

# Welcome to Worship

September 4, 2022

*After filling this out, please tear off this entire page and place it in the offering plate.*

*Check the reverse side to sign up for ministry opportunities.*



## Members and Regular Attendees

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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## Guests & Visitors

If you are visiting with us here at Christ Lutheran, we would love to get some information from you!

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please check what applies to you:*

Just Visiting       I want to be a member of Christ Lutheran.

I would like to know more information, please contact me.

Any change in contact info? (Email, address, phone, etc.)



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Ministry Opportunities  
to **SERVE & GROW**

*Check all that apply. Newly added items are in **BOLD**.  
If there are multiple people in your family,  
please let us know who is signing up. Thanks!*

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I'll put together a **GIFT BASKET** for Family Promise.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I'm interested in a Guys Retreat! Some dates I would NOT available would include:

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\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I'm interested in a Young Adults Small Group. My cell # is

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\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I would be interested in signing up for the Women's Self-Defense class.

Please include the following request to be emailed out to the Prayer Chain:

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Have a Special Need/Question:

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Hearing Assistance Available. You can pick up a receiver near the sound booth.

# Take Home News

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

- This Sunday: 9:00am Contemporary Worship  
Sept 4<sup>th</sup> 10:30am Traditional Worship
- Mon 9/5 Labor Day
- Tues 9/6 9:00am Quilters  
9:00am Worship @ Shepherd's Crossing
- Wed 9/7 6:00-8:00pm Youth Group – Egg Roulette
- Sun 9/11 **NEW SCHEDULE!!!!!!**  
9:00am Contemporary Worship  
10:10am Sunday School for all ages  
11:00am Traditional Worship



## Worship Notes:

- **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 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.
- **Cell phones:** Leave them on, just turn off the ringer.
- **Wi-Fi:** Church Net **Password:** Christmas1225
- **Social Media & Livestream:** Christ Lutheran is on Facebook and we use #CLCWichita. We livestream both of our services each week. Feel free to text, tweet, share, etc. during or after the service to let your friends know what is happening in worship and to invite them to join you next Sunday.
- **Website:** [www.christ-lutheran.org](http://www.christ-lutheran.org) or just scan →  
**To give electronically:** Scan & then scroll down →



## FALL SCHEDULE STARTING SOON!

Our worship times changes on Sunday, September 11, so that we can restart Sunday school. Beginning NEXT SUNDAY, our new Sunday morning schedule will be:

**9:00 Contemporary Worship**

**10:10 Sunday School for all ages**

**11:00 Traditional Worship**

### YOUTH STUFF

Youth Group begins this week! We'll be gathering on Wednesday, September 7, from 6-8pm. Dinner will be provided and we'll be playing the classic (but really messy) EGG ROULETTE! It is for grades 6 – 12. Be sure to wear clothes that can get messy...really messy. This Wednesday is also the deadline to sign-up for the Summer Mission Trip. There is more info about this on the Opportunity Table.



Confirmation begins this week on Wednesday, September 21! We will be meeting from 6-8pm. Dinner will be provided. It is for grades 6 – 9.

Other youth stuff:

- 9/14 No Youth Events – PC on vacation
- 9/28 Youth Group, grades 6-12
- 10/5 Youth Group, grades 6-12

## **NAMETAGS**

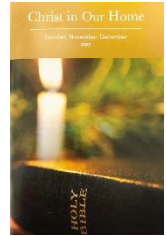
A couple of weeks ago, our Basic Training topic was “hospitality.” One way we can help be more welcoming is by wearing our nametags. We recently went through and updated our nametags, hopefully recreating some that had maybe been lost. We

also cleaned up the nametag display. Please wear your nametags – it is a small thing we can do to help visitors feel more welcome. And let us know if you need a new one!




## **CHRIST IN OUR HOME**

There are new Christ In Our Home daily devotions available. These new booklets cover October, November and December. They are located in the rack under the bulletin board (near the front door). They are free, so please take one to help remind you to have daily quiet time with the Lord.



## **HAPPY LABOR DAY!**

— Martin Luther —



Every occupation has its own honor before God. Ordinary work is a divine vocation or calling. In our daily work no matter how important or mundane we serve God by serving the neighbor and we also participate in God's on-going providence for the human race.

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# **SUNDAY SCHOOL IS COMING**

## **BACK!**

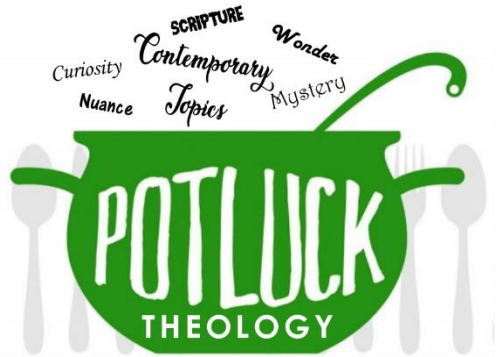
We will be starting Sunday school on Sunday, September 11! We have some awesome teachers & helpers that have volunteered to engage in faith formation for people of all ages. Sunday school will begin at 10:15 each Sunday morning.

We will not have strict age/grade classes. Whichever class you feel more comfortable attending is the one you can attend. We recognize it might take a couple weeks to find the right fit. And parents are welcome & encouraged to sit in with their children if they want. Here's what we have lined up:

- **Pre-K – Lower Elementary** – This class will help our youngest children explore the same story that we hear on Sunday in worship. This class is mostly designed for those children who cannot read or are just starting to learn. It will be team taught by Jamie Gibbs, Kelsey Helmick, Beth Baker & Jeannene Schweitzer. They will be meeting in Room #6, just past the nursery.
- **Upper Elementary** – This class will be full of energy & wonder as they explore in further depth the same story that we hear in worship on Sunday. This class is mostly designed for children who can read. It will be team taught by Janet Miller, Shannon Banta, and Jamie Gibbs. They will be meeting upstairs in Room #8.
- **Middle & High School** – These young adults will be discussing and thinking about what their faith means to them and how they will live it out once they get out on their own. Lynde Langdon (& hopefully some others) will be leading the discussion. They will meet upstairs in Room #7, the Youth Room.
- **Adult Class #1 will be tackling the topic of “After the Rapture” in September.** Although the rapture isn't a Lutheran idea, this class will utilize a book by David Jeremiah

called “After the Rapture” to explore what people think might happen in the end times. This class will be led by John Snow and they will be meeting in Room #1.

- **Adult Class #2: Potluck Theology** – Pastor Chad will be leading biblical & theological discussions on a variety of topics. Each week we’ll look at something different based on what the class is interested in, what’s on the news, or whatever pops up. Some topics may take several weeks to cover & we’ll advertise those as best we can. Like a potluck dinner, you might not like everything...but also like a potluck, some of topics may surprise you. PC’s goal is to help us approach the world theologically with curiosity, nuance, and wonder as we explore the mystery of how God works & reveals himself in the world. They will be meeting in Room #4.



An Adult Sunday School & Discussion Class led by Pastor Chad.

## **WANT TO (OFFICIALLY) JOIN CHRIST LUTHERAN?**

Christ Lutheran will be welcoming new members in September. If you would like to officially join our congregation, please mark the Tear-Off and Pastor Chad will contact you. There are no membership classes or rigorous requirements. Most new members just have a sit-down meeting with Pastor Chad so they can get to know each other better and answer any questions that you may have about the church. You’ll receive a New Member packet that gives you more information about Christ Lutheran. If, after meeting with Pastor Chad, you decide you’re not ready to join, that’s ok too. But if you are at all interested in joining, mark the Tear-Off and PC will be in touch.

## ANOTHER TRIP THROUGH THE BIBLE

Every fall Christ Lutheran begins a journey through the Bible in chronological order. We use a tool called the Narrative Lectionary. It is a set of assigned readings for Sunday mornings that runs from just after Labor Day through Memorial Day. Over those 9 months, we will hear highlights & stories from the Bible in the order that they happened throughout history, and we will basically cover the entire story of Bible from start to finish. This fall we will be working our way through the Old Testament. We will celebrate Christ's birth at Christmas and then spend the winter & early spring hearing Jesus' story from the gospel of Matthew. After Easter we will hear stories from the early church in Acts and Romans.

The Narrative Lectionary is based on 4 year cycle of readings & each year we focus on a different gospel and highlight slightly different sets of stories from the patriarchs, kings, and prophets. These are also the stories that the children will be learning & working with in Sunday school. Hopefully, by the end of the school year, you'll have a deeper and richer understanding of the entire biblical narrative, how it all fits together, and you'll discover all the places where your story fits into God's story.

We begin again on Sunday, September 11. Join us!

### ST. PAUL'S BREAKFAST



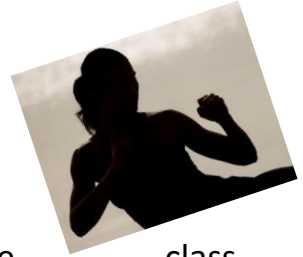
Our next date to serve St. Paul's Breakfast is quickly approaching. Our plan is to prepare breakfast burritos. We will need 8-10 volunteers to help prepare the burritos on **Friday, September 16, from 5:30-7:00pm** here

at Christ Lutheran. We will then need 8-10 volunteers to help on **Saturday, September 17, from 7:00am – 9:00am down at St. Paul's Lutheran (925 N Waco)**. We will be serving & packaging the meals into to-go boxes for people experiencing hunger and homelessness. Please mark the Tear-Off if you are willing and able to be there on Friday to prepare or Saturday morning to serve. This is a great ministry for new folks to get involved with and it is easy for kids to help serve as well. Thanks!



## Self-defense for Women and Teenage Girls

I have recently learned that the WPD will offer a free class to help women and girls with self-defense.



I need at least 10 people to commit to the class, however, when I took a similar class, we had up to 20 to 25 people. I don't have details for dates or length of the class. I will be contacted when I have a list of at least 10 people (I have 2 now – myself and a friend's teenage daughter).

If you would be interested, please send me the your name, email, and phone number. (For all participants) Or you can mark the Tear-Off. This is not just for church members. Thanks.

**Lauren Clifton [lclif5@yahoo.com](mailto:lclif5@yahoo.com)**

**281.381.2828**

**\*\*\*Men's Breakfast\*\*\***

**We will be at our usual location at Auntie C's at 61<sup>st</sup> and Broadway at 8:00 am on Saturday September 10th for some good food and fellowship. Any questions contact Donn Bischoff at 209-2138**

## **FAMILY PROMISE**

**Family Promise is an ecumenical ministry focused on helping homeless families get back on their feet. They have a model where they use church buildings (that are pretty quiet most of**



**the week) to house families experiencing homelessness. Each partner church houses the families for a week at a time and once each quarter. The church provides sleeping space, clean sheets, and meals for 3-4 families (at the most 14 total people). Family Promise provides cots for the churches, and at a separate location the families receive showers, job assistance, stability, and other necessary assistance. Each family that enters the program is background-checked and commits to a rather rigorous program to help them get back on their feet in a matter of weeks. (It is a very different population than we serve at St. Paul's breakfast or at Sandwich Saturday.)**

**Christ Lutheran has served as a host for Family Promise for over 3 years. This past week (Aug. 28 – Sept. 4) we served as a support church. Some of our volunteers provided meals, transportation and presence while another church (Northridge Friends) served as the host church. Thank you to everyone from Christ Lutheran who served in this way! And a special thanks to Elaine Miller, who has been our Family Promise Coordinator since Day 1.**

## HELP WANTED FOR SPECIAL PROJECTS:

- 1) Trash Can – Would someone be willing to install a trash can out near the Outdoor Sanctuary? We have a number of students who will come over for lunch and eat at the picnic tables. It would be wonderful if we could have a trash can out there for them (like maybe attached to a tree). Please talk to Pastor Chad if you could take on this project ASAP.
- 2) Gift Basket for Fundraiser – We need someone willing to put together a silent auction basket for the Family Promise Gala that is happening in October. It can be created around any theme and just needs to be put together around mid-September. If you have a talent or enjoy putting these things together, please mark the Tear-Off or talk to Elaine Miller.

### Little Free Farmers' Market

Gardens are starting to produce, so it is time to once again open Christ Lutheran's *Little Free Farmers' Market*. In the past folks have just left bags of produce on the table. This year we are slightly more organized.



There is a box! Yep, we have a box in the fellowship hall for people to place their extra produce.

Please take as much as you'd like from the box, and leave whatever extra your garden might've produced. But please do help by taking some home...otherwise it will just go bad.



### **\*\*\*Assembling School Kits\*\*\***

On Sunday August 28 we assembled school kits for Lutheran World Relief in the fellowship hall after second service. Thank you to everyone who helped with this project!

Last fall Paul & Kenny Shaw and I delivered quilts and kits to another church in Wichita for shipping to Lutheran World Relief. We were told at that time that they would no longer be participating in being an ingathering church. I have been communicating with LWR throughout the past year to volunteer our church as the next host church. My last communication was that the truck hired by LWR will be in Kansas most likely early in November.

I asked my contact at LWR which kits are most needed and she replied that the school kits and personal care kits are requested most often. The following is from the LWR Quilt and Kit Ministry Guide: "Education is one of the strongest tools a community has for breaking the cycle of poverty. Ensuring that girls attend school, especially in places where their access is deprioritized, has even stronger results. School kits contain essential supplies to help children--and in some cases, adults--continue learning in the face of serious obstacles. That learning leads to a better life for them, their families and their communities."

Thanks so much to everyone who donated supplies!

~Rosie Harder





## **YOUNG ADULTS SMALL GROUP?**

We are trying to get together a Young Adults Small Group – either on Sunday mornings or an evening every week or so. The goal would be for conversation, friendship, and exploring the intersection of faith & life in our present context. If you are in your 20s or early 30s and would be interested in a regular time to get together with folks your same age within this faith-based context, please mark the Tear-Off or talk to Pastor Chad. We'll work with whoever might be interested.

## GUYS RETREAT?

We are wondering if there is interest in a Guys Retreat this fall at Camp Tomah Shinga. It would likely run from Friday evening to Sunday morning, and doesn't need to be limited to guys from Christ Lutheran. We could hike, fish, shoot archery, make campfires, have deep & not-so-deep conversation. Dates & costs would be determined by who is interested in going. If you and/or the guys in your family (any age) would be interested in something like this, please mark the Tear-Off or let Pastor Chad know.



**CHRIST LUTHERAN'S  
2022 SUMMER SERIES:**



**BASIC TRAINING WRAPS UP**  
**TODAY!**

This Sunday is our final week of “Basic Training for Following Jesus.” It is the last Sunday to visit the prayer stations or pick up a t-shirt. You can also take home your “uniform” today. On Sunday, September 11, we will be recognizing those folks who have the most decorated uniforms and they will be receiving a “crown of righteousness” (see 2 Timothy 4:8). Well done, good and faithful servants!

## WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS FOR NEXT WEEK, September 11:

|                    | <u>EARLY</u>           | <u>LATE</u>         |
|--------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| Usher              | Andrew Clouse          | Rich Harder         |
| <i>Greeter</i>     | <i>Shawn Meier</i>     | <i>Paul Shaw</i>    |
| PowerPoint         | Justin Clouse          | <b>NEED ONE</b>     |
| <i>Soundboard</i>  | <i>Jim Garrelts</i>    | <i>Dwight Boyce</i> |
| Worship Leader     | Landon Clouse          | Donn Bischoff       |
| <i>Reader</i>      | <i>Robin Pressnall</i> | <i>Bobby Smyser</i> |
| Goodies            | Mary Garrelts          | Bonnie Johnson      |
| <i>Altar Guild</i> | <i>Barnhills</i>       | <i>Gibbs</i>        |
| Counters           |                        | Donn & Cindy        |

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 105

Scripture readings for September 11:

Genesis 6:5-22;  
8:6-12; 9:8-17

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