dear Christ's Disciples,

The ***Book of Glad 2016*** has been published & should now be in your hands. (If you don't have one, check with Faith Hobson or Jim Ingraham...or call our Administrative Assistant, Tina Jackson, (266-5775) and she will make sure you have a copy. It is so well done; truly it is a labor of love provided by your Stewardship Ministry.

Why do I like it so much? In this world that exhibits and emits so much turmoil, sin, negativity and anxiousness, it is good to hear some good news because of the Good News that is Jesus Christ.

When I first came to Christ I wondered why our founding mothers and fathers chose a site that was set down from the road and into the woods, rather than on Parham or another major road in the area. Over the years I have come to understand what people kept telling me then, that this is a setting that takes us out of the hectic troubled world to gather as God's people to be renewed, reformed, re-charged to go back into the world to serve Jesus. I have known it to be that ever since.

Does it mean that we haven't had our struggles? Absolutely we have! We have and we will continue to have them as long as we exist. Let me offer some of the reasons:

- We measure ourselves by the standards of others rather than by God's standards.
- We think too little of ourselves and forget that it is God who grows us and strengthens us for service in God's Church and God's world; and God makes no mistakes.
- We forget to worship often, which means that we not only miss the opportunity to praise God and receive Jesus, but also that we are not able to strengthen our relationships with each other and support of each other, something that Luther calls, "The care and consolation of the baptized."
- We are simply cracked clay pots and we sometimes act like cracked clay pots.

Now we can stay with that...and be less than what God calls us to be. Or we can take up the spirit of the ***Book of Glad 2016*** and witness to *the treasures* we experience at Christ Church to be about the *Christian growth of all church members at this precious space* where we are able to use our talents to make the Word of God accessible to everyone. (All italicized words are quotes from the book.)

What can you do?

- Attend worship regularly.
- Speak of Christ and Christ Church in the most positive, powerful ways you can.
- Participate in both the serving end and the being served end of Christ Church.
- Be there for your sisters and brothers who are disciples with you.
- Think of other possibilities and follow through with them.

*I am glad...*

In Nomine Jesu,  
Pastor Eric

**Evening Bible Study Opportunity with Pastor Eric**  
**November 5 & 19, 7-8 pm**  
**(Every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays of the Month)**  
**In the Library**

Pastor Eric is offering another opportunity for disciples to study the Bible. This is open to all who desire to strengthen their understanding and knowledge of the Bible and to connect the sacred scriptures to daily living. So come and join us. For the two sessions in November we will be studying Genesis 3-5.

Note: Other opportunities for Bible Study at Christ Church include: Adult and Children's Sunday school (9:25-10:15 am each Sunday); Village Nights (Wednesdays at 7-8 pm); Trinity Gathering (2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays at 10:30 am). Do find one that fits your schedule.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL AT CHRIST CHURCH: 9:25-10:15 am**  
**COME JOIN US!**

We have Sunday school for all ages. Please note the classes:

**Infant thru 3** will be in the Nursery

**Age 4 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade** (In the Educational Wing)

Teachers: Angi Hamer, Roxanne Melin

**Grades 3 – 5** (In the Educational Wing)

Teacher: David Ingraham

**Middle School** (In the new Youth Area down the steps)

Teacher: Pastor Eric and Others

**High School** (In the new Youth Area down the steps)

Teacher: Ferrell Newman

**Adult Class:** Harry Heckel and Trenton Hizer lead a class on the Early Church from the first Apostles to the Council of Nicea in 325 AD in the Central Classroom

*Please note that there will be NO Sunday school on November 29 (Thanksgiving Weekend)  
AND the children, Pre-school thru Grade 6 will be practicing for the Christmas Pageant on  
November 22 in the Fellowship Hall.*

**PARISH VISITOR TRAINING OPPORTUNITY**

Christ Lutheran Church has had a Parish Visitor Program since the summer of 2013. Their primary responsibility is to visit homebound members on a monthly basis. Other opportunities are visiting those in the hospital and doing some follow-up visitation as members return home from the hospital or a rehab unit. Along with Pastor Eric, these Parish Visitors provide the presence Christ Church to those in special need.

If you are interested in receiving training to join this important ministry, or simply want more information, please contact Pastor Eric (266-5775; pastor@christlutheran.org).



**APPALACHIA MISSION TRIP**  
**Brenton, West Virginia (About 5 ½ hrs. from Richmond)**  
**August 7-13, 2016**

**We have a very short time to get our foot in the door for the summer of 2016. If you have any desire to go, please fill out, place in the offering plate or contact Pastor Eric (266-5775; pastor@christlutheran.org) by Nov. 10. This is simply to get a minimum count.**

**The Task:** Home repair (No skills needed; only a willingness to help.)

**The Benefits:** Satisfaction of helping others plus cultural, personal & spiritual growth.

**The Cost:** The cost is \$350 per volunteer. Our hope is to raise much of the money for the trip. (If you do sign up & are not able to go, you will be responsible for the volunteer deposit fee (\$175 in March; \$225 in April).)

**Please Remember:** This is a self-supporting ministry; any money not raised is the responsibility of the volunteer. Our track record: The church has always contributed 100% thru fundraising.

**The Commitment:** The week, fund-raisers & 4-5 important sessions in 2016.

**Who Can Go?** Youth (ages 15-17); Young Adults (18-20); Adult (21+)

*Each Crew member may be asked to contribute \$30 for gas.*

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**SIGN-UP & INFORMATION REQUEST FORM**

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like more information about the trip.

\_\_\_\_\_ I commit to the Mission Trip. (Mission week; fund-raisers; & 4-5 sessions before trip.)

Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_ (Earliest dates are assured of a place on the trip.)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Youth (age 15-17)    \_\_\_\_ Young Adult (18-20)    \_\_\_\_ Adult (21+)

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ To help reduce costs, I have a vehicle I could take with us.

**A Letter of thanks** from the Virginia Continuing Care Residents Association for holding a meeting at Christ Church, October 19. Breakfast and lunch were provided by Diane Bentz, Kay Rilee, Dawn Knutson, Tinky Keen and Gail Dotson. Jeromy Ott provided and set up the PA system. Our own thanks for their gracious gift of welcoming this group to our church.

Joan W. Lewis  
Acting President, Virginia Continuing Care Residents Association  
Falls Church, VA

October 20, 2015

Dear Rev. Moehring,

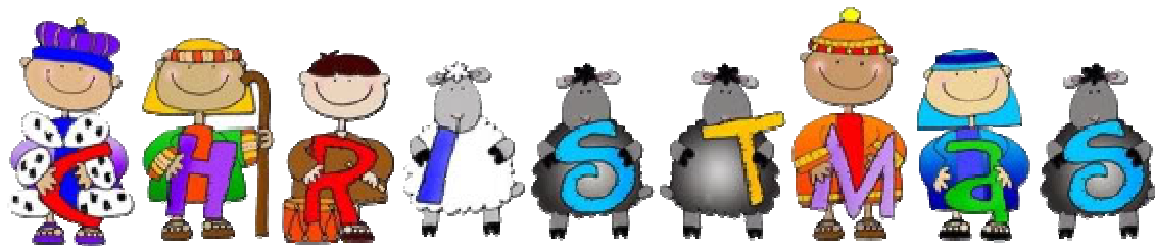
All of us at VaCCRA very much appreciate the hospitality shown by you and your catering members yesterday. The hall setting was very comfortable and the microphones worked well for us. We are grateful to Pastor Jean Bozeman for making the connection with you and Christ Lutheran Church.

We were amazed by the lovely and delicious array of baked goods, cheese and fruit along with coffee that were set out to welcome us as we arrived. It's not an exaggeration to say that was the best breakfast we've encountered at a VaCCRA Annual Meeting. Lunch was fabulous, too. Your hospitality members are incredible! Many thanks to them.

All of us were impressed by your sparkling, interesting classrooms. And, what a lovely setting for a church.

Thank you so very much for hosting our association on Monday. Everyone thought it was an excellent meeting. We would love to come again sometime!

Sincerely,  
Joan



Our annual Sunday School Christmas program will be held this year on December 13 after the 2nd service. Rehearsals will be held at 9:30 on November 22, December 6, and December 13. If your child is interested in participating, please contact Heather Heckel at [h.l.heckel@gmail.com](mailto:h.l.heckel@gmail.com).

All are invited to watch the program as the children share the Good News of Jesus' birth!



## 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.

**Our Prayers of Concern:** are for Chip Harris, Laura Greenday, Eleanor Hemmenway, Derek Meyer, Rick Kelley, Sarah Pernsteiner, Bobby LaVier, Frances Burford, Elizabeth Carbaugh, Lynne Gross (friend of Carol Grayson) Diana Ray, Ma'lis Smith, Candace Church, Christian Cozens, Dustin Floyd (friend of Martina Cathey), Leta Fitzhugh, Herb LeVee, Pat Breeden, Michelle Thompson, Joan Fleming, Ellen Jane Toy, Linda Mertus (Mother of Jennifer John) Kenya Pinckney (Friend of Tina Jackson-Woodson), Eric Major, Agnes Pucher, Anthony Rollins, Betty Blanset.

We also remember family and members of Christ Church who serve and have served in the military: Joshua Dryden, Courtney Charlson, Pamela Charlson, Keith Cunningham, Luke Dahlen, Burt and Jeri Evans, Adam Lewis, Joshua Mullins and Vincent Salla.

### Anniversary

Jim and Betty Schnellenberger 11/26

## November Birthdays



- Artie Hoffmann 11/1
- Glen Kellogg 11/2
- Jim Schnellenberger 11/4
- Ernie Foltz 11/6
- Christian Moehring 11/6
- Judson Hendricks 11/7
- Pam Kintzer 11/7
- Whitney Kozakowski 11/10
- Miles Goodwin 11/13
- Cathryne Novak 11/13
- Alicia Rydel 11/13
- Kevin Mahovtas 11/14
- Kim Didra 11/15
- Keith Teeter 11/17
- Jan Foltz 11/21
- Jennifer Walther 11/21
- Forrest Feaser 11/22
- Joe Feaser 11/22
- Jay Lantz 11/24
- Adam Lavier 11/25
- Bear Vess 11/26
- Spencer Carlsen 11/28
- Danielle Bosdell 11/30

# November 2015 Music Ministry Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 <i>All Saints' Day</i> 9:20 Early Ensemble 10:00 Chancel Choir 4:00 Bell Choir	2	3	4 7:00 Christmas Eve Choir 7:30 Chancel Choir	5	6	7
8 9:20 Early Ensemble 9:30 Bell Choir 10:05 Children's Ch.	9	10	11 6:30 Children 7:00 Christmas Eve Choir 7:30 Chancel Choir	12	13	14
15 9:20 Early Ensemble 10:00 Women's Ensemble 4:00 Bell Choir	16	17	18 7:00 Christmas Eve Choir 7:30 Chancel Choir	19	20	21
22 7:50 Early Ensemble 10:00 Chancel Choir 4:00 Bell Choir	23	24 6:30 Joint Choir at Bethlehem Baptist	25	26 <i>Thanksgiving</i>	27	28
29 <i>Advent 1</i>	30					



# **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  
Linda Keener, Music Director  
Tina Jackson, Administrative Assistant  
Heather Heckel, Web Master  
Carol Jones, Newsletter Editor

## **Congregational Officers and Council Members**

James Ingraham, President	Shannon Fleming
Jim Schnellenberger, Vice President	Patty Franz
Paul Quel, Treasurer	Judy Garnett
Cindy Williamson, Financial Secretary	Heather Heckel
Diane Kellogg, Secretary	Cathleen Jacobson
Gerald Ransone	Jim Pickels
Faith Hobson	Glen Kellogg

## **Sunday Schedule**

Worship: 8:15 AM  
Sunday School: 9:25 AM  
Worship: 10:30 AM

Professional Nursery Care 8:00AM-12:00PM

Church Address: 7809 Woodman Road,  
Richmond, VA 23228  
Church Phone: 804-266-5775 Fax: 266-4979  
Church Web Page: christlutheran.org  
Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:30 AM-3:00 PM  
LAMB's Basket: Tues., Thurs. & Fri., 10 AM-1PM  
(565-8007)