

Christ Connection

For the Week Beginning May 13, 2018



As I write this on Thursday, I'm getting into the frame of mind to celebrate mother's day with my wife, Beckie. I'm a little behind in making plans, but she's dropped some hints, and that is a great help!

Over the years together, we have laughed about the "Mama" pictured on the left - Mama Fratelli from the Goonies movie we loved to watch when our now grown sons were kids.

Mama Fratelli was as bad as a mom could be!

We have laughed - and cried - over our own moms. In love they've been the topic of many a conversation - the kind of conversation of which we are now the topic!

But it is gratitude that guides the day, gratitude we have for our moms. It is gratitude that shapes us into the persons God intends us in love to become, the persons our parents hoped we would be. Today we are grateful - for our moms!

Pastor Dale



Next Sunday we will be celebrating Pentecost, the Christian festival celebrating the descent of the Holy Spirit on the disciples of Jesus after his Ascension, held on the seventh Sunday after Easter, the **Birthday of the Church**. **Be sure to wear Red!**

Summer Worship
Sundays at 9:00 a.m.
May 27—September 9



We will begin our Summer Schedule on Memorial Day weekend. Musical leadership will vary between the band and the piano, but we will always celebrate Communion and you will always hear a relevant message. Plan to worship each Sunday!

Sunday Worship

8:30AM Contemporary
10:15AM Traditional

Sunday Faith Formation

Bible Study

7:30 a.m.—Library

Christ Lutheran Staff

Rev. Dale Ziemer, Pastor

Jon Ball, Dir. Contemporary Worship

Karen Wilberg, Dir. Traditional Music

Richard Kochel: Organist

Kathy Bartosz, Dir. Youth & Family

Nancy Woodruff, Dir. of Communications

Rev. Craig Felde, Local Missionary

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In Our Prayers this Week

Health Concerns

- For Annette Armstrong
- For Kay Hedborn
- For Anita Olson
- For Howard Beauchamp
- For Dan Widner who is in a battle with cancer and is beginning hospice care.
- For Kenneth Prysny, Gail Prysny's husband who fell and broke his leg in several places
- For Bob, Evelyn Reed's nephew, recovering from lung surgery
- For Marcia, Evelyn Reed's cousin's wife recovering from kidney surgery.
- For Ashley Kardas, friend of Heidi Hankey diagnosed with breast cancer.
- For Eddie Rajczyk friend of Jeannette Tamayo who suffered a massive heart attack.
- For Parker 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 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 who had successful surgery.
- For Kayla, Andrea Palm's sister recently diagnosed with breast cancer, beginning treatment.

- For Jennie, friend of Suzy Vandenbroucke, diagnosed with breast cancer. Awaiting treatment.
- For healing for Charlotte Grace, Debra Joslin's friend's granddaughter who is traveling to Michigan for treatment .
- For Barb, friend of Nancy Mizura healing from esophageal cancer treatments.
- For Tim Myrick, Dolores Kroeger's nephew who has finished seven weeks of radiation and is recovering.
- 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 David Bahr, Ron and Ruth's son and his family who lost everything in a house fire.
- For our Call Committee; Dan Cramer, Steven Dickens, Debra Joslin, Bonnie Bucholz, Jim Clark, Diane Emry, Lea Hotton, Matt Ramirez and Maggie Swiess.

Grief, Loss and Bereavement

- For the family of Mike Ecklund, great friend of Bob Krohn who died on Monday.

Serving in Worship Today

Presiding Pastor: Pastor Dale Ziemer

Sound Support: 8:30: Open **10:15:** Glen Orton

Projection Lori Ball and Rachel Krohn

Communion Assistants: Dan Cramer and Debra Joslin

Assisting Minister: Dan Cramer

Communion Bread: Debra Joslin and Avery Hancock

Bakers: Amber Pelton and Jane McDonald

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

- Staff the Sound Board for the 8:30 Contemporary Worship Service (we will train)
- Help with Pentecost Decorating at 10:00 a.m. on May 19th in the Sanctuary.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Sunday, May 13

Bible Study 7:30AM—Library
Contemporary Worship 8:30 AM—Sanctuary
Sunday School 9:00AM—Growing Grove
Middle School Ministries 9:30AM—Youth Room
Traditional Worship 10:15AM—Sanctuary
Tiger Scout Meeting 6:00PM—Fellowship

Wednesday, May 16

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

Thursday, May 17

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

Friday, May 18

Knitting Ministry 10:00AM—Growing Grove
Pack Meeting (If Rain) 6:00PM—Fellowship Hall

Saturday, May 19

Bible Study 9:30AM—Library
Cook-DuPage Beekeepers 6:00PM—Fellowship

Sunday, May 20 **PENTECOST**

Bible Study 7:30AM—Library
Contemporary Worship 8:30 AM—Sanctuary
Sunday School 9:00AM—Growing Grove
Middle School Ministries 9:30AM—Youth Room
Traditional Worship 10:15AM—Sanctuary
AMI Winner's Concert 12:30PM—Sanctuary
4H Meeting 1:00PM—Library
Mason Schmidt Eagle Scout 4:00PM—Fellowship

Monday, May 21

Church Council 6:30PM—Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, May 22

Staff Meeting 4:00PM—Library

Wednesday, May 23

Worship Band Practice 6:00PM—Sanctuary

Thursday, May 24

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

Friday, May 25

Quilting Ministry 10:00AM—Growing Grove

Saturday, May 26

Bible Study 9:30AM—Library

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May 17th

**7360 Rt. 83
Darien**
Or
**200 W. Ogden
Westmont**

Lunch or dinner, carry out or dine in, Zazzo's will donate 15% of your bill back to Christ Lutheran to help fight local hunger.
Go to www.yourchrist.org or our slatboards for flyer.

Thank you

I just wanted to say thank you to everyone who planned and attended the reception held last Sunday. I feel truly blessed to be a part of a church filled with so many caring people. These past eight years have flown by; it's hard to believe that so much time has passed. The moments that I shared with many families here from Baptisms to First Communion will forever live in my heart. It's been pure joy to spend every Sunday morning with the children of Christ Lutheran Church and I will never forget those moments. As new chapters in my life unfold I know that CLC will be a rock in my life. I will forever cherish all the people who I have had the pleasure to work with on staff, some who are still with us and others that have moved on. They all have a special place in my heart. Words cannot express how humbled I feel for having had the opportunity to work with the amazing volunteers who give their time to be with our children. This ministry would be nothing without you, thank you. As my days as the Director of Children and Family Ministries grow shorter I am filled with anticipation for the future of both me and Christ Lutheran Church.

God Bless and I will see you in church.
Kathy Bartosz
Director of Children and Family Ministry
Christ Lutheran Church of Clarendon Hills



MEET YOUR CHURCH COUNCIL

Matt Ramirez

My name is Matt Ramirez and our family (with my wife Mary and daughters Christina and Rose) have been members since Rose was baptized here six years ago. I agreed to serve on Council because I was asked to and perhaps I can provide a new perspective as I have been a member for only six years. Gifts I bring to Council include a mild temperament with an analytical mind and a desire to accomplish our goals. My family joined this church because we liked the people here and how unpretentious they were. I hope this kind of culture remains so that my daughters continue to look forward to coming here throughout their adolescent years.



Just in time to decorate our church for Pentecost, we are taking orders for red geraniums. These healthy and robust plants from Vern Goers Greenhouse will put out multiple blooms all summer long. Each plant is \$11.00. Please sign up in the Welcome Center. Checks should be made out to Christ Lutheran Church. Please use the envelopes provided. **Please take your plant home after worship on May 20th.**

Margaret Swiess

My name is Margaret Swiess and my husband John and I have been part of Christ Lutheran Church for approximately eight years. Professionally, I am a licensed Private Wealth Manager and have been in the financial services industry for 20 years. In this capacity I serve individuals, families and businesses in assessing financial risks and creating paths to stability and independence. Prior to my current career, I served as the Executive Director for a non-profit organization, creating training programs for lenders and appraisers.

I have two adult children. My son has recently relocated to Atlanta to serve as a police officer for the city of East Point and my daughter is a self-employed entrepreneur in the area of graphic design, web design and photography. We have three French bulldogs who keep us constantly entertained and serve as a reminder to take time every day to play, even if only for a few minutes.

Contemporary worship called out to me when I was in the 6th grade and experienced my first "guitar" service. CLC's band is what brought me to this church and continues to bring joy to my life.

I consider serving as an officer for Christ Lutheran Church a privilege and hope to utilize my skills and talents to help guide our church into the future.