

WELCOME TREASURED MEMBERS AND HONORED GUESTS! Life and death can eat away at our spirits, but our God has provided the help and healing we need in Jesus who devours death and puts us on a path that leads to real and lasting life.

If you are a visitor, we would like to get to know you better. Please fill out a Call to Christian Fellowship Card and join us again soon.

THE LORD'S SUPPER is celebrated at this Congregation in the glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood in this Sacrament for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Because Holy Communion is also a statement of faith, any who hold a confession differing from that of this Congregation, are asked first to speak with a Pastor. Individual cups are available, in addition to the common cup, as you approach the Altar. **Non-alcoholic white wine** is available in the center of the tray.

VISION STATEMENT: Christ Lutheran Church will continue its Christ-centered, life-directed focus, responding to the needs of its members, emphasizing local and worldwide witness, and acting as a catalyst for the improvement of the neighborhood.

OUR WORSHIP DURING THE LENTEN SEASON:

Hymns & Liturgy: As printed on the insert

The First Lesson: Isaiah 43:16-21.Bible Page 604

The Second Lesson: Philippians 3(4b-7)8-14.Bible Page 981

The Holy Gospel: Luke 20:9-20Bible Page 879

Adult Bell Choir, 8:00 AM

3rd-5th Grade, 10:45

Organist: Miss Julie Koch

Sermon: Rev. Karl F. Eckhoff

Amos 7:1-6 "Locusts Here, Locusts There, Locusts Everywhere

ELDERS PRAYING with the Pastors before each service: 8:00 AM - Mr. Tommie Washington; 10:45 AM - Mr. Mike Clayton.
ASSISTING WITH HOLY COMMUNION: 8:00 AM - Mr. Larry Von Behren, Mr. Tommie Washington; 10:45 AM - Mr. Mike Clayton, Mr. Matt VandeVoorde.

OUR MID-WEEK LENTEN SERVICES conclude this Wednesday, March 24th at 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM. This year we'll be focusing on the cross from the perspectives of 2 Old Testament prophets. Midweek observances will draw from the prophet Isaiah; while Sunday's will focus on the Word of God from Amos. We pray that we might all be blessed in the hearing of God's gracious Word of forgiveness and life in Christ.

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN: The Evangelism Board is hosting the Christ Lutheran Church/School Annual Easter Egg Hunt this Saturday, March 27th. We will have the youth helping out with games and other activities with other boards. We are asking for donations of eggs and candies to fill the eggs or any other ideas to put in the eggs. Please drop any donations off at the Church Office.

USHERS FOR MARCH: 8:00 AM - Team 2 (Samuel-Hannah Team); 10:45 AM - Team 5 (Simeon-Anna Team).

FLOWERS ARE PLACED on the Altar today to the glory of God and in celebration of Mrs. Fran Randle's 75th birthday on March 23rd by her family.

GREETING YOU THIS MORNING before the 8:00 AM Service is Mrs. Donna Gogele and Mrs. Roberta Mehrings. Before the 10:45 AM Service is Mrs. Laura Baize and Mrs. Marilyn Berkshier.

ACOLYTES: Johnathan Rayford, Zachary Zentko
Joshua Eckhoff, Jacob Winkle
NEXT SUNDAY: Angela Kelly, Elizabeth Kelly
Marizza Seling, Emma Whitehead

LAST WEEK: Tithes and offerings: \$8,846.08, total to date: \$22,629.63. Improvement Fund: \$220.00, total to date: \$850.00. Attendance: 128+162=290. Sunday School Attendance: N-2nd, 15; 3rd-8th, 16; HS, 14; Adults, 78; Visitors, 4; Total, 128.

THIS IS THE 12th SUNDAY OF OUR PLEDGE YEAR.

PASTOR SCHELLHAS IS IN ST. LOUIS this weekend with Justin Price as CID representatives to the annual Council of Lutheran Youth Fellowship Representatives (CLYFR), the group of youth who act as a steering committee for the national program of LC-MS Youth Ministry. Pastor and Justin are acting as representatives of the CID Youth Ministry Committee, on which they both serve.

SENIOR CLUB will meet this Friday, March 26th at 12 noon for lunch and then our meeting. A great meal is promised and then a song or two and some jokes.

THE WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY will meet on Friday, March 26th at 6:30 PM at Christel VandeVoorde's. The Monday night group will meet on March 29th at 6:30 PM at Leeann Schellhas'.

THE LWML invites the ladies of our congregation and their guests to our Birthday Dinner Celebration on April 20th. Dinner is at 6:00 PM at the Childer's Banquet Center at 3113 Dries Lane, Peoria. Guest speakers will be from the South Side Mission. Cost will be \$15 per person. Please make reservations by April 12th by calling Susan Gulley, 682-6992; Jane Millard, 697-8733; or Irene Hoeltje, 689-0548.

NEW CHILDREN'S BULLETINS are being considered by the Elders. The new bulletins from CPH have fun, colorful content that directly correlates with the readings of the day in church. Any parents with young children who use the current children's bulletins are strongly encouraged to talk with Ron Millard, Sr. between services today, to view the new bulletins and give input.

HOSPITALIZED: Methodist - Mrs. Marilyn Otten.

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS: Continued prayers for Ruth Butsch, Kathryn Clarke, Al & Delma DeWeerth, Rita Fistler, Amie Hester, Raymond Marvel, Jean Reinhart, Cleone Schliepsiek, Donna Schmidt, Margaret Schreiber, Marilyn Smith, for our members in the military; for our Church boards and their members; for the 75th birthday of Mrs. Fran Randle on March 23rd.

HERE AND THERE ... **Coffeecakes and rolls** are needed for the Easter breakfast. If you'd like to help with this, call Laura Baize ... There are a **couple of coupons** for a \$15 savings when you pay in full by 3/27/10 for any camp experience over \$100 at Camp Cilca. Call (217)487-7497 or go to www.Cilca.org ... **Confirmands** looking for your bread pans; please look in the Church Office ... **COMING SOON - SATURDAY, APRIL 10TH -POTATO PANCAKE SUPPER** ... **Portals of Prayer** for April through June are available at each of the exits and in the Annex. Be sure and pick up one of these for your personal and family devotions ... As you look forward to your worship next Sunday, you should read the **appointed lessons** for Palm Sunday:

The First Lesson: Deuteronomy 32:36-39
The Second Lesson: Philippians 2:5-11
The Holy Gospel: Luke 22:1-23:56

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

Fri., March 19 - Sunday, March 21 - OAFc (Christ, Peoria)
Sat., March 27 - Winter Jam in Normal, IL. - 4:00 - 11:30 PM
Sun., April 4th - Easter Breakfast (Youth serving)
Sat., April 10th - Potato Pancake Supper fundraiser
Sun., April 11th, 12 Noon - National Youth Gathering
MANDATORY meeting
Sun., April 11th - District Bible Bowl
Fri., April 16 - Sunday, April 18 - Confirmation Retreat
(Great Oaks Camp)
Sat., April 17th - CID Pre-Gathering Mardi Gras Celebration
Fri., April 23 - Sunday, April 25 OAFc (Mt. Calvary, Galesburg)

BID ON A TRUCK, SUPPORT OUR YOUTH: Through a very generous donation from the Marvel family, the Youth Board will be auctioning a “Cubby Blue” 1994 Chevy S10 pickup truck, with all the proceeds going toward the youth and adults attending the National Youth Gathering in July. It is in excellent condition, has a manual transmission and 70,000 miles. For more information or to place a bid, please call Dee at 637-5309.

CYF - There is a sign up sheet for Winter Jam this Saturday, March 27th on the Youth bulletin board. We will be leaving at 4:00 PM, not 5:00 PM as previously stated. If that is a problem for anyone, please contact Pastor Schellhas

THIS YEAR LWML is collecting items quarterly for four area organizations. We will conclude our collection for South Side Mission next week. If you would like to participate with us, you can bring non-perishable food items or paper products next Sunday. There will be boxes across from the Community Room and in the Annex. Thanks for your help. Our second quarter collection will be for Neighborhood House.

YOUTHBUILDS: It’s been a while since I visited with you about the Youthbuilds’ project, where we would partner with The City of Peoria, Habitat for Humanity, Bradley Univ. & other contacts to build a new home on the site of our present playground on Malone. Plans are progressing, but a key step in the process is finding a buyer. **These projects are designed to help people find housing they might not otherwise be able to afford.** It would be our desire to extend this help to someone within our worshiping community. If you or someone you know might be interested in this opportunity, see Pastor Eckhoff soon. If a potential, eligible buyer cannot be identified within our Christ Lutheran family, we will then broaden our search.

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING: March 21-27, 2010

- SUN:** Serve dinner at Neighborhood House
Lifelight @ VandeVoorde’s & Wieland’s.6:30 PM
- MON:** Pastor Schellhas at Conference
- TUE:** Day School Board Meeting.5:00 PM
Evangelism Call Night.6:30 PM
- WED:** Lifelight Bible Study @ Church.8:30 AM
Lenten Services10:00 AM & 7:00 PM
Youth Choir3:35 PM
Confirmation.5:30 PM
SO1024 Bible Study5:30 PM
Adult Choir Practice.7:45 PM
- THU:** Quilting.12 Noon
Bell Choir Practice6:15 PM
Lifelight @ Frazell’s & Lannert’s.6:30 PM
- FRI:** Senior Club.12 Noon
Women’s Bible Study @ VandeVoorde’s. . . .6:30 PM
- SAT:** CLS Track Meet @ Champaign.9:00 AM
Adopt-a-Block.9:45 AM
CYF Winter Jam in Normal.4:00 PM