

Fourth Sunday in Lent

**WELCOME TREASURED MEMBERS AND HONORED GUESTS!**

From the outside looking in, our walking together through the forty days of Lent does not seem nearly as exciting as the cheerfulness of Christmas or the elation of Easter, which we will experience two short weeks from today. Yet there is much joy to be found! There’s a great reason to rejoice! God blesses us with time together today to fix our eyes on Jesus and receive Him who was sacrificed for our salvation.

**NOTE TO OUR GUESTS:** Since Holy Communion is a public demonstration of unity in faith, those who commune should express their acceptance of the faith and teaching for which we stand. Our welcome to visitors is heartfelt. Visitors from another Lutheran church or Congregation are asked to please approach our Pastor, if you have not already done so, before attending communion this morning. Also, if you’re not a member of an LCMS church but would like a blessing, cross your arms across your chest to receive the blessing. Individual cups are available, in addition to the common cup, as you approach the Altar. **Non-alcoholic white wine** is available in the center of the tray.

**VISION STATEMENT:** Christ Lutheran Church will continue its Christ-centered, life directed focus, responding to the needs of its members, emphasizing local and worldwide witness, and acting as a catalyst for the improvement of the neighborhood.

**Hymns & Liturgy:** Service Folder  
**The First Lesson:** Psalm 126  
**The Second Lesson:** Philippians 3:4-14 .....page 981  
**The Holy Gospel:** John 18:33-40 .....page 904  
**3-5 Grade Choir** - *Climbing Up the Mountain*  
**Sermon:** Rev. Karl F. Eckhoff  
“What is Truth?” ..... John 18:33-40

**CHECK OUT THE CHRIST LUTHERAN FACEBOOK PAGE AND “LIKE” US TO STAY INVOLVED AND INFORMED.**

**ELDERS PRAYING WITH PASTOR:** - Gary Heinz  
**ASSISTING WITH HOLY COMMUNION:** Reg Lee, Tommie Washington

**GREETING YOU THIS MORNING** are Jan Reinhart and Mary Washington.

**ACOLYTES:** Hunter and Cameron Peeler  
**NEXT SUNDAY:** Avery and Oliver Rosenbohm

**USHERS FOR MARCH:** Team #2 (Samuel-Hannah and Team #4 (Simeon-Anna).

**LAST WEEK:** Tithes and Offerings: \$6,166.00; MTD: \$30,084.00. Improvement Fund: \$5.00; MTD: \$179.00 Attendance: 194. Sunday School Attendance: N-2<sup>nd</sup> 5, 3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> 6, 8<sup>th</sup>-HS 6, Adults 45, Visitors 6. Total 68.

**THIS IS THE 13<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF OUR PLEDGE YEAR**

**HOSPITALIZED:**  
**CONTINUED PRAYERS:** Jayme Knapp, Mike Clayton, Barb Dreher, Shawn Foote, Abigail Young, Eddy Jones, Rachael Otten, Sandra Magarity, Pat Kretzmann, Diane Hume, Christel VandeVoorde, Donald Anderson, Claire Schinkel, Joel Ommen, for those in the military, for our Church Boards and their members, for Christians being persecuted worldwide. **THE BOARD OF ELDERS REMINDS YOU** that if you wish to have your prayer request added to the Christ Lutheran Prayer Chain, please contact either the church office (637-5309 or [laura@berkshier.net](mailto:laura@berkshier.net)) or our Lay Minister, Reg Lee (678-4764 or [fbrd2002@comcast.net](mailto:fbrd2002@comcast.net)).

**FIFTH SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP** The waffle bar returns... **TODAY** immediately following the service in the Parish Hall. This is a 5th Sunday event made available by the 125th Anniversary Committee. A free will basket will be available for your gifts with all proceeds going toward the remodel of our Parish Hall restrooms. No Sunday School classes will be held. The new kitchen will be dedicated today as well. Please plan to join us and praise God for all the blessings given to our church for 125 years!

**LWGP WILL HOST** an Easter Parade Style Show and Tea on Saturday, April 6, 2019 at 2:00 P.M. at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church in Peoria. Models will show spring fashions from the Church Mouse while guests enjoy coffee, tea and desserts. There will also be door prizes, raffles and items from the Church Mouse for sale. Cost is \$10 and proceeds go to Lutheran Social Services of

Illinois Children's Programs. Call Pepper Bauer at 697-5762 for reservations.

**LWML BIRTHDAY DINNER** The annual LWML Birthday Dinner will be held next Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 AM at Fairview Farms. A buffet style lunch will be served at a cost of \$15.00. Deadline for reservations and payment is Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>. Contact Suzanne Heinz, Bonnie Farrell or Jane Grebe to make a reservation. Everyone is welcome!

**TO PLACE EASTER LILIES** on the altar for Easter Sunday, contact Christel VandeVoorde (267-3053). The cost this year is \$9. Christel needs your order by April 14<sup>th</sup>.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Coming Soon! A NEW church pictorial directory as part of our 125th celebration. This will be a great tool for helping us put names with faces and connecting our families to one another. We have invited Lifetouch Church Directories and Portraits to photograph you on April 29th and 30th and May 2nd and 3rd from 1pm to 8pm and May 4th from 9:30am-4:30pm. Watch for more information on scheduling your appointment. We look forward to seeing all of you in our new directory.

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SUBSCRIBE** to The Lutheran Witness, cost is \$15.96/year. Please let Laura in the church office know **BY APRIL 21<sup>st</sup>** if you wish to subscribe or keep your current subscription.

**LUTHERAN CEMETERY’S** new policy for cemetery decorations is available for your review in the church office.

**LWML** – The monthly mite collection will be taken before worship next Sunday. Your contributions benefit many mission projects. Quarters, dimes, nickels, and pennies... all donations are greatly appreciated.

**CLYF, MARK YOUR CALENDARS!** – A scavenger hunt will be held April 14<sup>th</sup> at Northwoods Mall. Start at Northwoods Mall food court at 11:30 AM. Pick-up after the event is at the church parking lot at 2:30 PM

**DID YOU KNOW** – What I remember about my days at CLS (1951-1958) before new school was built: Frieda Jass teaching us about Jesus in first grade; a song "Jesus lead me day by day, ever in thine own sweet way, teach me to be pure and true, show me what I ought to do". I now am teaching this song in Good News Club at Lincoln School, which began this year. Also remember playing "kitten ball" on playground, a diamond at all four corners. Good hitters I remember: Gary Shehan, Larry Hasty, Vernon Gudat, Harold Hand, well, okay, myself, lefty Jane Phillips, righty, Nannie Lowry, John King, Antha Frazell, Anita Rech, Joann Reith, Jim Gulley, Raymond Jurinjak, Joel Bussert, Terry Holliday, Michael Righi, Mike McCan and Rusty Penderson. To be continued... Submitted by Gerald Traenkenschuh

**DO YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION** from our past that you would like to share? The anniversary committee is looking for your stories and memories. They can be from anytime in our past, recent or long ago. Please write them down and give to Rae Ann or email them to layloraeann@yahoo.com. Then watch the bulletin each week for your entry.

**DO YOU EVER WONDER** who you are sitting by in church? Have you ever heard an announcement regarding a member and wished that you could put a name with a face? Are you new to our church and wish that you had something to help you put names with faces? Well, help is on the way! We are producing a NEW pictorial directory for our church. There is no cost to you or the church to have your photographs taken, and you will receive a complimentary 8x10 color portrait and directory for participating. You will be able to view your images electronically immediately after you are photographed. At that time, you will have the opportunity to purchase additional portraits to share with family and friends. Military Service & First Responders as well as Seniors (age 60+) will receive a 20% discount on their purchases. Next Sunday, April 7th for three Sundays we will begin the sign-up process for appointments in the annex area. Bring your calendar and stop by our table to schedule an appointment. For advance sign up opportunities, check out the online schedules through our church website and Facebook page. Early sign ups will get the first choices of times.

**ADULT CHOIR, BELL CHOIR, AND PRAISE BAND** extend a hearty "Thank You!" for all your help, support, and donations for the Potato Pancake Supper. We so appreciate the long hours put in by so many people to benefit our church music groups! Thank you, David Best and Lin Von Behren.

**AS YOU LOOK FORWARD** to your worship next Sunday, you should read the appointed lessons for the Fifth Sunday in Lent:

The First Lesson: Isaiah 43:16-21  
 The Second Lesson: Philippians 3:(4b-7)8-14  
 The Holy Gospel: Luke 20:9-20

**THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING (APR 1 – APR 7)**

**MON 4/1:** Elders.....6:00 PM  
 Bell Choir .....6:45 PM  
**TUE 4/2:** Youth .....5:00 PM  
 Trustees.....6:30 PM  
**WED 4/3** Lifelight .....8:30 AM  
 Day School ..... 11:00 AM  
 Chapel..... 10:00 AM  
 Confirmation .....6:00 PM  
 Parish Ministry .....6:00 PM  
 Adult Choir .....7:00 PM  
**THU 4/4:** Stewardship/Finance.....6:00 PM  
 Lifelight @ Rewinkels' .....7:00 PM  
**FRI 4/5:**  
**SAT 4/6:** LWML Birthday Dinner  
 @ Fairview Farms ..... 11:00 AM  
**SUN 4/7:** Holy Communion ..... 9:00 AM  
 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Fellowship  
 Waffle Bar ..... 10:30 AM  
 Lifelight @ Schneiders' .....6:00 PM

**2019 ELDERS' RESPONSIBILITY LIST**

Albert-Rayford – Cleveland ..... Ralph Teske  
 Closen – Fredericks ..... Tommie Washington  
 Frederking – Kirkwood ..... Kirk Wessler  
 Kisler – Mills ..... Terry Mooney, Jr.  
 Minassian – Roth ..... Mike Fritch  
 Rudebeck – Tosch ..... Joshua Eckhoff  
 Traenkenschuh – Zentko ..... Gary Heinz