

The Bridge July 16, 2021

(see below for Habitat House pictures and Renovation Update!)

WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY, JULY 18, 2021

at 10 am we will share communion

Please wear a mask if you are not vaccinated or if you feel more comfortable with a mask on.

Zoom Link is below:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85691010897?pwd=TXhoZTgrWVlGaFFteXMrOEtPSkNmdz09

Meeting ID: 856 9101 0897 Passcode: loveCLCHHI

You will need the password to access every Zoom meeting.

Go to our website: **www.clchhi.org** to view recordings of each Sunday's worship services.

Click Here for Today's Bulletin

Would you like to greet people on Sunday mornings and hand them a bulletin for the service?

That is what an usher would do before the service. You would also direct the congregation to communion. If you are interested in serving, please contact Phyllis Rowe, jprowe@hargray.com.

To read Pr. June's Sermon from last Sunday, Click Here http://revjunewilkinssermons.blogspot.com/



Stewardship For All Seasons: Service

But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth. -- 1 John 3:17-18

Our stewardship team this year wants to stress that stewardship is not just about a fall pledge drive or just about monetary giving. Stewardship is how we use our time, money, and gifts to invest in our church, serve God, and serve our community. And that is a year-round consideration and commitment.

If you have been to worship in Heinrich's Hall, you've noticed the displays of our Service Ministries.

Service to our community is not just one program of our church. It is vital to our ministry together. It is the outward expression of our faith and our love towards all of God's people. This is also the place where we have the most contact with our community through our many volunteers and through the people that we help. This is our congregation's stewardship to our community.

We are each called, in different ways, to serve God and one another. Stewardship is defined as the "the job of supervising of taking care of something". We are called to take care of the people who surround us. There are many ways to help in these ministries: making sandwiches, stocking the pantry, hosting a family, building a house, giving funds. And your gifts to Christ Lutheran help fund and support these ministries.

I encourage you now, and in all seasons, to consider how to be a good steward, and how to serve our community!

Rev. June Wilkins

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http://revjunewilkinssermons.blogspot.com/



In the aftermath of Hurricane Matthew in 2016, there were a number of displaced persons on Hilton Head who needed a place to stay while their homes were being repaired. That was Christ Lutheran's introduction to housing families in need in our facility. Two families lived in the Sale building for 3 months. From that good experience our thoughts turned to getting personally involved with Family Promise, not just helping other churches. We met with Family Promise, gathered all the supplies we needed and found our volunteers. Lucky for us we had three other churches and a synagogue who would work with us. We invited our first group of families in 2017 for a one week stay. Since that time we have welcomed families twice a year. In the past three (excluding Covid) we have signed up to do a total of four weeks per year. Family Promise (FP) is a national organization whose goal it is to meet the needs of families that are temporarily without a home and equip them get back on their feet. Their motto is "Every Child Deserves a Home." During Covid19, FP housed folks in extended stay hotels since it wasn't possible to use church facilities. Starting in 2022 they will once again use church facilities. Families (a couple with children or a single parent with children) are vetted to enter the program by FP to determine their desire of do the hard work it takes to re-order their lives and get back on their feet. The temporary assistance that FP gives allows them to have a safe place to stay and food provided for a period of up to 3 months. Families move to a new church every Sunday and stay for one week. Some folks are working and some are looking for work. Not having to pay for rent and food gives them an opportunity to save for a deposit on an apartment. Adults in the program go to a FP Center in Bluffton during the day to get assistance in finding a job and are given practical knowledge in budgeting and child rearing. The children attend school or are in day care. This gives their parents free time to work or sharpen their skills.

Christ Lutheran volunteers have pitched in to help with evening meal preparation and overnight stays at our church. We thank you and hope to count on that continued spirit of giving. In addition to these duties, supplies and people are needed to launder sheets, towels and blankets. Christ Lutheran has signed up to host in January 2022 and will be sending out details on volunteer opportunities closer to the date. Because one of the churches has decided to host FP in their facility with the Synagogue assisting them, CLC will be in need of more volunteers. (In the past we have shared these duties with St. Francis Catholic Church and Hilton Head Island Community Church.

FROM THE COVID TASK FORCE

COVID is not over--in fact the number of cases is increasing. Please protect you and your family by getting vaccinated.

Volunteers in Medicine (VIM) is now offering the Moderna Vaccine every Thursday from 10 to 11 am and 1 to 2 PM at the clinic. This is not just for VIM patients.

Please call to pre-register by calling 843-681-6612 ext. 227, for English, ext. 252 for Spanish.

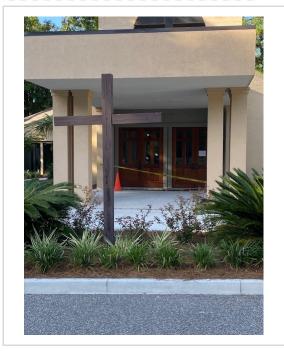
RENOVATION UPDATE:

Work on our renovation project continues! Our list of everything that needs to get completed gets shorter every week. We have experienced a couple of delays, but we are on schedule for an August opening. As the time gets closer, we will let everyone know when our first Sunday worship in the sanctuary will begin.



We are excited and we thank you for your patience.

Stay posted!





ALMOST BUT NOT YET!



MEN OF CHRIST

Join Bob & Ray (Abdou & Makalous) for our first

Men's Breakfast, last Wednesday in July (the 28 th) at 7:30 am

at the Plantation Cafe North, 95 Matthews Drive.

No agenda, just a time to eat pancakes and eggs together!



A NEW, ONLINE CHURCH DIRECTORY IS IN THE MAKING

Suzy Makalous, Carol Benton and the office staff are in the process of making

a new, updated church directory available.

Please be on the lookout for emails.

If we do not have your picture on file, you will receive an email asking to upload one to the directory.



It will be a few more weeks before we publish the directory but soon we all should have instant access on our phones to this directory.

If you do NOT want to be in the directory, please let us know! If you are not a member, associate member, or regular worship attendee you might not be automatically in it. Please contact the office and let us know if you want to be included!

RIDES TO CHURCH

If you would like to come to church, but need a ride, call the church office or call Paulette Stefanik at 843-785-9592.



Also, if you know someone who needs a ride OR if you are willing to provide a ride to and from church, call Paulette also.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Wednesday Bible Study is taking a short summer break. We will begin meeting again on Aug 4 using a new study - "Confident Hope". Study guides are available in the office. If you are not on Hilton Head, please ask Linda to send you one.



OUR FAITH IN ACTION

Our church is partnering with Habitat for Humanity, Thrivent, and seven other local churches in a 2021 Faith Build project to raise walls, funds, and prayers to help build a home for a local family in need of safe, affordable housing. walls being raised, and meet the homeowner family. Join in prayer for a blessing of this project and the family.

Sign up to help build or provide refreshments during OUR special work days, Saturday August 15, or Saturday, September 11 from 7:45AM- 12 noon. You can also volunteer during Habitat's regular volunteer hours, Tuesday-Friday, 8:AM-12PM, and register on-line at habitathhi.org. Any questions, please contact Leslie Heavener at pjst48e2@gmail.com, or 706-830-3943.

Pictures from the 2021 Faith Raising Ceremony on Saturday July 10, at 10AM.

Pictured From left: Carol Benton

Pastor June John Prange



Ray Makalous Leslie Heavener Gary Heavener Joyce Prange

Working as a team!



Measure twice and cut once!

From left: Pastor June, a friend and Yolanda the home owner.



To make a contribution to Habitat:

For those who make monetary contributions on-line, you now have another option for donations to the Habitat for Humanity house we are helping to build. There is now a link directly to a 2021 Faith Build Fundraising Page. To access this page, look under

"Ministry" on the CLC home page, and scroll to Service Ministry where you can find the link. Thank you all for your support to help a local family find safe, affordable housing. We have donated over \$2,000. so far, and our goal is \$3,500! Putting our faith into action is awesome!



We are sorry to announce the passing of our member and friend, Joyce Keller, on Monday, July 12th.

Our sincere condolences to her family and friends.

Prayers--

(Most recent are put at the top of the list)
Please advise the office if situations have changed.
Thank You!



Elizabeth Murray who is having cataract surgery on July 13th and 20th.

Deanna Coyne is requesting prayer for her brother, Jim Donaldson, who is very ill.

Lori Mauer (Christ Preschool's music teacher) who fell and hurt her leg.

Steven Szymanski, Robin Baselice's brother, testing for ALS.

David Gendlsen, cancerous brain tumor, friend of Robin and Fran Baselice

Dana Dapolito, relative of Robin and Fran Baselice, reoccurring cancer.

Alex Kasten

Connie Simon

Bill Putrino

Gary Gregory (Lois Gregory's son) for ongoing health issues

Any prayer requests for Christ Lutheran members or friends can be shared with Linda in the church office at **info@clchhi.com** or with Pr. June at **pastorjune@clchhi.com**. Please include the person's address that you wish us to pray for. If you'd like to call the office, you can do so between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm Monday- Thursday at (843)785-5560.



Sunday, July 18 10:00 am IN PERSON Worship with Pastor June in Heinrich's Hall with Communion

Tuesday, July 20

10:00 am Staff Meeting 6:00 pm Council Meeting, Heinrich's Hall

Wednesday, July 21

Bible Study on break until August 4--Zoom (Kathy Mork) No Bell Practice

Thursday, July 22 11:00 am Lunch Break Program

Friday, July 23 Church Office Closed

Silke Pyrlik is out of the office until August 2

Church Office Hours: Monday - Thursday: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm 843-785-5560