

# THE MESSENGER

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

NOVEMBER 2021



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*“Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.” (Psalm 107:1)*

Grace and peace to you my brothers and sisters in Christ,

We now are in the season of Thanksgiving, especially for us who live in North America. As we learn in history that Thanksgiving is about the story of hospitality and generosity; when one of the Indian tribes Wampanoag welcomed and showed hospitality to those Plymouth colonists from England who came with a small ship called Mayflower. This tribe helped those struggled and ill stricken passengers and showed them how to live and cultivate the land in their new world. Then in 1621 the Plymouth colonists and Wampanoag Native Americans shared an autumn harvest feast together as their thanksgiving that is acknowledged today as one of the first Thanksgiving celebrations. More than two centuries later, in 1863, in the midst of the Civil War that President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed a national Thanksgiving Day to be held each November.

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Associate Pastor - Rev. Richard Gianzero

Director of Music - Ann Colbert Wade

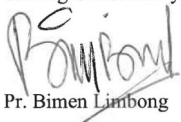
Every culture or nation celebrates Thanksgiving in variety of ways. In our Batak tribe of Indonesia for instance, we celebrate 'harvest season' called 'Pesta Gotilon. The people of God in the Bible too celebrated the feast of harvest called Weeks, Pentecost of Shavout. But our thanksgiving is not just limited on harvest but in all God's providence and most of all for his love as the Psalmist called his people in the verse above.

Let's keep that in mind as we enter this Thanksgiving season, count all the blessings that God has given us. Let us continue the legacy of hospitality and generosity toward each other especially the aliens or strangers among us. It is hard sometimes to give thanks when we are in the middle of struggles. But if we open our eyes and look the goodness all around us, we might find many reasons to give thanks. Perhaps by now you are getting tired of hearing me talking about this pandemic, but I consider this as a ministry of reminder that even in the midst of great trauma we have like this, we find that our God is faithful to us; he doesn't abandon us.

We pray in thanksgiving that in spite of this pandemic that caused economic hardship for many of us, but God provided our needs and the needs of our church. Because of your generosity and hospitality too, we are able to continue to the ministry that God entrusted to us in this place and beyond. On Sunday November 7 will be our consecration Sunday. As you consider your financial commitment this coming year, God counts on you on your generosity and may your generosity flows out of your thanksgiving to God for what God has done and provided for you.

*In addition to all this, one of the things that we are thankful for as a nation and the world is the gift of knowledge and wisdom of the scientist to create the COID-19 vaccines that will help control the spreading of the virus and to eventually by God's grace to eradicate it completely. That in itself is a gift of God that we need to be thankful for. Indeed, the Lord is good; his love and mercy endure forever. For that we give him thanks and praise.*

Serving Christ with you,



Pr. Bimen Limbong



Dear Ones,

We move closer to the beginning of Advent, so happy new year! The season of Advent begins the new church year. Sunday, November 28 is the first Sunday of Advent. Have you noticed each Advent our scheduled readings carry themes similar to Lent? We have prophetic themes of justice, quotes from the Hebrew prophets, Mary's song of praise (The Magnificat) and proclaiming an end to oppression, and imagery such as "baptism with fire. We sometimes call these apocalyptic themes - proclamation of judgement and deliberation, despair and salvation.

Advent is a newer tradition in the church calendar. Centuries ago, many Christian traditions observed Advent as "Little Lent." Like Lent, Advent served as a time of preparation, reflection and reaffirming commitment to following the way of Jesus. In fact, the color of Advent was traditionally purple until about 30 years ago. It is worth noting that over the last 100 years, in the Western church, Advent became closely tied to the commercialization of Christmas - Black Friday shopping day followed by the first Sunday of Advent became amazing opportunities for marketing products to encourage people to buy, and buy more.

Commercializing Christmas throughout the Advent season distracts us from the core message of the Gospel. Instead of accumulating, or as one comedian said, "buying things with money we don't have for things we don't want," God reminds us that the new year, the new season, and the new way centers on God's generosity towards humanity. God gave the only begotten Son because God loves.

Christ is coming. In His coming, and in His presence change must occur. As Jesus' body we are now the physical presence of God's word in the world. May His nativity move us as a people transforming and being transformed. The words of the Prophet Simeon:

After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus... they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord...Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon;... and the Holy Spirit rested on him. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, "Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace..." And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too."

Pastor Rich

## **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS - WHY THEY ARE IMPORTANT**

### **Lector**

The reading of the Scriptures is an integral part of our worship, therefore the role of a lector plays an important part. A lector is a person who doesn't only read the text or script from the Bible but he or she is a proclaimer of the living Word of God. God has important message to his people about his love and his call to mission and the lector will deliver it. He or she brings God's direct voice to his people. As the Psalmist said, "O Lord, open my lips and my mouth shall declare your praise." (Psalm 51:15). That's why at the end of each reading (lection) it concludes with the words, 'The Word of the Lord' or 'Word of God, Word of Life' to which the congregation responds directly to God by saying, "Thanks be to God!"

Typically, especially in our Lutheran liturgy there are three readings; the first reading (The Old Testament reading), the Psalm, the second reading (New Testament reading), sometimes it is called the 'epistle' (letter) then the Gospel. There is a three-year lectionary cycles; year A (Matthew), Year B (Mark) and year C (Luke). A lector is usually a layperson who reads all the readings except the gospel. All these readings prepare the people for the proclamation of the Gospel and sermon that is usually done by a clergy or the preacher on that day.

And because this is an important ministry of worship, a lector should take this task seriously and yet joyfully for indeed it is a great honor and privilege. Below are some of the things that you might consider if you serve a lector:

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## **Before Sunday**

- You should receive the reading from the office if not, please contact the office.
- Please read and rehearse the passage several times before Sunday.
- Review any hard-to-say words, ask for help with pronunciation from a pastor or you may use Biblical Pronunciations App

## **On Sunday**

- Please arrive 15 minutes before service and let the Pastor know you are here.
- Pray before the service and ask God's wisdom and clarity as you deliver God's message.
- Before the service you may check the pulpit to make sure you have the correct readings.
- Upon approaching the altar for the first time in a service, bow briefly to show respect for God and for the church.
- You may gently tap the mic making sure is on.
- Speak clearly and slowly.
- End the first and second reading with 'The Word of the Lord' and the Psalm to be read responsively. The direction should be printed on your readings.

Please remember: *“As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater, so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.”* (Isaiah 55:10-11).

## WHO IS ATTENDING THE 2022 YOUTH GATHERING

Each month we will feature 2 youth who are planning on attending the ELCA Youth Gathering. This month meet Hannah L. & Kyle.



Hannah Limbong is a senior at Male High School where she enjoys learning about history and international relations and is a member of the Multicultural Club, KYA (Kentucky Youth Assembly) and Pep Club. She is also a member of the Louisville Youth Philanthropy Council and volunteers at Norton Hospital. She is a talented musician playing both the piano and violin. When she has any free time, she likes to play music, sing, or read. When asked if she was the eighth dwarf in Snow White what would her name be, she said it would be Sweetie.

If you knew you wouldn't fail, what thing would you do?

*Go to space and be a singer (pop star).*

Would you rather be the best player on a losing team or the worst player on a winning team?

*Worst player on a winning team. That means that I'm still really good because I am part of a successful team.*

Would you rather lose your ability to speak or have to say everything you are thinking?

*I would lose my ability to speak because there are other ways I could express myself and my thoughts. It doesn't have to be orally.*

Would you rather be completely alone for 5 years or never alone for 5 years?

*Never alone for 5 years because as quarantine taught me, I don't like being alone with no social interaction for long.*

Would you rather forget who you are or not know who everyone else is?

*I would rather forget who I was than not know who everyone else is. It would be hard, but I could start anew and find myself through the relationships I make.*



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Kyle is a freshman at duPont Manual High School where his favorite subject is math. He is a member of the Manual soccer team, participates in KYA (Kentucky Youth Assembly), and in the summer he swims competitively. In his free time, he enjoys reading, archery, and mountain biking. When asked if he was the eighth dwarf in Snow White what would his name be, he said it would be Mr. Awesome.

If you knew you wouldn't fail, what thing would you do?

*Skydiving.*

Would you rather be the best player on a losing team or the worst player on a winning team?

*The best player on a losing team because I would get to play a lot.*

Would you rather never eat your favorite food for the rest of your life or only be allowed to eat your favorite food?

*Never eat my favorite food because I can still eat any other food I want.*

Would you rather win one million dollars today or ten million dollars in ten years?

*Ten million dollars in ten years because I could buy more things.*

Would you rather be able to sleep as late as you wish or be able to stay up as late as you wish?

*Sleep as late as I want because sleep is amazing.*



**WE HAD A GREAT TURN-OUT FOR TRUNK OR  
TREAT ON SATURDAY. WE THANK ALL WHO  
PARTICIPATED AND HELPED. SPECIAL KUDOS TO  
LIZ DAWSON!**





## **ADULT FORUM –SUNDAY SCHOOL** **Taught by Pastor Rich**

**Readings:** October 3-31, 2021

**Time/Location:** Brick House at 9:45AM

\*We will study and discuss the First Reading (Hebrew Bible) until  
Advent.

<b>All Saints Day</b> November 1, 2021 <i>(Sometimes  observed on first  Sunday in  November)</i>	Use Proper 26	<u>Revelation</u> <u>21:1-6a</u>	<u>John</u> <u>11:32-44</u>
<b>Proper 27 (32)</b> Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost November 7, 2021	<u>1 Kings 17:8-16</u>  <u>Psalms 146</u>	<u>Hebrews</u> <u>9:24-28</u>	<u>Mark</u> <u>12:38-44</u>
<b>Proper 28 (33)</b> Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost November 14, 2021	<u>Daniel 12:1-3</u>  <u>Psalms 16</u>	<u>Hebrews</u> <u>10:11-14,</u> <u>(15-18),</u> <u>19-25</u>	<u>Mark 13:1</u> <u>-8</u>
<b>Reign of Christ  - Proper 29 (34)</b> Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost November 21, 2021	<u>Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14</u>  <u>Psalms 93</u>	<u>Revelation</u> <u>1:4b-8</u>	<u>John</u> <u>18:33-37</u>
<b>Thanksgiving  Day, USA</b> November 25, 2021	<u>Joel 2:21-27</u>  -	<u>1 Timothy</u> <u>2:1-7</u>	<u>Matthew</u> <u>6:25-33</u>

## WHO LOVES GETTING SUPRISES IN THE MAIL?



### **Spirit and GIFT Youth November 7<sup>th</sup> Event**

Who loves getting surprises in the mail? Spirit and GIFT Youth will be assembling care packages for our young adult members who are away from home, attending college, or serving in

the military. We'll gather their favorite things and assemble packages on November 7th, shipping them to arrive in early December, providing some love and support (and candy!) for Finals Week. We'll also be painting some rocks to enclose in the packages and place around our local neighborhoods.

#### ✦ **Know someone we can send a package to?**

Please let us know by Oct 31 so we can shop for them! Contact Sarah Pryor by calling the church office for details.

#### ✦ **Want to donate items to send?**

Please leave items in the solarium. Visit the donation board in the Narthex or sign up to donate items here: [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0C4FADAB22A64-test\\_care](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0C4FADAB22A64-test_care)

#### ✦ **RSVP to paint rocks and help pack boxes Sun, Nov 7, after 11am service:**

This is an all ages youth event, but everyone's welcome! We will provide lunch, so please RSVP so we can order enough food. Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0C4FAD>

## WHAT IS THE BEFRIENDER MINISTRY

Everyone experiences difficulties in life from time to time. The BeFriender Ministry is a listening ministry, extending care and concern for all of God's people. Often there is no fix or cure to our hurts, but a BeFriender can be a nonjudgmental, caring companion to support the journey. A BeFriender relationship offers peace through the compassionate presence of God. Whether serving or being served, all are blessed through a strengthened, caring relationship in the faith community.



**If you would like to know more about this Ministry,** to receive support or to become a Befriender yourself, reach out to one of CLC's current BeFrienders—Pastor Bimen, Pam Ballinger, Martha Classon, Karen Koch, and Shirley Williamson.

## UPCOMING STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

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October 25, 2021

Dear partner in ministry,

Grace and peace to you from our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! We hope this letter finds you well. As we are approaching the end of this year and Thanksgiving, we need to take our time to count God's blessings and providence especially this year for us and our church. The last two years have been challenging years for us with this pandemic and yet this pandemic doesn't prevent us from doing what God is calling us to serve our church and community. In our church we continued to provide meaningful worship experiences for our people and the world in new ways both in person and online. We provided bible studies for all ages, started a prayer meeting on Monday just to name a few. The biggest thing we did this year was to call our new associate pastor.

For our community we started monthly worship at Forrest Hill Common, we provided weekly meal for the homeless, we supported a refugee family and continued support JAM and made our church building available for use by different groups to serve our community. We also recognize the importance of our partnership with the synod and national church as they walk with us to navigate such challenging times. We were able to provide all these because of your generous support in money, time and talent. For all these, we thank you!

As you consider your gift for the coming year, we encourage you to prayerfully consider how it is you can grow in your generosity. Perhaps an additional \$1 per day would work for you, or perhaps you could consider making one additional gift this year to your normal weekly or monthly contributions. For your convenience we enclosed a confidential report on your first nine months this year.

With this letter, please find an Intent Card that will be received and concentrated on Sunday, November 7. If you are unable to come to worship with us that day, please use the enclosed envelope to mail in your intent so that we can include your generosity as we share our progress. The more intent cards that are returned the more accurate the budgeting process can be.

Thank you for all you do to bless this congregation and thank you for considering how you can grow in generosity in the coming year. As Prophet Malachi said, *"Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in my house, and thus put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts; see if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing."* (Malachi 3:10)

God bless,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "B. Limbong".

Rev. Bimen Limbong, Senior Pastor

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R. Kissling".

Roger Kissling, Council President

*P.S. If you prefer, you can simply email your intent for next year to [k.l.c.schuette@gmail.com](mailto:k.l.c.schuette@gmail.com) and your commitment will be recorded from that email.*

# NOVEMBER 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	
	<b>1</b> 12pm Prayer Mtg 7pm Worship Cmte . Mtg.	<b>2</b> 9:30am Tuesday Friends 7pm Pre-Advent Bible Study 7pm Property Cmte Mtg	<b>3</b> 9:30am W Friends
<b>7</b> Daylight Savings Ends <b>8:30am Worship</b> 9:45am Sunday School ALL Ages <b>11am Worship &amp;            Worship@Home</b> 1:15pm Confirmation Cls 12:15p Youth Care Pkg Evnt	<b>8</b> 12pm Prayer Mtg	<b>9</b> 9:30am Tuesday Friends 12pm WELCA Mtg 7pm Pre-Advent Bible Study	<b>10</b> 9:30am W Friends 6:30 Social
<b>14</b> <b>8:30am Worship</b> 9:45am Sunday School ALL Ages <b>11am Worship            &amp; Worship@Home</b> 1:15pm Confirmation Cls	<b>15</b> 12pm Prayer Mtg	<b>16</b> 9:30am Tuesday Friends 7pm Pre-Advent Bible Study	<b>17</b> 9:30am W Friends 7pm Chris Mtg
<b>21</b> <b>8:30am Worship</b> 9:45am Sunday School All Ages <b>11am Worship &amp;            Worship@Home</b> 1:15pm Confirmation Cls	<b>22</b> 12pm Prayer Mtg	<b>23</b> 9:30am Tuesday Friends	<b>24</b> 9:30am W Friends
<b>28</b> <b>8:30am Worship</b> 9:45am Sunday School All Ages <b>11am Worship &amp;            Worship@Home</b>	<b>29</b> 12pm Prayer Mtg	<b>30</b> 9:30am Tuesday Friends	

# TEMPORARY OFFICE

## HOURS

Monday: 8:30am—2:30pm

Tuesday: 8:30am—3:00pm

Wednesday: 8:30am—1:00pm

Thursday: 9:00am—12:00pm

Friday: 9:00am—12:00pm



Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Wednesday	25 THANKSGIVING OFFICE CLOSED 	26 OFFICE CLOSED	27

## MUSIC NOTES

As I write this, the Covid 19 numbers are going back down and thus I am planning/hoping to re-start choir rehearsals in the near future. (We rehearsed for about 5 weeks in July and August, and the first Sunday we were planning to sing for church was when we went back to masks and no singing.) If you'd like to join us in the choir loft we'd certainly love to have more folks who love to sing to the Lord, but please contact me so you know when to show up!

This month we return to spotlighting a hymn, this time one appropriate to sing on the last Sunday of the church year. Christ the King Sunday (Nov. 21 this year) is essentially a magnification of the Feast of Ascension and is fairly new to the church calendar, having been established by Pope Pius XI in 1925.

In *Hymns of the Heart for the use of Catholics* (1851) Matthew Bridges published six eight-line stanzas which began "Crown him with many crowns." The reference is to Revelation 19:12: "His eyes were as flames of fire, and on his head were many crowns..." In 1874

Godfrey Thring, at the request of Rev. H.W. Hutton (who did not approve of Bridges's well-known hymn) published six eight-line stanzas that began "Crown Him with crowns of gold." It was later thought better to rewrite the whole so that the two hymns might be kept "entirely distinct." Hymnals have not been keeping them "entirely distinct" and in our current version of ***Crown Him with Many Crowns*** (ELW 855) stanzas 1-3 are those of Bridges, stanza 5 is the first half of Bridges's 5 and the last half of his 6. Stanza 4 is by Thring. Amazingly, according to Westermeyer "...the result is a coherent trajectory: an introductory first stanza followed by the story from birth (the "mystic rose" is Mary) to cross to resurrec-tion and the death of death to Christ's rule over the cosmos."

The tune **Diademata** was written by George Elvey for this hymn and first appeared with it in the 1868 Appendix to *Hymns Ancient and Modern*. It is named for the Greek word for "crown"

as seen in the NRSV: "and on his head are many diadems."

The above information comes in part from *Hymnal Companion to Evangelical Lutheran Worship* by Paul Westermeyer and published by Augsburg Fortress.



Ann Colbert Wade  
Director of Music

## WELCA CRAFT FAIR

Saturday, October 16 our annual craft fair returned after a year hiatus due to Covid-19. It was a great day with lots of fellowship, although due to the changing world we did not have as many vendors as in years past. Many of our “old timers” returned and we welcomed several new vendors as well. Thanks to all our bakers who supplied baked goods, they sold very well. Lunch was sold and Mary Glasscock’s famous chili was on the menu.

We thank **ALL** our volunteers who helped in the kitchen, made crafts to sell and helped with set up and break down. Without you our fair would not be the great success it is year after year. Our visitors had so many positive comments about our members and Christ Lutheran. We are such a special place and this is what keeps vendors and shoppers alike coming back each year.



## WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING

Please join Pastor Bimen **every Monday** at noon for a recurring prayer meeting and short Bible study. Individuals are welcome to come in person or join the meeting virtually via Zoom; link provided below. It is a great way to connect with God, our community and each other.

Zoom Link:

[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88673354124?](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88673354124?pwd=emlVSUdLeXVPNVVXYUhJd3dDNlRkdz09)

[pwd=emlVSUdLeXVPNVVXYUhJd3dDNlRkdz09](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88673354124?pwd=emlVSUdLeXVPNVVXYUhJd3dDNlRkdz09)

Meeting ID: 886 7335 4124

Passcode: 900074



## FINANCE

### **Current Expense and Benevolence Update Through August 2021**

**Expected Receipts:** \$311,433.00

**Actual Receipts:** \$312,731.00

Thanks to all members for their contributions during the first nine months of the year. As you can see, earlier surpluses due to IRA giving are close to balancing out. In September our expenses were \$7,941 more than our receipts. You have received, or will shortly receive, your statement of giving through September 30, please take a moment to review it.

Thanks to October counters Trish Ferris and Kathy & Curt Sigdestad.

Memorials received in September and October in memory of Skip Tatum, Pastor Thomas BeMiller and Mike Phillips.

**Online Giv-**



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## JAM CHRISTMAS DONATIONS

Due to the continued concerns of Covid 19, Jeffersontown Area Ministries will again this year ask for \$50 gift cards to Meijer, Walmart or Target. This is in lieu of purchasing individual gifts for the children of families in need as was done in the past years.



Please put your donated cards in a sealed envelope addressed JAM. You may place the envelope in the offering plate or mail/deliver to the church office. All donations should be dropped off at church no later than December 12 so they can be delivered to JAM in time for families to do their shopping.

For November JAM is collecting oral health items...toothpaste, floss, etc.

## PROPERTY COMMITTEE STAYING BUSY

Just as soon as they finish one project, the Property Committee tackles a new one. This group of members has now taken on the playground equipment. They are busy power-washing and painting to make sure our playground remains inviting to kids of all ages.





## **CLC CARD MINISTRY**

Did you know that we have a card ministry at Christ Lutheran? It's simple, all you have to do is send a card or two to our members who are on our prayer list or in nursing facilities or other members who you just haven't seen in a while. We have many cards available for individuals to pick up located in the Solarium; or you can use your own. There are also preprinted address labels for those members in nursing facilities or homebound. You can drop your cards off at the church office and we will mail them for you.

This is such an easy way of making Christ known. A simple greeting card letting someone know you are thinking about them can make a huge impact on their day.



We are still collecting shoes for our partnership with WaterStep. WaterStep is an organization that collects shoes to help provide clean water for places around the world that need it.

Just drop your shoes off at church. There is a collection box in the Solarium. If you prefer not to come in just call the church office to arrange for a time to drop them off.

## **LIVE STREAMING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Our church is in need of volunteers to help with the live-streaming of our Sunday worship. No experience is necessary to be a volunteer, all individuals wishing to help will be trained. Positions needed include an individual to run the powerpoint program and an individual to run the live-stream and manage the sound. At this time the only service that we live-stream is the 11am Sunday service. Please contact either Pastor Bimen, 553-6025 or Roger Kissling, 797-0349.

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Please let us know how we can pray for you. Just call the church office, 267-5082, or email us at [church\\_office@christlutheranlouisville.com](mailto:church_office@christlutheranlouisville.com) and we will send out a prayer request. Christ Lutheran has some fierce prayer warriors always ready and willing to lift you up in prayer.

**2021-22 Adult and Children's  
Sunday School/Education Schedule  
9:45-10:45AM Each Sunday**

AGE	ROOM	TEACHER
Pre-K	6	
Grades 1 & 2	7	Liz D.
Grades 3-5	5	Matt H.
Grades 6-8	9	Roger K.
Highschool	8	Kathleen B.
Adult Forum	Brick House	Pastor Rich
Adult II	1 & 2	Mike K.
Adult III	11 & 12	Becky M.

Note: **Week 4** of each month Middle and Highschool combine with Pr. Rich in Room 8. Adult Forum still meets in the Brick House on week 4.

Floating Substitute: Rachael G.

\*Interested in serving as a substitute or helper with Sunday School? Contact Pr. Rich. We welcome your help! We may combine middle and high school on occasion.

## **CALLING ALL KNITTERS & CROCHETERS!!**

Pam Ballinger is looking for individuals who might be interested in crocheting / knitting scarves and hats for individuals in need. With enough interest, Pam will apply for a Thrivent grant to purchase yarn. If anyone knows where we can get a deal on yarn, please let Pam know.



Now is the time to get started on this project so we will have them ready for the cold weather. Donations of gently used or new hats and scarves will also be accepted. Individuals interested in this heartwarming ministry can contact the church office, 267-5082 or Pam Ballinger, [prlballinger@gmail.com](mailto:prlballinger@gmail.com).



It's back!! Our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Live Nativity Drive Thru Event will be held on December 18<sup>th</sup> from 2-4pm AND **volunteers are needed!!** Would you like to help spread some Christmas Joy? The Christian Education Committee is partnering with our youth and we are excited to present this event to our congregation and community.

We are asking to have family units at the stations due to Covid-19 but still encourage anyone to volunteer, as we have many other important roles to fill (greeters, signage help, carolers). Costumes and props will be provided. There will be no speaking parts to learn. Please let us know if you or your family would like to participate. If you are unable to participate you can still help by spreading the word to "Come & See" our Live Nativity event. Please sign up by Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. We can't wait to see you there.

Please contact Liz Dawson: 502-541-2223, or by email: [fabuliz10@yahoo.com](mailto:fabuliz10@yahoo.com), or the church office @ (502) 267-5082 to sign up.

You may also sign up using this link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0C4FADAB2BA02-live>

## SAVE THE DATE!

**December 18**

Live Nativity 2 - 4pm

Spirit and GIFT group 5 - 8pm

Christmas celebration!



The Christmas celebration will be held in the gym.

Pizza dinner and a service activity!

Movie for the Spirit group and game night for the GIFT group!

Fun and fellowship during the holiday season!

## **THE PARTY CONTINUES....**

Spirit Group and GIFT Youth come celebrate at Christmas Celebration following the Live Nativity on December 18 from 5-8pm.

Join us for a pizza dinner, service activity, games and a movie!

This event is formerly known as our Birthday Party Jesus! Different name, same amount of fun!

## **2021 CONFIRMATION CLASS SCHEDULE**

<b>Date</b>	<b>What</b>	<b>When, Where, Who</b>
11/7 1:15pm	Why we worship the way we do (liturgy and practice)	
11/14 1:15pm	The Creeds	
11/21 1:15pm	The church universal (catholic, apostolic and orthodox)	Both Sr. and Assoc. Pastors
11/28 1:15pm	NO CLASS THANKSGIVING (Advent 1)	NO CLASS (Advent 1)
12/5 1:15pm	Advent and Little Lent in Christian practice/tradition (Liturgical calendar and movement) (Advent 2)	
12/12 1:15pm	Christmas story: texts and contexts (Advent 3)	
12/19 1:15pm	Christmas gift exchange/party (Advent 4)	
12/26 1:15pm	NO CLASS	NO CLASS
1/2 1:15pm	NO CLASS	NO CLASS
1/9 1:15pm	NO CLASS	NO CLASS



**It's time to start planning for the ELCA Youth Gathering!!**

We have started preparing for the 2022 Gathering! We had our first Gathering Prep session on Sunday, October 10 with members of Christ, First, and Faith in attendance. Many thanks to Pastor Claire Ackleow at Faith for leading the session and teaching us about God's BOUNDLESS love! The next session will be Sunday, November 14 at Faith Lutheran in Jeffersonville from 1:30pm – 3:00pm.

It's not too late if you would like to join us for the Gathering, our registration deadline is Sunday November 7. The Gathering is open to all students currently in 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade and is going to be held in Minneapolis July 24-28, 2022. Please contact Tammy Kissling or Pastor Rich if you are interested in attending.

## **NEW CLC PHOTO DIRECTORY IS COMING!**

It's about time to put together a new photo directory to make it easier for everyone to put names with faces. This time, we're taking a new approach, with the goal to have a directory that is low cost, easy to update and share, and requires no studio appointments or photo package purchases. We will load member profile photos that you send us into the church records database, which we can then distribute in paper or electronic form to all our members.

### **What do we need from you?**

- ✝ Please provide us with a portrait of your choice to represent your household. It can be formal, casual, or even silly—think of it like a social media profile picture. We just ask that all members of your household are represented in your photo if possible. If you don't have a photo that you like, someone from the Communications Team will be available to take pictures at church after services for the next couple of weeks. After that, just contact us to arrange a time when we can meet and take your picture. **Please email your photo to the church office at [church\\_office@christlutheranlouisville.com](mailto:church_office@christlutheranlouisville.com) by Wed, Dec. 1.**
- ✝ Confirm your information with the church office. **Reply to the email that was sent recently if any corrections or updates are needed to your household's contact information.** A printout of this information will also be available in the Narthex for the next few weeks if you prefer to review and update it that way.

Our goal is to have photos and contact information collected by the beginning of December so that we can start assembling the new directory and have it ready to share with our members at the next Annual Congregational Meeting.

### **A few tips:**

- ✝ One image per household. Preferred file types are jpg or png.
- ✝ The final image will be square in shape (we will re-size and crop photos as needed)
- ✝ Please send best quality image you can (nothing too blurry or small). Close ups are preferred so we can clearly see your lovely faces.

**Questions?** Contact any member of the Communications Team (Pastor Bimen, Liz Walker, Sarah Pryor, Joe Pfalzgraf)

## NOVEMBER MEMBER CELEBRATIONS

November Birthdays		November Anniversaries	
11/2	Sarah Brace	11/25	Rita & Steve Sarson
11/5	Norma Kuerzi		
11/7	Carol Korman		
11/10	Joyce Anderson Michael Kull		
11/11	Grazia Johnson		
11/13	Colin Selch		
11/14	Alexandra Kenitzer Kenneth Overstreet		
11/15	Stella Paul		
11/16	Tom Farrar Jacob Murphy		
11/18	Patricia Friedman Madeline Hawkins		
11/21	Bennett Bruederle Barbara Morgan Molly Pryor		
11/26	Jamie Richardson		
11/28	Katy Gray		
11/30	Fran Kilgore		

Don't forget to share your special dates with us!  
We would love to celebrate you!



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Sunday Worship  
8:30am & 11am

Sunday School  
preK—Adult 9:45am

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**Worship Times:** 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.