

## The Bridge September 17, 2021

## WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY



## Masks are recommended for all people, regardless of vaccination status.

Please distance yourself from those not in your family as you sit in the sanctuary.

The pastor and assistants will be serving communion.

They will be masked. If you would rather use the pre-packaged communion, they are available as you come in.

## WE WILL BE LIVE STREAMING on YOUTUBE!

#### Just click on the link! That's it!

You can make your screen take up the full screen on your computer or pad by clicking on the small box on the bottom right of the YouTube picture (or you can leave it the way it is.)

Doing it this way, the picture and the sound will be much better and you will be able to see the slides for the hymns so you can sing along at home!

If you'd like to watch the worship after Sunday, you can just click on this link too!

Here is the link.

https://youtu.be/sNWL8EwHlgo

## You or You?

In modern America, we are mostly very individualistic thinkers. Each of us and our families are individual, independent, groups that either rise or fall on our own. This goes for how we view salvation and God too. People ask, "Do **you** have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ?" "What do I need do to gain eternal life?"

The reality is that people in biblical times, hardly ever thought of themselves individually in relationship with God. It was understood that their community was in relationship with God. Everyone swam or sank together. One of the problems for we that speak English is that the words for "you" singular, is the same as the word for "you" plural. The Greek and Hebrew don't have that confusion. Very few of the "you"s in scripture are singular.

(Some people have found it helpful to use the southern version of you which is "y'all". Or even "all y'all" to make this distinction. There's actually fun and informative internet translation of the bible called the "Y'all Version" which you can see here <a href="https://yallversion.com/">https://yallversion.com/</a>.)

For instance, Jeremiah 29:11 "For surely I know the plans I have for **you**, says the Lord, plans for **your** welfare and not for harm, to give **you** a future with hope." This is the scripture used for most every Judeo/Christian graduation in the last 25 years. When we use it this way, I believe we imagine it directed at one person individually. God has plans for this one person. But this is written to "all y'all" not just one person. And if you read the beginning of the chapter, the letter is written to all of Jerusalem. There are actually many, many examples like this in the scriptures.

So what's the point of all this? I'm saying that the scripture wants us to understand that we are much more connected to one another than we might imagine. Our salvation is not some independent thing that we gain or lose on our own. It's gained or lost in community. If one of us are lost, we all are lost. My relationship with God is dependent on my relationship with others.

Now this could be good news or bad news for some people. I can't just say, "I've done my job. I'm good with God, and all y'all can just lump it." Our hearts, and minds, and souls are linked to one another. So when I am strong, I can help others, and when I am weak, others help me. This is how faith works. This is how God works. And I think that is good news.

Pr. June

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http://reviunewilkinssermons.blogspot.com/

To read Pr. June's Sermon from last Sunday, Click Here <a href="http://revjunewilkinssermons.blogspot.com/">http://revjunewilkinssermons.blogspot.com/</a>

Sing to the Lord a New Song! Ps. 96

Since the 1990's, Contemporary Christian Music has



created a different style of music from the traditional hymns we all grew up with. Some churches have embraced the variety in worship music styles, but for most people, they prefer one style over another. Many times it is a comfort level, such as "I don't know that new song, so I can't sing it", "I don't care for that old organ music", "I don't like guitars/drums in church", "These old hymns/new songs mean nothing to me", "It's too loud/ too slow/ too long"...

If we are honest with ourselves, all these reasons are about "does this please me?", and not about "does this please God?"

"Our worship *should* reach in three directions:

- *Upward*. We're to love and honor God.
- *Outward*. We're to serve and uplift each other.
- *Inward*. We're to encourage our silly hearts and tired minds to respond."\* So, while we at CLC have been through many changes in the last few years, the music program and resources have also changed. As the music coordinator, I am working hard to provide a variety of music genres and incorporate more members and guests to enhance our worship experience. Each week, the mix of available talent changes, as does the artists (they have their own abilities and preferences, too!)

So we have had the band a few times in September, then we are having a guest pianist the end of September and for All Saints Day in November, and an organist several times in October, and other varieties after that.

So if you are thinking, "why can't we have more traditional/newer/softer/rock band/organ/laser light show & fog machine/classical hymns/songs", just remember that we all have different preferences and ideas. But God has ALL these different styles that he created and loved. Just as God loves all of us, just as we are. Let us come together and remember that worshipping God is not about our personal preferences but an act of submitting to God's will and surrendering our ego.

Tami Kuhlmann, MACM
CLC Music Coordinator
\*Tim Gough- Worship Preferences: When Musical Taste Is a Precondition for Worship

# CONNECTED Spiritual Conversations for the Real World



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- Connecting people in meaningful ways through music,
   prayer and in-depth discussions
- Real Life Topics
- Embracing new thoughts and unfamiliar ideas
- Inviting spiritual growth
- Loving, supporting and respectful atmosphere
- Fearless conversations

#### **CONNECTED - Let's talk!**

Please note this change to the original schedule: Wednesdays @ 6 PM September 29 to November 10, 2021 on ZOOM or

SUNDAYS, @ 11:11 AM to 12 PM October 03 to November 14 in person in Heinrichs Hall

(Wednesdays and Sundays will discuss the same thought provoking video and the same scripture)

Topic for 6 fall sessions of study, faith formation and discussion:

## CHRISTIANITY AND CLIMATE CHANGE

**EVERYONE** is welcome!



## MEN OF CHRIST

Come to the Men's Breakfast!
Wednesday, September 22nd, at 7:30am

at The Plantation Café North (off Matthew's Drive).

## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

#### PUT YOUR FAITH INTO ACTION

Christ Lutheran Church, (your church and mine), in conjunction with 9 other local churches have agreed work together. To what end? To help a LOCAL family realize the joys and responsibilities of home ownership through Habitat for Humanity. We need your help to make this happen. To date we have raised \$3,256. of the \$3,500. we have agreed to give. Can you help us reach our monetary goal? AND we are committed to this family with our time, helping to build the Habitat house as well. Several of us have had the opportunity to work on a Habitat house, and no matter how slight your skill level, there is a job calling you name, trust me I know!

We have two additional Saturday dates at the present scheduled to work, October 9, and November 13. These are Saturday dates, and the scheduled times to work are 7:45- 11:30, with a break of 10- 15 minutes. (Other days and times are available through the Habitat website.) I will put up a sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the hallway near the sanctuary.

Please consider how you can help. You will be tired on Saturday afternoon, but you will have a smile on your face, I promise! Many thanks and blessings to all, Leslie Heavener

(questions? 706-830-3943, or <u>pjst48e2@gmail.com</u>)





**Wendy Dickes** 



Leslie Heavener



**Gary Heavener** 

## thrivent

We need your help!

If you are a Thrivent Member please let Pr. June know!

Pastorjune@clchhi.com

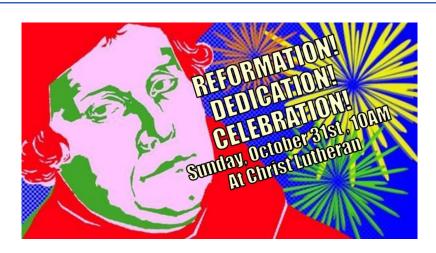
## **Volunteer Cards**

Look in our Ministry Lobby (next to the



sanctuary) and see our new volunteer cards.

Check out ministry area you're interested in (they're color coded!), find something you'd like to be involved in, take the card, call the contact, get involved!



## Come Celebrate With Christ Lutheran! Sunday, October 31st, 2021 Dedication Worship at 10am

Tours of the Church Campus
Light Refreshments & Beverages
immediately following worship

Prizes!

Everyone is Welcome!



CLC's **Altar Guild** plays an integral role in our Worship Ministry. Members of this group are responsible for making certain the sanctuary is ready for worship on Sunday morning. Either working alone or in pairs, they see to it that the altar linens are clean, the correct Parament color is on the altar and the candles are filled with oil. They prepare the communion trays by filling the disposable cups with wine. They place the wine filled chalice and the bread on the altar and cover both with the appropriate linen. They add fresh water to the baptismal font, put the bowls out for disposing of the communion cups and fill the basket in the narthex with pre-filled communion cups.

After worship on Sunday, they are responsible for cleaning up from communion and emptying the baptismal font.

The Altar Guild is eager to recruit news members and provide them with proper training. Members work on a rotating schedule. The group is very flexible with scheduling. If you might be interested in serving on this Guild please contact Doris Stickel, 843-422-2314.



You can now download our new instant church directory to your phone and have instant access to all our member's and regular visitor's contact data.

For security reasons you can only sign up if you yourself are named with your email in the directory.

This secures that only members/regulars have access!

## Here is what you do:

- 1. Download the app to your phone on **Apple Store** or on **google play**
- 2. Open the app
- 3. Sign up with your email
- 4. Confirm your email
- 5. Choose your own password
- 6. Enjoy access to all information

If you need help, please see Silke Pyrlik after the service or in the office during office hours (or email Silke Pyrlik).

If you notice your picture is missing, your information is wrong or you do not want to be named in the directory, send an email with the updated information to the office @ CLC office email

### **Choirs and Ensembles for CLC**

Although COVID numbers are dangerously high right now, we are planning for the future when we can get together as musicians again to lead and enhance worship for Christ Lutheran. So, although it is unclear WHEN we can get back together, I'd like to invite YOU to be a part of the music program going forward!

PLEASE RESPOND TO MY EMAIL: drkuhl83@gmail.com:

Are you interested in being a part of the CLC Music program?

• If so, do you know what your voice range is? (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass)

Do you play any instruments and

- Would you like to play in the Handbell choir?
- If you are a seasonal resident of this area, when do you anticipate being here?
- Would you be interested in solo opportunities or small group ensembles?

Thank you for your prayerful consideration for this important and fun ministry! □ ♥

Yours in the Love of Christ, Tami Kuhlmann Music Coordinator/Director **Drkuhl83@gmail.com** 

## CLC's first ChristKindl Market is coming!



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**DECEMBER 5 4-7PM** 

FELLOWSHIP, FOOD, FUN AND GIFTS TO SHOP FOR A GOOD CAUSE

Contact Silke at the office 843-785-5560 or email silkepyrlik@clchhi.com



We will sell quality homemade crafts and gifts, we will provide food, sweets, music and a gemuetlche atmosphere like the real, original German Christkindl Markt provides!

#### Please get involved!!!

Help is needed with homemade crafts, baking, cooking, set-up, break-down, advertisement, planning, organizing, decoration, and much more!

There is something to do for everyone!

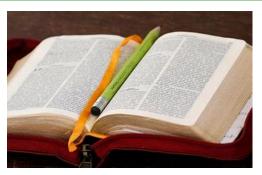
#### Women's Book Club

Our next gathering is Saturday, September 18; we will discuss the book: In An Instant by Suzanne Redfearn. " a tragic, pensive, moving novel that takes you into the lives of 11 people whose worlds are irrevocably changed in the blink of an eye." All women are invited to join us for a lively discussion and wonderful fellowship. At the present time, we most likely will meet at the church, but watch for further details as the date nears. Contact Chris Wilcox at 843-384-1667 for information.

The flower chart for each month will be posted on the bulletin board outside the sanctuary. The cost will be \$45.

You can give them in honor or memory of anyone you wish. Also, you can choose to take them with you or let us distribute them elsewhere.

The memorial/honorarium will be posted in the Sunday bulletin weekly.



## Wednesday Bible Study 11 a.m. via Zoom

## Wednesday Bible Study "Confident Hope"

Paul wrote in his letter to the Romans, "Such things were written in the Scriptures long ago to teach us. And the

Scriptures give us hope and encouragement as we wait patiently for God's promises to be fulfilled."

Threads of faith and hope in God's promises are woven throughout the scriptures. Join us via Zoom for about an hour on Wednesday mornings beginning 11am. We will be discussing "Confident Hope" over the next 13 weeks. The weekly discussions stand alone, so if you can't join us every week, no problem. Join when you can. If you are new to this group, please contact Kathy Mork at klmork@yahoo.com to be added to the email reminder list or if you would like more information. Study guides are available in the office.

Join Zoom Meeting <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6729108287?">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6729108287?</a>
<a href="pwd=UU1qK2pjR21vZnd1WVNOWXRsSTJ4Zz09">pwd=UU1qK2pjR21vZnd1WVNOWXRsSTJ4Zz09</a>

Meeting ID: 672 910 8287 Passcode: 247876

#### COVID UPDATE

The COVID numbers for Hilton Head and Beaufort County are holding steady. The infection rate is .93% and the positive test percentage is 14.2% which means there is still infection circulating in our area. The number of people hospitalized with COVID (91) is a little higher this week and 15 of those need ICU care. Luckily, people are continuing to get vaccinated. The percentage of people who are fully vaccinated is 49.1% while the percentage of people who have had at least one vaccination is 61.1%. Please continue to encourage anyone you know who is not vaccinated to please do so. You can find locations to get the vaccine by going to <a href="https://vaxlocator.dhec.sc.gov/">https://vaxlocator.dhec.sc.gov/</a>.

We will continue to follow the CDC Guidelines recommending all people, regardless of their vaccination status, wear a mask whenever they are indoors in public, as long as the COVID numbers remain elevated. Of note, the threat level has been reduced to "Very High" but that doesn't mean we're out of the woods. Please continue to practice social distancing (except for your immediate family) when you attend in-person worship.

As always, if you are experiencing any COVID symptoms, please stay home to keep

your fellow congregation members safe.

Thank You, Lynn Baglyos

#### **Prayers--**

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



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Jim Woods (Lois Gregory's son-in-law)

Herm and Marilyn Kuhlmann (David's parents) who are in a nursing home in Missouri.

Layne Carver (from Ray M. 8/2)

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

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

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, September 19
10:00 am IN PERSON Worship with Pastor June in our new Sanctuary with Communion

### Tuesday, September 21

10:00 am Staff Meeting, Craft Room 6:30 pm Council Meeting, Heinrich's Hall

### Wednesday, September 22

9:30 am Preschool Chapel 11:00 am Bible Study on Zoom (Kathy Mork) 4:00 pm Bell Practice, Sanctuary

Thursday, September 23 9:30 Preschool Chapel

11:00 am Lunch Break Program 5:30 pm Band Practice, Sanctuary

Pastor June will be out of town through October 4

Friday, September 24 Church Office Closed

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