



This Week at Christ Lutheran

Celebrating 91 Years in Forest Hills

November 17, 2024

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AS WE GATHER: The ending of a liturgical year speaks of the end of all things. Our Lord spoke plainly about the end of the world. There are signs the end is coming. Jesus' teaching seems to elicit only question marks on our part. "When?" "What?" "How?" The signs He speaks of include false teachers in the church, wars, rumors of wars, and earthquakes as "but the beginning of the birth pains" (Mark 13:8). The Jewish people of Jesus' time on earth would be alarmed at His prediction of the destruction of the temple as it would mean the end of their faith and hope in God. The world is to see, however, that the loving, saving God is closer than ever in the new temple of the flesh and blood of Jesus Christ, crucified and risen again for the life of the world. As the beloved hymn says, our "hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness." No merit of our own can prepare us "when darkness veils, . . . in every high and stormy gale, . . . in the raging flood; when every earthly prop gives way." No matter what comes we are "clothed in His righteousness alone, redeemed to stand before His throne! On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand" (LSB 575/576).

CHANGE: Pastor Bright has accepted a call as Chaplain for Concordia Lutheran Ministries. He will still serve as Pastor for Christ Lutheran. The change will take effect on January 1, 2025 in addition to his ministry at Christ Lutheran.

COUNCIL: Council will meet at 7pm this Tuesday, November 19.

FOOD PANTRY: The congregation is collecting canned food, pasta, cereal, personal care items, and paper products for the Food Pantry on Universal Road in Penn Hills. They also take clean, gently used medical equipment such as canes and walkers. Please place the items in the boxes in the Narthex now through Thanksgiving.



WELCOME VISITORS! Please fill out a Welcome Card (located in the card holders in pews) and give to Pastor after the service and receive a special welcome gift. A mother's room and restroom are located at the left rear of the church. May you find this a place of spiritual rest and renewal.

FLOWERS: The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God by Dee and Jim Law for thankfulness for God's blessings.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

12:30 pm today: Friendsgiving at Trinity Lutheran Church for the Deaf; service with a meal to follow.

Thanksgiving Service is next Wednesday evening, November 27 at 7PM.

Church decorating will be on November 30 beginning at 9am.

LUTHERAN CENTER FOR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY: Living as a Two-Kingdom citizen means that we do not put our trust in the government to save society because we have Christ. He is the Righteous Branch; He is the One who rules despite what we see going on in this world. To learn more about living as a Two-Kingdom citizen see <https://www.LCRLFreedom.org>

ISSUES, ETC.: MYTHS ABOUT LUTHERANISM SERIES... Lutherans follow Martin Luther; Luther didn't go far enough; Lutherans don't have the Holy Spirit. Issues, Etc., a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL, is doing a series with Pastor Bryan Wolfmuehler on debunking popular myths about Lutheranism. You can listen at issuesetc.org/lutheranmyths.

WORSHIP, FELLOWSHIP, & SERVICE at CHRIST LUTHERAN

November 17-24, 2024

SUNDAY—Holy Communion

8:45 AM Bible Classes
10:00 AM Divine Service
11:30 AM Sunday School
11:15 AM Handbells

MONDAY

7:00 PM Vocal Choir
7:00 PM AA Meeting

TUESDAY

6:30 PM Girl Scouts
7:00 PM Council

WEDNESDAY

11:00 AM Crafts
7:00 PM Thanksgiving Eve Service

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The purpose of this congregation shall be to seek the honor and glory of God. The congregation exists to this end as a community of baptized Christians wherein the following is provided for: Worship, Nurture, Fellowship, Outreach and Service.

Date	Attendees	Offering	To date	Budget
11-10-24	51	\$2,659	\$62,888	\$73,150

This Week in Prayer

Parker Hanley	Lynn Fisher
Bill Hite	Karen Dadey
Frank Elaschat	Barbara Simmons
Jim Law	Linda Kuenzi
Mike and Barb Lis	Sandy Uram
Lee Caton	Glenn Filler

Shut Ins

Lydia Yates	Ann Tubbs
Lauretta Critchlow	Bob and Bette Hamill
Pat Lehnhardt	June Kolb
Carol Logsdon	Cathy Ertman
Bob Lindke	Russell Long
Audrey & Bob Karpinsky	Jim & Evelyn Wise

Serving Our Country

Kyle Schoenthal	Miguel Breight
David Lisovich	Carson Starke

Family and Friends

Family of Pat Lenke (Nancy Johnson's mother)
Deborah Bassett (friend of Frank Elaschat)
Rich Little (friend of Janice Polidora)
Bob Sapanara (son of Carol Sapanara)
Amy Mroz (Vicar Mroz's mother)
Deb Albaugh (Tatia O'Connor's friend)
Mark Elaschat (Frank's son)
Ted Elaschat (Frank's brother)
Megan (friend of Lee Caton and Stephanie Lydon)
Justin Riddle Family (nephew of Mike Lis)
Ruth Johnson (Norm's sister-in-law)
Trina Ayers (friend of Stephanie Lydon)
Donna Madia (friend of Kathy Ertman)
The Rev. Ernest Knoche
Ken Stern (brother-in-law of Gloria)
Patrick Hawkins (nephew of Nancy Johnson)
Jake Benedum (friend of Tammy Donaldson)
Sandy Russo (friend of Lee Caton & Stephanie Lydon)
Joe Full (father of Russell Long)
Barb and Sandy (Nancy Johnson's sisters).
George Shellenberger (brother of Ann Tubbs)
David Kaclik (Kathy's husband)
Steve Weber (friend of Norm Johnson)
Dan Johnson (Norm's brother)
Shelly Winfrey (Tammy Donaldson's sister)
Larry Lamp (friend of Nancy Johnson)
Linda Augustine (friend of Georgia Hanley)