

# This Week at Christ Lutheran Celebrating 91 Years in Forest Hills November 24, 2024

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**BULLETINS, SERMONS AND LIVE WORSHIP:** Bulletins and sermons are available for download on our website. A live stream of worship services is available on our Facebook page. See the top of this page for our website and Facebook locations.

AS WE GATHER: The Last Sunday of the Church Year is about the last things, the day of judgment when Jesus Christ "will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead," Christ, "whose kingdom will have no end" (Nicene Creed). The last Sunday is therefore known as the Sunday of fulfillment, when all the plans and promises of God's salvation break forth in the resurrection of all flesh and eternal life in the new heavens and earth. This year we hear the Readings appointed for what some churches call Christ the King Sunday.

**FOOD PANTRY:** The congregation is collecting canned food, pasta, cereal, personal care items, and paper products for the Food Pantry 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.

<u>CHRISTMAS FLOWERS:</u> You may order flowers to beautify the church for Christmas services. The order form with varieties and prices is enclosed. Please order by Dec. 5 from Dee Law.

**Stewardship Thoughts from the Finance Committee:** As we approach the Holiday giving period and the impending new year we want to remind of a some ways to make your hard-earned dollars go farther. If you have an IRA savings account you can direct the administrator of the IRA to make a distribution (donation) directly to the church (or other qualified charity). A qualified charitable distribution (QCD) is not taxed, nor is it included in your taxable income.

QCDs also can count toward the <u>required minimum</u> <u>distributions (RMDs)</u> that people who are age 73 or older must meet each year if they have a traditional IRA and you would not have to pay tax on that part of the distribution.

If you have already made the RMD for this year, consider this as you plan your distribution in the new year.

Christ Lutheran can also accept gifts of common stock if you have stock that has grown in value and you want to avoid the capital gains tax that you would pay if you sold it. **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 Norm and Nancy Johnson to celebrate Holly's birthday.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

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

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

December 10 at 9:30AM Fellowship Hall Decorating. December 10 at 10AM Christmas cookie packing for shut-ins.

LUTHERAN CENTER FOR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY: As we celebrate the National Day of Thanksgiving, the Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty joins the Church in offering prayers for our government, its leaders, and its people. The LCRL also asks that you would remember its work in Washington DC in your prayers. Thank you. To learn more about the LCRL, see <u>https://www.LCRLFreedom.org</u>

**ISSUES, ETC.:** EXPERT GUESTS, EXPANSIVE TOPICS, EXTOLLING CHRIST... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's teachings include: Progressive Christianity, Christian Identity vs. Identity Politics, the Hymn "We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator," the Advent Season and more. You can listen ondemand at <u>issuesetc.org</u>, the LPR mobile app, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn or a podcast provider.



# WORSHIP, FELLOW-SHIP, & SERVICE at CHRIST LUTHERAN

### November 24-December 1, 2024

#### SUNDAY

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

#### MONDAY

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

### TUESDAY

6:30 PM Girl Scouts

#### WEDNESDAY

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

> Happy Thanksgiving! Office Closed

#### Friday Office Closed

## SUNDAY—Holy Communion

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

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
11-17-24	72	\$2 <i>,</i> 898.	\$65,786	\$77,000

#### This Week in Prayer

Parker Hanley Bill Hite Frank Elaschat Jim Law Mike and Barb Lis Lee Caton

#### <u>Shut Ins</u>

Lydia Yates Lauretta Critchlow Pat Lehnhardt Carol Logsdon Bob Lindke Audrey & Bob Karpinsky

#### Serving Our Country

Kyle Schoenthal David Lisovich

#### Family and Friends

Greg Filotei (friend of Nancy Johnson) 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)



Lynn Fisher Karen Dadey Barbara Simmons Linda Kuenzi Sandy Uram Glenn Filler

Ann Tubbs Bob and Bette Hamill June Kolb Cathy Ertman Russell Long Jim & Evelyn Wise

Miguel Breight Carson Starke