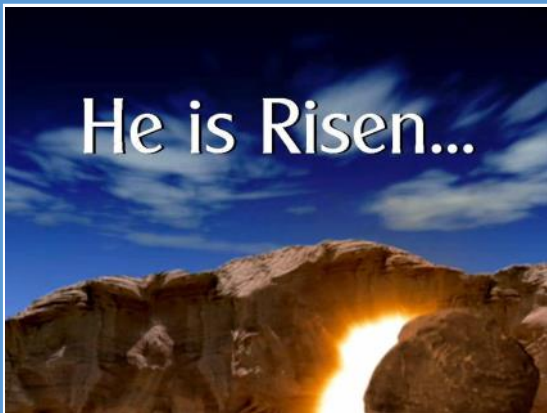


# Christ Connection

For the Week Beginning April 1, 2018—Easter Sunday



He is Risen...

I came across this line in the very interesting book, *Pastrix*, by Nadia Bolz-Weber, a book being looked at by the women's Food For Thought group at CLC:

"The Christian faith, while wildly misrepresented in so much of American culture, is really about death and resurrection. It's about how God continues to reach into the graves we dig

for ourselves and pull us out, giving us new life, in ways both dramatic and small."

There is such good news in the announcement of Christ's rising from the grave on Easter. It offers us the promise, that "just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life." (Romans 6:4b). Yes, we all dig our holes and crawl right in. We fail, and we hurt others. We do what we shouldn't do, and don't do what we should. Sometimes it turns into quite a mess. The Good News is that we are not left in the graves we dig for ourselves, but we are pulled out and given new life.

Can you believe it?

Yes! You can believe it! And your new life can begin today! Join in the celebration of this good news on Easter and every Sunday!

*Pastor Dale Ziemer*

## Easter Sunday at Christ Lutheran Church

**9:15 a.m.** Pre-Service music begins including a brass quintet, hammered dulcimer, timpani and organ.

**9:30 a.m.** Worship culminating in the "Do It Yourself Hallelujah Chorus" - all are welcome to participate.

**10:40 a.m.** Easter Egg Hunt on the front lawn

**10:45 a.m.** Continental Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall

### Sunday Worship

9:30 Festival Worship

### Sunday Faith Formation

#### Bible Study

The 7:30 a.m. Bible Study that usually takes place on Sunday morning will resume in two weeks.

### Christ Lutheran Staff

Rev. Dale Ziemer, Pastor

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### LOOKING AHEAD TO APRIL 8TH—NEXT SUNDAY

8:30 a.m. Full Breakfast

9:00 a.m. One Joint Worship Service

Congregational Meeting Following Worship

Breakfast, Worship and Congregational Meeting  
**ALL IN FELLOWSHIP HALL**

**CONGREGATIONAL  
MEETING**



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## In Our Prayers this Week

### Answered Prayers

- For the gift of the Resurrection
- For the birth of Cheyenne Noelle Hankey to Heidi and Matt Hankey on March 21st.

### Health Concerns

- For Annette Armstrong
- For Kay Hedborn
- For Anita Olson
- For Peter Van Gelder, 19 month old grandson of Bonnie Bucholz' neighbor undergoing chemo and radiation for a brain tumor.
- Sue Silhan, friend and neighbor of Bonnie Bucholz with many health concerns.
- For Lillian Munzenmay dealing with knee issues.
- For Patti, friend of Nancy Mizura, adjusting to a diagnosis of dementia.
- For Andrew, son of Jo Chiko's friend, diagnosed with ocular cancer and being treated.
- For Ruth, friend of Suzy Vandenbroucke diagnosed with breast cancer
- For Kayla, Andrea Palm's sister recently diagnosed with breast cancer, beginning treatment.
- For Jennie, friend of Suzy Vandenbroucke, diagnosed with breast cancer.
- For the mother of Lee, Jeannette Tamayo's co-worker, diagnosed with lung cancer.
- For Reese, Jeannette Tamayo's brother in law

- For Charlotte Grace, Debra Joslin's friend's granddaughter born with one lung who is still experiencing problems.
- For Barb, friend of Nancy Mizura healing from esophageal cancer treatments.
- For Tim Myrick, Dolores Kroeger's nephew diagnosed Pleuomorphic Adenoma
- For Jeff Homme, Kristina Dickens' uncle
- For Colton Kash, child of a friend of Dan Cramer, diagnosed with Leukemia.
- For Pastor Melissa Kuemmerle of St. Peter & Paul Lutheran, Blue Island.
- For Jackie, Nancy Woodruff's mother, seeking a doctor willing to treat her illness, in her frail condition.

### Sustained Support and Encouragement

- For healing for Q, peace and understanding for siblings, and strength for Mom and Dad.
- For Ed Llewellyn, friend of Debra Joslin and Hal Hancock who lives in Texas, in need of employment.
- For our Call Committee; Dan Cramer, Steven Dickens, Debra Joslin, Bonnie Bucholz, Jim Clark, Diane Emry, Lea Hotton, Matt Ramirez and Maggie Swiss.

### Grief, Loss and Bereavement

- For Penney Ericksen grieving the death of her mother.

### Serving in Worship Today

**Presiding Pastor:** Pastor Dale Ziemer

**Sound:** Rachel Krohn

**Projection** Hal Hancock

**Assisting Minister** Rob Sorensen

**Communion Assistants:** Dan Cramer and Rob Sorensen

**Communion Bread:** Jim Rice

**Post-Service Treats:** Join us following worship for a Continental Breakfast

**Chancel Guild:** Jane McDonald and Betty Murphy

### **Bible Verse of the Month**

Jesus came and stood among his disciples and said, "Peace be with you." Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." *John 20:19b-20*

### **TOP SERVING OPPORTUNITIES at Christ Lutheran Church**

- Add my name to the mailing list for the Christ Connection.
- Hang Spring Craft Fair posters in stores in the community.
- Help out at the Spring Craft Fair on Saturday, April 7th.

7:00–9:00 a.m.    9:00–11:00 a.m.    11:00–1:00 p.m.    1:00–3:00 p.m.    3:00–5:00 p.m.

*Please sign up in the Welcome Center or call the church office to be added to the list.*

# UPCOMING EVENTS



## Sunday, April 1

Easter Worship 9:30 AM—Sanctuary  
Easter Egg Hunt—10:40 AM—Front Lawn  
Easter Continental Breakfast 10:45AM—Fellowship

## Monday, April 2

ROMEOS—8:00AM—Blueberry Hill  
Scout Committee Meeting 7:00PM—Library

## Wednesday, April 4

Christian IMPACT Team Meeting 4:00PM—Library  
Special Council Meeting 6:30PM—Fellowship Hall

## Thursday, April 5

Scout Troop Meeting 7:00PM—Fellowship Hall  
AA 8:00PM— Fireside Room

## Friday, April 6

Knitting Ministry 10:00AM—Study Lounge  
JULIETS 12:00PM—Blueberry Hill  
Craft Fair Set-Up—4:30PM

## Saturday, April 7

Crafter Set-Up—7:00AM  
Spring Craft Fair—9:00AM—3:00PM  
Bible Study 9:30AM—Study Lounge

## Sunday, April 8 - One Service

Congregational Breakfast 8:30AM—Fellowship Hall  
Worship 9:00AM—Fellowship Hall with  
Congregational Meeting Immediately Following

## Monday, April 9

Worship Team 7:00 PM—Library

## Tuesday, April 10

Handbell Practice 7:15PM—Sanctuary Loft

## Wednesday, April 11

Worship Band Practice 6:00PM—Sanctuary  
Choir Practice 7:30PM—Sanctuary

## Thursday, April 12

Bible Study 7:00PM—Bucholz Home  
Scout Troop Meeting 7:00PM—Fellowship Hall  
AA 8:00PM— Fireside Room

## Friday, April 13

Quilting Ministry 10:00AM—Growing Grove

## Saturday, April 14

Bible Study 9:30 AM—Library

## **Breakfast / Worship / Congregational Meeting - Sunday, April 8 all in Fellowship Hall**

**8:30am Breakfast provided by your Church Council**

**9:00am Worship - in Fellowship Hall**

**Congregational Meeting immediately follows**

The agenda for this congregational meeting is a limited agenda, taking up the unfinished Council election, and the Endowment Fund Committee from the Annual Congregational Meeting of February 18.

In this congregational meeting there will be an update from the Call Committee, and other items for information. But no other business is on the agenda for this congregational meeting.

*While we have this unfinished business from February 18, please plan to come together first for a full breakfast buffet and worship in which we celebrate our life together in Christ. There is a long-time favorite Christian folk song that goes like this: "We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; ... and they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, yes they'll know we are Christians by our love."*

# Spring CRAFT FAIR

Saturday, April 7  
9 a.m.—3 p.m.

Christ Lutheran Church  
Fellowship Hall

Booth Fees will support  
Special Camps for  
Special Citizens

## Special Camps



"This is the best week of my whole life"

On Saturday, April 7th we will be hosting the Spring Craft Fair. The fees paid by the crafters and vendors will be donated to "Special Camps for Special Citizens". Special Camps provides opportunities for children and adults with intellectual disabilities to experience new activities, form friendships, increase independence and self esteem in 2 week long, loving, all volunteer run summer camps. With proper supervision by trained staff, and 24 hour nursing, Special Camps is a safe overnight camp for intellectually disabled kids and adults who could otherwise not attend similar camp programs due to physical, medical or intellectual limitations.

Last fall our craft fair was able to send several people to summer camp. Please consider working a shift at the Craft Fair. Sign-up is in the Welcome Center.

## SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

The Congregation Council will have a special meeting on Wednesday, April 4, at 6:30pm.

The purpose of this special Council meeting is to explore what is involved in strengthening a climate of listening and understanding one another, and developing stronger working relationships especially when we disagree. This is to build on our recent successes and to become an even healthier congregation at CLC. **Rev. Bill Blank, of the Lombard Mennonite Peace Center will be at this meeting.** He will lead us in this discussion and explore possible next steps for continuing to develop ourselves as a congregation, council of church leaders, and ambassadors for Christ in our community. **All council meetings are open meetings, members of the congregation are welcome to attend.**



### April Birthdays

- 4/2 Marge Kleist  
Stacy McGowan
- 4/5 Jason Gerren  
Andrew Kraner
- 4/17 Audrey Sprecker
- 4/19 Glen Yeater
- 4/20 April Bartosz
- 4/24 Eileen Nowak
- 4/26 Jon Ball
- 4/27 Andrea Palm
- 4/28 Brendan Krupp
- 4/29 Nancy Mizura

### Anniversaries

- 4/20 Lee & Trudy Sinderson
- 4/20 Joe & Diane Emry
- 4/20 Larry & Patti Cechowski
- 4/20 Steve & Susan Charlier

*Thank You to  
our Easter  
Lily Donors*

The Bahr Family  
The Burson/Bernards  
The Borsuks  
Dan Cramer  
The Emry's  
Ed and Pat Johnson  
Dolores Kroeger  
Betty Murphy  
Jim Rice  
The Vandenbrouckes  
Bernice Yeater

