

# THE MESSENGER

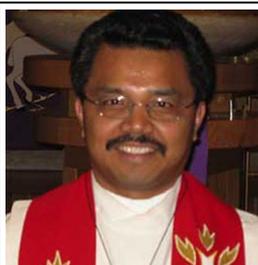
CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH



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*“<sup>18</sup>Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. <sup>19</sup>I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.” (Isaiah 43:18-19)*

Epiphany Greetings to you brothers and sisters in Christ,

Though the verses above from the prophet Isaiah seem to encourage his people to forget the past and not to consider the things of old referring to their struggles, exile in Babylon and even the Exodus story when God delivered them from the hands of Pharaoh and his army through the Red Sea. What I think he really meant by that was to urge his people not to ‘dwell’ in the past but to view or reflect the experiences of the past as a stepping stone to enter into a hopeful and better future. I like the translation of these verses in the Indonesian language because it emphasizes the importance of knowing that what happened in the past is nothing compared to what God is about to do and in fact what He has been doing ‘now’.

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Interim Associate Pastor - Rev. Elisa Owen

Director of Music - Ann Colbert Wade

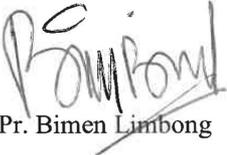
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This past Sunday we held our annual congregational meeting where we celebrated the ministry of *Making Christ Known* and the challenges we faced as individuals or as a church as a whole in the past, particularly this past year. Indeed there were plethora of ministry events that took place last year in our church that were worth to celebrating but at the same time, we had family members who went through difficult times with illnesses and deaths. And no matter how important it is for us to celebrate and grieve over things of the past, we must keep in mind that those things were nothing compared to what God is about to do and what He is already doing today.

We started our New Year with the Epiphany season; a season where God ‘manifests’ or ‘reveals’ His divine incarnate in Jesus Christ. The Epiphany is marked by the visit of the Magi from the East who paid homage with gifts of gold, myrrh and frankincense to the baby Jesus, the first of God’s epiphany to the gentiles. We are now moving into the season after Epiphany that began with the Baptism of our Lord Jesus Christ, his call of the disciples, his public ministry and which will end with the Transfiguration of our Lord Jesus Christ on Sunday, February 23. Sometimes we call this time an ‘ordinary time’ with green paraments symbolizing Jesus’ continual epiphany through his church; a time for the proclamation of the gospel and ministry to grow and flourish. It reminds us also that God encounters us in our ordinary time and place to do God’s extra-ordinary works of ministry.

So as we remember and treasure our past, let’s also gaze upon the horizon trusting that our things of the past are nothing compared to what God is about to do and is already doing for and with us. The good news is that God is calling us to be part of it. There is no need to wait for a special moment or event to receive the call, for we all have been called through our baptism. So, Come aboard!

Serving Christ with you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. Limbong', written over a horizontal line.

Pr. Bimen Limbong

## FINANCE

Thanks to January Counters: Kathy & Mike Kull, Sharon & Ron Coombs.

### Donate your IRA RMD to the Church

Those members of the church who are 70 ½ or older may transfer/donate all, or part, of their annual IRA “required minimum distribution” directly to a charitable organization such as Christ Lutheran. When transferred/donated from the IRA directly to the church you do not pay taxes and do not deduct the contribution on your taxes. This may be beneficial to a member who does not itemize deductions. Before doing this you should consult your tax advisor. The company that holds your IRA will assist in this process.

## MUSIC NOTES

I have always called Lou BeMiller “the eighth wonder of the world.” Lou left us on December 27 to join the heavenly choir but her impact will be felt here at Christ Lutheran for a very long time, if not forever. There wasn't much she couldn't and wouldn't do – she was a fabulous cook, played the recorder and sang either tenor or soprano as needed, her sewing abilities and talents knew no limit, and she was so creative in other ways that she couldn't chew all she bit off sometimes! Our home is full of wonderful gifts fashioned by her talented hands over the years. “No” was not a word she knew how to say – if you needed something she was there volunteering before you uttered the thought. I thank God for the privilege of knowing and loving Lou for over 43 years and for the certainty that she is back with God who sent her to us!

A new Council will begin in February. A thank you to those who have worked so hard the past couple of years for Christ Lutheran's benefit – an (old) new Pastor was called and installed, an interim Associate Pastor called and a Capital Campaign successfully completed, all in addition to the usual ongoing regular business. A special shout-out to Shannon Morrison for his great leadership during this time.

Sing for joy – join one of our groups and help in leading our worship! The **8:30 Kyrie Choir** sings the *Kyrie* and does very minimal rehearsal occasionally to help out with a Psalm. The **Senior Choir** rehearses for an hour on Wednesday nights from 7 until 8 and sings about 3 Sundays a month at either the 8:30 or the 11:00 service. **No auditions** for either group – just show up or see me. We need new members and fresh voices in both groups!

Ann Colbert Wade  
Direct of Music





*Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, she is a new creation; the old is passing away. Behold, the new has come. (2 Corinthians 5: 17)*

We have entered a new year. But, how much has changed? Granted, there is a sense of having a clean slate to work from. Maybe we've even been able to keep a resolution for the last couple of weeks? But then again, maybe it hasn't. Maybe you are convinced that the more things change the more they stay the same. Perhaps what is most obvious to you that there is nothing new under our sun? Perhaps you are convinced that lots of people start out to change the world, but no one really does? The globe keeps on turning. People are born, smile some, suffer some and die. But, that there is no dynamism afoot among us of which it is worth speaking?

This view of things is not one 2 Corinthians 5 shares. Dynamism comes from the Greek word "dunamis," that is, power. Dunamis in Greek means "inherent power, power residing in a thing by virtue of its nature." \* 2 Corinthians 5 is talking about such power, the power of God in Christ to change human hearts. According to the Bible, the old human being is Adam. The new human beings are you and I assuming that we, through grace alone, deepen into Christ. Remaining in Adam means continuing to choose death or, to put it another way, insisting on acting in ways that separate us from one another and from God. Being freed by grace to grasp onto the new, however, is being enabled to act in ways that reconcile us to our true selves, one another and to God. That beautiful reconciliation, the making of one out of many, is the substance of the new creation to which the scripture refers.

Shalom is the Hebrew word that describes the right relationship that is an essential characteristic of God in Christ, who is the source of all new creation. Shalom describes the way the Creator, Son and Spirit relate to one another within God's own being. It also describes the way God relates to all that is not God, through Christ. Shalom is not of our own making. It is available in Christ alone, since Christ alone is the one who has, on the cross, already reconciled us to one another and to God. Shalom is a gift that comes to us through our dynamic, powerful relationship to God in Christ.

It is in the context of that living relationship with God, that Christ, through the Spirit, takes up residence in our hearts. As we fall more deeply in love with God, we continue to ask God to reveal more and more of Godself to us. We also offer more and more of ourselves to God.

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That deepening relationship of trust, of love, is the new that is yet to come. That relationship and that relationship alone is what makes us ever new, no matter how old we get. New is also essential to God's character. God present with us, and in us, is always doing new work. God is always using new and unexpected means to bring about the reconciliation of the world to God, the reconciliation that reflects God's glory and is our salvation.

It is never too late to deepen our relationship to Jesus Christ. He has been among us all along, but is always busy changing the world, one human heart at a time. We are never too old, too young, too ill, too world-wise or too far gone to receive the new life God has for us. Receiving that new life is our human vocation. It is also the ground of our Christian hope in each passing year. Thus, my prayer for all of us is that we will find ourselves even more aware this year than last of the power of Christ afoot in the world, the power that makes all things new. Even us.

Shalom friends. And Happy New Year!

\* <http://www.studydrive.org/lex/grk/view.cgi?number=1411>

## **2020 WORSHIP SCHEDULE CHANGES**

A decision has been made by the Worship Committee that during the seasons of Lent and Advent there will **NO LONGER be a mid-week noon worship service**. We will continue with our mid-week 7pm worship service, preceded by our Lenten and Advent meals at 6pm.

The exceptions to the canceled mid-week noon services are those that will still be held on Ash Wednesday, February 26, Maundy Thursday, April 9 and Good Friday, April 10.

## **THRIVENT EVENT**

Join the Thrivent Member Network – Mid-America Region for Social Security: Money Left on the Table with Jim Caulder at Indiana Wesleyan University Tuesday, Feb. 11 from 6-8 p.m. Come out to gain valuable insights to help you avoid leaving money on the table so you can continue to live a more content, confident and generous life. Plus, you'll enjoy dinner and fellowship with other Thrivent members and friends! Reserve your seat at [tmn-caulderlou2020.eventbrite.com](http://tmn-caulderlou2020.eventbrite.com).

*No products will be sold at this event. Jim Caulder is not affiliated with or endorsed by Thrivent. The views expressed in this presentation by Jim Caulder are his own and not necessarily those of Thrivent or its affiliates. The material presented has been obtained from sources we believe to be reliable and is current.*

# ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

January 26, 2020

Annual Meeting

**Lunch.** Items for lunch included 200 pieces of chicken (from Kroger), 5 8x13 trays of mac and cheese (Costco), 2 90 oz. trays of mac and cheese (Kroger), 4 5-lb. bags of organic green beans (Costco), 10 packages of dinner rolls (Kroger), 5 lbs. spinach for salads plus toppings, margarine. Desserts were provided by the congregation.

**Declaration of Quorum.** Our congregation has 477 confirmed, communing, contributing members. 15% of communing, confirmed, contributing members constitutes a quorum. With 102 voting members in attendance, 15% quorum was declared.

**Opening Devotions.** Pastor Limbong shared devotions from Philippians 1:2-6.

**Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Shannon Morrison, President of Council.

**Adoption of Agenda.** A motion and second to adopt the agenda as printed was approved.

**Annual Meeting Minutes 2019.** One correction was noted:

- † The date should be changed to January 27, 2019.
- † A motion and second to adopt the agenda as printed was approved.
- † A second correction to the Annual Report was noted, on page 13 under the list of Member Deaths: Add Jane Owen.

**Report of Pastor Bimen Limbong.** Pastor Limbong's complete report is in the Annual Report of the Congregation. Pastor Limbong recognized the challenges of transitioning to a new lead pastor and he is grateful for the support he has received from the congregation. He is excited for the coming year and the opportunity to get others involved with their time and talents, and is looking forward to the call process for a permanent second pastor.

**Report of Interim Associate Pastor Elisa Own.** Pastor Owen's complete report is in the Annual Report of the Congregation. Pastor Owen appreciates how she has been welcomed at Christ Lutheran Church, where she has been working with Pastor Limbong to define the pastoral roles. Two areas of focus for the associate pastor position have been and will be the oversight of the children and youth programs and the evangelism team.

**Committee Reports.** Time was provided to review all committee reports and discuss. There were no questions or comments.

**Financial Report.** Mike Kull reviewed highlights of the financial report. Actual disbursements for 2019 were \$408,294, resulting in a surplus of \$52,406. Reduced spending was primarily due to pastoral vacancies. Increased giving also contributed.

**Presentation of the 2020 Budget.** Mike Kull introduced the proposed budget for 2020 of \$466,909, which represents a projected deficit of \$8,623. The budget includes a 3.5% increase in pay for staff, as well as a 3.5% increase in benevolence to the Synod and ELCA. The floor was open for questions. There were no questions or comments regarding the 2020 budget.

A motion to approve the budget as presented was seconded and approved.

**New Business.** There were no questions or comments regarding new business.

**Recognition of Members.** Pastor Limbong recognized the following for their longstanding service to the church: Shannon Morrison, Odette Salman, Mike and Jean Barney, Ray and Marilyn Peak, Becky and Roger Miller, Doug Kull, Mike Kull, John Schmidt, Marti Gibson, Bonnie Koenig, Tony White, Ron Hester, Amy Kruse, Tom Farrar, Karen Schuette, Ann Wade.

**Election and Installation of Council and Endowment Committee members.** The following were elected to the 2020 Council by ballot: Morgan Bowman, Jean Eisen, Sarah Pryor, Lexie Delain, Hilary Mitoraj, and Mike Trautman. The following were elected to the Endowment Committee: Alice Alvey, Pr. George Mercer. Pastor Limbong installed these members for 2020.

**Open House at Brick House.** Dr. Karen Westbrook held an open house immediately following the Congregational Meeting for those interested in the Jeffersontown Counseling Services provided in the Brick House.

**Meeting adjourned.**  
Minutes prepared by Jennifer Kemnitz.

## WELCA CIRCLE

WELCA Circle will meet at noon Tuesday, February 11 in Rooms 1 & 2. Pastor Elisa will lead the Bible study again this month.

In January, Pastor Elisa led the Bible study “We are Called” from *Gather* magazine. The women decided to send a gift of \$500 to a new group in Louisville called Love City. Gift cards will be purchased for the pastors to give to individuals in need. These cards are ONLY to be used by the pastors. At a later date we will make other gifts using the proceeds from the October Craft Fair.

Tuesday Friends is meeting again with the women making quilts and doing individual projects. They meet each Tuesday in rooms 9 and 10 at 9:30am. All are welcome - the fellowship is great!

## FELLOWSHIP NEWS

The first Lenten meal will be at 6 p.m. Wednesday, March 4 in Rooms 1 & 2. The menu will be hot ham and cheese sandwiches, chips, relishes, dessert and drinks. As always, there will be a free will offering

The Fellowship Committee is looking for other groups or individuals to volunteer to provide a meal. Contact Bonnie Kroening 245-1020 or [bonandwill1020@att.net](mailto:bonandwill1020@att.net) if your group would like to provide supper for one of our Lenten meals.

## MAKING CHRIST KNOWN

On behalf of Christ Lutheran and a small group bible study, with a matching donation from Thrivent, Dave & Shirley Williamson and Mark & Sherry Davis delivered 372 mega rolls of toilet paper to JAM. Our thanks to Thrivent, Dave Williamson who worked out the deal, Meijers and the wonderful employees who helped us.



## FEBRUARY 2020 WOSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE

| <b>DATE</b>        | <b>Communion Assistants</b> | <b>Lector</b>     | <b>Crucifer</b>     | <b>Acolyte</b>    |                   |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 02/02/20<br>8:30am | Jenny<br>Nixon              | Tammy<br>Kissling | Jean<br>Eisen       | Raymond<br>Peak   |                   |
| 02/09/20<br>8:30am | Roger<br>Miller             | Becky<br>Miller   | Sheryl<br>Glasscock | Sarah<br>Mertz    |                   |
| 02/16/20<br>8:30am | Marilyn<br>Peak             | John<br>Schmitt   | Mike Kull           | Roger<br>Kissling | Gavin<br>Kissling |
| 02/23/20<br>8:30am | Dale<br>Breitenstein        | John<br>Schmitt   |                     | Tony<br>White     | Kyle<br>Mertz     |

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|--------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| 02/02/20<br>8:30am | Hannah<br>Gibson            | Molly<br>Pryor      | Malissia<br>Bell | Marti<br>Gibson     | Sara Brace        |
| 02/09/20<br>8:30am | Jean<br>Barney              | Karen<br>Westbrooks | Mike<br>Barney   | Shannon<br>Morrison | James<br>Pryor    |
| 02/16/20<br>8:30am | Hannah<br>Limbong           | Nancy<br>Walsh      | Joyce<br>Ander-  | Ed<br>Schuette      | Samuel<br>Limbong |
| 02/23/20<br>8:30am | Barbara<br>Hester           | Karen<br>Schuette   | Earl<br>Arnett   |                     | Ethan<br>Wilson   |

**February Ushers 11am Service:**  
Sarah & Jay Pryor, Karen & Ed Schuette

If you would like to become a Worship Assistant just let Liz Walker know. Contact her at 502-693-7576 or clcvolunteers9@gmail.com. She and Pastor Bimen will make sure you are trained. It's a great way of Making Christ Known.

# FEBRUARY 2020

| Sun  | Mon  | Tue   |   |
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| <p><b>2</b></p> <p><b>8:30am Worship</b><br/>9:45am Sunday School<br/><b>11am Worship</b></p>  | <p><b>3</b></p> <p>6:30pm Social Ministry<br/>Cmte Mtg</p> | <p><b>4</b></p> <p>9:30am Tuesday<br/>Friends<br/>7pm Property Cmte<br/>Mtg</p> | <p><b>5</b></p> <p>9:30am Wedn<br/>Friends<br/>7pm Choir Re</p>   |
| <p><b>9</b></p> <p><b>8:30am Worship</b><br/>9:45am Sunday School<br/><b>11am Worship -<br/>Celebration &amp; Praise</b><br/>1:15pm Confirmation<br/>Class<br/>1:15pm HS &amp; College<br/>Bible Study</p> | <p><b>10</b></p>   | <p><b>11</b></p> <p>9:30am Tuesday<br/>Friends<br/>12pm WELCA Circle</p>        | <p><b>12</b></p> <p>9:30am Wedn<br/>Friends<br/>7pm Choir Re</p>  |
| <p><b>16</b></p> <p>JAM Sunday<br/>Healing &amp; Wholeness</p> <p><b>8:30am Worship</b><br/>9:45am Sunday School<br/><b>11am Worship</b></p>   | <p><b>17</b></p>   | <p><b>18</b></p> <p>9:30am Tuesday<br/>Friends</p>                              | <p><b>19</b></p> <p>9:30am Wedn<br/>Friends<br/>7pm Choir Re</p>  |
| <p><b>23</b></p> <p>Youth Sunday<br/><b>8:30am Worship</b><br/>9:45am Sunday School<br/><b>11am Worship -<br/>Celebration &amp; Praise</b><br/>1:15pm Confirmation<br/>Class</p>                           | <p><b>24</b></p>   | <p><b>25</b></p> <p>9:30am Tuesday<br/>Friends</p>                              | <p><b>26</b></p> <p>Ash Wed<br/>9:30am Wedn<br/>Friends<br/><b>12pm Worship</b><br/><b>7pm Worship</b><br/>7:45pm Choir</p> |

| Wed                               | Thu                          | Fri  | Sat   |
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|                                   | 2                            | 3  | 1<br>5:30pm Worship   |
| esday<br>hearsal                  | 6                            | 7<br>7pm Busy Women's<br>Bible Study   | 8<br>5:30pm Worship   |
| esday<br>hearsal                  | 13<br>7pm Council Mtg        | 14<br><br>HAPPY<br>VALENTINE'S DAY | 15 JAM Saturday<br>Healing & Wholeness<br>5:30pm Worship                      |
| esday<br>hearsal                  | 20<br>7pm Church Council Mtg | 21   | 22<br>8:30am Jeffersontown<br>Community Prayer<br>Breakfast<br>5:30pm Worship |
| nesday<br>esday<br>p<br>Rehearsal | 27                           | 28   | 29<br>5:30pm Worship  |

## PROPERTY UPDATES

Monday, January 13, Bud Goss organized a meeting with Todd Moore, our roofing consultant, and five roofing companies that are interested in giving us a bid for replacing the roof. Bids are due to the church office by January 23. The bids will then be reviewed and a recommendation will be sent to the property committee. We are hopeful that roof replacement can start early spring or as soon as the weather allows.



Roofing companies checking out the roof

Wednesday friends have been keeping busy cleaning vents in the gym, and cleaning doors in the gym and Narthex. There is always work to be done, so if you are free, please join us any Wednesday. We begin about 9:30am and usually quit by 11:30. You may come and work when you can and for as long as you can! The fellowship while working is priceless.



Pat Friedman washing vents. What a job!!



Sherry Davis, Berliana Limbong & Tammy Kissling scrub & shine doors & woodwork.



Ray Peak & Larry Dison working on the vents.

## YOUTHQUAKE RECAP

On January 10-12, 19 youth and 4 brave chaperones headed to Cincinnati, OH for the annual YouthQuake Gathering. The South Central Conference rented three 15 passenger vans and groups from Ascension Lutheran Church, Christ Lutheran Church and St. Stephen Lutheran Church traveled together up to Cincinnati.

The theme of the weekend was "MORE" and was centered around Ephesians 3:20-21 "Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen." We spent the weekend learning about how God can do **MORE** in our lives than we can even imagine.

Our weekend consisted of worship; where we enjoyed rocking out with the band Echelon, workshops, and a variety show where we watched many members of our group get up and perform. There was also plenty of time for us to hang out with our friends and even make some new ones. We thank the congregation for their continued support of the youth that makes trips like this possible.



# SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

## 2019-2020 Sunday School Schedule

PreK thru Middle School Sunday School begins with music with Matt and Roger in Room 11; at 10 a.m. all are dismissed to classrooms:

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| <b>PreK through 5<sup>th</sup>:</b> | <b>Room 11</b>  |
| <b>Youth &amp; High School:</b>     | <b>Brick House (&amp; once per month CREW outing)</b> |
| <b>Pastor Bimen's class:</b>        | <b>Brick House;</b> see page 19 for topics            |
| <b>Becky Miller's class:</b>        | <b>Room 9-10;</b> see page 19 for topics              |
| <b>Mike Kull's class:</b>           | <b>Room 1-2;</b> see page 19 for topics               |

***Regular Sunday school lessons are scheduled every Sunday, except as noted below: Changes will be communicated via email; and if possible, in the bulletin/newsletter.***

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|-------------|--|
| February 2  | Make Sunday School Valentines  |
| February 9  | Visit with Valentines – <i>kids, parents &amp; teachers meet at Forest Hills Commons Senior Center 9:45 a.m.</i> |
| February 23 | Youth Sunday both services;<br>regular Sunday School schedule  |
| May 17      | Last Day of Sunday school  |

## COME MAKE VALENTINES!



Everyone is invited to help make Valentines on Sunday, January 26 & Sunday, February 2 during the Sunday School hour. All Valentines will be given to the residents of Forest Hills Commons on Sunday, February 9. The Spirit Group and GIFT Youth will perform songs for the residents as well.



## THE CREW

Crew members, mark your calendars. A visit to one of our members has been scheduled for Sunday, February 2 during the Sunday School hour, 9:45-10:45am. If you are planning to go on the visit, let Kathleen Breitenstein know.

### ANNUAL COMMUNITY PRAYER BREAKFAST

Jeffersontown Ministerial Association is hosting the annual Community Prayer Breakfast at The Jeffersonian (formerly the J'town Community Center) Saturday, February 22 at 8:30am. The guest speaker for the event is Dr. Tom Owen, Professor of Libraries at U of L. The theme of the breakfast this year is "Faith and Learning to Walk Gently".

The menu will include biscuits and gravy, eggs, bacon, sausage and hashbrowns. Tickets are \$6/person and can be purchased from either Pastor Bimen or Pastor Elisa. You may also call 502-533-8933. Tickets must be purchased by February 19.

### COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

Jeffersontown Police Department is holding a community blood drive for the American Red Cross February 26, 2020 from 2-6pm. The drive will be held at the J'town police station, in their meeting, 10410 Taylorsville Road.

To schedule an appointment online go to [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and enter keyword: Jeffersontownpolicelouky. You may also call 1-800-RED-CROSS.

ALL blood types are needed and each donation can help save up to 3 lives. Please help save a life and donate blood.



**American  
Red Cross**

## CONFIRMATION CLASS SCHEDULE

January 2020 - June 2020

1:15-3pm

| Month/Date      | Topic: New Testament    | Scripture                 |
|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>February</b> |                         |                           |
| 9               | Letter to the Hebrews   | Hebrews 4:15-16           |
| 23              | The Universal Letters   | 1 Peter 2:24              |
| <b>March</b>    |                         |                           |
| 8               | The Revelation of John  | Revelation 1:10-11, 5b-7  |
| 22              | The Bible and My Life   | II Timothy 3:16-17        |
| <b>April</b>    |                         |                           |
| 26              | Media and Materialism   | Isaiah 55:1-3a            |
| <b>May</b>      |                         |                           |
| 3               | Stewardship of Time     | Mark 12:28-30             |
| 17              | Stewardship of Talents  | Matthew 5:3-10,13a,14, 16 |
| 31              | Stewardship of Treasure | Malachi 3:10              |
| <b>June</b>     |                         |                           |
| 7               | Confirmation            |                           |

## DONNA SCOTT CHILDREN'S LIBRARY

The Donna Scott Children's Library is now complete and open for business. Children and their families are welcome to borrow books and DVD's at their leisure. Lending is on an honor system, borrow book and enjoy it, then return it for someone to enjoy.

There will be a Grand Opening / Blessing of the library Youth Sunday, February 23. The library is in memory of Donna Scott, who was a champion of all children. She served as our preschool director for 36 years. It is our hope that her memory and love of children will live on with this special library made possible by donations in her name and a grant from the Endowment Committee. Thank to Sarah Pryor and the Communications Committee for creating such a beautiful space.



## ... MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Sunday, February 23 is YOUTH SUNDAY! All aspects of our worship service will be performed by youth members of our congregation. ALL youth, preK-12<sup>th</sup> grade are invited and encouraged to participate.

The theme for this year's service is Vision 2020: Christian Faith through the Eyes of CLC Youth. We hope everyone will come and ponder with us how God is using today's young people now to "make Christ known."

Youth will be able to act as ushers, crucifer, lectors, communion assistants, musicians, and singers. High school youth will preach about the things that challenge them and cause them to fall back on their faith. All those wishing to participate should come to the rehearsal Saturday, February 22 at 10am in the Sanctuary.

Questions, please contact Pastor Elisa, [elisafirstpres@gmail.com](mailto:elisafirstpres@gmail.com).

### HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE BIBLE STUDY

A new Bible Study is forming! Open to all high school and college aged teens and young adults. The purpose of this Bible Study is to provide support, fellowship, and guidance to the young people of God as they navigate the sometimes confusing and difficult transition from kid to adult, both in their personal lives and in the life of the Church.

In order to encourage open dialogue, and minimize the social constraints that might inhibit discussions which may include feelings and fears, we have decided to split up into two groups: one for young men led by Shannon Morrison and Matt Hoehner and one for young women led by Morgan Bowman.

Our first meeting will take place Sunday, February 9 after the 11am service. For the time being, it is our plan to meet in conjunction with Confirmation, so lunch will be provided directly following the worship service for all Bible Study and Confirmation kids, teens, and young adults as a time of mutual fellowship. After lunch, Confirmation and the Bible Study will both begin at 1:15pm and end at 2:45pm.

## **SMALL GROUP OPPORTUNITIES**

### **WELCA CIRCLE**

WELCA Circle will meet Tuesday, February 11 at noon in Rooms 1 & 2. All women of Christ are invited to join for lunch, Bible study and fellowship.

### **MEN'S GROUP BIBLE STUDY**

The first meeting of the Men's Group in 2020 is scheduled for Saturday, February 16. Fellowship begins at 8am, Bible study begins at 8:30am in Room 1 & 2. All men of Christ Lutheran are invited.

### **TUESDAY FRIENDS**

Tuesday Friends meet at 9:30am every Tuesday in Rooms 9 & 10. All women of Christ are invited to come and visit and help make quilts for Lutheran World Relief. Come and join the fellowship!

### **BULLETIN COVER ARTISTS**

If you would like to contribute artwork for our weekly bulletin, please contact the church office, [christlu@bellsouth.net](mailto:christlu@bellsouth.net) or 502-267-5082, to be placed on the assignment list. You will be contacted with instructions and your assigned week.

### **BUSY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

Busy Women's Bible Study is a group of ladies who intentionally try to meet once a month for a bible study. They are busy women with jobs and families, trying to make time for their relationship with Christ in a laid back and fun atmosphere. All women of Christ are invited to join this group. Come for the snacks & wine and stay for the amazing conversation, as these women support and care for each other.

The group will meet on Friday, February 7 in Rooms 1 & 2 at 7pm.  
Questions, contact the church office,  
267-5082.

### **MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR**

If you are planning ANY kind of event / activity within our church or community please forward that information to Liz Walker. ALL events, announcements, activities, etc. should be sent to the church office as well as Liz. She is responsible for the church website, Facebook page, monthly newsletter and Solarium informational slide show. Liz will work with Pastor Bimen on which items should be included where. Please submit all information electronically by email to [clcvolunteers9@gmail.com](mailto:clcvolunteers9@gmail.com). Even if you don't think it is "newsworthy" please send it along. Photos are ALWAYS appreciated!

# WORSHIP INFORMATION

## RITE OF HEALING AND WHOLENESS

Saturday, February 15 & Sunday, February 16 we will celebrate the Rite of Healing and Wholeness. Anyone wishing to be anointed with oil and receive prayers of healing and wholeness may do so during communion.

## JAM SATURDAY & SUNDAY !

Please bring a non-perishable food item or a personal hygiene item for JAM's Food Bank on

### **Saturday, February 15 & Sunday, February 16**

The Food Bank is in need of food and personal hygiene items. February weather can be some of the coldest in winter, many J'town families are in need our help.

## CELEBRATION & PRAISE SERVICES

Sunday, February 9 and Sunday, February 23 our 11am service will be Celebration & Praise services. Singing is accompanied by keyboard, guitars, cello, violin and rhythm instruments.

## CONFIRMATION CLASS

Confirmation Class will meet Sunday, February 9 & Sunday, February 23. Class begins at 1:15pm.

Topic for each class is as follows:

- ✠ *Letters to the Hebrews*; Hebrews 4:15-16
- ✠ *The Universal Letters*; 1Peter 2:24

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES

There are many opportunities for adults to participate in Sunday School classes at Christ Lutheran. Classes meet at 9:45am Sunday morning.

**Adult I:** The class is led by Pastor Bimen and meets in the Brick House living room. This class will begin studying "Walking the Bible: A Journey by Land Through the Five Books of Moses".

**Adult II:** This class meets in Rooms 1 & 2 and is led by members of the congregation and follows the weekly lectionary. This class meets year round.

**Adult III:** This class meets in Rooms 9 & 10 and is led by members of the congregation. This class meets year round. The class is taking a break from their study of Revelation for the Advent Season, during which time they will study Advent Devotionals. The study of Revelation will continue in January 2020.



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Sunday Worship: 8:30 a.m.  
and 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday School  
pre-k - adult: 9:45 a.m.

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Christ Lutheran Church, Jeffersontown Kentucky  
Facebook Page

**Worship Times: Saturdays at 5:30pm, Sundays at 8:30am & 11:00am. Sunday School: Age 3—adults at 9:45am every Sunday. Nursery : Infant to 6 years old in Room 3 during 8:30am & 11am services.**