

Welcome to Worship

April 28, 2024

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): _____



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.)



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'm willing to help with Heights' Teacher
 Appreciation meal on May 10th.**

_____ Yes, I would be interested in volunteering for VBS.

_____ Yes, I would be interested in being nominated to be a Voting
 Member for the Synod Assembly in June.

_____ Yes, I'm interested in attending the new Men's Bible Study.

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

Have a Special Need/Question:



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

Take Home News



WEEKLY CALENDAR

This Sunday:

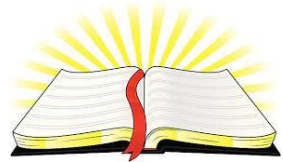
Apr 28th 9:00am Contemporary Worship
 10:15pm Sunday School
 11:00am Traditional Worship
 12:00pm Congregational Meeting

Mon 4/29 6:00pm Worship & Music Meeting

Tue 4/30 10:30am Men's Bible Study

Wed 5/1 6:30pm Dinner & Youth Group

Sun 5/5 9:00am Contemporary Worship
 10:15am Sunday School
 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 or just scan →
- **To give electronically:** Scan & then scroll down →



CONGREGATION MEETING



We will have our semi-annual congregational meeting on Sunday, April 28, at 12:15pm, or right after the late service is finished. It shouldn't take very long, but is constitutionally mandated.

We have 3 primary things we'll be looking at:

- Approval for the final financials from 2023 – There are copies of the 2023 Year End Treasurer's Report on the Opportunity Table
- 1st quarter financials for 2024 to see how we're doing
- Electing voting members for the 2024 Central States Synod Assembly. The Synod Assembly this year will be held Thursday, June 6 – Saturday, June 8 at the Embassy Suites in Olathe, KS. The church pays for the registration & hotel reservation. If you would like to be nominated to be one of our voting members, please mark the tear-off to express your interest.

Vacation Bible School

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS this year will be June 3rd - 7th. Please fill out the tear off if you are able to help! We will be having a VBS teachers meeting on May 19th following late service. It will be very quick, we'll need to pass out agendas and give teachers their curriculum for the week. We are using a different company for VBS than in years past. So please do not hesitate with any questions you might have. Our theme is "Created to Care." It is about how we care for God's creation (the world and all that lives within it).

WORSHIP & MUSIC COMMITTEE MEETING



We will be having a Worship & Music Committee meeting on Monday, April 29th at 6:00pm. We will be talking about our plans for this summer. If you would like to have some input, you are more than welcome to attend. We would love to have you!



SENIOR SUNDAY

Every year we recognize and celebrate our graduating high school seniors. This year we have one senior, Jack Smith. We will be celebrating Senior Sunday on May 10th. Congratulations, Jack! We're so proud of you!

BBQ for Heights Teachers

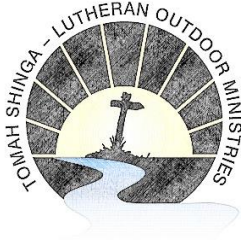
We have been asked by the administration at Heights if we would grill some hamburgers & hotdogs for all of the teachers & staff for a Teacher Appreciation event. This will take place on Friday, May 10 during lunchtime. They will provide the meats, we just need some folks to grill and package the hamburgers & hotdogs. If you're willing to help, please mark the Tear-Off. Thanks!



BOOK CLUB!



The Book Club will be gathering on June 13th at 6 pm to discuss "Accidental Saints: Finding God in all the Wrong People" by Nadia Bolz-Weber. She is an ordained Lutheran Pastor, founder of House for All Sinners & Saints in Denver, Co. and has written 3 New York Time bestsellers. She is so thought provoking that some might even call her controversial. We will be having a potato potluck dinner. Bring your favorite toppings, the potatoes will be provided. We hope you'll join us!



CHURCH CAMP!

It's time to register for Church Camp at Camp Tomah Shinga. There are camps for 1st graders all the way up through seniors in high school, including Family Camp for all ages. Church Camp at Tomah Shinga includes:

- **Air-conditioned cabins & buildings**
- **Miles of hiking trails**
- **High ropes & low ropes**
- **Canoeing & creek-walking**
- **Bible studies & faith-based activities**
- **Less than 2 hours drive from Wichita**
- **An incredible staff of energetic counselors**

Christ Lutheran believes strongly in the ministry of Church Camp, and because of that, the church is willing to pay most of costs associated with attending Tomah Shinga. You pay the \$100 deposit, Christ Lutheran pays the rest. To register for camp or for more information, schedules, descriptions of the various camps, activities, etc. please visit their website: www.camptomahshinga.com. If you have questions, please talk to Pastor Chad. (And please let us know if you do register so we can pay the rest of the fees.)

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Our regular Wednesday Youth Activities restart this week. Here are some upcoming events:

5/1 6:30 Dinner & Youth Group,
Grades 6-12

5/8 6:30 Dinner & Confirmation,
Grades 6-8



DON'T FORGET TO
REGISTER FOR CHURCH CAMP!

NEW MEN'S BIBLE STUDY FORMING!

If you're a guy & you've got some time during the day, you're gonna want to get in on this! There is a new Men's Bible Study that is forming and will be meeting twice/month. They



MEN'S
BIBLE STUDY

plan to meet at church on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of every month at 10:30am. The plan is to meet for about an hour or so and take a look at the passages that will be used in the upcoming worship services. This study is being put together by Alan Schmidt, Jim Garrelts & Alan Wondra, and they are welcoming any and all guys who'd like to join in the conversation & study. **The next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 30th at 10:30.** You can just show up and/or mark the Tear-off if you're interested. Hope to see you there!

Looking for Gardeners (or just plain ole people who like to weed) who have a little time to help dig out the Bermuda grass from the new flower beds by the Labyrinth. The outlines of the beds are fairly obvious (under one side of the sign for the labyrinth & to the south side of the labyrinth) & you could drop by at your leisure. Any help would be much appreciated! We'd like to get the beds prepared & add soil amendments prior to planting (as soon as we can).

Contact Mary Garrelts for questions:
316-640-7009





May Human Needs Collection:

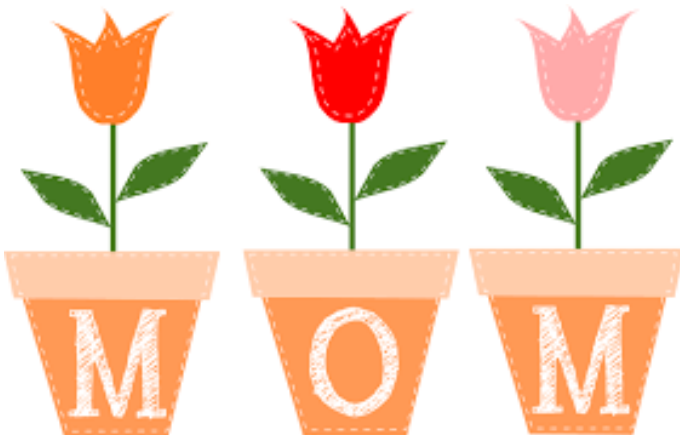
In honor of Mother's Day, the human needs collection for May will be for baby care kits for Lutheran World Relief. These kits go to families in need around the world. For example: according to LWR, our faithful quilters and kit makers have comforted thousands of people with their handmade gifts due to the war in the Ukraine. These have been distributed far and wide, from hostels for refugees in Poland to heavily shelled villages near the Russian border.

- 63,340 Personal Care Kits
- 60,492 Mission Quilts
 - 10,960 School Kits
 - 6,720 Baby Care Kits

We saved some of the extra donated items from last year so were able to trim the list of requested items for the baby care kits. Noisy offering donations are appreciated to help buy the warm blankets I found on Amazon. I will put an example of a kit on the human needs table with one of these blankets.

Thanks so much for all donations!

-Rosie Harder



2024 NEHEMIAH ASSEMBLY



Justice Together is answering the call to do justice in Sedgwick County and we need your help! We are calling for broad-scale improvements to local systems alongside and on behalf of our neighbors experiencing *mental health crises* and/or *homelessness*.

One person can't change a system. One faith community can't change a system. But when 35+ faith communities work together for justice, we'll have a voice so big it can't be ignored.

Like Nehemiah, we will join our voices to present our local leaders with well-researched solutions to the root causes of these community problems. Christ Lutheran's goal is to get 100 people to the Nehemiah Assembly on May 9th. We hope you'll be part of this effort!

Please check out the "***You're Invited: 2024 Nehemiah Reference Guide***" located at the Opportunity Table. In that pamphlet, you can read about the justice process, the countless hours of research & work that have been done over the past 18 months, and the specific solutions that we will be asking our community leaders to implement on May 9th. You can also check out Justice Together's new website: **www.dojusticetogether.org** or find them on Facebook.

Christ Lutheran has always done good mercy ministry through things like St. Paul's Breakfast & Sandwich Saturday. This is now our chance to address some of the root issues so that in the future, these mercy ministries may not have to serve so many people. Wouldn't that be great?!? This justice ministry is a chance to speak and act on behalf of those in our community who do not have a voice. ***Will you come out on May 9th and spend one evening in pursuit of justice?***

YOUR NEIGHBORS NEED YOUR HELP.

MENTAL HEALTH

People experiencing mental health issues in Sedgwick County are often unable to access timely and appropriate crisis care and often end up in Emergency rooms, or interacting with the criminal justice system which is costly and robs them of the opportunity to receive the support they need to lead productive and positive lives.

HOMELESSNESS

When we fail to provide adequate housing and supports, unhoused people are unable to exit homelessness into safe, stable housing and those experiencing poverty are more likely to undergo evictions and unstable housing situations.

Further, people experiencing housing insecurity and homelessness are often lacking photo identification, which are essential to securing critical services and basic necessities, i.e. benefits, assistance, library cards, and employment.

IT'S TIME WE ACT FOR CHANGE.



JUSTICE

TOGETHER

Bringing faith into action

NEHEMIAH ASSEMBLY

Thursday, May 9th 2024
6:00 PM (Doors open at 5:30PM)
Century II Convention Hall
225 W. Douglas
Wichita, KS 67202

We will present well-researched, community driven proposals addressing the issues of mental health care and homelessness and ask our local officials to take action on them.

SEE YOU THERE!

For more information, contact
Laura@thedartcenter.org

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS FOR NEXT WEEK,

MAY 5:

	<u>EARLY</u>	<u>LATE</u>
Usher	Landon Clouse	Bobby Smyser
<i>Greeter</i>	<i>Justin Clouse</i>	<i>Maynard Peterson</i>
PowerPoint	Andrew Clouse	Paige Gibbs
<i>Soundboard</i>	<i>Jim Garrelts</i>	<i>Entwisles</i>
Worship Leader	Mary Garrelts	Donn Bischoff
<i>Reader</i>	<i>Alan Wondra</i>	<i>Shannon Banta</i>
Goodies	Kari Clouse	Bonnie Johnson
<i>Altar Guild</i>	<i>Janet Miller</i>	<i>Entwisles</i>
Counters		Becky D & Paul S

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 118

Scripture reading for May 5:

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

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