

THE MESSENGER



Worship SCHEDULE

MAY 2, 19 & 16

<u>8:30am</u>	Indoor (praise band music)
<u>10:00am</u>	Virtual on Pastor Chad's Facebook page
<u>11:00am</u>	Indoor (hymns led by Margaret)

MAY 23 & 30

<u>9:00am</u>	Indoor & Virtual on Facebook Live (we will be livestreaming the in-person service)
<u>11:00am</u>	Indoor (hymns)

Masks & social distancing (every other pew) will still be required, but we will be making the following changes to our COVID protocols:

- Singing (with masks) will happen at various times in the service as we follow a more normal liturgy.
- Children will be invited forward for the Children's Sermon, although they will be asked to sit a few feet from each other.
- Pastor Chad may wander from behind the pulpit when he preaches, but he will stay in the altar area.

Continuing COVID protocols include:

- The sanctuary will be cleaned between services.
- There is no coffee/education hour or goodies.
- Communion is using pre-packaged elements & is brought to your seat.

CELEBRATING OUR GRADUATING SENIORS!

Over the next couple editions of the newsletter, we will be recognizing & celebrating our graduating high school seniors. Here is a little more about...

Brett Albright

Baptized Child of God:
12-8-02

Parents:
Stephanie & Marty Albright



Brett will graduate from **Andover High** on May 23, 2021 and (of course) attend **Kansas State University**—School of Architecture in the fall.



Some High School Highlights:

- 3 years Varsity letter for football & baseball
- 4 years Academic letter
- 2 years Member of National Honor Society
- 3 years Class Representative for Student Council

Some Future Plans:

- Phi Delta Theta fraternity pledge
- Recipient of the Wildcat Traditions scholarship

During the fall semester of his junior year, Brett served as a Senate Page for Senator Jerry Moran in Washington, DC. He attended the Senate Page school and worked on the Senate floor from September 2019—January 2020.



CONGRATULATIONS!!!

BRYAN & KRISTINA HYSSELL

In the early morning hours of April 20,
Bryan & Kristina Hysell welcomed their
first child into the world.

Josephine Hanna Hysell was 8lbs,
7oz, and 19.5" long.

She was born in McPherson.

Everyone is doing well.

Josephine is the newest granddaughter
of David & Laura Lechner.

Congratulations are also in order
for Mike & Ana Lechner
upon the birth of their son,
Lucas, on Saturday, April 24.

Lucas is 21 inches long and 4416
grams (about 9 lbs, 12 oz).

After an extended labor,
Lucas was eventually delivered
via C-section.

Both Ana & Lucas had to spend
some extra time in the hospital
due to some complications.

Both are improving now, however,
and together with their family

we rejoice with them.

Bradlee Howell is graduating from Sedgwick High School on Saturday, May 8th.

You are invited to her graduation celebration:

May 8, 2021

3:00-5:00pm

300 N Lincoln Ave.

Sedgwick, KS 67135

**While your presence is the only gift she needs,
cash gifts to use toward art classes are appreciated.**

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH COOKBOOK?

Hey church! The latest issue of Living Lutheran discussed church cookbooks and the history associated with them. I found it pretty interesting and homemade recipes are near and dear to my heart. I'm always collecting my favorite recipes. My most recent addition is Deb Bischoff's Dutch Apple Bread. Getting to my point... I asked Pastor Chad when the last time our church made a cook book and it's been almost 20 years! I thought it could be fun to make another one. If you have a handful of favorite recipes, then I'd love to collect them. I thought this could be a fun project for our church to put together in a time where it's hard to physically be together. (Thanks COVID.) I look forward to seeing all your special recipes and seeing you all in person again soon. If you've got recipes, you can email them to me at helmickkelsey@gmail.com.

Thanks!

~ Kelsey Helmick



MOURNING THE LOSS OF NORMA

Our congregation grieves the loss of Norma Langner, who died peacefully in her sleep on Monday night. Norma and her family were among the very first people to join Christ Lutheran back in 1951.

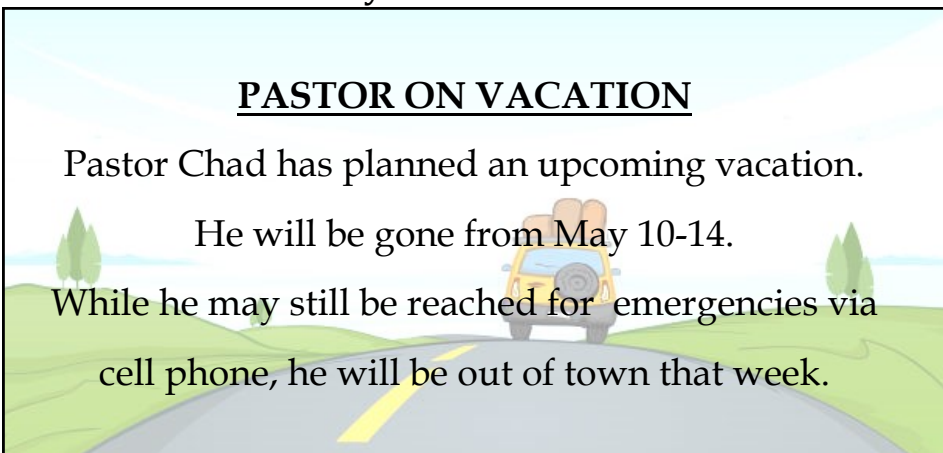
She had turned 98 last December. Her spirit and faithfulness have inspired so many through the years, and while we grieve her loss, we rejoice that she now rests comfortably in the arms of our Savior.

PASTOR ON VACATION

Pastor Chad has planned an upcoming vacation.

He will be gone from May 10-14.

While he may still be reached for emergencies via cell phone, he will be out of town that week.



MISION SAN JUAN THRIFT STORE – We Are **CLOSING**

Due to some unforeseen circumstance, the Thrift Store at Mision San Juan de Dios is closing so we will no longer be collecting clothes or other items for that ministry.

The church continues to worship and offer ministry to the community of Planeview.

QUILTING IS BACK!

After a year of hiatus, the Quilting group is going to begin meeting again on Monday, May 3 starting around 9:00am.

You are encouraged to bring your own lunch. This group of quilters is open to anyone who wants to join them. Sewing or quilting skill is not necessarily required. They meet once/month and you can come and go as your schedule allows.

The morning is filled with conversation, laughter, encouragement, and by doing the important work of creating quilts for Lutheran World Relief.

OFFERING ENVELOPES



Please check your mailboxes at church to receive your latest batch of offering envelopes.

Women's Bible Study

will meet next on May 13 from 1-2:30pm at church.

We will use the devotional entitled "The Journey of Generations"

By Violet Little in the Gather magazine.

All women are welcome!
I have an extra copy of the magazine if needed. For questions contact

Rosie Harder at 316-200-3233 or Email: ma28rr77@cox.net.



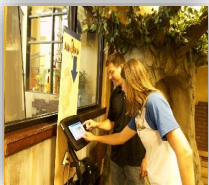
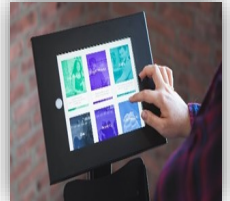
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SANDWICH SATURDAY

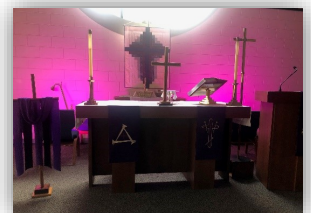
- Our next date to provide sack lunches is Saturday, May 22.
We will need help on Friday, May 21 at about 5:00pm to make the PB&J sandwiches and put together the rest of the lunches.
We will practice social distancing and do everything as safely as possible.
- We will also need help delivering the lunches on Saturday morning, May 22.
We will simply drop them off at St. John's Episcopal, but we do need one or two people willing to help transport the food.
We will not be distributing them directly to the people because their staff will do that.

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.*

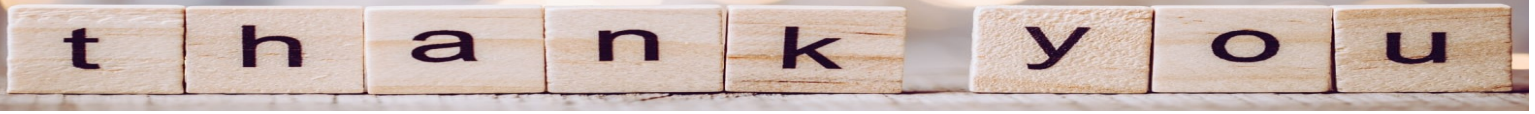


Because the building has been closed, it has caused us rethink a bit about how we communicate and how we use technology. There is a small group of people who have been dreaming and are excited about some of the possibilities before us – things like improving sanctuary lighting, adding electronic kiosks,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



HUMAN NEEDS

A special thanks to those who contributed items and to Pastor Chad and the youth for putting together 9 care packages for out college students! The packages were mailed the next day in time for finals. Noisy offering was used to pay for the postage.



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.

Rosie Harder ma28rr77@cox.net 316-200-3233

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.



May

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2	3 <i>Quilters 9-12pm</i>	4	5	6	7	8
9	10 <i>Worship Mtg 6:30pm</i>	11	12	13	14	15
PASTOR CHAD VACATION						
16	17 <i>Council Mtg 6pm</i>	18	19	20	21 <i>Sandwich Saturday Prep</i>	22 <i>Sandwich Saturday</i>
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
					PASTOR CHAD	
30	31					
VACATION						

Sunday Bible Readings

May 2 **Acts 15:1-18**

May 23 **Acts 2:1-4;**

May 9 **Galatians 1:13-17; 2:11-21**

Galatians 4:1-7 [5:16-26]

May 16 **Galatians 3:1-9, 23-29**

May 31 **John 3:1-17**

May Baptism Birthdays

1ST JAN CROSS
3RD BETH WENNER
5TH JOE RALEIGH
11TH KINLEY THOMPSON
14TH JACK BASTOW
22ND BRIAN MILLER
23RD HEATHER BOYCE
30TH KEVIN SMITH
31ST JANET BALZER

MAY BIRTHDAYS

1ST JANET BALZER
1ST DAVE BASART
4TH CLAY ZECHA
4TH RUBY GARRELTS
5TH PAULA RADER
5TH CHAD LANGDON
5TH CATHERINE PATRY
7TH JANET MILLER
7TH JENNIFER AXMAN
9TH MATT HELMICK

May Anniversaries

12TH NORA & SPENSER CALLISON
18TH MELANIE & MORGAN BARNHILL
22ND ALAN & SYLVIA SCHMIDT
24TH ALEXANDER & STEPHANIE HAILE
25TH FORREST & CATHERINE EHMKE
28TH JAN & MIKE CLARK
28TH RICHARD & ROSIE HARDER
29TH CHAD & LYNDE LANGDON
30TH MICHAEL & KARI CLOUSE

13TH ALLEIGH STUCKY
14TH KATHY WHITE
15TH JULIE EVANS
16TH JACOB FREED
16TH NATHANIEL BECKER
19TH TWILA MEDLOCK
19TH BENJAMIN GIBBS
20TH MALLORY FOWLER
21ST SHAWN MEIER

22ND KORI LECHNER
24TH MAYNARD PETERSON
25TH LARRY ZABEL
28TH KEN KNAPPENBERGER
29TH STEVEN SLIPSAGER
29TH CHARLIZE HENTZEN
29TH LAURA STORRIE
29TH LYNDE LANGDON
30TH ALEXANDER SCHUL

Please tell us if
we missed your
special day!





2021 Leadership & Staff

Church Council

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Vice President	Bonnie Johnson
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Parish Education	Tara Brown
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Youth	Chandra Entwisle

Staff

Choir Director	Darla Steinert
Organist	Margaret Dietz
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Bookkeeper	Alan Wondra
Parish Nurse	Mary Garrelts

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Council	Mallory Fowler
Staff	David Lechner
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Secretary Office Hours

Monday & Thursday: 9:00am-2:00pm

	May	YTD	Rolling12
	2021	2021	Months YTD
Receipts	\$19,701.24	\$67,946.29	\$208,320.08
Expenses	\$18,503.78	\$52,259.87	\$196,949.62
Variance	\$1,197.46	\$15,686.42	\$11,370.46

