

Sunday Good News

Christ Lutheran, Wichita, KS

Take Home News for week of *October 6, 2019*

WEEKLY CALENDAR:

This Sunday: **Family Promise Begins**
 9:00a Contemporary Worship Service
 10:15a GIFT Time/Sunday School
 11:00a Traditional Worship
 2:00p CROP Walk
 3:00p Girl Scouts

Monday: 6:15p Girl Scouts

Tuesday: 2:00p Adult Bible Study
 5:00p Resource Meeting
 6:00p Deep Team

Wednesday: 10:30a Falcon Fellowship
 6:00p Youth Choir
 6:30p Adult Choir Rehearsal
 Dinner & Youth Group

Thursday: 1:00p Women's Bible Study

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Worship Notes:

- **Cell phones:** Leave them on, just turn off the ringer.
- **Social Media:** Feel free to text, tweet, Facebook, Instagram, blog, etc. during the service to let your friends know what is happening in worship and inviting them to join you next Sunday. Christ Lutheran is on Facebook. Pastor Chad Langdon is on Facebook & Twitter (@revchadlangdon). Twitter: #clwichita
- **Wi-Fi:** Church Net Password: Christmas1225
- **Communion:** All are welcome to participate & receive the grace of God! The bulletin has further instructions & information.
- **Children:** Young people are always welcome and encouraged to participate as much as possible. There are worship jobs available for the children to do during the service. They can just pick any lanyard & it explains how they can serve today. There are also Children's Bulletins & Activity Bags in the lobby. We have a nursery/cry room available in Room #5 and you can watch the service from a TV in there.

God's Story Our Story™





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Deuteronomy 5:1-21; 6:4-9

Hear O Israel

Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



Pray: Light a candle. Open your devotion with prayer.

Dear Lord, you long for us not only to know and to follow your ways, but to love them as well. Fill our hearts with the spirit of your law, that we might live each day as you would have your people live, for the sake of our savior Jesus, amen.



Read: Read the key verses from Sunday's reading.

Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. (Deuteronomy 6:4-5)



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

God gives God's commandments and laws as a gift to help us honor God, others, and self. These gifts can be written on our heart, soul, and mind.



Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household.

What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?

How do laws impact your day-to-day life? Are all laws good?

What would you change if you made the rules?

Commandments were designed to create order in relationships. What commandments are most valuable in your own life and relationships? Why?

For the littles: What is the most important rule? Why?



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

May the commandments of God be a blessing of order in your life. Amen.



DO: By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

One of the hardest commandments to keep is not to bear false witness. This week, practice thinking the best of others in each situation. For example, if someone makes a choice that angers you, try wondering where they are coming from instead of leaping to anger.



Go Deeper: Go to clergystuff.com/daily-devotions for devotions on the daily readings.

Monday, Exodus 12:43-13:2, Directions for the Passover

Tuesday, Exodus 13:3-10, Festival of Unleavened Bread

Wednesday, Exodus 13:11-16, Consecration of the Firstborn

Thursday, Exodus 13:17-22, Pillars of Cloud and Fire

Friday, Exodus 14:1-31, Crossing the Red Sea

Saturday, Exodus 20:1-21, The Ten Commandments

Men's Breakfast

For October we will meet at Leeker's at 61st and Broadway in Park City. Join us around 8:00 AM on **Saturday, October 12th** for free pancakes and sausage and good fellowship.

For information contact **Donn Bischoff** at 351-7167.

We Need Feedback on GIFT Time!



We recently replaced traditional Sunday school with GIFT Time as an experiment for the month of September. Now we are looking for feedback. How do you think its going? What do you like about it? What do you not like about it? Have you tried it yet? And if so, what did you think? If you haven't tried it, why not?

Please take a few moments to leave some comments on the Tear-Off about your experience and observations regarding GIFT Time so that we can improve how we do faith formation in the future. You can also speak directly to **Pastor Chad** with your thoughts & comments. Thanks!



Human Needs Committee

The October collection for Human Needs will be for StepStone Transitional Housing. More information will be coming. October is also Domestic Violence Month.

<https://www.stepstoneks.org/stepstone>

VISIONING RETREAT



You are invited to a Visioning Retreat for the future of Christ Lutheran on Saturday, **November 2**. We will begin at 9:00am and finish by noon.

Last year around this time we held an initial retreat to contemplate the future growth & ministry of our congregation. From that retreat, we formed 3 Exploration Teams to look at ministry opportunities out in the community (OUT Team), ways we could grow in our relationship with God and each other (DEEP Team), and ways that our building – or future building – could become a better platform for ministry (FACILITY Team). These three Exploration Teams have been meeting monthly for the past year to discern God’s will for the future of our congregation. They have worked hard and learned a lot.

All 3 teams are now ready to present their findings to each other and to the congregation. As we hear each team’s unique perspective and revelations at this Visioning Retreat, we will collectively discern which way God is leading us. We need your voices and your input at this retreat. We need you to listen to their findings and help us discern where the Holy Spirit is leading us. Please plan to join us on November 2!

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ADULTS

Although we are moving to GIFT Time for most of our Sunday school classes, we still want to be sure to offer a more traditional kind of class for those who appreciate that setting for their faith formation. We now have two adult classes meeting every Sunday from 10:15am-10:50am. Both classes are always open to anyone.

In **Classroom #1**, the topic this year is “QUESTIONS?” Each week they will discuss a different faith-related question, and it will be taught by **John Snow**. John will have some questions (& answers) ready, but if you have questions you’d like addressed or talked about, he wants to know! The topic for today’s class is: ***“Why did Jesus have to die?”***

In **Classroom #2**, the class will be studying the Gospel of Mark and exploring the life of Jesus. It will be taught by **Bill Wenner**.

BULLETIN ARTISTS WANTED

If you would like to sign up to do some bulletin art, here are the dates and stories that we will be working with in the fall. Mark the Tear-off for the weeks/stories that you would like to provide bulletin art. Thank you!

10/13 (Clara Miller)	Ruth 1:1-17	Ruth
10/20 (Justin Clouse)	2 Samuel 5:1-5; 6:1-5; Psalm 150	David Anointed King
10/27 (Harper Gibbs)	John 8:31-36	Reformation Sunday
11/3 (Landon Clouse)	Luke 18:9-14	All Saints Sunday
11/10 (Darla Steinert)	Hosea 11:1-9	Hosea
11/17	Isaiah 5:1-7; 11:1-5	Isaiah's Vineyard Song
11/24 (Melanie Barnhill)	2 Kings 22:1-10 [11-20]; 23:1-3	Josiah's Reform
12/1	Jeremiah 33:14-18	Promise of the Messiah
12/8	Isaiah 40: 1-11	Isaiah of the Exile
12/15	Ezra 1:1-4; 3:1-4, 10-13	Rebuilding the Temple

Here are the instructions if you'd like to participate:

- Read the story in the Bible. Think about it & use your imagination.
- Create a picture of the story using crayons, pencils, markers, paint, etc...even computer graphic art or an original photo is welcome.
- Turn your picture into the office at least 1 week before the date listed above. You can give us a hard copy or submit it electronically.
- When your artwork is featured, be ready...people may want you to autograph their bulletins!

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY UPDATE

Christ Lutheran will soon be creating a new pictorial directory for all of the families connected to our congregation. This is an important ministry tool because, not only does it help us stay connected with each other, it helps new members get acclimated and feel more comfortable. We are working with LifeTouch and here's what you need to know:

- Photos will be taken:
 - Thursday, Nov 7, 2:00-9:00pm
 - Friday, Nov 8, 2:00-9:00pm
 - Saturday, Nov 9, 10:00am-5:00pm
- Everyone who gets a photo taken will receive a free copy of the completed directory and a free 8x10 family portrait. (regardless of whether you buy a package or not)
- Of course, you will have the opportunity to order more portraits through LifeTouch. All photo packages will arrive in about 8 weeks. Here are two ways you can get discounts on those packages:
 - By signing up, you will automatically get a \$10 discount.
 - Receive a 20% discount for Military & First Responders (active, retired, and reserves, as well as first responders: police, firefighters, etc.) or Seniors (60+). (cannot be combined except with \$10 discount)
- We want as many of our individuals and families as possible in this directory. If you aren't an official member, but are connected, involved, or attend worship, you're invited to get your picture taken too. Keep watching the Take Home News for more information.
- We are looking for volunteers who would like to help during picture days. If you are interested, please mark the tear-off.



You are invited!

Sweet Peace Event

Benefiting PARTNERS FOR WICHITA

Peace through Partnerships

*An elegant buffet of hors d'oeuvres and desserts with
Partners for Wichita
celebrating
partnerships and community service.*

Thursday, October 10, 2019

Newman University
Dugan Gorges Conference Center
3100 McCormick Avenue, Wichita

Doors open at 6:30 p.m.
The Event begins at 7:00 p.m.

Larry Hatteberg, Emcee

To reserve a place at this fund raiser call or e-mail

*Partners for Wichita, 925 N. Waco, Wichita, KS 67203 316-
263-1389; info@partnersforwichita.org*



Installation of
The Rev. Susan Candea
as Bishop of the Central States Synod
of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Sunday, October 20, 2019
Atonement Lutheran Church

9948 Metcalf Ave
Overland Park, KS 66212
3:00pm Gathering Reception
5:00pm Installation Service

All are invited. Presiding Bishop,
Elizabeth Eaton will be leading the service

A Gala Benefitting Family Promise



Thursday, November 14, 2019

Wichita Boathouse
515 S. Wichita Street, Wichita, KS 67202

5:30 VIP Reception

6:30 Doors Open & Silent Auction Begins

Mingle & Heavy hors d'oeuvres

7:00 Celebrations

\$75 a ticket - Tickets can be purchased on line
By September 30 Early Bird - \$10 discount

More information and tickets: www.familypromisewichita.org/gala

Thrivent

Extra copies of the Fall 2019 issue of the Thrivent Magazine are now available at the Thrivent Financial display. This issue's features are...

- Raising kids and caring for aging parents: How to balance everyone's needs.
- A guide to offer comfort and support to someone who's grieving.
- How do you and your significant other solve money conflicts?

The Thrivent magazine is mailed to all members of Thrivent Financial. If you are interested in becoming a member and enjoying all the available member benefits please contact **Justin Carlson**, Financial Associate, at 316-729-2631 or email at justin.carlson@thrivent.com.

All Saints Sunday Second Line



Second Line is a brass band parade tradition originated in New Orleans characterized by a band processing (first line) followed by those who join the parade (second line) and listen or dance along. One song that is identified with New Orleans is "O When the Saints," and this song is one of the first songs that beginning band students are taught. We can't really have a true second line parade in the church, but we are going to use "O When the Saints" as the closing song for All Saints Sunday (**November 3**) in the first service. We would like to have as many band members as we can get to join along. Please see **Brian Miller** for music. We are going to rehearse at 8:45 on that Sunday. If you have any questions, talk to **Brian Miller**.

FALCON FELLOWSHIP YOUTH MINISTRY



You are invited to join us for Falcon Fellowship on **Wednesday, October 9**. If you'd like to help, please show up at Christ Lutheran about 10:30am on Wednesday morning and we'll put you to work cooking burgers, cutting up fruit, preparing tables, handing out food, or whatever else needs to be done. The more, the merrier, and anyone is welcome!

FALCON FELLOWSHIP TRIVIA RECAP



thank you!

Thank you to everyone who participated and supported our recent Falcon Fellowship Trivia Night, it was a great success! We were able to raise over \$2,500! This should fund the lunches for the entire year. We want to pay special thanks to **Cheryl Shaw**, who put together all the silent auction baskets, and **Donn Bischoff**, who procured all of our round sponsors.

Ministry and Outreach

This past week our “Quilt Day Ladies” packaged 29 school kits, 25 baby kits, and a total of 100 Quilts. 64 of these quilts are being donated to the Lutheran World Relief and 36 to DCF. Thank you to everyone who donated school and baby supplies to support these wonderful missions.

Estimate-of-Giving Cards

Later this month you will receive an Estimate-of-Giving Card in the mail. The leadership of our congregation is asking you to think about, pray about, and respond to God’s blessings in your life by designating some of your income next



year to support our church. It is not required and you will not be pressured. The church is doing fine financially so we are not begging for your money to survive. However, God has given us some opportunities and your financial gifts will go a long way to determining the ministry that we can do in 2020. We’re asking that you return the Estimate-of-Giving Cards on **Sunday, October 27th** as part of our Commitment Sunday. In preparation for receiving these cards in the mail and the discernment that you & your family must undergo, here are some sound theological reasons to give:

Why should we give?

- We give as **an Act of Worship**.
- We give **so that we can Participate in God’s Mission**.
- We give as **an Act of Resistance**.
- We give **to Bear Witness to Christ**.
- We give **so we can Grow in Grace**.

You may have other reasons why you give generously to God and to the Church. Whatever the reasons, we hope they are not out of guilt or a sense that we are desperate for your dollars in order to survive. We are not. Christ Lutheran is a very healthy congregation and we do a lot of good mission and ministry out in the community. By giving generously on a regular basis, you are helping our little community of faith fulfill our mission to “Love God & Love Others.”

-Pastor Chad & the Resource Team

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 133

Scripture readings for October 13, 2019: Ruth 1:1-17

Next Week Worship leaders 10-13-19 E

Pastor: Chad Langdon	Praise Band
Leader: Noah Miller	Reader: Jack Smith
Greeter: Clay & Kristi Zecha	PPT: Mary Garrelts
Ushers: Scott Schul & Wes Nelson	
Communion Assistants: Kristi Zecha & Robin Pressnall	

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Pastor: Chad Langdon	Choir Director: Darla Steinert
Leader: Darla Steinert	Organist: Margaret Dietz
Greeters: Dykstras	Pianist: Jean Beal
Ushers: Paul Shaw & Ted Balzer	Reader: Steve Slipsager
	PPT: Abby Banta



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