

May 2021 Light & Life
Christ Lutheran Church Newsletter
Rev. Katherine Rood

Our Mission Statement: As members of Christ Lutheran we gather in worship, grow in God's Word, serve in Jesus' name.

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The Baccalaureate Service at Christ Lutheran will be on Sunday May 16th at 9:00 a.m. Please keep our graduates in your prayers as they approach this milestone.

Jacob Christianson, son of Clark and Vicar Susan Christianson

Alsaycia Hahn, daughter of Brian and SueAnn Hahn-Gabrelcik

Hope Kosek, daughter of Jim and Michelle Kosek

Elias Kuehn, son of Scott and Carla Kuehn

Dawson Meyer, son of David and Tammy Meyer

Hailey Overman, daughter of Mark and Lisa Overman

Maren Roepke, daughter of Rick and Kristen Roepke

Congratulations to our graduates!

CLC Lutheran College Scholarship information

High school seniors planning to attend ELCA colleges next year, or current returning ELCA college students, please notify the church office. Then, watch for letters to be sent to you regarding the Christ Lutheran scholarship program. **New or renewal applications are due to the Church office by May 30, 2021.**

If you have questions, please contact a scholarship committee member: Joan Johnson, Kevin Menning or Jeff Grant.



CLC Mission Team requests your help in covering the cost of one counselor at Green Lake

In the past month, we became aware of a lack of funding for Green Lake Lutheran Ministries. Due to the pandemic related shut-down, GLLM has not had "guests" for summer camps or group retreats since March 16, 2020. This has resulted in a revenue loss of \$1.1 million.



To reduce expenses to bare minimum, full time staff was laid off and the few remaining staff members accepted reduced hours and salaries. They need to begin preparing for summer camps this year, bringing back staff and hiring camp counselors. GLLM is dependent on donations to operate, as camper fees do not fully cover the actual cost of camp.

We are asking members of Christ Lutheran to help support this growth in faith mission work that benefits youth in our congregation and throughout our conference. Our goal is to raise at least \$3,000, or enough to cover the cost of at least one counselor for summer camp. For the past 5 years, they have hired an average of 45 counselors for a season. The average camper spends about 100 hours with a counselor during a week of camp.

Please consider supporting this effort. Checks/donations should be made out to Christ Lutheran Church specifying that the donation is for GLLM. **Donations need to be in the church office by May 20, 2021.**

CLC Mission Team:

*Becky Olmstead, Karin Ramige,
Nancy Dolezal Cheryl
McDougall, Dianne VonBerge*

Women's Get-together to be held on Wednesday, May 26th



Women of Christ Lutheran we have missed you! Join your women's planning team on **Wednesday, May 26th at 10:00 in The Garden** (Columbarium) area of Christ Lutheran Church.

No program, no speaker just conversation and fellowship. Bring your mask, a chair, and your own beverage. Individually-wrapped treats will be provided. Stay as long as you please. Call 320-510-1593 if you need a ride. We are happy to pick you up. Hope you can make it. Remember May 5th, mark your calendar.

Common Cup needs your coats

It's spring and time to pack away, or give away, your warm outerwear. Common Cup is collecting adult and children's coats/snow pants for their October distribution of warm coats to families in need.

You may drop off coats and snow pants in the CC box found under the stairs, inside the side parking lot door entrance. A box will be available for collection through the month of May. Help us keep families in need warm when the temperatures drop next fall. Only clean coats in good repair please. Your generosity is appreciated.



Remember Our TEAF Mission!



Christ Lutheran has a TEAF fund (temporary emergency assistance fund). We have chosen the last Sunday of each month to collect donations to this fund, but, of course, donations at any time are welcome. Please remember

this mission in your giving.

Christ Lutheran Quilters 2021

Thank you to the Christ Lutheran Quilters for the 96 quilts they completed this year along with the seven senior quilts for our high school graduates!

The quilters met each Monday for one hour from January 11th through March 29th. Many hours of quilting were done at home by the ladies. Thank you for your donations of yarn and yard goods.



Ladies who worked on the quilts are Mary Ellen Bullert, Louise Carlson, Charlotte Dittmer, Betty Dahlke, Jan Giese, Gloria Gustafson, Connie Hanson, Darlene Hennessey, Judy Ide, Barb Lamp, Judy Larsen, Jane Larter, Kathy Remus, Elrena Scharpe, Dianne VonBerge, and Muriel Wavra.

Ladies who worked on the senior quilts are Jeanne Pagel, Vicky Harris, Mary Metag, and Mary Stoltenburg. Mary Metag sewed one quilt top. Jeanne Pagel sewed four quilt tops. Mary Stoltenburg and Jeanne Pagel put the quilt tops, fleece, and backs together on five quilts. Jeanne Pagel sewed the hems for five quilts for Jake Christianson, Hope Kosek, Hailey Overman, Maren Roepke, and Dawson Meyer. Vicky Harris sewed the quilt tops and put them together for Eli Kuehn and Alsaycia Hahn. Darlene Hennessey, Kathy Remus, Vicky Harris and Elrena Scharpe tied Eli and Alsaycia's senior quilts.

Lutheran Night at Minnesota Twins on Monday, July 26th



The Minnesota Twins are welcoming fans back to Target Center! We are making plans to send a bus representing the Glencoe area to the scheduled Lutheran Night.

Tickets are reserved for the 7:00 p.m. game on Monday, July 26th against the Detroit Tigers. Seats are located in Section 213 at a cost of \$36.00 each. Bus transportation from First Ev. Lutheran Church in Glencoe will depart at 4:15 p.m. at a cost of about \$12.00 per person. Please contact Louise Carlson at 320-864-5261 or carlsl@embargmail.com to reserve your spot!



Thank you to Twyla Kirkeby, Shari O'Donnell, and Kathy Remus for helping with services at Grand Meadows and GlenFields.

Thank you to everyone who helped with the Affirmation of Baptism service on April 25th: Jake Schrupp, Vicky Harris, Mikayla Schmitt, Vicar Susan Christianson, Katherine Grant, the Bell Choir with Nathan Stoltenburg and Randy Wilson, Scott Kuehn, Chris Starr, Shari O'Donnell, Mary Stoltenburg, Jonathan Becker, Fran Huwe, Vicky Harris, Becky Stromley, Jeanne Pagel, Nita Enderson, and for Pastor Katherine's leadership, guidance, encouragement, and everything else.

Thank you to the mentors of the newly-Confirmed 9th grade students for your partnership with them during the last three years.

Thank you to Julie Schrupp for serving as Guide for the 9th grade Confirmation students for their three years of Confirmation.

Thank you to Jane Larter and Jeanne Pagel, Duane Scharpe, Kevin and Peggy Menning, Linda Roisum, and Suzann Adams for their help with Raelynn Grace Strobel's Baptism on April 4th.

Thank you to Jane Larter and Jeanne Pagel, Loren Mueller, Kevin and Peggy Menning, Linda Roisum, Suzann Adams, and Nita Enderson for their assistance with Wesley August Woytcke's Baptism on April 11th.

Thank you to Twyla Kirkeby, Jim Carlson, Bob Tibbits, Loren Mueller, and Vicar Susan Christianson for helping with the funeral for Hazel Gruenwaldt on April 11th.

Thank you to Peg Hatlestad, Scott Kuehn, Jim Carlson, Bob Tibbits, and Vicar Susan Christianson for their assistance with Gloriann Wacker's funeral on April 26th.

Thank you to Kenny Artmann for the donation of office supplies.

Thank you to Vicky Harris, Peg Hatlestad, Scott Kuehn, Vicar Susan Christianson, Jim Carlson, Jan and Howard Giese, Bob Scheidt, Wally Rannow, Nathan Stoltenburg, Mary Stoltenburg, Chris and Dennis Davis, Becky and Steve Olmstead, and Carla Kuehn for their help with the Maundy Thursday Worship Services.

Thank you to Katherine Grant, Vicky Harris, Brad Hahn, Loren Mueller, Scott Kuehn, Vicar Susan Christianson, Jim Carlson, and Dawn Peterson for their help with the Good Friday Tenebrae Service.

Thank you to Melba Carlson for the beautiful Easter plants. Thank you to Parker and Shari O'Donnell, Suzann Adams, Jim and Melba Carlson, and Pastor Katherine for setting the plants out for

the Easter services. Thank you to Parker for draping the cross. Thank you to Suzann Adams for care of the plants after Easter.

Thank you to the 9th grade Confirmation students for their assistance with the first Easter Service.

Thank you to Chris Davis, Dennis Davis, Becky Peterson, Katherine Grant, Kay Wilson, and Nancy Mellesmoen for serving as Cantors.

Thank you to Loren Mueller, Brad Hahn, and Jonathan Becker for serving as Head Ushers.

Thank you to Brian O'Donnell, Vicky Harris, Dawn Peterson, Dennis Wendlandt, Fran Huwe, and Mike Sundblad for serving as Ushers.

Thank you to Louise Carlson, Jim Carlson, Barb Jenneke, Mary Stoltenburg, and Bob Tibbits for serving as Lectors.

Thank you to the Davis/Wilson Quartet (Chris and Dennis Davis and Kay and Randy Wilson); the Small Group Choir with Randy and Kay Wilson; the Bell Choir directed by Randy Wilson; and Dennis Davis, Dan Perschau and Chris Starr for Special Music.

Thank you to Shari O'Donnell and Erin Sauter for serving as Communion Assistants.

Thank you to Jim Peterson for volunteering to put together the April issue of Light & Life.

Thank you to Mary Stoltenburg, Jeanne Pagel, and Becky Stromley for serving on the Altar Guild for April.

Thank you to Nita Enderson for serving on the Kitchen Guild in April.

Thank you to Vicky Harris, Chris Starr, Peg Hatlestad, for playing organ and piano for our Worship Services.

Thank you to Scott Kuehn for serving as Audio/Visual Technician and to Vicar Susan Christianson for the design of our Digital Worship experiences.

Thank you to Nita Enderson for mailing HomeTouch each week to our homebound members, and for mailing Splash! materials to our youngest members for their first three years.

Thank you to Vicky Harris for organist and pianist scheduling.

Thank you to our Monday morning money counters and treasurer, Jeff Grant, for their dedication regarding CLC financial matters.

Thank you to Suzann Adams for the upkeep of the flowers and plants in church.

Thank you to Mark and Cindy Robertson for their ministry of caring for our church facility.

Thank you to Joanne Chrast for her ongoing care of the outdoor planters.

Thank you to all members who have served and are currently serving in the armed forces.

If we have missed someone for thank you's, please contact the church office and let us know.

Baptism at Christ Lutheran



Raelynn Grace Strobel, daughter of Rachel Strobel, was received into the church through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on Easter

Sunday, April 4th at the 9:00 a.m. Worship Service. Raelynn's sponsors were Seth and Taylor Strobel. Raelynn was born on September 19th, 2016. May God bless Raelynn and her family.

Baptism at Christ Lutheran

Wesley August Woytcke, son of Nathan and Kaitlyn Woytcke, was received into the church through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism



on Sunday, April 11th. Wesley's sponsors were Zach Woytcke and Nick Cohrs. Wesley was born on February 8, 2021 and joins big sister, Elaina. May God bless Wesley and his family.

“Hope For Recovery” Workshop available online on May 11th



On Tuesday, May 11th, from 6:00 to 9:30 p.m., NAMI (the National Alliance on Mental Illness) MINNESOTA will present

“Hope For Recovery.” In this 3.5-hour online class you will obtain information on the following mental illnesses: schizophrenia, depression, bipolar disorder, borderline personality disorder, anxiety, and co-occurring disorders.

You will learn information on treatments, crisis management, suicide prevention, the mental health system, and local resources along with practical strategies for helping a loved one or friend. This includes learning about the LEAP strategy or Boundary Setting to improve communication.

This workshop is for family and friends of a teen or adult living with a mental illness.

To register for this online class, visit:

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0lce2urj0uHNH-AO-lq95-Yo-Pi2NrS9pYx>



McLeod Emergency Food Shelf – help is available when needed!

As a church, we think in terms of supporting the Food Shelf, but we do not always think about families in our church



who might be having a difficult time. Lennie Albers, McLeod Emergency Food Shelf Director, encourages anyone in need to use the Food Shelf. Please call the Food Shelf with questions at 320-864-2088.

The Food Shelf's distribution hours are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 3:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday. But there are other options for people. A pre-order can be called in, and curbside pickup is available.

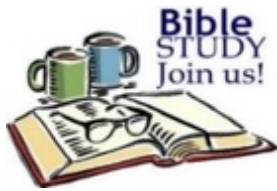
Most needed items requested by the Food Shelf are:

- **Whole grains** – Cereal, grains, crackers, pasta, and rice
- **Fruits and vegetables** – Canned and dry (low sodium, no added sugar), garden fresh
- **Proteins** – Nuts and nut butters, canned meats, and canned and dry beans
- **Cooking and baking items** – Condiments and assorted flours
- **Meals and sides**
- **Personal care and household items**

Financial support may be mailed or dropped off at MEFS, 808 12th St E, Glencoe, MN 55336 or processed electronically at www.mcleodemergencyfoodshelf.org/donate (via PayPal).

Cash donations are needed to buy hamburger, cheese, eggs, and other necessary food items for a balanced diet. Cash donations can be put in a mission envelope. Checks can be made out to Christ Lutheran and write on memo line “for the food shelf.”

Attend a weekly Bible study at Christ Lutheran Church



You are invited to join a Bible Study Group at Christ Lutheran. For more information, contact Pastor Katherine.

- † **Wednesday Morning In-person Men's Bible Study** – 8:00 a.m. in the Narthex.
- † **Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study** – 9:30 a.m. at Grand Meadows.
- † **Rachel Circle** – 9:00 a.m. meeting via Zoom the second Thursday of each month.
- † **Friday Morning Women's Bible Study** – 10:00 a.m. via Zoom. Join the study and discussion!

Important information Christ Lutheran members should read!

- **The 2021 Giving Envelopes are in the narthex.** Please take the time to pick up your envelopes.
- **Commitment cards and Tithe, Time & Talent forms are in the Narthex.** Pick one up and decide how you can help serve Christ Lutheran Church with your financial support and talents. Return your sheets by mail or drop off in the locked mailbox
- **If you are changing your giving amounts and are enrolled in "Simply Giving" you will need to submit the Simply Giving change form to the Treasurer or the Church Office to reflect the change. Forms are located on our website or in the Narthex.**

All-Church Email List

In an effort to keep our members up to date with church announcements, scheduling changes, and important Covid-19 updates, we are asking all members to email the church office with their current email address or addresses. Email updated contact information to office@christluth.com.

Worship assistants needed!



Are you able to serve as a Worship Assistant? We are looking for ushers, cantors, cantor/lectors, and lectors for Sunday and Wednesday services. A sign-up sheet is located on the coffee bar in the nar-

thex, or you may sign up online using SignUp Genius. If you have questions about what the various responsibilities are, please call Vicky Harris at 320-327-2728. Thank you!

Stewardship at Christ Lutheran

During this challenging time, Christ Lutheran members have generously contributed to the work and ministry of our community. Thank you for your faithful stewardship. You may also use the Online Giving button at www.christluth.com

and choose the way you would like to donate.

This is an ideal time to sign up for SimplyGiving. For instructions, go to our website, www.christluth.com. You can also mail your offering or drop them off in the locked Christ Lutheran mailbox. Thank you for your support!



Equal Exchange coffee items available for purchase at the Coffee Hutch



Check out the items at the Equal Exchange Coffee Hutch! There are coffees, teas, hot cocoa, olive oil, candy bars, etc.

Purchasing these items helps the small farmer co-ops around the world. Farmers earn a fair price for their crops, have access to

affordable credit, and can invest in education, health care and sustainable agriculture, building a better future for their families. Take a look, and if purchasing, please place your monies in the locked box attached to the hutch.



Christian Education/Youth

MAY 2021

KNOW – GROW – SHARE – LIVE – WITNESS



We continue to hold all of our CLC families in prayer. We pray and trust that God will continue to accompany us and help us to focus on the new opportunities ahead as we continue to grow in our faith and look forward to gathering together during the summer months.

PreK – 6th Grade Sunday School:



The 2020-2021 SS year concluded on Sunday, April 18th. Thank you to all the students and families that participated during this unique time. We look forward to the beginning of a new SS year in the fall.

2021 Vacation Bible School:



The dates for this year's VBS will be **Monday, August 9th through Thursday, August 12th from 5:00pm – 7:30pm each evening.**

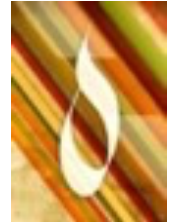
VBS is for students entering kindergarten in the fall of 2022 through 4th grade (completed). 5th – 12th grade students are invited and encouraged to participate as small group leaders.

Watch for more information during the next couple of months in the Sunday bulletins and on our CLC website (www.christluth.com/vbs) and CLC Facebook page.

*VBS registration forms will be available by **Sunday, May 9th.***

7th – 8th Grade Confirmation:

Congratulations to 6 of the 9th Grade Confirmation Students who celebrated their Affirmation of Baptism on Sunday, April 25th.



The annual Student, Parent, & Mentor Wrap-Up that was scheduled for April 7th will not be rescheduled for this year.

The **Highway 212 Ditch Clean-Up** is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, May 5th, weather permitting. May 12th will be the alternate clean-up date.

7th – 8th Grade
April Confirmation Classes:
May 5th & 12th

May 19th will be reserved for any make-up work that needs to be completed by the students.

The Confirmation calendars, requirements, and updates for the 20-21 Confirmation year are available on the Confirmation web page.












Please continue to check our CLC, Sunday School, Confirmation & VBS web pages for the most up-to-date information regarding our Christian Education programming.

For additional information on Christian Education opportunities, please contact Vicar Susan @ 320.292.1032 or clceducation@christluth.com.

www.christluth.com/sunday-school

www.christluth.com/confirmation

www.christluth.com/vbs

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Masks and social distancing are required for all gatherings.	Altar Guild: Becky Olmstead and Shari O'Donnell	Kitchen Guild: Frances Huwe				1 NA from 6:00 to 9:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.
2 Worship Service with Holy Communion @ 9:00 am – Quilt Sunday. Adult Education Sunday School series begins @ 10:15 am – in-person and via Zoom. Listen to service in the parking lot @ FM 97.7. 	3 Televised Worship Service @ 3:00 pm on Channel 10. Adult Cub Scout Leaders @ 7:00 pm.	4	5 Cinco de Mayo In-person Men's Bible Study in the Narthex @ 8:00 am. Women's Bible Study at Grand Meadows @ 9:30 am. Televised Worship Service @ 2:00 pm on Channel 10. Confirmation Highway 212 Ditch Clean-up. Choir @ 6:00 pm. 	6 Worship with Holy Communion @ 10:30 am @ Grand Meadows.	7 Women's Bible Study via Zoom @ 10:00 am.	8 NA from 6:00 to 9:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.
9 Mother's Day Worship Service with Holy Communion @ 9:00 am – Noisy Pail offering for Common Cup through the end of May. Adult Education SS @ 10:15 am. Listen to service in the parking lot @ FM 97.7.  	10 Televised Worship Service @ 3:00 pm on Channel 10. Dawn's office hours switch to summer hours: 8:00 am to 2:00 pm through August 12th. 	11	12 In-person Men's Bible Study in the Narthex @ 8:00 am. Women's Bible Study at Grand Meadows @ 9:30 am. Televised Worship Service @ 2:00 pm on Channel 10. Confirmation from 5:45 to 6:45 pm – last day. Choir @ 6:00 pm. Council meets @ 7:00 pm.	13 Rachel Circle @ 9:00 am.	14 Women's Bible Study via Zoom @ 10:00 am.	15 NA from 6:00 to 9:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.
16 Worship Service with Holy Communion @ 9:00 am – Baccalaureate. Listen to service in the parking lot @ FM 97.7. Adult Education SS @ 10:15 am. 	17 Televised Worship Service @ 3:00 pm on Channel 10.	18	19 In-person Men's Bible Study in the Narthex @ 8:00 am. Women's Bible Study at Grand Meadows @ 9:30 am. Televised Worship Service @ 2:00 pm on Channel 10. Confirmation from 5:45 to 6:45 pm – makeup day for those who have work to do. Choir @ 6:00 pm.	20 Worship Service @ GlenFields @ 10:30 am.	21 Women's Bible Study via Zoom @ 10:00 am.	22 NA from 6:00 to 9:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.
23 Pentecost Worship Service with Holy Communion @ 9:00 am – Pentecost. Listen to service in the parking lot @ FM 97.7. Adult Education SS @ 10:15 am. Worship Service with Holy Communion @ Grand Meadows @ 2:00 pm. Twyla Kirkeby's Piano Recital @ 2:00 pm. 	24 Televised Worship Service @ 3:00 pm on Channel 10.	25	26 In-person Men's Bible Study in the Narthex @ 8:00 am. Women's Bible Study at Grand Meadows @ 9:30 am. Women's Get-together in The Garden at 10:00 am. Bring your mask, a chair, and your own beverage. Televised Worship Service @ 2:00 pm on Channel 10. Choir @ 6:00 pm.	27	28 Women's Bible Study via Zoom @ 10:00 am.	29
30 Holy Trinity Sunday Worship Service with Holy Communion @ 9:00 am – Memorial Day Service. Listen to service in the parking lot @ FM 97.7. No Adult Education 	31  Office Closed Televised Worship Service @ 3:00 pm on Channel 10.					