



# This Week at Christ Lutheran

## Celebrating 92 Years in Forest Hills

### February 1, 2026

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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 Barb Mitchell to celebrate Tatia's birthday.

**FLOWERS:** If you would like to beautify the altar with flowers, there are some openings. Please sign the flower chart.

**VOTERS' MEETING:** Mark your calendar for February 15 for the Voters' meeting after worship. Find out all the happenings at Christ Lutheran.

**LCMS:** Pastor Harrison announced that he would let his name stand for president of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod for one final term. He has been president since 2010.

**AS WE GATHER:** Many of the words that we use on a regular basis in our worship have a rich and meaningful history that is often not well known. The word *blessed* or *blessing* used in the liturgy and hymns of the church is derived from the Old English word *bloedsian*, "to make something sacred." This word, traced further back to an ancient Germanic dialect, originally meant "to make sacred in marking with blood." That meaningful linkage is well reflected in the eighteenth-century hymn text by English clergyman Joseph Humphreys, which begins: "Blest the children of our God, They are bought with Christ's own blood; They are ransomed from the grave, Life eternal they will have" (LW 370:1). In his poetic text, Humphreys echoes 1 John, where we read: "But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin" (1:7). We are blessed though the blood of Jesus to be the children of God! As we pray with hymnwriter Humphreys: "With them numbered may we be here and in eternity!" (LW 370:1).

**BOOK OF CONCORD:** The text of *Concordia: The Lutheran Confessions* is available for you to explore and study for FREE on [bookofconcord.cph.org](http://bookofconcord.cph.org).

**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.

**ISSUES, ETC.: SANCTIFYING YOUR EXERCISE ROUTINE WITH THE WORD OF GOD...** Issues, Etc. is a podcast and radio talk show produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. Recent topics include: A Christian View of Leisure, Remember the Sabbath Day, Bioethics for Nurses, The Movie "Knives Out: Wake up Dead Man" and more. You can listen on-demand at [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org), Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn, the LPR mobile app and a podcast provider.

**TICKETS:** Tickets are available for free admission to the remodeling Expo which ends *today* at Acrisure Stadium. There is free parking also.

**BAKE YOUR HEART OUT:** Hope's Road (formerly Good Samaritan Hospice's Youth Bereavement Care) will host a free "Bake Your Heart Out" event on Saturday, Feb. 14, from 11 am to 1 pm at Flour Power Baking Studio (4655 William Flinn Hwy Suite 114, Allison Park, PA 15101). Bake Your Heart Out is a FREE youth bereavement care baking event hosted by Hope's Road. This meaningful gathering invites children, teenagers & young adults & their families to honor & remember a special person who has passed away through prayer & shared family recipes, stories & traditions. Participants will bake sweet treats at the baking studio in memory of their loved one. A light lunch will also be provided. The event provides a joyful space for families coping with loss. Attendees will also have the chance to learn more about Hope's Road & the support services Good Samaritan Hospice offers. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Hope's Road is rooted in the Christian faith & welcomes individuals of all faiths & backgrounds. Registration is highly encouraged by Feb. 9. Walk-ins are welcome. To register or learn more, visit the Events page at [www.ConcordiaLM.org](http://www.ConcordiaLM.org). For questions or to register by phone, call 1-800-720-2557. Learn more about Good Samaritan Hospice at [www.GoodSamaritanHospice.org](http://www.GoodSamaritanHospice.org).

# WORSHIP, FELLOWSHIP, & SERVICE

at

## CHRIST LUTHERAN

**February 1-February 8, 2026**

### **SUNDAY** Holy Communion

8:45 AM Adult Bible Classes  
10:00 AM Divine Service  
11:30 AM Sunday School  
11:30 AM Confirmation Class  
11:30 AM Elders' Meeting

### **MONDAY**

#### **Groundhog Day**

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

### **TUESDAY**

6:30 PM Girl Scouts

### **WEDNESDAY**

11:00 AM Crafting  
7:00 PM Handbell Choir

### **SUNDAY**

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

### **This Week in Prayer**

Frank Elaschat  
Carol Sapanara  
Bill Hite  
Rosalie & Glenn Filler

Lynn Fisher  
Sandy Uram  
Mike and Barb Lis  
Linda Kuenzi

### **Shut Ins**

Jim & Evelyn Wise  
Bob and Bette Hamill  
Katherine Mastrocoda  
Carol Logsdon  
Audrey Karpinsky  
Audrey Marvenko

Ann Tubbs  
Russell Long  
June Kolb  
Cathy Ertman  
Bob Lindke

### **Serving Our Country**

Kyle Schoenthal  
David Lisovich

Miguel Breight  
Carson Starke

### **Family and Friends**

Family of Loren Kleinschmidt (cousin of Rich Mueller and his dad)  
Pat Romanelli (friend of Barb Mitchell)  
Rich Little (friend of Janice Polidora)  
Deb, James, Tim Bassett, Kim Powers (friends of the Elaschats)  
Michelle Lydon (sister-in-law of the Catons)  
Pat Ricketts  
Nathan Glasser (son of Randy and Cathy Glasser)  
Alex Russo (friend of Lee & Stephanie Caton)  
Justin, Christian, Joshua & Matthew Riddle (nephews of Mike Lis)  
Greg Filotei (friend of Norm & Nancy Johnson)  
Deb Albaugh (Tatia O'Connor's friend)  
Megan (friend of Lee and Stephanie Caton )  
Ruth Johnson (Norm's sister-in-law)  
Donna Madia (friend of Kathy Ertman)  
The Rev. Ernest Knoche  
Ken Stern (brother-in-law of Gloria)  
Jake Benedum (friend of Tammy Donaldson)  
David Kaclk (Kathy's husband)  
Dan Johnson (Norm's brother)  
Shelly Winfrey (Tammy Donaldson's sister)  
Larry Lamp (friend of Nancy Johnson)  
Linda Augustine (friend of Georgia Hanley)/



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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.