

Fifth Sunday in Lent

WELCOME TREASURED MEMBERS AND HONORED

GUESTS! “Yesterday is history. Tomorrow is a mystery. Today is a gift, that’s why we call it the present.” This short statement speaks volumes about our new life in Christ. Jesus is taken away to the cross, but we are welcome home into His loving arms.

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: 527; 430; 434; 543; 547; 528
Liturgy: Divine Service, setting 1page 151
The First Lesson: Psalm 126
The Holy Gospel: John 19:12-18page 905
Organist – Miss Julie Koch
Sermon: Rev. Karl F. Eckhoff
“Take Him Away” John 19:12-18

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

ELDERS PRAYING WITH PASTOR: - Kirk Wessler
ASSISTING WITH HOLY COMMUNION: Kirk Wessler, Tommie Washington, Mike Fritch

GREETING YOU THIS MORNING are Wilma Ogden and Laurie Hibbs.

ACOLYTES: Avery and Oliver Rosenbohm
NEXT SUNDAY: Vincent and Anthony Silotto

USHERS FOR APRIL: Team #1 (Aaron-Miriam and Team #3 (Zechariah-Elizabeth).

LAST WEEK: Tithes and Offerings: \$7,364.25; MTD: \$37,448.25. Improvement Fund: \$90.00; MTD: \$269.00 Attendance: 207. No Sunday School held.

THIS IS THE 14th SUNDAY OF OUR PLEDGE YEAR

HOSPITALIZED: OSF – Donna Schmidt
CONTINUED PRAYERS: Jayme Knapp, Mike Clayton, Barb Dreher, Shawn Foote, Abigail Young, Eddy Jones, Rachael Otten, Sandra Magarity, Pat Kretzmann, Diane Hume, Christel VandeVoorde, 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) or our Lay Minister, Reg Lee (678-4764 or fbrd2002@comcast.net).

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR TODAY are given to the glory of God and in memory of Ray Marvel’s 90th birthday on April 9th and in celebration of Raelee Komnick’s 4th birthday on April 7th by RaeAnn Laylock.

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 14th.

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 21st** if you wish to subscribe or keep your current subscription.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER – A boy and his father walked into a pet store to look for a puppy. As they were looking into the cage, the father asked his son, “Which one do you want?” In the back, one of the puppies was busily wagging his tail. The boy told his father, “I want the one with the happy ending.” The wonderful thing about being God’s people is that we have a happy ending when we receive God’s love and blessings and turn right around and share His love and gifts with others.

THE PARISH MINISTRY BOARD needs your help!! There are still plenty of eggs to fill for our annual Bunny Brunch and Easter Egg Hunt on April 13th!! Please take a bag or two and help us out! Also, if you can help us set up Saturday morning, the 13th, we would appreciate lots of extra hands putting out eggs. We have about 2,000 eggs and can use lots of extra hands. We also could use help setting up in the gym. We need craft helpers, a cookie decorating crew, and some master coloring page helpers! Any takers? Call or email Laura Baize or Al Schneider! Thanks for helping us spread the Good News in our neighborhood!

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. This Sunday, April 7th, and the next two 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.** The photo shoot days are April 29 & 30 and May 2 & 3 from 1:00 pm to 9:00 pm, as well as on Saturday, May 4, 9:30 am to 4:30 pm.

DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS – Emily Heuermann’s new address is 919 E. Marietta Avenue, Peoria Heights, 61616; Joy Ledbetter’s email is joyledbetter4@yahoo.com; Scott Wolfmeyer’s new address is 12200 Academy Rd NE #738, Albuquerque, NM 87111.

CLYF, MARK YOUR CALENDARS! – A scavenger hunt will be held April 14th 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 – I remember seeing the high chimney being torn down behind the fire house on the corner of Starr and Chandler (now Madison Park Terrace); remember melting crayons on hot water pipes in Miss Niedens 4th grade class in basement of Parish Hall. We could open windows on hot days to move the air; remember plays we all participated in where we would go from the basement, up the back stairwell into a small room on side of the stage and go on stage. The stairs are probably enclosed by a new wall. Some of the teachers were Miss Brenner, Miss Geiger (married Vicar Witto), Miss Kreckler (I think that was her name), Miss Niedens (Klokkenga later), Mr. Lovekamp, Mr. Starck, Principal. I remember best basketball games played in old gym with Gene Phillips, John Murphy, John Jass, Alan Jass, Bobby Caughey-younger-Skip Eissfeldt, Gary Ashenen and Larry Hasty. To be continued... Memories from Gerry 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.

EASTER BREAKFAST WILL BE SERVED after the Sunrise service on Easter Sunday, approximately 8 AM. All proceeds will be given to the youth and adults traveling to the National Youth Gathering this summer. Any youth or adults in that group are asked to participate in setup, serving and cleanup of the breakfast. If you are able to help, please see Rae Ann.

THE CLS SCHOOL MUSICAL “Comet Big Top” will be held on Thursday April 11th at 6:30 PM in the gymnasium. Good seats go quickly! Please come join us for a delightful evening of entertainment! The congregation is also welcome to the dress rehearsal Thursday morning at 9 AM.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE who stayed last Sunday and enjoyed our waffle bar or worked hard cooking and serving to make it happen. As a result of everyone's participation, we raised \$588 to go towards the Parish Hall restrooms remodel.

JESUS AT THE MOVIES will be held April 20th (not the 27th as stated on the calendar) from 2-5 PM. We will be showing “The Passion of the Christ.” Snacks, drinks and a short after-the-movie discussion will be provided!

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

AS YOU LOOK FORWARD to your worship next Sunday, you should read the appointed lessons for Palm Sunday:

The First Lesson: Deuteronomy 32:36-39
 The Second Lesson: Philemon 2:5-11
 The Holy Gospel: Luke 22:1-23 or Luke 23:1-56
 or John 12:20-43

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING (APR 8 – APR 14)

MON 4/8: Bell Choir6:45 PM
TUE 4/9: Church Council.....6: 30 PM
WED 4/10: Lifelight 8:30 AM
 Chapel..... 10:00 AM
 Confirmation6:00 PM
 Adult Choir7:00 PM
THU 4/11: Quilting..... NOON
 Lifelight @ Rewinkels’7:00 PM
FRI 4/12:
SAT 4/13:
SUN 4/14 Holy Communion 9:00 AM
 Sunday School and Bible Classes.....10:30 PM
 CLYF Scavenger Hunt @ Northwoods.. 11:30 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