

ANNOUNCEMENTS

03-21-21

Stuff to know about Christ Lutheran during the pandemic

This Sunday our worship is still at 10:00 am on Facebook

**NEW WORSHIP
SCHEDULE SOON!**

PALM SUNDAY, March 28

8:30am Indoor
10:00am Virtual
11:00am Outdoor
(11:00 backup: Indoor)

MAUNDY THURSDAY, April 1

7:00pm Virtual Only

GOOD FRIDAY, April 2

7:00pm Virtual Only

EASTER SUNDAY, April 4

8:30am Indoor
10:00am Virtual
11:00am Outdoor
(11:00 backup: Indoor)

SUNDAYS of April 11, 18 & 25

8:30am Indoor (praise band)
10:00am Virtual
11:00am Indoor (piano/organ)

SOME NOTES, PROCEDURES & PRECAUTIONS

- All in-person services will require masks & social distancing. If you are not feeling well or have been recently exposed to COVID, please stay home & attend the Virtual Service.
- Indoor Worship will be limited by seating capacity. We will fill the sanctuary front to back, using every other pew. We will have seating in lobby & fellowship hall, but if we reach capacity, we will need to turn people away. We will dismiss back to front.
- All services will follow a similar liturgy, streamlined to limit our exposure & time together in-person.
- At the Indoor services, there will be limited singing and only with masks on after Communion. If you are uncomfortable with singing, you may leave after Communion.
- The building will be cleaned between Indoor services.
- Other than the sanctuary, bathrooms & narthex, the rest of the building will be off-limits.
- There will be no coffee/education hour or goodies.
- Pastor will stay behind the altar & pulpit other than to distribute Communion. In order to facilitate communication, he will not wear a mask when leading the liturgy or preaching, but will wear a mask to distribute Communion.
- Communion will use pre-packaged elements & will be brought to you in your seats.
- Worshipping together in-person, and especially indoors, carries the risk of transmitting COVID. Please only attend the service where you feel comfortable taking that level of risk.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Men's Annual Trout Trip Coming Soon!



Each year several men in the congregation make a pilgrimage to Calico Rock in Arkansas to sit in a boat for a couple days floating down the White River and catch our limit of trout for the day. The river is relaxing, beautiful, and full of freshly stocked trout waiting to be caught. If you're a guy and could use a few days off, this trip is for you! You don't even need to know how to fish...it's that easy. The company is good, the food & brews even better, and enjoying God's creation is the best of all. We will leave Wednesday morning, **May 5th** and get back home Saturday afternoon, **May 8th**.

The cost is always a bit variable based on the number of people that attend, but \$200-300 usually covers everything, including lodging, food, gas and boat rental. If you would like to sign up or have questions, please email

Buddy Martin at Martinato@map.kscoxmail.com

This trip is open for all guys!



ST. PAUL'S BREAKFAST

Our next date to serve St. Paul's Breakfast is Saturday, March 27. Because people are still hungry during this time, we will still be serving this meal to our community. There will be no preparation on Friday night the 26th. We will need about 8 people who are willing to meeting down at St. Paul's at 7:00am on Saturday, March 27 to prep the meal. We'll be doing biscuits & gravy, along with some other sides. Please contact Donn Bischoff if you are willing and able to help. The one thing that we do need donations for is water bottles. If you would like to donate a package of water bottles, please just leave those near the front door of church and we will make sure they get included in the meals. Thank you!

The risk level for this event is

HIGH

LENT 2021:
Listen
STORIES & PRAYERS FROM JESUS

Our theme for Lent this year is "Listen: Stories & Prayers from Jesus." Hopefully you were able to pick up a Lent-in-a-Bag and have started through the Guidebook & Prayer Journal. (There are still a few left if you need one.) We've also been releasing daily videos on the church Facebook page that are helping us better understand the Lord's Prayer through stories, prayer activities, songs, games & crafts. If you missed one of the videos, the links to these videos are also available on our website. We also have a weekly Wednesday Lenten service at 7:00pm on Pastor Chad's Facebook page. These Wednesday services are utilizing the Anglican Prayer Beads from your Lent-in-a-Bags, so you'll probably want to have your beads put together and ready to go (although if you don't have beads, you'll still be able worship). Finally, since we can't have our normal Wednesday Lenten meals, we invite you to at least have the same menu at home as other folks from church. This Wednesday, our suggested meal is Pizza

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Christ Lutheran is pleased to once again host a Community Garden for anyone who is interested. Our garden is a plot of ground southeast of the church (behind the storage garage) that has produced some amazing fruits and vegetables over the years. Paul Shaw usually tills the ground and prepares it for planting. If you would like to use a share of the garden, you can talk to Pastor Chad or Paul Shaw and we will give you details. Anyone is welcome to use this garden and grow whatever your green thumb will allow.



Family Promise Hospitality Calendar

Please see below the final schedule for meals for our host week.
Thanks to all for signing up.-Elaine Miller

	Sunday March 21	Monday March 22	Tuesday March 23	Wednesday March 24
Dinner Evening Meal Deliver 6:00 to 6:30 pm	Paul & Nancy Shaw Fried Chicken Potatoes & Gravy Green Beans Jello, Brownies	Rich & Rosie Harder Pizza Fruit Brownie/Cookies	Chris & Holly Smith Warren & Elaine Miller Mexican Restaurant Takeout	Donn & Deborah Bischoff Lasagna Lettuce Salad Garlic Bread Angel Food Cake
	Thursday March 25	Friday March 26	Saturday March 27	Sunday March 28
Dinner Evening Meal Deliver 6:00 to 6:30 pm	Maynard & Dorothy Peterson Hamburger Casserole Salad, Bread Dessert	Derby Friends Church	Ben & Jamie Gibbs Bierocks Chips Pork and beans Cookies	N/A
Hot Breakfast	N/A	N/A	Not providing until we host back at our church	N/A

Note: At this time there is one family of five when considering size of evening meal. Simple breakfast and lunch items as well as snacks will need to be provided outside of evening meals.

NEW CHURCH TECHNOLOGY?

- An environmentally-conscious 8-year-old sees the QR code near the door to sanctuary. She uses the camera on her mom's phone, scans the QR code and immediately downloads the bulletin. She likes that she doesn't need to take a paper bulletin.
- An 75-year-old man is skeptical about the new electronic kiosk so he goes over to check it out. The six buttons seem manageable, so he presses the one that says "Prayer Request." A box pops up that says, "Who would you like prayed for?" He cautiously types in, "My daughter, she has cancer." He hits send. The prayer request is immediately sent to the pastor's phone and this man's daughter is prayed for that Sunday in worship.
- A 16-year-old reads about an upcoming mission trip. He scans the QR code in the bulletin taking him to the Announcements hub, which looks just like the tablet at the electronic kiosk. On his phone he's able to read a bit more about the details of the trip and clicks that he is interested in going. From the same screen, he also electronically gives his regular offering to the church.



Because the building has been closed, it has caused us rethink a bit about how we communicate and how we use technology. There is a small group of people who have been dreaming and are excited about some of the possibilities before us – things like improving sanctuary lighting, adding electronic kiosks, upgrading

our internet, wifi & website, and making everything integrated. The above scenarios are well within our reach. Each of these things has a small price tag – not so big to require a capital campaign, but also a bit larger than what was contained in our operating budget. If you happen to have some extra funds (like from a stimulus check) and would like to donate to our "New Technology" fund, we will be putting those donations to good use improving our communication capabilities and hopefully making everything more accessible to everyone.



Need a small project to knit or crochet?

I have been working in the labor and delivery unit at Wesley Medical Center for almost 40 years. One aspect of my job is to care for women who have stillborn babies or babies who are born too early to survive. I checked with the bereavement team to see what is needed at this time that can be donated.

Pictures are taken of the babies for the family to remember them and we give the blanket and tiny gown that the baby is dressed in to the family as a memento.

Women at another church sew the tiny gowns but small blankets are needed for the babies who weigh about 1 pound.

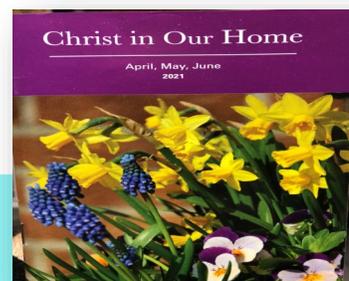
Dorothy Sondergard (Gwen Snow's mother) crocheted some beautiful blankets over the years. What would be helpful: blankets that are 18" square in neutral, muted colors, especially for boys

no purple please or "happy" prints

Thanks so much for caring

for grieving families!

-Rosie Harder



The next edition of Christ In Our Home has arrived. These are available for pickup at church any time and you can find them in the large dropbox outside the front door.

This edition is for April, May & June.

Thrivent and Camp Tomah Shinga presents

March Gladness

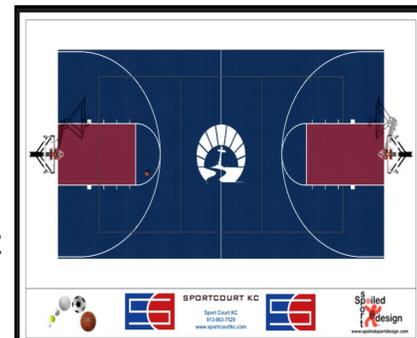


Help
Camp Tomah Shinga
bring home the
hardware during this
fundraising competition!

Camp Tomah Shinga is competing against other nonprofits in the Manhattan area to be named the first ever March Gladness champions!

A new basketball court

We are \$23,000 towards our \$30,000 goal for a brand new basketball court at Camp Tomah Shinga. Your March Gladness gift will go directly towards the court!



How to be involved?

- Use a Thrivent Action Team Grant to help us complete a project
- Dedicate your Thrivent Choice Dollars to Camp Tomah Shinga
- If you would simply like to make a gift, here is the link

<https://camptomahshinga.com/donate-to-tomah-shinga>

If you would like to learn more about the benefits of being a Thrivent member, contact Dave Mack at david.mack@thrivent.com

MORE FROM CAMP TOMAH SHINGA

Camp is still asking for people to donate Thrivent Action Team grants to help complete some of their spring projects. These Action Team Grants will go towards:

- Building a new greenhouse, including wood for the flower bed & planting soil
- Replenishing the team-building equipment
- New paint for the cabins
- New lawn games

There are 2 scheduled work days/weekends coming up: **Saturday, April 3 and Friday-Sunday, April 9-11.**

If you would like to help with one of these work days or get a team together, please contact Doug Clopton, the board president, at jdougclipton@gmail.com. Thanks!

HUMAN NEEDS

Need "Retail Therapy"?

But don't have any immediate needs? Please consider buying items for the May Human Needs project. I find that the colors of baby clothes bring me joy in these dark days of winter and challenging times. Please join us by purchasing:

1 white t-shirt size 12 month or larger (NO ONESIES PLEASE--the bottoms get wet and soiled)

1 short-sleeved printed t-shirt size 12-24 month

1 long sleeve printed t-shirt size 12 -24 month

1 gown size 3 month or larger (12-24 month sleepers without feet are fine, if with feet the baby outgrows it faster)

1 pair of pants or jeans size 12 -24 month

2 blankets, medium-weight cotton or flannel, or crocheted or knitted with lightweight yarn, 36-52" square (please avoid the small receiving blankets that are 30x30 as the infant outgrows these quickly)

1 jacket, sweater or sweatshirt with a hood, or include a baby cap (size 18-24 month)

2 pairs of socks

1 hand towel, dark color recommended

2 or 3 bath-size bars of gentle soap equaling 8-9 oz, any brand, in original wrapping; no mini or hotel size bars (I buy unscented Dove)

I buy moderately priced clothes. Some of the people who receive these live in refuge camps so it might add to their stress if another individual receives something that appears expensive. I find suitable items at Target and Walmart.

Gently used, clean items (no stains or tears) can be substituted for new ones. We will purchase cloth diapers from the noisy offering fund. You may buy individual items or make a complete kit. For questions you may ask Jean Beal, Deborah Bischoff, or myself. Each of us have made kits for a number of years. The truck to pick up kits and quilts is scheduled to come on Oct 5, 2021. I read notices from Lutheran World Relief and pleas have been sent out in the last year for baby care kits, school kits and personal care kits. Quilts are also always needed. For three generations, God's mercy has been extended through nearly 27 million quilts. People in other parts of the world live with daily suffering. We have so much to be thankful for!

For more detailed information look up www.lwr.org

Thank you for your interest in this project! We placed it in May in honor of Mother's Day.

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For the week of March 21, 2021

God's Story @ Home

PRAYING GOD'S STORY

Mealttime Prayer: As you went to the house of the tax collector, Zacchaeus, come into our home and to this table. Grant us your peace. Amen.

READING GOD'S STORY

Listen as you read: What do you hear God saying in each of these stories?

Sunday	Luke 18:31-19:10	Zacchaeus
Monday	Luke 19: 11-27	The Parable of the Ten Pounds
Tuesday	Luke 20:1-8	Jesus' Authority
Wednesday	Luke 20:9-19	The Parable of the Wicked Tenants
Thursday	Luke 20: 20-26	The Question about Paying Taxes
Friday	Luke 20:27-40	The Question about the Resurrection
Saturday	Luke 21:1-4	The Widow's Offering
Sunday	Luke 19:29-44	The Triumphal Entry

CONTEMPLATING OR DISCUSSING GOD'S STORY

Take a moment to check in with each other or to use the questions below.

? **Highs and Lows:** What is something good that happened today? What was bad?

? **Thinking about This Week's Story:** In today's story, Jesus healed the sight of a man who was blind. Where have you seen people in need of healing today?

? **Getting Ready for Next Week's Story:** Next week, we begin Holy Week with the people celebrating Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. What is something that you can celebrate about today?

LIVING GOD'S STORY

SERVICE is how we enact God's great love for the entire world.

Gather together everything you are not using from all of your family's closets and take them to a thrift store.

These items will be a blessing to someone else!

HOLY WEEK 2021 @ CHRIST LUTHERAN

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We will wear masks & social distance. Please see website for other COVID-related information.

Palm Sunday March 28

Worship Times:
8:30am Indoor
10:00am Virtual
11:00am Outdoor
(11:00 Backup: Indoor)

Maundy Thursday April 1

Worship Time:
7:00pm Virtual Only

Good Friday April 2

Worship Time:
7:00pm Virtual Only

Easter Sunday April 4

Worship Times:
8:30am Indoor
10:00am Virtual
11:00am Outdoor
(11:00 Backup: Indoor)

There will not be an Easter egg hunt this year, but each child will receive a bag of Easter eggs to enjoy.



Ryden Helmick will be baptized on April 3. We welcome other new members on Easter Sunday.