

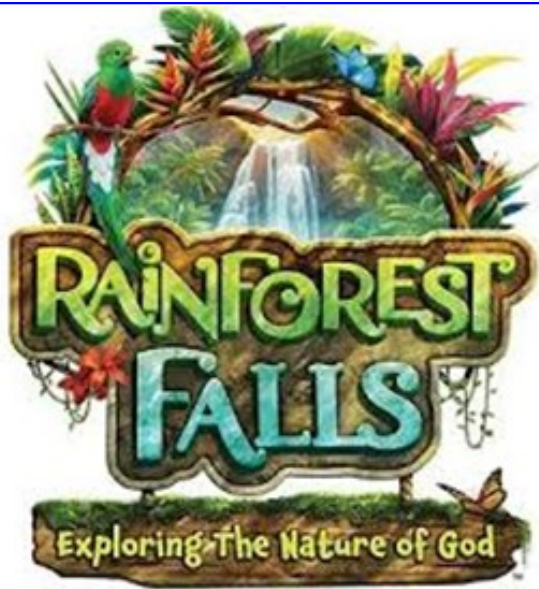
# The Messenger

Christ Lutheran  
Church  
5356 N. Hillside  
Wichita, KS  
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May 2026 Newsletter

Contact us at [office@Christ-Lutheran.org](mailto:office@Christ-Lutheran.org)



Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School! It will take place July 19-23 from 6-8 p.m. This year's theme

will be Rainforest Falls: Exploring the Nature of God. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Monica Spicer at 316-661-8942 (call or text)

or [monica.schmidt331@gmail.com](mailto:monica.schmidt331@gmail.com)

### Summer Worship Schedule (Begins May 31)

9:00 AM- Contemporary Worship  
10:30 AM- Traditional Worship



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### Men's Breakfast

We will be at Auntie C's, located at 61st and Broadway. We will be there at 8:00 AM on Saturday, June 13th for some good food and fellowship. If you have any questions, please contact Donn Bischoff at 209-2138.

### Parish Nurse - Mary Garrelts



For any medical questions or concerns please contact **Mary Garrelts** at [mbgarrelts@cox.net](mailto:mbgarrelts@cox.net)

### Quilt Day

Our next Quilt day will be on June 2nd at 9:00 am. For questions, contact:  
Rosie Harder 316-200-3233  
[Rosieharder14@gmail.com](mailto:Rosieharder14@gmail.com)

This group of quilters is open to anyone who wants to join them. Sewing or quilting skill is not necessarily required. They meet once a 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.



### Adult Bible Classes

We will be having adult Bible Classes on Sunday, May 17th. This will be the last class for the adults until the end of the summer. Thanks!



### 2026 Bookkeepers Report

Respectfully Submitted, **Alan Wondra**



	April 2026	YTD 2026	Rolling 12 Months YTD
Receipts	\$14,188.38	\$87,284.41	
Expenses	\$10,499.15	\$45,246.95	
Variance	\$3,689.23	\$42,037.46	

**SUNDAY, MAY 24TH,  
THERE WILL ONLY BE  
ONE WORSHIP  
SERVICE AT 10:30 AM.**

**Summer worship schedule  
begins May 31st.  
Early Service 9:00 AM  
Late Service 10:30 AM**



**May Human Needs  
Collection is for  
the Haven  
Food Bank**

**The Haven  
Food Bank  
was**

**organized in 1983 by Elaine  
Miller and Sandy Arndt.**

**Elaine and Sandy asked for  
volunteers from each of the local churches  
to serve on the initial committee.**

**The food bank has provided food for  
families in the Haven area ever since. Now  
Jean Beal is  
the chairman and oversees the  
fifteen-member committee.**

## Items the Haven Food Bank Needs:

- boxes of cereal
  - peanut butter
  - Jelly
- Spaghetti and sauce
  - pudding cups
  - Jello
- macaroni and cheese
- Canned vegetables
  - Canned fruit
  - Canned soup



# June Human Needs Collection benefits: IRC Wichita



The International Rescue Committee provides opportunities for refugees, asylees, victims of human trafficking, survivors of torture, and other immigrants to thrive in America

The IRC helps people to survive, recover and rebuild their lives.



## We serve

people whose lives have been upended by war, conflict and natural disasters



## We work

in countries where people don't have the support they need to recover from crisis



## We respond

within 72 hours, staying to help countries stabilize and people rebuild their lives

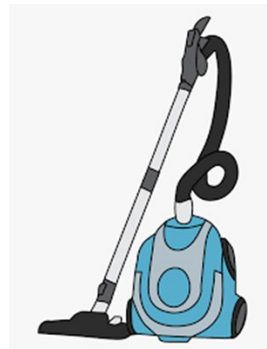


## We resettle

refugees welcomed by the United States, helping them to succeed and thrive

**Items they need:**  
**Cleanings supplies and household goods such as:**

- . **All purpose cleaners**
  - . **Sponges**
  - . **Paper towels**
  - . **Brooms**
  - . **Dustpans**
- . **Vacuum cleaners**
- . **Plastic laundry baskets**
- . **Reusable bags with handles**
  - . **Large plastic storage containers w/lids (Families use them for doing laundry)**



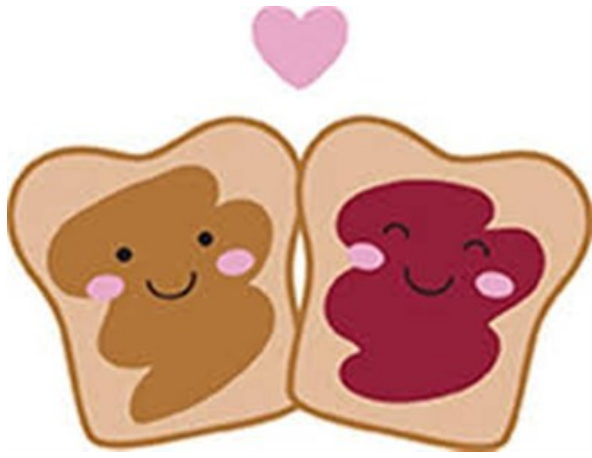
**Also collecting:**  
**Household and hygiene items, diapers**  
**and small electronics.**  
**(Anything for a household except for**  
**furniture.)**



Please consider a **monetary** donation so **money** can be used to purchase big ticket items.

**Checks** can be made out to “Christ Lutheran” with IRC in the memo line or designate your gift when using the electronic giving station (Square) at church.





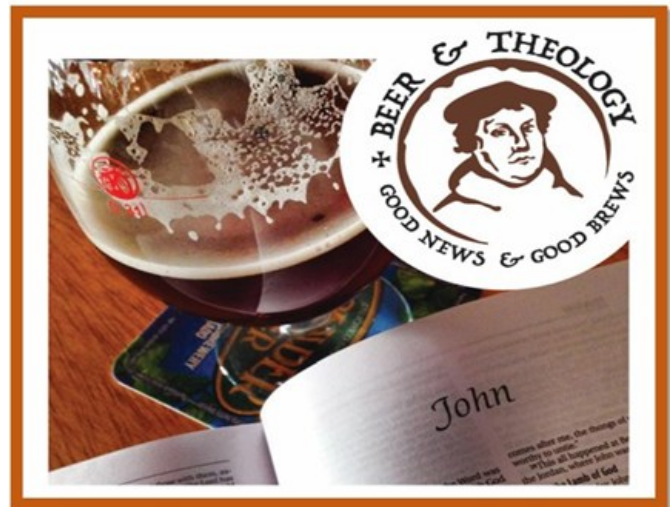
## SANDWICH SATURDAY

Our next opportunity to serve our community through Sandwich Saturday is coming up! On Friday, May 22nd, we will meet at church around 5:30pm to make about 150 peanut butter & jelly sandwiches and put together that many sack lunches. On Saturday morning, May 23rd, we will deliver them downtown and pass them out to people experiencing hunger and homelessness. We need help both

days, but especially on Friday night for preparation. If you can help, please mark the tear-off and/or just show up. This is a great service opportunity for people of all ages and abilities. Thanks!

***Mark your calendars now for the 3rd Monday of the month!***

Beer & Theology was a great hit last month so Pastor Andrew Beers is offering this event every 3rd Monday evening of the month. Bring your own questions to ask the group! From there, we open the floor for discussion & exploration. Bring your own curiosity for learning and exploring! As a topic is brought up, we will explore how it impacts our lives today, and how it is impacted by our culture. Lots of great food available to purchase and any drink you prefer to drink.



## **Beer & Theology**

**MAY 18th (Monday) 6pm - 8pm**

**Location: "The Depot Pizza & Taps" 711 E. Douglas Ave #105, Wichita, KS 67202 (Upstairs Room Reserved)**

## **MAY NEWSLETTER 2026 PART TWO OF QUIZ- DO YOU KNOW YOUR BIBLE?**

1. DURING HIS MATCH WITH THE PROPHETS OF BAAL, ELIJAH BUILD AN ALTER AND DUG A DITCH AROUND IT AND THEN FILLED IT WITH WOOD FOR A BONFIRE. WHAT DID ELIJAH HAVE THE 450 PROPHETS OF BAAL DO NEXT?

- A) LIGHT THE BONFIRE
- B) PRAY TO THEIR GOD TO LIGHT THE FIRE FROM MORNING TILL EVENING WITH NO LUCK
- C) BROUGHT SACRIFICES TO BURN ALONG WITH THE WOOD
- D) DRENCHED THE WOOD WITH WATER THREE TIMES
- E) LAID DOWN AND CRIED WHEN THEY COULD NOT GET THEIR GOD TO SET FIRE TO THE WOOD

2. HOW WAS ELIJAH TAKEN UP TO HEAVEN BY GOD?

- A) CHARIOT OF FIRE AND HORSES
- B) BY A TORNADO
- C) BY A WHIRLWIND
- D) GOD GRABBED HIS HAND AND THEY LEFT TOWARDS HEAVEN

3. ELISHA WAS ON HIS WAY TO BETHEL; AS HE WAS GOING A GROUP OF YOUNG MEN CAME AROUND HIM AND STARTED CALLING HIM NAMES-- BALDHEAD, CHROMEDOME, GET OUT OF HERE. ELISHA CURSED THEM IN THE NAME OF THE LORD. THEN WHAT HAPPENED?

- A) THE YOUNG MEN RAN AWAY
- B) TWO FEMALE BEARS CAME OUT OF THE WOODS AND MAULED 42 OF THEM TO PIECES
- C) THE YOUNG MEN WERE PUNISHED BY THEIR ELDERS
- D) THE YOUNG MENS' MOTHERS CAME AND TOOK THEM BY THEIR EARS AND LEAD THEM HOME

4. HAVE YOU HEARD THE EXPRESSION " THE LION WILL LAY DOWN WITH THE LAMB"? WHERE IS THIS FOUND IN THE BIBLE?

- A) IN THE BOOK OF REVELATION
- B) IN THE GOSPEL OF JOHN
- C) IN THE BOOK OF ISAIAH
- D) IN THE BOOK OF PSALMS
- E) THE PRASE IS NOT IN THE BIBLE

5. THIS THREE WORD PHRASE IS IN THE BIBLE 365 TIMES. WHAT IS IT?

- A) LOVE THE LORD
- B) JESUS LOVES ME
- C) DON'T BE AFRAID
- D) PLEASE GO HOME
- E) LEAVE ME ALONE

6. ONE DAY IS LIKE A 1000 YEARS. WHO SAID THIS AND WHO IS HE TALKING ABOUT?

- A) PAUL ABOUT JOSEPH
- B) PETER ABOUT GOD
- C) GOD ABOUT ENOCH
- D) SOLOMON ABOUT DAVID

7) WHO TOOK JUDAS' PLACE AMONG THE TWELVE?

- A) JOSEPH
- B) MATTHIAS
- C) APOLLOS
- D) MARCUS

8. WHEN WE GET TO HEAVEN, WHAT LANGUAGE WILL WE SPEAK?

- A) ARIMAIC
- B) HEBREW
- C) GREEK
- D) GERMAN
- E) LATIN
- F) GOOD QUESTION, I HAVE NO IDEA

9. WHICH BOOK OF THE BIBLE DOES NOT MENTION GOD.

- A) RUTH
- B) EZRA
- C) JOEL
- D) ESTER
- E) HAGGAI

10. THERE IS ONLY ONE TIME IN THE BIBLE THAT A BIRTHDAY IS CELEBRATED. WHERE IS IT FOUND?

- A) MATTHEW
- B) JOHN
- C) LUKE
- D) MARK
- E) JOB

11. WHICH PROPHET HAD A VISION IN THE VALLEY OF DRY BONES?

- A) DANIEL
- B) NATHAN
- C) EZEKIEL
- D) HOSEA
- E) JOEL

12. WHO WAS JESUS' BIRTH FATHER?

- A) JOSEPH
- B) GABRIEL
- C) AN ANGEL
- D) THE HOLY SPIRIT
- E) MICHAEL

13. HOW MANY BROTHERS DID JESUS HAVE

- A) 2
- B) 3
- C) 4
- D) 5

14. WHO PAID THE BILLS FOR JESUS AND HIS FOLLOWERS?

- A) MATHEW
- B) PETER
- C) JOHN
- D) SEVERAL WOMEN OF WHOM JESUS HEALED
- E) EARLY CHURCHES

15. NAME THE TWO O.T. PEOPLE WHO APPEARED DURING JESUS' TRANSFIGURATION?

- A) ABRAHAM AND MOSES
- B) ELIJAH AND ABRAHAM
- C) ELIJAH AND MOSES
- D) ABRAHAM AND DAVID

### ANSWERS

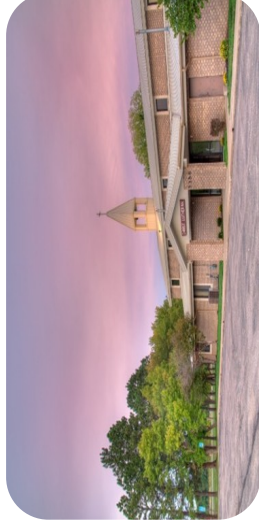
1. D - 1 KINGS 18:30-39 --HAVE YOU EVER TRIED TO START A CAMPFIRE AFTER IT RAINED?
2. C - 11 KINGS 2:9-12--WHIRLWIND
3. B - 11 KINGS 2:23-25-BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU SAY TO A PROPHET
4. E - ISAIAH 11:6-9 -WOLF WITH THE LAMB-LION WITH THE CALF
5. C - ISAIAH 41:13-- DON'T BE AFRAID
6. B) - 11 PETER 3:8-9
7. B) - ACTS 1:23
- 8, F) --??? - VERY GOOD QUESTION
9. D) - ESTER
10. E) - JOB 1:3-5
11. C) - EZEKIEL 37
12. D) - MATTHEW 1:20 --GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT
13. C) -- MARK 6:3 - JAMES, JOSEPH, SIMON, JUDAS
14. D) - LUKE 8:1-3
15. C) - ELIJAH AND MOSES- LUKE 9 28-36

# Christ Lutheran Church

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## Church Council

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 Secretary Kali Mills  
 Parish Ministry Associate Jody Helton

## Staff Relations Committee

Council Mallory Fowler  
 Staff David Lechner  
 Pastor Forrest Ehmke

## May Worship Volunteers

Date	Time	Usher	Greeters	PPT	Soundboard	Leader	Reader	Goodies	Altar Guild	Tellers/Offering
5/3	9:00	Landon Clouse	Jody Helton	Justin Clouse	Jim Garrelts	Mary Garrelts	Julie Stiebner	Kari Clouse	Juanita Freed	Donn B & Cindy T
	11:00	Donn Bischoff	Becky Dykstra	Maynard Peterson	Matt Becker	Bonnie Johnson	Shannon Banta	Deb Bischoff	Becky Dykstra	
5/10	9:00	Justin Clouse	Landon Clouse	Mary Garrelts	Jim Garrelts	Alan Wondra	Robin Pressnall	<b>NEED ONE</b>	Derek Farris	Paul S & Becky D
	11:00	Paul Shaw	Taylor Cook	Paige Gibbs	Courtlynn Dykstra	Maynard Peterson	Rosie Harder	Jamie Gibbs	Chandra Entwisle	
5/17	9:00	Landon Clouse	Justin Clouse	<b>NEED ONE</b>	Jim Garrelts	Jody Helton	Lantana Howell	Mary Garrelts	Janet Miller	Donn B & Jamie G
	11:00	Rich Harder	Maynard Peterson	Casey Dykstra	Entwisles	Donn Bischoff	Jean Beal	<b>NEED ONE</b>	Schweitzer	
5/24	10:30	Ben Gibbs	Donn Bischoff	Landon Clouse	Jim Garrelts	Mary Garrelts	Kari Clouse	<b>NEED ONE</b>	Dionne Becker	Donn B & Becky D
5/31	9:00	Landon Clouse	<b>NEED ONE</b>	Justin Clouse	Jim Garrelts	Mary Garrelts	Julie Stiebner	Kari Clouse	Juanita Freed	
		11:00	Donn Bischoff	Paul Shaw	Maynard Peterson	<b>NEED ONE</b>	Ben Gibbs	Deb Bischoff	Chandra Entwisle	

# May 2026

Sun

Mon

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Fri

Sat

					<p>1 May Day</p> 	<p>2</p>
<p>3</p>	<p>4 Falcon Falls HOA</p> 	<p>5 Quilters 9 AM</p> <p>Men's Bible Study 10:30am</p>	<p>6 Women's Bible Study 10:30am</p> 	<p>7 National Day Of Prayer</p> 	<p>8</p>	<p>9 Men's Breakfast 8 AM</p> 
<p>10 Happy Mother's Day!</p> 	<p>11 Church Council 6 PM</p> 	<p>12 Men's Bible Study 10:30am</p> 	<p>13 Women's Bible Study 10:30am</p> 	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16 Armed Forces Day</p> 
<p>17 Senior Sunday</p> 	<p>18</p>	<p>19 Men's Bible Study 10:30am</p> 	<p>20 Women's Bible Study 10:30am</p> 	<p>21</p>	<p>22 Sandwich Saturday Prep 5:30 PM</p>	<p>23 Sandwich Saturday Delivery 10:30 AM</p>
<p>24 One Worship Service 10:30 AM</p> <hr/> <p>31 Summer Worship Hours</p>	<p>25 Memorial Day</p> 	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>



# May Birthdays

Monday, May 4– Ruby Garrelts	Tuesday, May 5– Catherine Patry	Thursday, May 7– Janet Miller
Thursday, May 7– Jennifer Axman	Saturday, May 9– Matt Helmick	Wednesday, May 13– Alleigh Stucky
Thursday, May 14– Kathryn White	Friday, May 15– Julianne Evans	Saturday, May 16– Twila Medlock
Saturday, May 16– Jacob Freed	Saturday, May 16– Nathaniel Becker	Tuesday, May 19– Ben Gibbs
Tuesday, May 19– Mallory Fowler	Tuesday, May 19– Spenser Callison	Thursday, May 21– Shawn Meier-McFerren
Friday, May 22– Korina Lechner	Sunday, May 24– Maynard Peterson	Monday, May 25– Larry Zabel
Thursday, May 28– Ken Knappenberger	Friday, May 29– Laura Storrie	Friday, May 29– Steve Slipsager
Friday, May 29– Charlize Hentzen		

# May Anniversaries

Tuesday, May 12—Spenser & Nora Callison	Monday, May 18– Morgan & Melanie Barnhill	Friday, May 22– Alan & Sylvia Schmidt
Monday, May 25—Forrest & Catherine Ehmke	Thursday, May 28– Rich & Rosie Harder	Saturday, May 30– Michael & Kari Clouse



# May Baptism Anniversaries

Friday, May 1– Janice Cross	Sunday, May 3– Beth Wenner	Tuesday, May 5– Joe Raleigh
Monday, May 11– Kinley Thompson	Thursday, May 14– Jacob Callison	Thursday, May 14– William Callison
Friday, May 22– Brian Miller	Saturday, May 23– Heather Boyce	