



This Week at Christ Lutheran

Celebrating 91 Years in Forest Hills

December 22, 2024

Christlutheranfh.org

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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.

FLOWERS: The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God by members of the congregation who bought poinsettias to beautify our altar for Christmas.

HANDBELLS: The last rehearsal before Christmas will be today at 6:30pm.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: Our Christmas Eve Services are at 4pm and 7pm.

The Christmas Day Service 11am.

CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS: Christmas ornaments are on sale in the office. You may buy them as memorials for a loved one, or just because you would like to add an ornament to your tree. If it's a memorial, please say who it's for and a note will be placed on the tree in the library with your loved one's name on it. Cost: \$7 or 2 for \$10

ENVELOPES: Please pick up your 2025 offering envelopes which are located on the wall in the library.

INACTIVES: Please sign the cards on the shelf in the Narthex to encourage inactive members to return.

CHRISTMAS CARDS: Save \$.73 and bring a card to church instead of mailing it. It will be placed on the tree in the library for all to see.

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.

LUTHERAN CENTER FOR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY: Looking for that ideal last-minute gift? How about a gift that will advocate for Religious Liberty and Life? See www.LCRLfreedom.org/donate.

ISSUES, ETC. SACRED MUSIC & TALK FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON... You can listen 24/7 to sacred talk and music for the 12 days of Christmas at issuesetc.org, lutheranpublicradio.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, TuneIn, Apple HomePod and the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app.

AS WE GATHER: The Advent season of preparing for the promised Savior to be born as one of us soon reaches its climax. Though in our homes and lives we may be wondering if we have done all we have needed to get ready for our own celebrations, we give thanks that at the center of our coming Christmas observations the Lord has prepared all we need. In this last Sunday of Advent and in the days ahead of anticipated Christmas joy, may we find peace in the preparations done freely for us out of grace, mercy, and perfect love centered on the Savior we soon welcome, who was born for us and all the world.

We so often hear the phrases "reason for the season" and "greatest gift" - because they are true! Jesus may not have been who was expected, but he fulfilled the prophets' words of the coming Savior. The fourth candle for the Advent season represents Love.



WORSHIP, FELLOWSHIP, & SERVICE at CHRIST LUTHERAN

December 22-December 29, 2024

SUNDAY

8:45 AM Bible Classes
10:00 AM Divine Service
11:30 AM Sunday School
6:30 PM Handbells Rehearsal

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

4:00 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
7:00 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

WEDNESDAY

11:00 AM Christmas Day Service

SUNDAY—Holy Communion

8:45 AM Bible Classes
10:00 AM Divine Service
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
12-11-24	23	\$854		
12-15-24	49	\$1,342	\$82,612	\$92,400

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
Barb Mitchell	

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

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)