

Christ Connection

LINKS to ZOOM Worship

Empowered by God's love and following in the ways of Jesus Christ, we Live, Grow and Share as disciples of Christ.

For the Week Beginning January 10, 2021 The Baptism of our Lord

A Message from the Council President



Stay Tuned . . .

The time of year for our annual meeting is quickly approaching. As you can imagine, your leadership team is planning and talking through a myriad of scenarios to ensure that we have meaningful and thoughtful discussions around

our plans for 2021 and beyond. Over the next few weeks, we will be communicating the logistics for discussions and the steps we will need to have in place in order to have an annual meeting that captures the heart and soul of Christ Lutheran Church. I am very grateful that we have a team of people who are willing to think outside of the box in order to help us accomplish the necessary tasks required of us to conduct our annual meeting. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call me at 630-330-0150. Please take care and stay safe.

My best regards,
Maggie Swiss, Council President

Sunday Worship

9:00 am and noon on ZOOM
www.yourchrist.org

Faith Formation

Watch for new schedule in 2021!

Christ Lutheran Staff

Rev. Erin Clausen, Pastor

Rachel Krohn, Pastoral Assistant

Jon Ball, Dir. Contemporary Music

Bonnie Bucholz, Dir. Traditional Music

Jo Chiko, Handbell Choir Director

Dan Cramer, Director of Social Media Marketing

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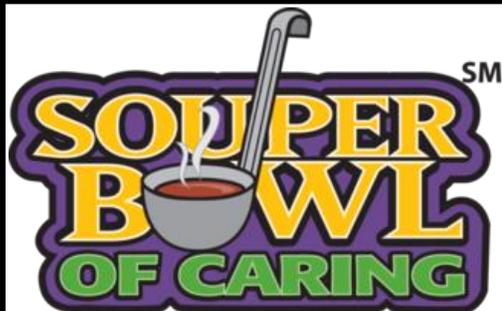
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Saturday, February 6
10AM-4PM
Jewel at Holmes & 55th

It's that time of year again; where faithful members of Christ Lutheran Church stand outside of the Jewel in Clarendon Hills to collect non-perishable food and grocery items for HCS Family Services Food Pantry in Hinsdale.

As you can imagine, the pandemic has hit hard, and we are told that the need in our community is **at least** twice what it was in 2020. At a time of the year (after the Christmas holidays) when the pantry shelves are typically pretty bare, our help is needed more than ever.

Volunteers are asked to sign up for two hour shifts on Saturday, February 6th. We will stand outside both of the entrances of our local Jewel in Clarendon Hills asking Superbowl shoppers to pick up an extra few groceries to benefit the pantry. Currently their most needed items are: *canned veggies, rice, pasta, pasta sauce, ready-to-eat soup, canned fruit, cereal, tomato products, condiments, baking supplies, baby diapers, adult diapers, toiletry items and cleaning supplies.* In addition, HCS has partnered with a food broker in Minnesota, so your dollar can go **eight times further.**

A sign-up sheet will be available starting this weekend at Yourchrist.org. Thank you to Jim Rice and Dietrich Wolfframm for once again coordinating this important yearly event.



Christ Craft Corner

The Christ Craft Corner will be on Sunday, January 24th, 2021. Please watch your emails for more details.

Youth Ministry Photos

Send in your Christmas AND New Year's Eve photos to us for a youth ministry slideshow during worship coming soon!

Please send photos in by email to kristinadickens15@gmail.com by Monday, January 11th, 2021.

Many blessings for a Happy and Healthy New Year!

Kristina Dickens

Children & Family Ministry Director



Old Sheets For Use as Quilt Backing

The quilters of Christ Lutheran Church are looking for old bed-sheets or other fabric that we'll turn

into quilts to be sent through Lutheran World Relief to those most in need.

Rips and stains are acceptable and we'll just cut around them, but primarily we're looking for top sheets in decent condition for the backs of our quilts. **If you got new sheets for Christmas, don't recycle your old sheets, donate them to the Quilt Ministry where they can be repurposed into something useful that brings hope to others!!!**



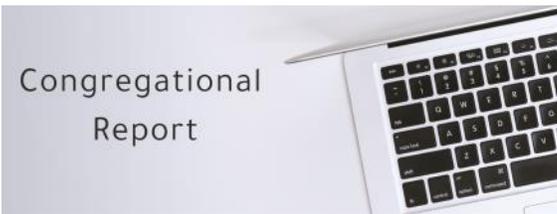
Sunday, February 7th 2021

Following 9:00 a.m. Worship Service

The Annual Congregational Meeting of Christ Lutheran Church will be held on February 7th, 2021 following the 9:00 a.m. Zoom worship service. The meeting will be on Zoom. Watch your postal mail for a letter in the coming weeks that will address the format of the meeting, the agenda, how voting will

take place, etc. You will also receive a phone call from our Council President, Maggie Swiss, in the coming weeks.

We are fortunate that Pastor Erin has been the person responsible for guiding congregations through online meetings in her role at the Synod since March of 2020, and she will no doubt bring her wisdom and expertise to our congregation as we navigate an unusual format and an unusual year.



This is the time that all ministry leaders (Council Leaders as well as lay-led groups) are asked to provide a written report to be included in our Annual Book of Reports that will be provided to the Congregation before the meeting on February 7th. We realize that this has been a different type of year, but we also know that our congregation has done some fabulous things under not-so-fabulous conditions, so

we want to celebrate that! Please email your reports to the church office by January 15th so that we are able to provide the report in written format in time for everyone to review it before the Annual Meeting on February 7th.



If there is anyone in the congregation who is interested in serving on the Church Council beginning in February, 2021, you are asked to reach out to Pastor Erin, Maggie Swiss (Council President) or Glen Orton (Council Secretary).



Missing your trusty Devotional??

If you miss your Word in Season devotional, please call or email the church office and we will be happy to put one in the mail to you.